



Unit Horse Show

Ownership

The following items must be submitted with entries and present on show day:

- Ownership paperwork including Breed Registration paper or ownership/lease form found here: (<https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/sites/4h.extension.illinois.edu/files/projects/documents/Animal%20Science/horse-lease-ownership-form-2017.pdf>)
- Photo of each side of the horse and ownership papers are due **June 1 emailed to the Extension Office.**
- If a horse is injured or dies, it may be replaced **ONLY** by a horse whose paperwork is already on file by the June 1 deadline; therefore if a member owns or leases more than one horse, file paperwork on ALL potential exhibit horses by the June 1 deadline.
- A horse or pony may only be owned or leased to, and exhibited by one 4-H member.

Show Rules

- All Exhibitors must read the [Livestock Show Rules](#)
- All exhibitors must abide by the 2020 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements and general livestock policies and ethics certification information.
 - The 2020 guidelines will be found online @ <https://4h.extension.illinois.edu/programs/animal-sciences/livestock-issues>
- All equine 12 months and older participating in this event must present a negative test for Equine Infectious Anemia/E.I.A (Coggins/CELLA) conducted within one year of the show.
- Proper attire is required:
 - Western: Long pants (jeans), western style long or short sleeve shirt with collar, western hat, western riding boots. (Coat, vest, jacket, or gloves are optional.) Long hair should be restrained.
 - English: Polo shirts, breeches, jodhpurs, appropriate boots or half chap. (Coat, vest, jacket or gloves are optional.) Long hair should be restrained.
- All 4-H members are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM or SEI standard F1163 (or above) certified equestrian helmet whenever mounted or driving at all 4-H horse and pony events, shows, activities, or practices. Original tags must be present in all approved helmets. The 4-H member is responsible to see that this specified headgear is properly fitted with the approved harness fastened in place whenever mounted. Helmet policies apply to all county, area, and state 4-H horse and pony events, shows, and activities. Protective helmets are recommended for all riders and drivers at all times. It is recommended that all adults working with 4-H members model the desired youth behavior by also wearing protective helmets whenever mounted or driving.
- Exhibitors should read, and become familiar with, **"Guidelines for Junior Horse Shows."** Copies can be downloaded from the website: <https://web.extension.illinois.edu/dmp/downloads/56870.pdf>. Copies can also be obtained from the Extension Office upon request. Though not a member of the USA Equestrian or the American Quarter Horse Association, we will still use the mentioned organization's rulebooks as guidelines for the show when applicable. The decisions of Extension Staff and judges regarding all matters at the show are final.
- Gaited horses will not be allowed to exhibit in stock type classes, and stock type horses will not be allowed to exhibit in gaited classes. A wrong entry will result in disqualification. All horses/ponies may be shown in speed classes and novelty classes.
- Enrollment in the Horse project will enable 4-H members to qualify showing projects in any or all classes. A 4-H member may exhibit more than one project in a project area; however, they may only submit one entry per sub-category. (Example: A 4-H member may exhibit in the Pony Halter class and the Trail Ride Class, but they cannot enter two animals in the Pony Halter class.)
- Ponies will be measured at 56" and under.
- The age of the animal shall be computed on the basis of a calendar year, starting January 1 of the year foaled.
- **NO STALLIONS** are eligible to show except during the calendar year foaled.



Awards

- Senior Division: 14 years and older as of September 1 of previous year as listed in classes below
- Junior Division: 13 years and younger as of September 1 of previous year as listed in classes below
- Champion and Reserve Champion as listed in classes below.

Video guidelines

- Suggested 1080p videos. (most phones automatically film in 1080p).
- Showman should be dressed in show attire.
- No editing is allowed. Should be a continuous video, with no stopping and restarting. No zooming in and out.
- Outside on level ground is best. No tall grass or deep bedding.
- The person filming should NOT move. They can twist their waist to follow the animal, but should not walk while videoing. The showman should show to the camera as if it is the judge.
- Patterns will be provided to exhibitors in advance for Showmanship, Horsemanship, Ranch Riding and English Equitation by June 10.
- Target video length should be between 1 and 2 minutes where possible, and not to exceed 3 minutes. Videos should just be long enough to capture the necessities of the class which will vary between events and classes entered. 15 seconds is all that is needed on any look, angle or view. More than that may not get viewed and cause problems with increased uploading times. Videos should be no longer than the amount of time stated above each group of classes.
- Use common sense for gauging proper distance when filming as different class nuances may require slightly adjusting distance, movement, and angle. Phone must be held sideways (Horizontally).
 - a) Videos should capture the horse and rider while still maintaining enough distance to see the patterns covered when appropriate – Think of the camera lens as the judge’s eyes.
 - b) Rail/pleasure classes should be filmed from the center of the arena



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Show Classes

Showmanship

- Showmanship animals must have been shown in at least one other class that day by that same exhibitor.
- Exhibitor is judged on ability to fit, groom, and show an animal at halter. The animal is merely a prop to show the ability of the exhibitor. Patterns will be emailed prior to the show. Video max submission 3 minutes.

101 Senior Showmanship at Halter

102 Junior Showmanship at Halter

Senior Showmanship at Halter Champion

Junior Showmanship at Halter Champion

Halter

Video max submission 2 minutes. Halter classes- a view of the horse trotting from behind, as well as a view of both sides, front and rear after horse has been set up.

103 Pony Halter – 56 inches and under

104 Weanling/Yearling Halter – Horse 1 year and under

105 Horse Halter – stock type - Geldings (Horse 2 years and older and over 56 inches)

106 Horse Halter – stock type - Mares (Horse 2 years and older and over 56 inches)

107 Horse Halter - non-stock type - Geldings (Horse 2 years and older and over 56 inches)

108 Horse Halter - non-stock type - Mares (Horse 2 years and older and over 56 inches)

Champion Halter

Reserve Champion Halter

Western Pleasure & Gaited Riding

Video max submission 3 minutes. Walk/Trot and Pleasure classes: If a member is entering in both Walk/Trot and Pleasure, the same video may be used for both entries. Judges will be told to disregard the lope portion for the walk/trot classes. Your video should include a walk, trot and lope in each direction on the rail, ending with a stop and back 5 steps on the rail (no lope for those only entering walk/trot classes). Gaited Country Pleasure will walk and favorite gait in both directions on the rail, with a stop and back 5 steps at the end.

200 Walk Trot – Pony

205 Senior Walk Trot – Horse

210 Junior Walk Trot – Horse

215 Western Pleasure – Pony (walk, trot, lope)

220 Senior Western Pleasure – Horse (walk, trot, lope)

225 Junior Western Pleasure – Horse (walk, trot, lope)

230 Gaited Country Pleasure - (walk and favorite gait)

235 Ranch Horse Pleasure- (walk, trot, lope)

240 Ranch Riding- (Required maneuvers will include walk, trot and lope in both directions and the extended trot and extended lope in at least one direction, as well as stops and backs. Three optional maneuvers may include a side pass, turns of 360 degrees or more, change of lead and walk, trot or lope over poles.)



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Horsemanship

Horsemanship competition provides the exhibitor an opportunity to display his or her ability as a rider (seat, hand, leg position; ability to control and show the mount). Patterns will be emailed prior to the show. Video max submission 3 minutes.

- 300 Senior Western Horsemanship
- 305 Junior Western Horsemanship

Senior Western Horsemanship Champion
Junior Western Horsemanship Champion

ENGLISH CLASSES

- Video max submission 3 minutes. English classes are to be on the rail at a walk, trot, extended trot, canter and extended canter in each direction. A stop and back 5 steps on the rail is required at the end.
- Hunter Under Saddle will be a presentation of horse and rider with a focus on the movement, manners, and performance of the horse while exhibiting its natural gaits.

Hunter Under Saddle Walk/Trot/Gait

- 600 Pony
- 605 Senior
- 610 Junior

English Hunter Under Saddle Walk/Trot/Gait, Canter

- 700 Pony
- 705 Senior
- 710 Junior

EQUITATION

In Hunt Seat Equitation, the judge will focus primarily on the rider's position and style. Patterns will be emailed prior to the show. Video max submission 3 minutes.

Hunt Seat Equitation Horse or Pony

- 800 Senior
- 805 Junior

Senior Hunt Seat Equitation Champion
Junior Hunt Seat Equitation Champion

Horse Animal Science - See general project section of show book.
Horse Animal Science Exhibition Deadline June 19, 2020