



## 2020 Shelby County 4-H Virtual Horse Show Guidelines

Shelby County 4-H is offering 4-H members the opportunity to exhibit their horse projects via a Virtual show. A horse/pony being shown in the county 4-H horse show must be owned by or leased to the exhibitor who is showing it for the length of the project and a signed agreement with pictures should have been on file with the Shelby County Extension Office by May 1, 2020. No substitutions.

Requirement: Exhibitors with a horse project will take the Quality Assurance & Ethics (QAEC) program. Remember, QAEC is only taken once in their 4-H career. Exhibitors with No Live Animal project ex. Poster project – do not need to take either YQCA or QAEC.

1. Exhibitors must have a helmet on anytime they are mounted on the horse in the video.
2. Proper, appropriate attire (helmet, pants, and boots with heel) is required in all class submission videos. No tank tops allowed.
3. 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.
4. Use common sense for gauging proper distance when filming as different class nuances may require slightly adjusting distance, movement, and angle.
  - 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
5. Remember 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.
  - a) Halter classes must show: side view of walk and trot, side/profile view of each side, front view, rear view
  - b) Rail/pleasure classes are an exception to above and should be viewed as follows:  
tracking in the arena right shoulder on rail, walk (10 seconds), trot/jog (30 seconds), canter/lope (30 seconds), return to walk and reverse direction on rail, walk (5 seconds), canter/lope (30 seconds), trot/jog (30 seconds), stop, back 5 steps.
  - c) Showmanship, equitation, and horsemanship will involve patterns that will be sent to members later in June.
  - d) Speed (flags, barrels, and poles) - members will receive information later in June about recording videos.
6. Audio is required on videos of mounted classes for judges viewing and placement.
7. All exhibitors must have completed the Quality Assurance and Ethics Certification and are expected to be familiar with and abide by both the principles of that certification and the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act.
8. All participants should use appropriate show equipment/tack as outlined by the local show committee rules.
9. Judges' and local show committee/4-H Extension decisions are final.
10. Use the horse exhibitor card template for first 5 seconds of the video. Print using black marker so it can be seen in the video.
11. **FYI** - In addition to these classes, if you are enrolled in the horse project, educational horse topics of any kind may still be entered under animal science as a static poster display using the 3 photo or Power Point format.

4-H members will need to complete the entry process through Fair Entry and upload the video in the designated County Box Folder by July 13. Upload instructions can be found at: <https://extension.illinois.edu/events/2020-06-27-virtual-show-2020-cdms>. If you have issues creating or uploading your video or any general questions, please contact Yolanda for assistance. Yolanda can be reached at [nation2@illinois.edu](mailto:nation2@illinois.edu) or 217-774-9546.

## **Horse Show Classes**

**Only 1 entry will be allowed in any class.**

Halter (56" and under)

Gaited Horse/Mule/Donkey Halter

Gelding Halter (56" and over) Any age

Mare Halter (56" and over) Any age

Showmanship (13 and under)

Showmanship (14 through 18)

English Pleasure (all ages)

English Equitation (all ages)

Gaited Horse/Mule/Donkey Horsemanship (all ages)

Gaited Horse/Mule/Donkey Pleasure (all ages)

Walk/trot (optional tack) (13 & under)

Walk/trot (optional tack) (14 through 18)

Country Pleasure (walk and favorite gait – 13 and under)

Country Pleasure (walk and favorite gait – 14 through 18)

Western Horsemanship (no gaited/mule, 13 and under)

Western Horsemanship (no gaited/mule, 14 through 18)

Pony Pleasure (56" and under)

Western Pleasure (over 56", no gaited/mule, 13 and under)

Western Pleasure (over 56", no gaited/mule, 14 through 18)

Costume Class

**Information will be sent to members about how these events will be recorded later in June.**

Flags (13 and under)

Flags (14 through 18)

Barrel Racing (13 and under)

Barrel Racing (14 through 18)

Pole Bending (13 and under)

Pole Bending (14 through 18)

As time permits, video's may be created and sent to 4-H members so everyone understands what to do for each class. If you have any questions about the classes, please contact Yolanda.