

HORSE AND PONY SHOW

Show Details: Saturday, June 28 at 9:00 a.m. at the Moultrie County Fairgrounds 1400 N CR 1500 E, Sullivan, IL 61951

Check-in time: 8:30 a.m.

This is a multi-county 4-H Show with Coles, Cumberland, Moultrie, & Douglas Counties.

Show Superintendents: Katie Copeland, Ray Blade, Kelli Moses

Grounds Contact: Rachelle Monroe

Note: See "General Livestock Rules" for rules that apply to all species.

SHOW REQUIREMENTS

1. Horse and ponies must be owned or leased by the 4-H member. The 4-H member must be enrolled in the horse project at zsuite.org. Current ownership or lease papers, with photos of both sides of the animal, must be on file and resubmitted every year at your local Extension Office by May 1, 2025, to be able to participate in the 4-H horse show.
2. Ownership or lease papers for all horses are required by 4-H'ers who plan to exhibit at the IL State Junior Horse Show. If the horse is registered, submit a copy of their registration papers along with the ownership or lease form, with photos of both sides of the animal attached, if planning to show at the IL State Fair Junior Horse Show. IL State Fair Junior Horse Show registrations are due to the IL State fair by June 15.
2. The 4-H member showing is required to complete the Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification (QAEC) by June 3, 2025. This is only completed once in the 4-H members show career.
3. Fairentry.com will be used for making class entries. When registering in the "Age of Exhibitor" classes (Jr. 8-13), (Sr. 14 to 18) use the exhibitor's age as of September 1, 2024.
4. Proof of a negative Coggins Test is required for each horse on the day of the show. Coggins Tests are required yearly.
5. No animal may be shown by more than one (1) exhibitor and no exhibitor may enter more than one (1) animal in any class.
6. Each class will be awarded a champion and reserve champion placing.

4-H HORSE & PONY SHOW DAY RULES

Find the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines at <https://go.illinois.edu/IL4-HHorseShowGuidelines>

Please note not all classes in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines are represented at the County 4-H Horse show.

1. An exhibitor (inexperienced rider) entering the “Walk and Trot” class may not enter the following classes: western pleasure and horsemanship.
2. Ponies in the 56” and under classes are subject to measurement. No ponies 56” and under will be allowed in the over 56” classes. Miniature horses must measure no greater than 34” for the miniature classes.
- 3) Superintendents reserve the right to bar any animal from showing in the ring if the animal cannot be managed safely. However, it will be viewed by the judge and graded.
- 4) Exhibitors with unsportsmanlike conduct will be excused from the class.
- 5) For safety reasons, the exhibitor will be required to wear boots, preferably with some kind of heel, while exhibiting. It is suggested that the exhibitor wear a long-sleeved shirt. See following pages in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines for Attire.
 - Western Attire – Page 10
 - Hunt Seat Attire – Page 25
 - Saddle Seat/Gaited Horse Attire – Page 36
 - Gaited Horse Pleasure Attire – Page 41
- 6) Equine Headgear: All 4-H members are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM or SEI standard F1163 (or above) certified equestrian helmet whenever mounted at all 4-H during the horse and pony events, shows, activities, and practices.
- 7) There will be a ten-minute time limit for tack changes.
- 8) Any disputes should be brought to the attention of Extension Staff or show superintendents. A collective decision among Extension Staff and superintendents will be used to determine a course of action to resolve any disputes.
- 9) Specific class rules will be adhered to which are listed below in the Show Order. Class rules are taken from the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines. Find them at <https://go.illinois.edu/IL4-HHorseShowGuidelines>

10) All classes will follow Western Tack & Attire Guidelines: See pages 8 – 10 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines.

SHOW ORDER & CLASS RULES

Class 1 - Foals of current year (horse and pony)

Class 2 - Yearling halter (horse and pony)

Class 3 – Halter 56” and under (mare & gelding)

Class 4 - Mare halter (over 56”)

Class 5 – Gelding halter (over 56”)

Class 6 – Donkey halter (jenny and gelding) – No uncut males to be shown.

Class 7 – Senior Showmanship ages 14-18

Class 8- Junior Showmanship ages 8-13

*****Twenty-five-minute break*** Get Water!**

Class 9 - Beginner Walk and Trot

- Any exhibitor (inexperienced rider) entering the “Beginner Walk and Trot” class may not enter the following classes: western pleasure and horsemanship.

Class 10 – Pony Western Pleasure (56” & under)

- Rules found on page 12 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 11 – Senior Western Pleasure – Youth ages 14- 18 (horse over 56”)

- Rules found on page 12 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 12 - Junior Western Pleasure – Youth aged 8-13 (horse over 56”)

- Rules found on page 12 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 13 – Senior Horsemanship ages 14-18

- Rules found on page 10 - 11 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 14 - Junior Horsemanship ages 8-13

- Rules found on page 10 - 11 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 15 - Egg & spoon

- Rules found on page 57 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

*****Ten-minute break*** Get Water!**

Class 16 – Trail Class

- Rules found on pages 18-19 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 17 – Flag Class

- Rules found on pages 55-56 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 18 – Pole Bending

- Rules found on pages 53-54 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 19 - Barrel Racing

- Rules found on pages 51-52 in the Illinois 4-H Horse Show Guidelines

Class 20 - Costume class (no costumes that refer to violence or political statements)