

HORSE & PONY – Vet Check Required **Superintendent: Billy Bearman (641-330-1644)**

RULES: (Be familiar with the General Livestock Rules)

- 1) Horses need to be properly identified by May 15 in 4-H Online. FFA horse projects need to be identified on a Horse ID paper form which is due at the Extension Office by May 15 in order to be eligible to be shown at the county achievement show.
- 2) If a horse is leased, a lease form must also be on file at the Extension Office by May 15. Leased horses may be shown in performance classes ONLY.
- 3) A maximum of 5 horses can be identified; of these, a maximum of 2 may be leased.
- 4) Class Entries are due in FairEntry by June 15th.
- 5) Exhibitors WILL NOT be allowed to enter classes at Achievement Show. Exhibitors must be pre-registered for each event. However, exhibitor may scratch if they so choose please contact Billy Bearman if you like to be scratched from a class.
- 6) **Exhibitors are limited to 4 horses and a MAXIMUM of 2 stalls (4 tie spaces) per youth regardless of 4-H & FFA enrollment. Staff and Superintendents reserve the right to assign stalls.**
- 7) Horses can only be stalled between 2-5 PM Wednesday following a mandatory vet check-in. NO HORSES ACCEPTED OUTSIDE OF THESE HOURS!
- 8) **Performance Show classes will be held during the day on Thursday. Timed Events & Games will be held Friday night. If necessary, the rain date for the Timed Events & Games will be Sunday at 8:00 am.**
- 9) Proper tack and proper treatment of the horse is required to show. Rulings will be made using "4-H Rules and Regulations for Equine Shows in Iowa" which every 4-H and FFA horse exhibitor may obtain online. Rules in this book shall have precedence over any other rules.
<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4hfiles/agriculture/4H511CEquineRulesRegOnline2013.pdf>
- 10) **All youth participating in any riding classes must wear American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) and Safety Engineering Institute (SEI) approved headgear with chin strap and properly fitted harness while mounted and riding, including warm up. Every Time-Every Ride. No caps, hats or scarfs will be allowed to be worn under the helmet.**
- 11) **Western Attire:** Dark blue jeans without holes must be worn. A belt is required. Western boots must be worn (Fashion heels are prohibited). A front button or snap long-sleeved, collared shirt of any color (including white) may be worn. The following is prohibited: personalized logos or embroidery, zippers, sheer or lace fabric, embellishments or bling of any kind including, but not limited to, sequins, rhinestones, chains, etc. Shirt must be tucked in.
- 12) **English Attire:** Hunt seat type helmet must be worn. Exhibitors must wear hunt coats of traditional colors such as navy, dark green, gray, black, or brown. Maroon and red are improper. Breeches (or jodhpurs) are to be of traditional shades of buff, khaki, canary, light gray, or rust. Shirts of any color with tie or choker are preferred. Hair must be neat and contained (as in net or braid). Exhibitors must wear high English boots or paddock (jodhpur) boots of black or brown (4-H Rules, pg. 22).
- 13) Only exhibitors and show officials shall be allowed in the exercise arena.
- 14) 4-H'ers must be mounted when entering the arena. All exhibitors must have their mounts under complete control at all times. No assistance to either horse or rider is permitted up to or past the arena gate. If an exhibitor/horse is assisted in any manner, the exhibitor shall automatically be disqualified (4-H Rules, p. 12).
- 15) No stallions of any age will be allowed to show or be stalled due to safety reasons.
- 16) The age of a halter horse is computed by the calendar year starting on January 1 of the year foaled. Current year foals must be weaned before the fair.
- 17) No stall blankets/curtains are allowed to be closed, except for changing during the show.
- 18) Horses need to be kept away from barns and exhibit areas. Horses are not to be ridden across the driveway/parking lot areas.
- 19) The superintendent will decide show order on entry day with consideration of weather and showing conditions.
- 20) Only first and second place class winners can compete for Division Champion and Reserve Champion.
- 21) An overall High Point Exhibitor Award will be given to a Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Exhibitor. Points will be awarded to youth in each class for places 1-5. 1st=5 pt, 2nd=4 pt, etc. down to one point. At the end of the show, exhibitor points are tallied and the one with the most points is named the Overall High Point Champion Exhibitor in their age division.
- 22) Earl Springer Horsemanship Award will be announced at the Fall Awards Program. To be based on the following over all days of the Achievement Show: Showmanship points, Horsemanship class points, stall condition and maintenance, sportsmanship, and overall conduct and demeanor.
- 23) **Check-out for horses/ponies will be Sunday at 4:30 pm. See General Livestock Rules for more information on the check-out process.**

*Exhibitors should choose classes that best represent their animal. Short descriptions for each Division have been added for your reference. See "4-H Rules and Regulations for Equine Shows in Iowa" for complete information.

Halter Division – "The horse's body condition and overall fitness should be assessed." (4-H Rules, p. 23)

Miniature Horse Halter 38" and Under

- 31101: Weanlings & Yearlings
- 31102: Two-Five Year Old, Mares & Geldings
- 31103: Six Years and Older, Mares
- 31104: Six Years and Older, Geldings

Horses 57" and Taller Halter

- 31111: Weanlings and Yearlings
- 31112: Two-Five Year Old, Mares & Geldings
- 31113: Six Years and Older, Mares
- 31114: Six Years and Older, Geldings

Ponies Under 57" Halter

- 31121: Weanlings & Yearlings
- 31122: Two-Five Year Old, Mares & Geldings
- 31123: Six Years and Older, Mares
- 31124: Six Years and Older, Geldings

Donkey & Mule Halter

- 31131: Weanlings & Yearlings
- 31132: Two-Five Year Old, Mares & Geldings
- 31133: Six Years and Older, Mares
- 31134: Six Years and Older, Geldings

Driving Division

- 31201: Single Cart - Horses Under 57"
- 31202: Single Cart - Light Horses
- 31203: Two Team Wagon - Horses Under 57"
- 31204: Two Team Wagon – Light Horses

English Performance Division

- 31301: Jr. Hunter Under Saddle/English Pleasure
- 31302: Int. Hunter Under Saddle/English Pleasure
- 31303: Sr. Hunter Under Saddle/English Pleasure
- 31311: Jr. Hunt Seat/English Equitation
- 31312: Int. Hunt Seat/English Equitation
- 31313: Sr. Hunt Seat/English Equitation
- 31321: Jr. English Walk-Trot
- 31322: Int. English Walk-Trot
- 31323: Sr. English Walk-Trot

Western Performance Division

- 31401: Jr. Western Pleasure
- 31402: Int. Western Pleasure
- 31403: Sr. Western Pleasure
- 31411: Jr. Western Horsemanship
- 31412: Int. Western Horsemanship
- 31413: Sr. Western Horsemanship

31421: Jr. Walk-Trot
31422: Int. Walk-Trot
31423: Sr. Walk-Trot
31431: Jr. Bareback Equitation
31432: Int. Bareback Equitation
31433: Sr. Bareback Equitation

Ranch Horse Pleasure – “The purpose of ranch horse pleasure is to reflect the versatility, attitude, and movement of a working horse. The horse’s performance should simulate a horse riding outside the confines of an arena and that of a working ranch horse. A horse shown in ranch horse pleasure is not eligible to be shown in any Western Pleasure Class.” (4-H Rules, p. 85)

31441: Jr. Ranch Pleasure
31442: Int. Ranch Pleasure
31443: Sr. Ranch Pleasure

Trail and Reining Division – Trail: “This class is open to all riding western, English, hunter horses, or mules. Each entry will be allowed a maximum of three attempts or two minutes (whichever is first) to complete each obstacle...” (4-H Rules p. 88)

31501: Jr. Trail
31502: Int. Trail
31503: Sr. Trail
31511: Jr. Reining
31512: Int. Reining
31513: Sr. Reining

Timed Events & Games – “These classes are timed events and the goal is to complete the course in the fastest time. The class starts when the horse crosses the timer line and stops when the horse crosses the timer line on its return.” (4-H Rules, p. 122) These events will be held Friday evening during fair.

31701: Jr. Barrels
31702: Int. Barrels
31703: Sr. Barrels
31711: Jr. Flag Race
31712: Int. Flag Race
31713: Sr. Flag Race
31721: Jr. Plug Race
31722: Int. Plug Race
31723: Sr. Plug Race
31731: Jr. Pole Bending
31732: Int. Pole Bending
31733: Sr. Pole Bending
31741: Jr. Keyhole
31742: Int. Keyhole
31743: Sr. Keyhole
31751: Jr. Egg & Spoon
31752: Int. Egg & Spoon
31753: Sr. Egg & Spoon
31761: Jr. Figure 8 Race
31762: Int. Figure 8 Race
31763: Sr. Figure 8 Race
31771: Ribbon Race

Showmanship (see General Showmanship Contest rules) Exhibitors will be automatically entered into the appropriate Showmanship class and should notify the Superintendent or Fair Staff if they choose not to participate on the day of the show.

“The showmanship class shall be designed to evaluate the exhibitor’s ability to execute, in concert with a well-groomed and conditioned horse, pony, donkey, or mule, a set of maneuvers prescribed by the judge with precision and smoothness while

exhibiting poise and confidence and maintaining a balanced, functional, and fundamentally correct body position.” (4-H Rules, p. 25)
Horse shown in showmanship must be shown in an exhibition class by the exhibitor.

Senior Showmanship
Intermediate Showmanship
Junior Showmanship

Division	Class		Award
310: Horse Showmanship	31001	Senior Showmanship	G: Choice Award R: Pink Rosette
	31002	Intermediate Showmanship	G: Plaque R: Pink Rosette
	31003	Junior Showmanship	G: Plaque R: Pink Rosette
311: Halter	31110	Miniature Horse Halter	
	31111	Horses 57" and Taller Halter	G: Plaque R: Plaque
	31112	Ponies Under 57" Halter	G: Plaque R: Plaque
	31113	Donkey and Mule Halter	
312: Driving	31201	Single Cart- Horses under 57"	
	31202	Single Cart- Light Horses	
	31203	Two Team Wagon- Horses under 57"	
	31204	Two Team Wagon- Light Horses	
313: English Performance	31301	Hunter Under Saddle-Jr.	
	31302	Hunter Under Saddle-Int.	
	31303	Hunter Under Saddle-Sr.	
	31311	Hunt Seat/ English Equitation- Jr.	
	31312	Hunt Seat/ English Equitation- Int.	
	31313	Hunt Seat/ English Equitation- Sr.	
	31321	English Walt-Trot- Jr.	
	31322	English Walt-Trot- Int.	
314: Western Performance	31401	Western Pleasure- Jr.	
	31402	Western Pleasure- Int.	
	31403	Western Pleasure- Sr.	
	31411	Western Horsemanship- Jr.	
	31412	Western Horsemanship- Int.	
	31413	Western Horsemanship- Sr.	
	31421	Walk- Trot - Jr.	
	31422	Walk- Trot- Int.	
	31423	Walk- Trot- Sr.	
	31431	Bareback Equitation- Jr.	
	31432	Bareback Equitation- Int.	
	31433	Bareback Equitation- Sr.	
	31441	Ranch Horse Pleasure- Jr.	
	31442	Ranch Horse Pleasure- Int.	
31443	Ranch Horse Pleasure- Sr.		
315: Trail and Reining	31501	Jr. Trail	
	31502	Int. Trail	
	31503	Sr. Trail	
	31511	Jr. Reining	
	31512	Int. Reining	
	31513	Sr. Reining	
	31701	Barrels	

317: Timed Events and Games	31702	Barrels	
	31703	Barrels	
	31711	Flag Race- Jr.	
	31712	Flag Race- Int.	
	31713	Flag Race- Sr.	
	31721	Plug Race- Jr.	
	31722	Plug Race- Int.	
	31723	Plug Race- Sr.	
	31731	Pole Bending- Jr.	
	31732	Pole Bending- Int.	
	31733	Pole Bending- Sr.	
	31741	Keyhole- Jr.	
	31742	Keyhole- Int.	
	31743	Keyhole- Sr.	
	31751	Egg and Spoon- Jr.	
	31752	Egg and Spoon- Int.	
	31753	Egg and Spoon- Sr.	
	31761	Figure 8 Race- Jr.	
	31762	Figure 8 Race- Int.	
	31763	Figure 8 Race- Sr.	
	31771	Ribbon Race	
		Junior High Points Horse Based on Jr. Points	G: Plaque
		Intermediate High Points Horse Based on Int. Points	G: Plaque
		Senior High Points Horse Based on Sr. Points	G: Plaque