

Three Hour Mule Deer Challenge Rules

The 3- hour mule deer challenge is for taxidermists to share their skills mounting a mule deer on site in three hours, side by side with competitors, and with a live audience asking them questions while watching them through the process. While this is a fun competition there are a few rules:

- 1- Deer must be mounted, groomed and all final adjustments made in the 3-hour time block.
- 2- Form can be prepped, roughed, with antlers attached and commercial noses installed ahead of time.
- 3- All clay work for eyes and ears must be done in the 3- hour time block.
- 4- Ear butts may be pre-sculpted but must be glued in place in the 3-hour time block.
- 5- Bases for pedestals and habitat are not required but recommended.
- 6- Competitors must bring their own mounting stand and supplies.
- 7- Supplies must fit in a milk crate sized box.
- 8- Judging is final and will be done by the show judges or the competitors and audiences of the 3-hour challenge.

Three Hour Pronghorn Challenge Rules

Same as the Three Hour Mule Deer Challenge Rules

Three Hour Bird Challenge Rules

The 3-hour bird challenge is for taxidermists to share their skills mounting a bird of their choice on site in three hours, side by side with other competitors, and with a live audience asking them questions while watching them through the process. While this is a fun competition there are a few rules:

- 1- Bird must be prepped, mounted, groomed and all final adjustments made in the 3-hour time block. Any touching or adjustments made after the 3-hour block will disqualify the competitor.
- 2- Bird must be skinned, washed, and dry prior to competition. No blowers of any kind during the competition.
- 3- Body and neck must be made on site. All bodies must be carved or wrapped, no commercial bodies allowed.
- 4- Commercial parts are welcome, such as bird heads, eyes and feet.
- 5- Bills and Feet can be pre-painted and are encouraged.
- 6- Pre-made bases are allowed and are encouraged.
- 7- All mounting material must fit in small box or milk crate, the only exception is the base, it may be carried outside of the crate.
- 8- All judging is final and done by either the show judges or the participants and audiences of the 3-hour challenge.

The UTA President has the final say in all Three Hour Challenges.