



# OFFICIAL JUDGING FORM

Local -- State -- Regional -- National

(please print or type)

Judge's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Check One:       Preliminary       Local       State       Regional       National

There must be a minimum of three judges who will adhere to the following rules:

1. The following are not permitted to judge:
  - a. Sponsoring radio station personnel and relatives;
  - b. ChevronTexaco employees;
  - c. Relatives or employer/employee of contestants;
  - d. Must not have competed as a contestant in 2011 against any of the contestants in the show, nor be a local, state or regional winner in 2011;
  - e. Judges of other Texaco Country Showdown contests in which any one of these contestants has competed this year;
  - f. Judges who will be competing against any act in the competition.
2. No audience ballots or applause meters shall be used.
3. This judging form must be used with the point/rating system and cannot be altered. Judges may change their scores as a result of discussions before finalizing the totals on their score sheets to determine the winner.
4. Judges are not to be served alcoholic beverages during any portion of the actual contest performance.
5. Back-up bands or any part thereof are not allowed to participate as contestants. Contestants utilizing these bands are to be judged solely on their individual performance.
6. Contestants are not allowed to utilize recorded music as part of their performance at the State, Regional or National level.
7. Songwriting category is defined as material being written by the individual or member of the contestant group performing the song. You may award up to three (3) bonus points for Song Writing depending on the quality of the material.
8. In the event of a tie, the first tie-breaker shall be the highest number of points given in the "Talent" category. The second tie-breaker shall be the highest number of points awarded in the "Marketability" category. The third tie-breaker shall be a secret ballot by the judges.

I have read and understand the above Rules and Regulations.

I have reviewed the Order of Appearance sheet which names the contestants and hereby state that I have no business or family relationship with any of the said contestants and have not judged any other 2011 Texaco Country Showdown in which any of these contestants have competed.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

