

Department 106 – Horse and Pony/Horseless Horse

Show Classes

The 4-H Horse and Pony Project and the Horseless Horse Project are divided into seven show classes:

- a. Horse and Pony Showmanship
- b. Horse and Pony Horsemanship/Equitation
- c. Horse and Pony Pleasure
- d. Horse and Pony Halter
- e. Horse and Pony Performance
- f. Horse and Pony Gymkhana (ribbon/trophy only)
- g. Horseless Horse
- h. Educational – Horse and Pony and Horseless Horse
- i. Model Horse – Horse and Pony and Horseless Horse

Classification

2 years old and under: born on or after January 1 two years preceding exhibit year.

Over 2 years old: born prior to January 1 two years preceding exhibit year.

Pony: 14 hands (56 inches) or less is considered a pony. Horses/ponies must be measured before the end of May.

Mules can be shown in horse or pony classes based on height.

Department Rules

1. A parent or guardian must accompany exhibitors while on show grounds the day of the show.
2. Boots and a long sleeve shirt are required for ALL classes including gymkhana. A short sleeved shirt is permissible only when a jacket is worn. If jackets become optional, a long sleeve shirt is required.
3. SEI approved helmets with harness securely fastened are required any time an exhibitor is mounted or driving a horse or pony on the fairgrounds.
4. Check Wisconsin county fair animal health rules. The farm Premise ID number must be printed on the entry form.
5. Horse must have proof of negative Coggins Test taken after January 1 of the current year. Any horse or pony not meeting these requirements will be required to leave the show grounds. It is highly recommended that horses have up to date eastern and western encephalitis vaccine, tetanus, and influenza or the 4 in 1 shot.

6. No males, except geldings, over 1 year of age may be shown.

7. A maximum of **2** animals may be entered by a single exhibitor.

8. Each animal may also be entered in either the showmanship (Class A) or horsemanship/equitation (Class B) for one premium and a pleasure (Class C) or halter (Class D) or performance (Class E) for another premium.

9. One animal may be entered by exhibitors from the same immediate family in showmanship or horsemanship/equitation classes but only one member of the immediate family may exhibit that animal in the pleasure or halter or performance class for a premium.

10. Fair pre-registration forms and class entry worksheets are in your horse handbook. To assure a well run show with proper awards, exhibitors must register entries with the fair superintendents on the pre-registration form by the **4th Tuesday in May**. Each exhibitor must designate premium classes and ribbon only classes. Only the premium classes should be listed on the fair entry form that is turned in to the 4-H main leader.

11. Any exhibitor who causes a potential safety hazard will be excused from the show ring by the judge. The 4-H Horse Association provides meetings, clinics, and activities to learn proper equine handling and knowledge. Lamé horses will be excused.

12. Exhibitor numbers must be worn by exhibitors at all times during the show.

13. Professional grooms or trainers are not allowed to work with horses or exhibitors on the fairgrounds. Exhibitor is the only person allowed to ride or drive a horse/pony on the fairgrounds.

14. The 4-H State Horse Expo is open to members who are in grade 6 and up who achieve a blue ribbon in classes which are offered at 4-H State Horse Expo. These do not include Halter, Walk/Trot, Beginner, Performance (other than trail or obstacle driving), and Gymkhana classes. Members grades 3 & up can participate in the educational activities and model horse at the 4-H State Horse Expo without winning a blue ribbon at the county fair (see handout for requirements).

15. There is a two minute gate limit. A two minute tack change is permitted when requested.

16. Beginner classes are open only to exhibitors that are first or second year members in the Horse and Pony Project.

17. Therapeutic Classes: member with disability is able to show a horse/pony using a halter under the bridle, with a leader holding a lead rope 6-8 feet long and may have additional walkers as needed. Doctor's statement stating disability is required.

18. Judging will be the Saturday of fair at 8:00 a.m.

Special Notes

Horseless Horse project members may make their entries in Class G, H, and I. They may show 1 animal only.

Clothes Horse Class is listed after clothing classes (Department 126, page 54).

Premiums: \$8 - \$7 - \$6 - \$5

Class A – Horse and Pony Showmanship

Judged on the exhibitor's ability to show the horse or pony at halter. Danish System

Lot Numbers

- 1 Pony, member in grades 3-5
- 2 Pony, member in grades 6-8
- 3 Pony, member in grades 9 & up
- 4 Western horse, member in grades 3-5
- 5 Western horse, member in grades 6-8
- 6 Western horse, member in grades 9 & up
- 7 English horse, member in grades 3-5
- 8 English horse, member in grades 6-8
- 9 English horse, member in grades 9 & up
- 10 Draft horse, member in grades 3 & up
- 11 Beginners – horse or pony – English or western, member in grades 3 & up (see rule #16). MEMBER MAY NOT ENTER LOTS 1-10.

Class B – Horse and Pony Horsemanship/Equitation

Judged on the exhibitor's ability to ride a horse or pony under saddle. Danish System

Lot Numbers

- 1 Pony, member in grades 3-5
- 2 Pony, member in grades 6-8
- 3 Pony, member in grades 9 & up
- 4 Western stock seat horse, grades 3-5
- 5 Western stock seat horse, grades 6-8
- 6 Western stock seat horse, grades 9 & up
- 7 English saddle seat horse, grades 3-5
- 8 English saddle seat horse, grades 6-8
- 9 English saddle seat horse, grades 9 & up
- 10 English hunt seat horse, member in grades 3-5
- 11 English hunt seat horse, member in grades 6-8
- 12 English hunt seat horse, grades 9 & up

13 Walk/trot equitation, horse or pony, member in grades 3-5, English or Western (exhibitor and horse combination may not enter any other lot number requiring a canter or lope).

14 Walk/trot equitation, horse or pony, member in grades 6 & up, English or Western (exhibitor and horse combination may not enter any other lot number requiring a canter or lope).

15 Reinsmanship driving pony, grades 3 & up

16 Reinsmanship driving horse, grades 3 & up

17 Reinsmanship driving draft horse, member in grades 3 & up

18 Therapeutic riding equitation – English or Western. Each rider/horse team must have a halter under the bridle with a mandatory leader working with a short lead of 6-8 feet. More walkers as member's ability requires. (See rule #17 for more details.)

Class C – Horse and Pony Pleasure

Horse or pony is judged as to its performance as a pleasure mount or as a pleasure to drive.

Danish Judging - Horse committee will pay premiums.

Lot Numbers

- 1 Pony, member in grades 3-5
- 2 Pony, member in grades 6-8
- 3 Pony, member in grades 9 & up
- 4 Western horse, member in grades 3-5
- 5 Western horse, member in grades 6-8
- 6 Western horse, member in grades 9 & up
- 7 English saddle seat horse, grades 3-5
- 8 English saddle seat horse, grades 6-8
- 9 English saddle seat horse, grades 9 & up
- 10 English hunt seat horse, member in grades 3-5
- 11 English hunt seat horse, member in grades 6-8
- 12 English hunt seat horse, grades 9 & up
- 13 Green broke pleasure, member in grades 3 & up (horse never to have been shown under saddle prior to this year and not permitted in any other riding class). Horse/Pony must be owned by member or family or it may be leased or managerial. It is suggested that the horse/pony be trained by the member.
- 14 Walk/trot pleasure – horse or pony, English or Western, member in grades 3-5 (exhibitor and horse combination may not enter any other lot # requiring lope or canter).
- 15 Walk/trot pleasure – horse or pony, English or Western, member in grades 6 & up (exhibitor and horse combination may not enter any other lot # requiring lope or canter).
- 16 Pleasure driving pony, grades 3 & up
- 17 Pleasure driving horse, grades 3 & up
- 18 Pleasure driving draft horse, grades 3 & up

Class D – Horse and Pony Halter

Conformation of the horse or pony is judged.

Regular Judging- 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th only

Lot Numbers

- 1 Mare and foal pony (emphasis is on the foal)
- 2 Mare and foal horse (emphasis is on the foal)
- 3 Pony less than 14 hands, 2 years old and under
- 4 Pony less than 14 hands, over 2 years of age
- 5 Western horse, 2 years old and under
- 6 Western horse, over 2 years of age
- 7 English horse, 2 years old and under
- 8 English horse, over 2 years of age
- 9 Beginner – horse or pony, English or Western, member in grades 3 & up (see rule #17, pg.26).
MEMBER MAY NOT ENTER LOTS 1-8.

Class E – Horse and Pony Performance

Exhibitor may enter only one horse/pony in each lot number.

See Handbook for Dressage Pattern

Regular Judging- 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th only

Lot Numbers

- 1 Trail 1 – Pattern (walk/trot), horse or pony, member has 1-2 years experience in trail class. Judged on skill of horse and rider to negotiate obstacles that could be encountered on a trail.
- 2 Trail 2 – Pattern. Horse or pony, member has 3 or more years experience in trail class. Judged on skill of horse and rider to negotiate obstacles that could be encountered on a trail.
- 3 Halter Obstacle - Pattern (walk/trot), Horse or pony. Judged on skill of horse & handler to negotiate obstacles that could be encountered on a trail.
- 4 Trail – Therapeutic. Each rider/horse team shall have a halter under the bridle, with a mandatory leader working a short lead (6 to 8 feet). See rule #17, pg 25. Walk/trot only.
- 5 Dressage – Intro Test A horse or pony, Judged on ability of horse/pony and rider to work in unison.
- 6 Dressage – Intro Test B horse or pony. Judged on ability of horse/pony and rider to work in unison.
- 7 Dressage – Training Level Test 1 horse or pony, Judged on ability of horse/pony and rider to work in unison.
- 8 Dressage – Training Level Test 3 horse or pony, Judged on ability of horse/pony and rider to work in unison.
- 9 Dressage – Training Level Test 4 horse or pony, member in grades 3 & up. Judged on ability of horse/pony and rider to work in unison.
- 10 Dressage – First Level Test 1 horse or pony, member in grades 3 & up. Judged on ability of horse/pony and rider to work in unison.
- 11 Hunter Hack – horse or pony, member in grades 3 & up. Two fences not to exceed two feet.

- 12 Western Riding 1 – horse or pony, member has 1-2 years experience in Western riding class. Judged on the ability of the rider to show the horse's skill. Walk/posting trot. Pattern in Outagamie 4-H Horse Association Handbook.
- 13 Western Riding 2 – horse or pony, member has 3 or more years experience in Western riding class. Judged on the ability of the rider to show the horse's skill. Pattern in Outagamie 4-H Horse Association Handbook.
- 14 Obstacle Driving – horse, member in grades 3 & up. Judged on skill of horse/pony and driver to negotiate obstacle course.
- 15 Obstacle Driving – pony, member in grades 3 & up. Judged on skill of horse/pony and driver to negotiate obstacle course.
- 16 Horse/Pony Presentation (face to face judging – ribbon only). Horse or pony, grades 3 & up. Judged on cleanliness of exhibitor and horse.

Class F – Horse and Pony Gymkhana

Members entering Gymkhana classes exhibit their skills at the Gymkhana Show after the county fair sponsored by the Outagamie 4-H Horse Association. Ribbon and trophy only. Enter on pre-registration form only.

Lot Numbers

- 1 Barrels
- 2 Poles
- 3 Plug
- 4 Flag
- 5 Jumping Figure 8
- 6 Speed & Action
- 7 Keyhole

Class G – Horseless Horse

Judged on the ability of the rider to show/ride a horse or pony. Member to have worked with a horse and pony project member/leader and horse/pony for a minimum of 10 hours for the project year. Exhibitors are only allowed to walk/trot.

No more than 1 exhibit per member in this class for a premium.

Lot Numbers

- 1 Showmanship, horse or pony, English or Western, member in grades 3 & up
- 2 Horsemanship/Equitation, walk/trot only, horse or pony, English or Western, grades 3 & up
- 3 Trail –or halter obstacle-pattern
- 4 Dressage – Intro Test A horse or pony, member in grades 3 & up
- 5 Western Riding – walk/posting trot, horse or pony, member in grades 3 & up
- 6 Reinsmanship Driving, horse or pony, member in grades 3 & up
- 7 Horseless Horse – Horse Presentation (face to face judging with ribbon only). Horse or pony, member in grades 3 & up. Judged on cleanliness of exhibitor and horse.

Class H – Educational – Horseless Horse and Horse & Pony

No more than **1** exhibit per member in this class. Poster size to be 14" x 22". Attach entry tag to upper right corner. Exhibits must be brought to the Animal Science Department in Youth Exhibit Building B on entry day. Judging will take place on Friday morning. Danish Judging

Premiums: \$1.75 - \$1.50 - \$1.25 - \$1

Lot Numbers

- 1 An educational poster relating to the parts of a horse
- 2 An educational poster relating to the breeds of horses (identify major characteristics)
- 3 An educational poster relating to basic needs of horses (food, water, housing, exercise, and/or grooming)
- 4 An educational poster relating to health or safety requirements for horses
- 5 An educational poster relating to horse equipment (saddle, bridle, and/or bit)

Class I – Model Horse – Horseless Horse and Horse & Pony

No more than **2** exhibits per member. Size limit of exhibit is 14" x 22". Exhibits must be brought to the Animal Science Department in Youth Exhibit Building B on entry day. Judging takes place Friday at 9:00 a.m. in Youth Exhibit Building B. Danish Judging

Premiums: \$1.75 - \$1.50 - \$1.25 - \$1

Lot Numbers

- 1 Halter
- 2 Showmanship with doll
- 3 Driving
- 4 Trail
- 5 Fantasy costume
- 6 Any other costume
- 7 Pleasure, English or Western
- 8 Gymkhana/speed
- 9 Any other model horse not listed above