Horse and Pony Identification Form

Name of 4-H’er: __________________________ Age: ________

Address: __________________________ City: __________ State: ________ Zip: ________ Phone: ________

Name of club: __________________________ County: ________

I hereby certify that I have an active role in the care of the following animals as part of my 4-H horse/pony project in accordance with the regulations on the reverse side of this report. I have read those regulations and understand that the animals that I exhibit at 4-H shows during the project year shall be among those listed on this form.

Signature of 4-H member: ____________________________ 

Signature of parent/guardian: ____________________________

Registered name: ____________________________
Nickname/barn name: ____________________________
Registered number: ____________________________
Age: ________ Birthdate: ________
Breed: ________ Height: ________
Colors: 

- Check one: ☐ Gelding/stud ☐ Mare
- Check one: ☐ Owned ☐ Leased
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Return the completed form to your county office of ISU Extension by May 15. County rules may be more restrictive than state rules (e.g., earlier deadlines). Check with your county ISU Extension office for county rules and deadlines.

- Markings on sides of head and chin must be drawn on diagram.
- Outline all white markings of horse with dark solid lines.
- Clear photographs of horse’s markings are encouraged.
Iowa 4-H Horse and Pony Project
Regulations Pertaining to County, State, and Interstate Shows

Age of Exhibitors

1. To be eligible for a state or interstate show, a 4-H’er must have completed fifth grade prior to the event unless a particular show is more restrictive (e.g., Ak-Sar-Ben requires that horse exhibitors be 12 by January 1 prior to the show).

2. A 4-H’er becomes ineligible to exhibit beyond the county level upon completion of the calendar year of high school graduation. Note: In the event that a 4-H’er has dropped out of high school, the 4-H’er is eligible to exhibit livestock only through the calendar year that his/her class graduated.

Ownership

To exhibit in classes in which the primary emphasis of evaluation is the skill level of the 4-H’er, ownership is not required; however, the 4-H’er must take an active role in the care of the animal (includes feeding, cleaning, training, health care, farrier care, exercising, etc.). Horses to be exhibited in conformation (halter) classes must be owned by the 4-H’er or in partnership with a family member. Leased horses may be shown in showmanship and riding or driving classes. If the horse is leased, attach a signed lease agreement (4H106CL) to this identification form. If a 4-H’er leases a horse, that horse shall be the only riding horse the 4-H’er may identify as a 4-H project horse.

Identification

The horse’s name, sex, height, age, and color markings are all required for identification. If a family includes more 4-H’ers than horses, more than one 4-H’er may identify a horse; however, in this situation a 4-H’er cannot identify more than one horse. Animals identified as part of a 4-H project cannot be identified or exhibited as an FFA project.

Filing Your Identification Form

Return this form to your county Extension office by May 15. Retain the blue copy for your use. Check with your county Extension office for local rules and deadlines.