

# +Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition

## 2024 4-H State Championship Horse Show

Date: August 22-25, 2024

### Show Management

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### Judges

Division	Judge
English, Western, Ranch, Gymkhana	Jeff Allen Lance Baker
Trail	Lacey Cooper
Miniature Horse	Les Zadina

## Important Dates

Event	Date and Time
Entry Deadline	August 2, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.
Stall Reservation Deadline	August 2, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.
Late Entry Deadline	August 9, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.
Arrival Dates	August 20, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.
Release Dates	Following Daily Award Ceremonies

## Class Fee Schedule

Class	Cost
Class Entry Fee (Per Class)	\$10.00
Written Test Fee (Per Written Test)	\$10.00
Ranch Horse (4 classes and Written Test)	\$100.00
Office Fee (Per Exhibitor)	\$10.00
Late Entry Fee (Per Late Entry)	\$75.00

## Stalling Fees

Stall	Fee
Early Arrival Horse Stall Fee (Per Stall)	\$60.00
Early Arrival Tack Stall Fee (Per Stall)	\$20.00
Fair Time Horse Stall Fee (Per Stall)	\$45.00
Fair Time Tack Stall Fee (Per Stall)	\$20.00

## **Stalls/Tack Reservation Information**

Weekend Stall and Tack Rate is based on the number of days. Example: An exhibitor can check-in and stall on August 21, 2024, and must check out of that stall or tack room by 9:00 p.m. on August 25, 2024. There is no day hauling available. Exhibitors must purchase a daily stall if only coming for one day. Horses are not to be tied to the outside of arenas or stalls.

- Tack stalls - All exhibitors need to purchase their own tack stall or find someone to share one with, exhibitors must share within their own county, and one person must pay for the tack stall in full to the Colorado State Fair (CSF). Splitting the cost of the tack stall when making a payment to the CSF is not permitted.
- Payment – No payment is due until check-in. Do not send payments ahead of time.
- Stall Assignments – Stalls are assigned by the Colorado State Fair Horse Show Management (Management). There will be no moving of stall assignments, not even within your county, following check-in. Please notify the Management if you see or hear of anyone placing horses or tack in the incorrect stall assignments.

## **Gate Admission and Parking Passes**

### **Horse Show Exhibitor Parking Permits**

No exhibitor parking is allowed inside the Horse Show Complex. Exhibitor vehicles with parking permits will be allowed to park in the Horseman's Lot (as space permits) inside gate 6. If the Horseman's Lot is full, overflow parking is available in the South Lot. A free shuttle service is available for those parking in the South Lot.

### **Horseman's Lot Daily Parking Permits**

Permits are \$20.00 per day and correspond to a specific assigned parking space number; permit does not include gate admission. The 4-H shows starting Thursday, August 22, 2024, will be limited to one per owner per day.

Parking permits can be preordered on the horse entry form and picked up in the Horse Show Office when the exhibitor checks in. The association shows starting on Monday, August 26,

2024, will be limited to one per owner. Parking permits can be preordered on the horse entry form and picked up in the Horse Show Office when the exhibitor checks in.

## **Hangar Lot Season Parking Permits**

Permits are \$45.00 each (good for 11 days of the Fair); they do not include gate admission. The Hangar lot is located across S. Prairie Ave from the fairgrounds. The association shows starting on Monday, August 26, 2024, will be limited to one per owner, with a maximum of three per owner. Parking permits can be preordered on the horse entry form and picked up in the Horse Show Office when the exhibitor checks in.

- Exhibitor Admission: Every exhibitor attending the Fair must purchase a Horse Show Wristband or Daily Gate Admission. The Horse Show Office will be selling exhibitors of all ages wristbands that are good for the entire 11 days of the Fair. All Wristbands can be purchased at the time of check-in at the Horse Show Office.
- General Show Information: Each exhibitor is required to read and adhere to the 2024 Colorado State Fair General Competition Requirements, 2024 Horse Show Competition & Entry Requirements, the 2024 State Fair 4-H State Championship Rules, 2024 Colorado State Fair Exhibitor Code of Conduct, and the 2024 State 4-H rule book. Entries must be completed through the appropriate online entry system. All entry fees will be paid in full during the check-in process.

# 4-H State Championship Show Entry Check Sheet

## Reminders

- Entry Forms must be filled out online, no payment is due until check-in at the Horse Show Office.
- 4-H Agent Verification: The Extension Agent in the county in which the Exhibitor is enrolled must verify all entries sent to the Colorado State Fair Horse Show Manager.
- W-9: Each exhibitor must correctly fill out a current W-9 and turn it in to the Horse Show Office.
- Premiums: In order for premium monies to be issued each class must have at least 3 exhibitors compete.
- Camping Reservations: All RV and Trailer camping reservations must be made through the Colorado State Fair Facility Management Office. Please contact (719) 404-2023 to make a reservation.
- Dormitory Reservations: Reservations for the Camp Tobin Dorm facility must be made by your county extension agent through the State 4-H Office.

## Check List

Submit the following to the Horse Show Office by August 2, 2024, or if entering late by Aug. 9, 2024.

1. Completed Online Entry
2. Completed Online Stall Form
3. The completed W-9 Form will be submitted at the CSF show office check-in.
4. Do not send payment, payment is due at check-in at the CSF horse show office.

## Exhibitor Eligibility

1. Exhibitors competing in the Colorado State Fair 4-H State Championship Horse Show (4-H Horse Show) must be members in good standing of a Colorado 4-H Club. Exhibitors who are at least 8 years of age and have not reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the previous year are eligible (See Rule 2 in the 2024 4-H Horse Show Rule book).
2. The 4-H Horse Show is a 4-H show only and is not an open or FFA horse show. All entry forms will be verified by a 4-H Extension Agent to certify the exhibitor is a member in good standing and enrolled in the Colorado 4-H horse project.
3. All exhibitors are required to enter the level of which your county agent verifies you in. This includes the Novice, Limited, and Advanced divisions. Exhibitors can not enter a lower division from what they are currently leveled in, but exhibitors can choose to compete up a
4. New for 2024 Novice Division for 4-H members that have passed their level 1 test are eligible to enter the Novice Division, see below.
5. All exhibitors must have completed Colorado 4-H Horse Project Advancement Level II Western to be eligible to compete in the Western Division, Level II Gymkhana to compete in the Gymkhana division, Level II Ranch Horse to compete in the Ranch Horse Division and/or Level II English to compete in the English Division of the 4-H Horse Show.
6. Level III/IV Eligibility: 4-H members must have passed the appropriate Advancement Level III rating to enter Level III/IV Western Riding, Reining, Hunter Hack, and Individual Cow Work classes. Entrants in the Hunter Hack classes must have passed Level III Hunt Seat to ride over fences (i.e., Dressage/Saddle Seat Level III card holders are not eligible to enter over-fence classes). Specific state and national contest rules must be observed in addition to the above rule.
7. All exhibitors are required to enter the level of which your county agent verifies you in. This includes the Novice, Limited, and Advanced divisions. Exhibitors can not enter a lower division from what they are currently leveled in, but exhibitors can choose to compete up a division. Example: A novice rider can enter the Limited division, or a Limited rider can enter the Advanced division.

# **New Divisions for 2024**

## **Novice - Level 1 Skills**

- Age Divisions: All ages (8-18 years of age)
- Western Classes offered at State Fair: Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail, and Written Test
- English Classes offered at State Fair: Showmanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, Riding Control, and Written Test
  - \*Novice Exhibitors are Level 1 skills only. Novice exhibitors can choose to compete up a division.

## **Limited - Level 2 Skills**

- Age Divisions: 8-13 & 14-18
- Western Classes offered at State Fair: Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail, Western Riding, Reining, and Written Test
- English Classes offered at State Fair: Showmanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, Riding Control, Show Hack, and Written Test
- Gymkhana Classes offered at State Fair: Barrels, Flags, Poles, and Written Test
- Ranch Classes offered at State Fair: Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail, Individual Cow Work, Ranch Cutting, and Written Test

## **Advanced - Level 3 and 4 Skills**

- Age Divisions: 8-13 & 14-18
- Western Classes offered at State Fair: Showmanship, Horsemanship, Trail, Reining, Western Riding, and Written Test
- English Classes offered at State Fair: Showmanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, Riding Control, Show Hack, Hunter Hack, and Written Test
- Gymkhana Classes offered at State Fair: Barrels, Flags, Poles, and Written Test
- Ranch Classes offered at State Fair: Ranch Riding, Individual Cow Work, Ranch Cutting, and Written Test

## Horse Eligibility

1. Number of Horses: Exhibitors may bring a total of two horses regardless of how many divisions the exhibitor chooses to enter, except for the Working Ranch Horse Division. Exhibitors participating in the Working Ranch Horse Division are only allowed to enter and ride one horse throughout the entire ranch horse division.
2. Ownership and Identification: Ownership is not required to participate in the Colorado State Fair, but the exhibitor must have a valid lease for any horse he or she is showing if the exhibitor does not own the horse or horses the exhibitor is showing. However, the exhibitor must have provided a majority of the management, care, and training of the horse during the current 4-H year.

The county agent's signature on the entry blank verification must attest to this fact. All horses entered in any division must be included in the Exhibitor's Horse Project Record Book and declared (completed identification certification on file at the County Extension Office) as a project horse in 4-H online as of May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

No substitution of horses will be permitted under any circumstances unless the substitute horse meets the above requirements.

3. Horses Shared by Siblings: Horses may be shown by siblings if they show or are entered in different age divisions or classifications. Please see the 2024 Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book regarding requirements for exhibitors using the same horse, rule 4C. The 4-H Horse Show will follow the Colorado 4-H Rule Book regarding the rule addressing this matter.
4. No stallions are permitted to compete in the 4-H Horse Show.

## Class Divisions

1. The show is divided into four-point counting divisions: English, Western, Ranch Horse, and Gymkhana. Exhibitors may compete in any or all divisions. Exhibitors may not switch divisions after the 4-H Horse Show registration deadline. Individual classes in each division are divided by age in such a manner as to equalize class size best. Ages are determined as of December 31 of the previous year.



2. Classes with fewer than three entries may be combined at the discretion of Management.
3. In ALL divisions, the written test and showmanship are considered regular classes and will be counted toward High Point and All-Around awards.

## Written Test

1. Completion of State 4-H Written Test is mandatory for high point and all-around award eligibility. Members will be ineligible for division High Point or All-Around awards if they do not complete the written test for the division. All members will be automatically entered and charged for the written test class for each show division they enter in.

The written test is a Colorado State Fair 4-H State Championship Horse Show class and will be treated as such. The written test will be 20 general equine science questions from the manual plus will consist of 5 additional specific questions for each division (English, Western, Ranch, and Gymkhana). The total number of questions will be 25.

To be eligible to take the written test exhibitors must be on time to take the test, have a pencil, bring their exhibitor number, be dressed appropriately (Colorado State 4-H dress code) and include all necessary information on their score sheet (i.e., exhibitor name, 4-H age, exhibitor number).

Written test score sheets missing necessary exhibitor information may be disqualified. If the exhibitor is late to the test, they will forfeit points earned in that class but will still be eligible for c awards. If the exhibitor takes the wrong test, they will receive a zero score and not be eligible to place, but would still be eligible for all High Points and All Around awards.

See class list for written test start times. Per the competition requirement regarding combining classes, if an exhibitor gets moved to another age group, then that exhibitor will still take the written test in which his or her original entry designates, and that test score will be applied toward their placing.

2. The only adults allowed in the testing area are those proctoring the test. Exhibitors may not talk to other exhibitors and may only direct questions to the test proctors during the

written test. Exhibitors may be asked to forfeit their test and leave the area if they talk to, share answers with, or take answers from other exhibitors.

3. Protests: Protest of a question or answer on the written test may only be made by the exhibitor. Once the last exhibitor has completed the written test, the key to the written test will be posted outside the show office. From the time the key is posted, exhibitors will have exactly 1 hour to protest the answer(s) to any question(s). Once the hour has expired, the test results are FINAL, and NO CHANGES will be made under any circumstances. Exhibitors for Division Champion Awards in both English and Western divisions must take the written test and compete in showmanship in both divisions.
4. Ranch Horse Written Test will be scored based on 0-75 points; 75 being a perfect score.

## **Show Requirements**

1. Specific state and national contest rules will be observed in addition to the requirements above. Individual class requirements will follow the 2024 Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book and the addendum.

Zero Score Rule: In Western Horsemanship, Ranch Riding, Hunt Seat Equitation, English Control, Western and Ranch Trail, and Showmanship, failure to complete the pattern will not result in a disqualification but will be scored accordingly. In these classes, Zero Scores are eligible for placing but not above anyone receiving a score above zero. In Reining, Western Riding, Ranch Cutting, and Individual Cow Work, a Zero Score will not be placed on the judge's card.

Off Pattern (OP): In Ranch Riding if an exhibitor goes off pattern, they will be assessed a 20-point penalty per offense.

2. Only contestants can school and ride their horses at any time while at the 4-H State Show.
3. Contestants are not allowed to ride bareback or double at any time while at the Fair.
4. Exhibitor Numbers: Exhibitors must always wear their numbers while in the horse show area. While showing, exhibitors are encouraged to display their number on both sides of the saddle pad rather than on the exhibitor's back (exception for showmanship).

Show management will provide two copies of each contestant's number. An exhibitor entering the arena without a number on or who fails to wear the correct back number will be disqualified from that class.

5. Dress Code: Contestants must always follow 4-H dress code (including awards ceremonies) as the 4-H Horse Show is a 4-H event. Contestants will be asked to modify their dress attire to meet the Colorado 4-H Dress Code (which is posted at [co4h.colostate.edu](http://co4h.colostate.edu)). Acceptable dress code rules and exceptions are available through Colorado State Extension.
6. Awards Dress Code: Exhibitors must wear equestrian professional dress to receive an award during any of the awards ceremonies held at the 4-H Horse Show. (Examples: a collared long-sleeve shirt, clean jeans free of holes, long-sleeve or short-sleeve polo shirts, or cardigans.) Exhibitors must always adhere to the 4-H dress code as stated above.
7. Promptness: Exhibitors will be responsible for making it to their class on time. The exhibitor must enter the ring according to the order of go in the time specified by the Show Management. Failure to do so will disqualify the exhibitor from the class. All gate calls are courtesy calls only.
8. Gate or Tack Changes: The time permitted for tack changes will be at the discretion of the paddock master and Show Management. Gate changes are only permitted if they are 4-H Horse Show related.
9. Gate Protocol: All events are required to be held inside a closed arena. During all runs, arena gates will remain closed. Failure to enter and leave the arena, mounted at a walk or trot, will result in a disqualification. Only exhibitors and Show Management should be in the arena.
10. Gymkhana: An exhibitor in gymkhana is considered on course from the time the arena gate closes to the time the arena gate reopens. Gymkhana division rules apply from the time of entry to the time of exit (gate to gate) for every rider.
11. Level II Ranch Cow Work Class: An exhibitor will box for 50 seconds until notified by the announcer, then complete their run. The exhibitor will be allowed a total of 1 ½ minutes.

12. During cattle classes, only the stock contractor, his employees, or Show Management will be allowed in the cattle area. The fair will provide 4 herd helpers for Ranch Cutting. Exhibitors must use the fair-provided herd help for their bottom corners but have the option to pick two 4-H youth ranch horse exhibitors to use as their top two corners help. Rule 1, Rule 20, and Rule 21 in the Colorado 4-H Rule book will be strictly enforced.
13. Exhibitors may not approach a judge under any circumstances. All questions or comments must be directed through the State Fair 4-H Horse Show Superintendents or Show Management.
14. Exhibitors and parents or guardians may be disqualified and excused from the grounds at the discretion of Show Management for any unsportsmanlike conduct or abusive action to a horse. The Exhibitor's animal must always be under control and handled safely. Any exhibitor not adhering to the above requirement may be disqualified and forfeit all fees, prize money, and awards.
15. Show Management reserves the right to amend or change rules, combine classes, and change times of scheduled classes at any time prior to the judging, and due notice will be given to exhibitors of any changes.

## **Awards**

1. Points per class are calculated on a 10-1 scale, except for the Ranch Horse Division, no matter how many exhibitors are in a class. Example: A contestant placing 1<sup>st</sup> in a class of three will receive ten points; a contestant placing 2<sup>nd</sup> will receive nine points; and so on...These points will be tabulated towards any High Point Awards.
2. Overall High Point Calculations: The overall high point will be calculated on raw scores. Overall high points are broken out as Limited Age Division 8-13 High point, Limited Age Division 14-18 High point, Limited Overall High point champion and reserve champion. Advanced Age Division 8-13 High point, Advanced Age Division 14-18 High point, Advanced Overall High point Champion and Reserve Champion.
3. Awards Presentations: The Horse Show Office will be closed for one hour each day after completing the last class. This will allow Show Management to tabulate and double-check all scores and high points. No exhibitors, spectators, or family members

will be allowed in the office during this time. After the tabulation of scores by Show Management, the officials will call the exhibitors to the arena for the awards presentations.

4. Ranch Horse Division only: Points per class will be based on the Exhibitor's earned performance score provided by the judge. Example: An exhibitor with a class score of 68 will receive 68 points for that class.
5. Novice Division only: No highpoint awards or premiums offered. Only class awards and ribbons.
6. Awards Presentation: Most class awards will be presented at the arena gate after completing the class. Ribbons not picked up at the gate may be claimed at the 4-H Horse Show announcer booth or at the Horse Show Office. Awards will not be mailed. Division High Point Awards will be presented one hour following the completion of each division. Exhibitors are required to be in proper attire when accepting their awards.

The Colorado State Fair Authority reserves the right to adjust results if Show Management has become aware of an error in the point calculations of results previously announced. In any such case, the Colorado State Fair Authority has the right to take back all prizes distributed before the error and distribute them to the correct recipient. This will enable the Colorado State Fair Authority and Colorado 4-H Extension to continue to offer quality awards for the 4-H Horse Show.

Ties: The written test scores will be used to break all ties. If a tie still exists, placing in the respective showmanship class for English and Western Division will be used. In Ranch Horse, the respective cutting class will be used. If a tie still exists, an official flip of a coin will be used to break the tie.

7. A contestant may enter all classes in a single division that he or she is qualified to enter. To be eligible for the 2024 4-H Division Champion Awards, the 4-H member may compete in the following classes:

a. Western

- i. Written Test
- ii. Western Showmanship
- iii. Western Horsemanship
- iv. Trail
- v. Western Riding
- vi. Reining

b. English

- i. Written Test
- ii. English Showmanship
- iii. English Equitation NTJ
- iv. English Riding Control
- v. Show Hack
- vi. \*Hunter Hack

c. Ranch Horse

- i. Written Test
- ii. Ranch Trail
- iii. Ranch Riding
- iv. Ranch Cow Work
- v. Ranch Cutting

d. Gymkhana

- i. Written Test
- ii. Barrels
- iii. Poles
- iv. Flags

\*These classes do not offer a level II option for entry.

8. All-Around Eligibility: Written Test, Showmanship, and Horsemanship/Equitation are required for an exhibitor to be eligible for Western and English Division All-Around Awards. All five classes are required for an exhibitor to be eligible for the Ranch Horse Division All-Around Awards, and the Written Test is required to be eligible for the Gymkhana Division All-Around Awards.

Any exhibitor who has previously won the Limited All-Around or Ranch Horse Saddle Award is not eligible to win the Limited All-Around Saddle in the future (this does not apply to Level III/IV). If you have previously won the Level II saddle in the All-Around or Ranch Horse, this rule applies under the new division name, "Limited."

## **General**

1. All entries in the Horse Show Department are subject to the 2024 Colorado State Fair General Competition & Entry Requirements.
2. Upon entry to the Colorado State Fairgrounds, all horses must have a health certificate.
3. Bedding will be available to purchase. No outside shavings are allowed. A fee will be assessed if the exhibitor brings in outside shavings. See Feed & Bedding requirements outlined in the 2024 Colorado State Fair Horse Show Competition Requirements.
4. Drug Testing: Program Management reserves the right to randomly or directly drug test any horse on the Authority's Grounds at any time for forbidden substances. If forbidden substances are found to be administered to any horse during the 4-H Horse Show, exhibitors and horses will be disqualified from all classes. They will forfeit all premium money and awards. Please refer to the "forbidden substances" section of the 2024 AQHA Rule Book for a list of forbidden substances.
5. The 4-H Code of Conduct Rule will be strictly enforced during the 4-H Horse Show.
6. Video Protests – video protests are not allowed during the Colorado State Fair 4-H State Championship Show.

# Premiums

Premiums are paid in all 4-H classes as follows

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	6th Place
\$25	\$20	\$15	\$13	\$10	\$7

Must have a minimum of three exhibitors per class to get premiums



## 4-H Horse Show Divisions and Classes

### Gymkhana Division

<b>Gymkhana Division Number</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Ages</b>
Written Test Exhibitors must bring a No. 2 pencil. Required entry for High Points and Overall All awards.		
1144	Juniors	Age 8-13
1145	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>Barrel Race</b>		
1146	Juniors	Age 8-13
1147	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>Flags</b>		
1148	Juniors	Age 8-13
1149	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>Poles</b>		
1150	Juniors	Age 8-13
1151	Seniors	Age 14-18

## English Division

Saddle Seat or Hunt Seat attire will be accepted. Judging emphasis shall be placed upon the rider and obedience of the horse. Commands at all gaits will be called for at the judge's discretion.

<b>English Division</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
<b>Written Test</b> Exhibitors must bring a No. 2 pencil. Required entry for High Points and Overall All awards.		
1152	Novice	Age 8-18
1153	Limited	Age 8-13
1154	Limited	Age 14-18
1155	Advanced	Age 8-13
1156	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>English Showmanship at Halter</b>		
1157	Novice	Age 8-18
1158	Limited	Age 8-13
1159	Limited	Age 14-18
1160	Advanced	Age 8-13
1161	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>English Equitation Not to Jump</b>		
1162	Novice	Age 8-18
1163	Limited	Age 8-13
1164	Limited	Age 14-18

<b>English Division</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1165	Advanced	Age 8-13
1166	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>English Riding Control</b> (Either Hunt, Saddle Seat, or Dressage seat riders may ride)		
1167	Novice	Age 8-18
1168	Limited	Age 8-13
1169	Limited	Age 14-18
1170	Advanced	Age 8-13
1171	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>English Show Hack</b> (Hunt, Saddle Seat, or Dressage seat riders may ride)		
1172	Novice	Age 8-18
1173	Limited	Age 8-13
1174	Limited	Age 14-18
1175	Advanced	Age 8-13
1176	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Hunter Hack</b> (Level III or IV Hunt Seat card required to enter)  To be shown at a walk, trot, and canter. Horses are required to jump two fences that are 2' - 2'6" in height.		
1177	Advanced	Age 8-13
1300	Advanced	Age 14-18

**Western Division:**

<b>Western Division Number</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
<b>Written Test</b> - Exhibitors must bring a No.2 pencil. Required entry for High Points and Overall awards.		
1178	Novice	Age 8-18
1179	Limited	Age 8-13
1180	Limited	Age 14-18
1181	Advanced	Age 8-13
1182	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Western Showmanship at Halter</b>		
1183	Novice	Age 8-18
1184	Limited	Age 8-13
1185	Limited	Age 14-18
1186	Advanced	Age 8-13
1187	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Western Horsemanship</b>		
1188	Novice	Age 8-18
1189	Limited	Age 8-13
1190	Limited	Age 14-18
1191	Advanced	Age 8-13
1192	Advanced	Age 14-18

<b>Western Division Number</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
<b>Trail</b>		
1193	Novice	Age 8-18
1194	Limited	Age 8-13
1195	Limited	Age 14-18
1196	Advanced	Age 8-13
1197	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Western Riding</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Level III or IV Card required for Advanced classes</li> <li>● Level II card required for Limited classes</li> </ul> *Limited Western Riding classes must perform simple lead changes		
1198	Limited	Age 8-13
1199	Limited	Age 14-18
1200	Advanced	Age 8-13
1201	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Reining</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Level III or IV Card required for Advanced classes</li> <li>● Level II card required for Limited classes</li> </ul> *Limited Western Riding classes must perform simple lead changes		
1202	Limited	Age 8-13
1203	Limited	Age 14-18
1204	Advanced	Age 8-13

<b>Western Division Number</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1205	Advanced	Age 14-18

## Ranch Horse Division

All Ranch Horse Division exhibitors must comply with Rule 300 and acceptable curbs as listed in the 2024 Colorado 4-H Horse Show Rule Book.

All riders must hold a Ranch Horse Level II card to participate. Exhibitors may only show one horse throughout the entire Working Ranch Horse Division and will only pay one fee for all five classes.

<b>Ranch Horse Division</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
Written Test - Exhibitors must bring a No.2 pencil. *Required entry for High Point and Overall All Awards		
1206	Limited	Age 8-13
1207	Limited	Age 14-18
1208	Advanced	Age 8-13
1209	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Ranch Riding</b> (required entry)		
1210	Limited	Age 8-13
1211	Limited	Age 14-18
1212	Advanced	Age 8-13
1213	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Ranch Trail</b> (required entry)		
1214	Limited	Age 8-13
1215	Limited	Age 14-18
1216	Advanced	Age 8-13
1217	Advanced	Age 14-18

<b>Ranch Horse Division</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
<b>Individual Cow Work</b> (required entry)		
1218	Limited	Age 8-13
1219	Limited	Age 14-18
1220	Advanced	Age 8-13
1221	Advanced	Age 14-18
<b>Ranch Cutting</b> (required entry)		
1222	Limited	Age 8-13
1223	Limited	Age 14-18
1224	Advanced	Age 8-13
1225	Advanced	Age 14-18



## Miniature Horse Division

### Miniature Horse Classes

- Start time: 10:00 a.m.
- Measurements: 8:30 a.m.
- Written Test: 9:00 a.m.

<b>Miniature Horse Division</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
<b>Written Test</b> - Exhibitors must bring a No.2 pencil. *Required entry for High Point and Overall All Awards		
1226	Juniors	Age 8-10
1227	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1228	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>Showmanship</b>		
1229	Juniors	Age 8-10
1230	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1231	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>Halter Obstacle</b>		
1232	Juniors	Age 8-10
1233	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1234	Seniors	Age 14-18

<b>Miniature Horse Division</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
<b>In-hand Hunter</b>		
1235	Juniors	Age 8-10
1236	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1237	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>In-hand Jumper</b>		
1238	Juniors	Age 8-10
1239	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1240	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>In-hand Barrels</b>		
1241	Juniors	Age 8-10
1242	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1243	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>In-hand Poles</b>		
1244	Juniors	Age 8-10
1245	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1246	Seniors	Age 14-18
<b>Costume</b>		
1247	Juniors	Age 8-10
1248	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1249	Seniors	Age 14-18

## State Champion

The exhibitor with the highest score in his or her division/age group in each division will be recognized as a State Champion 4-H Horse Exhibitor. The state champion award and ten ribbons will be presented to the following age groups.

<b>Division</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
English	Limited	Age 8-13
English	Limited	Age 14-18
English	Advanced	Age 8-13
English	Advanced	Age 14-18
Gymkhana	Juniors	Age 8-13
Gymkhana	Seniors	Age 14-18
Western Division	Limited	Age 8-13
Western Division	Limited	Age 14-18
Western Division	Advanced	Age 8-13
Western Division	Advanced	Age 14-18
Ranch Horse	Limited	Age 8-13
Ranch Horse	Limited	Age 14-18
Ranch Horse	Advanced	Age 8-13
Ranch Horse	Advanced	Age 14-18

## County Image Award

### Judging Criteria

Anonymous judges will circulate during the 4-H Horse Show. A committee will make inspections during the fair to determine the awards, taking into consideration the following points and rating 4-H members and country representatives in the following areas:

1. Horsemanship safety—Judges will penalize exhibitors who exhibit poor safety, including, but not limited to, bareback riding, riding with halter and lead shank, having more than one rider, and other dangerous displays.
2. Stall safety and cleanliness. Decorations are not to count.
3. Good sportsmanship
4. Courtesy to show management, judges, exhibitors, and visitors.
5. The camaraderie among all county representatives.
6. Accuracy in submitting entries
7. Orderliness and cleanliness of stalls, aisles, and animals. Adult help is not permitted.
8. Displaying a sign or banner that designates the county. A "point of contact" for each county must be posted in each county's stalling area and must be on file in the show office. Also, each stall should have signage indicating who the owner is and what county he or she represents.
9. Systematic and neat arrangement of supplies, feed, hay, and straw.
10. Personal appearance, including award presentations and ceremonies.
11. Observance of all competition and other Colorado State Fair Authority requirements.
12. Cooperation with show officials, such as getting entries into the show rings on time.
13. Exhibitors should always wear their exhibitor number to be easily identifiable
14. Parade of Counties: On Friday night at 6:30 p.m. in the Covered Arena during the PRCA Rodeo. Exhibitors will need to be dressed in Western attire for this event. Each County will be presented one at a time and will walk the arena floor to be recognized. County agents can walk in the parade of counties with their contestants.

Top County will receive a Jack Janowitz Memorial Traveling Trophy for one year plus a plaque to stay with their county. Any county winning three consecutive times shall retain possession. Jack Janowitz Memorial Traveling Trophy sponsored by Horse Patch Farms, home of the "Sweet Horses", Mildred & the Jack Janowitz, Franktown, CO.

1st Place "Gold Award" Traveling Trophy

2024 Colorado State Fair Theme – “Colorful Colorado”

## **Special Awards**

### **Colorado State Fair All-Around Advanced Saddle**

Awarded to the Advanced exhibitor who accumulates the greatest overall number of points in all three divisions (English, Gymkhana, and Western). Contestants must compete in the Advanced English and Western divisions to be eligible (i.e., contestants competing in Limited Western and

Advanced English are not eligible for this award). Gymkhana points in the contestants' respective age groups will also be counted. The Champion will receive a saddle awarded by the Colorado State Fair Authority. The Colorado State Fair Authority will sponsor the Reserve Champion awards for these All-Around awards.

### **Colorado State Fair All-Around Limited and Level Advanced Ranch Horse Saddles**

The Colorado State Fair Authority is sponsoring these saddles. Reserve winners in both levels will receive awards sponsored by the Colorado State Fair Authority. These awards will go to the individual who accumulates the greatest overall score in all five classes within their designated division of the Ranch Horse Competition. Contestants must compete in all five classes. This includes the written test for the ranch horse division.

### **Northeastern Junior College Scholarships**

The Northeastern Junior College, Sterling, CO, will award a \$1000 scholarship for tuition at NJC to a random exhibitor aged 14-18 who has previously signed up to be eligible for this scholarship. NJC will award one scholarship in the English, Western, and Ranch Horse Divisions. A framed certificate will be presented at the time of the show awards.

Colorado State Fair will put a place on the entry form for all exhibitors aged 14-18 to check if they wish to be eligible to win the NJC Scholarships. All seniors who do not check the box on the entry form will not be eligible to win an NJC Scholarship

# Colorado State Championship 4-H Horse Show Tentative Schedule for August 22, 2024

Show management reserves the right to change this schedule at any given time.

## English Class Schedule

### English Classes 1152-1156

- East Arena Bleachers
- Start time: 10:00 a.m.
- Written Test Class No. 1152-1156 are administered all at the same time before the start of the first riding class

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1152	Novice	Age 8-18
1153	Limited	Age 8-13
1154	Limited	Age 14-18
1155	Advanced	Age 8-13
1156	Advanced	Age 14-18

Following the Written Test, we will start in both arenas at 11:00 a.m.

### English Classes 1157-1177, 1300

Covered Arena Judge: Jeff Allen			Pewag Snow Chain Arena Judge: Lance Baker		
Class No.	Class Name	Class Division	Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1157	Novice English Showmanship	Age 8-18	1159	Limited English Showmanship	Age 14-18

<b>Covered Arena Judge: Jeff Allen</b>			<b>Pewag Snow Chain Arena Judge: Lance Baker</b>		
<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>	<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1158	Limited English Showmanship	Age 8-13	1160	Advanced English Showmanship	Age 8-13
1161	Advanced English Showmanship	Age 14-18	1162	Novice English Equitation NTJ	Age 8-18
1166	Advanced English Equitation NTJ	Age 14-18	1163	Limited English Equitation NTJ	Age 8-13
1165	Advanced English Equitation NTJ	Age 8-13	1164	Limited English Equitation NTJ	Age 14-18
	Short Break if needed			Short Break if needed	
1172	Limited English Show Hack	Age 8-13	1171	Advanced English Riding Control	Age 14-18
1173	Limited English Show Hack	Age 14-18	1170	Advanced English Riding Control	Age 8-13
1174	Advanced English Show Hack	Age 8-13	1167	Novice English Riding Control	Age 8-18
1175	Advanced English Show Hack	Age 14-18	1168	Limited English Riding Control	Age 8-13
			1169	Limited English Riding Control	Age 14-18
			<b>Short Break</b>		
			1176	Advanced Hunter Hack	Age 8-13

<b>Covered Arena</b> <b>Judge: Jeff Allen</b>			<b>Pewag Snow Chain Arena</b> <b>Judge: Lance Baker</b>		
<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>	<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
			1300	Advanced Hunter Hack	Age 14-18

English Horse Awards Ceremony will be held 1 hour after the Completion of the English classes. If you are not present at the awards ceremony to collect your ribbons or awards or have someone collect them for you, you forfeit your awards. Awards will not be mailed out.

## **Colorado State Championship 4-H Horse Show August 23, 2024 Tentative Schedule**

Show management reserves the right to change this schedule at any given time.

### **Western Class Schedule**

#### **Western Classes 1178-1182**

- Pewag Snow Chain Arena Bleachers
- Start time: 7:30 a.m.
- Written Test Class No.1178-1182 are administered simultaneously before the start of the first riding class.

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1178	Novice	Age 8-18
1179	Limited	Age 8-13
1180	Limited	Age 14-18
1181	Advanced	Age 8-13
1182	Advanced	Age 14-18



Following the Written Test, there will be a short 15-minute exhibitor meeting.

**Western Classes 1183-1205**

<b>Pewag Snow Chain Arena Judge: Lance Baker</b>			<b>Covered Arena Judge: Jeff Allen</b>		
<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>	<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1187	Advanced Western Showmanship	Age 14-18	1183	Novice Western Showmanship	Age 8-18
1185	Limited Western Showmanship	Age 14-18	1184	Limited Western Showmanship	Age 8-13
1192	Advanced Western Horsemanship	Age 14-18	1186	Advanced Western Showmanship	Age 8-13
1190	Limited Western Horsemanship	Age 14-18	1188	Novice Western Horsemanship	Age 8-18
Short Break			1191	Advanced Western Horsemanship	Age 14-13
1198	Limited Western Riding	Age 8-13	1189	Limited Western Horsemanship	Age 8-13
1200	Advanced Western Riding	Age 8-13	Short Break		
1199	Limited Western Riding	Age 14-18	1203	Limited Reining	Age 14-18
1201	Advanced Western Riding	Age 14-18	1205	Advanced Reining	Age 14-18
			1202	Limited Reining	Age 8-13
			1204	Advanced Reining	Age 8-13

## Western Classes 1193-1197

- West Warm-up Arena
- Start time: 9:00 a.m.

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1193	Novice Trail	Age 8-18
1194	Limited Trail	Age 8-13
1195	Limited Trail	Age 14-18
1196	Advanced Trail	Age 8-13
1197	Advanced Trail	Age 14-18

### Western Trail - West Warm-Up

Arena 9:30 a.m. - Judge Lacey Cooper

- The trail course will be open starting at 9:30 a.m. and will run at will, the course will remain open until CSF staff gives a thirty (30) minute warning call to close the course for the day.
- Exhibitors are responsible for signing up to ride the trail course before it closes.
- Exhibitors must sign up at the gate with the official gate person and be ready to go when their turn comes.
- Suppose you have a class conflict in one of the other arenas. In that case, you must let the trail gate person know before going and showing in the other arena or send a parent or sibling to the trail arena to let the gate person know that you are showing in one of the other arenas.
- The East and West arena classes have precedence over the trail arena, so if you think you will have a conflict, please let the gate person know immediately so he or she may move you down on the list.
- Trail is a Western class; English tack is prohibited.

# Colorado State Championship 4-H Horse Show August 24, 2024

## Tentative Schedule

Show management reserves the right to change this schedule at any given time.

### Ranch Horse Class Schedule

#### Ranch Horse Classes 1206-1209

Written Test Class No. 1206-1209 are administered all simultaneously before the start of the first riding class.

- Pewag Snow Chain Arena Bleachers
- Start time: 7:30 a.m.

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1206	Limited	Age 8-13
1207	Limited	Age 14-18
1208	Advanced	Age 8-13
1209	Advanced	Age 14-18

Following the Written Test, there will be a short 15-minute exhibitor meeting

#### Ranch Horse Classes 1218-1225

- Start time: 8:30 a.m. (Tentative)
- Pewag Snow Chain Arena
- Judge: Jeff Allen

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1225	Advanced RH Ranch Cutting	Age 14-18
1224	Advanced RH Ranch Cutting	Age 8-13
1223	Limited RH Ranch Cutting	Age 14-18

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1222	Limited RH Ranch Cutting	Age 8-13
1221	Advanced RH Ranch Individual Cow Work	Age 14-18
1220	Advanced RH Ranch Individual Cow Work	Age 8-13
1219	Limited RH Ranch Individual Cow Work	Age 14-18
1218	Limited RH Ranch Individual Cow Work	Age 8-13

#### **Ranch Horse Classes 1214-1217**

- Start time: 9:00 a.m. (tentative)
- Covered Arena
- Judge: Lance Baker
- Exhibitors show at will. Check-in with the gate person to sign up on the list to go.
  - Failure to report to the trail course will result in a zero score.
  - Classes in the East arena will take precedence over trail classes
  - Consideration will be given to exhibitors showing in other classes
  - It is the exhibitor's responsibility to report this class conflict to the Trail gate person,

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1214	Limited RH Trail	Age 8-13
1215	Limited RH Trail	Age 14-18
1216	Advanced RH Trail	Age 8-13
1217	Advanced RH Trail	Age 14-18

## Ranch Horse Classes 1214-1217

- Start time: after Trail
- Covered Arena
- Judge: Lance Baker

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1210	Limited RH Ranch Riding	Age 8-13
1211	Limited RH Ranch Riding	Age 14-18
1212	Advanced RH Ranch Riding	Age 8-13
1213	Advanced RH Ranch Riding	Age 14-18

The Ranch Horse Awards Ceremony will be held 1 hour after completing the Ranch Horse classes. If you are not present at the awards ceremony to collect your ribbons or awards or have someone collect them for you, you forfeit your awards. Awards will not be mailed out.

# Colorado State Championship 4-H Horse Show August 25, 2024

## Tentative Schedule

Show management reserves the right to change this schedule at any given time.

### Gymkhana Class Schedule

#### Gymkhana Classes 1144-1145

- Start time: 7:30 a.m.
- Pewag Snow Chain Arena Bleachers
- Written Test Class No. 1144-1145 are administered simultaneously before the start of the first riding class.

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1144	Juniors	Age 8-13
1145	Seniors	Age 14-18

\*Following the Written Test, there will be a short 15-minute exhibitor meeting.

#### Gymkhana Classes 1146-1151

- Start time: 8:15 a.m.
- Pewag Snow Chain Arena
- Judge: Jeff Allen

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1146	Junior Barrel Race	Age 8-13
1147	Senior Barrel Race	Age 14-18
1148	Junior Flags	Age 8-13
1149	Senior Flags	Age 14-18
1150	Junior Poles	Age 8-13

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1151	Senior Poles	Age 14-18

Gymkhana awards will be presented approximately one hour after the last class. If you are not present at the awards ceremony to collect your ribbons or awards or have someone collect them for you, you forfeit your awards. Awards will not be mailed.

# Colorado State Championship 4-H Horse Show August 25, 2024

## Tentative Schedule

Show management reserves the right to change this schedule at any given time.

### Miniature Horse Class Schedule

#### Miniature Horse Classes 1226-1228

- Start time: 8:30 a.m.
- East warm-up Arena Bleachers
- Written Test Class No. 1226-1228 are administered simultaneously before the start of the first riding class.
- Exhibitors must bring a # 2 pencil

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1226	Juniors	Age 8-10
1227	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1228	Seniors	Age 14-18

\*Following the Written Test, there will be a short break for official measurements from 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

#### Showmanship Classes 1229-1231

- Start time: 10:00 a.m.
- East warm-up Arena

Class No.	Class Name	Class Division
1229	Juniors	Age 8-10
1230	Intermediate	Age 11-13



<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1231	Seniors	Age 14-16

#### **Halter Obstacle Classes 1232-1234**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1232	Juniors	Age 8-10
1233	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1234	Seniors	Age 14-16

#### **In-Hand Hunter Classes 1235-1237**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1235	Juniors	Age 8-10
1236	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1237	Seniors	Age 14-16

#### **In-Hand Jumper Classes 1238-1240**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1238	Juniors	Age 8-10
1239	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1240	Seniors	Age 14-16

**In-Hand Barrels 1241-1243**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1241	Juniors	Age 8-10
1242	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1243	Seniors	Age 14-16

**In-Hand Poles 1244-1246**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1244	Juniors	Age 8-10
1245	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1246	Seniors	Age 14-16

**Costume 1247-1249**

<b>Class No.</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Class Division</b>
1247	Juniors	Age 8-10
1248	Intermediate	Age 11-13
1249	Seniors	Age 14-16

# Colorado State 4-H Championship Miniature Horse Show

## Exhibitor Eligibility and Project Rules

1. Exhibitors competing in the Colorado State Fair 4-H State Championship Miniature Horse Show (4-H Miniature Horse Show) must be members in good standing of a Colorado 4-H Club. Exhibitors who are at least 8 years of age and have not reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the previous year are eligible (See Rule 2 in the 2024 4-H Horse Show Rule book).
2. The 4-H Miniature Horse Show is a 4-H show only, not an open or FFA horse show. A 4-H Extension Agent will verify all entry forms to certify that the exhibitor is a member in good standing and enrolled in the Colorado 4-H miniature horse project.
3. Ownership or leasing of miniature horse(s) must be in the name of the exhibitor and the horse ID form must be uploaded to 4H Online by May 1, 2024. Members may not participate in fair-horse events if the miniature horse ID is not on file.
4. Exhibitors may enter classes with miniature horses identified on the horse ID and in their Horse E-Record book as being part of the individual's 4-H project.
5. An exhibitor may not enter more than one miniature horse per class.
6. If a miniature horse(s) cannot compete for any reason, no substitutions will be allowed after the May 1, 2024 Horse ID deadline.

## 4-H Horse Drug And Medication Rule

1. No horse may be shown in any class at a 4-H show if it has been administered in any manner a forbidden substance. A forbidden substance is any stimulant, depressant or local anesthetic, which might affect the performance of a horse. Stimulants and depressants are defined as medications, which stimulate or depress the circulatory, respiratory, or central nervous systems.
2. Also prohibited are any drugs, regardless of how harmless or innocuous they might be, which by their very nature might mask or screen the presence of the prohibited drugs or

prevent or delay testing procedures. The use of these drugs will be considered physical abuse and the consequences will be enforced according to the general rules and requirements of the Colorado 4-H Horse Book.

3. The full use of modern therapeutic measures, including phenylbutazone, to improve and protect the horse's health is permitted, unless the treatment may also stimulate or depress the circulatory, respiratory, or central nervous systems.

## **Horse Humane Policy Statement**

1. It is the responsibility of every 4-H member to ensure that proper care is taken of their horse according to acceptable methods of good equine husbandry, as set forth by CSU and the Colorado Department of Agriculture. A healthy horse requires sufficient food, water, shelter, and correct health care. Cruel and inhumane training methods are inappropriate in the Colorado 4-H Horse Program. Specific equine husbandry guidelines and humane training methods are provided in the Colorado 4-H Horse Project Manual.
2. The management of the State Fair reserves the right to withhold premium awards for violation of any rule governing this department, and to disqualify an exhibitor from participation at this Fair and/or future State Fairs.

## **Measurements**

1. To compete in State Fair Classes, all miniature horses should pass their safety test and be officially measured by the miniature horse project leader. The requirements for obtaining measurements will be followed by the AMHR Rulebook.
2. The miniature horse project leader must re-measure miniature horses under 3 years old every year.
3. Miniature Horses must not exceed 38" inches.
4. If a miniature horse is measured and found to be over 38" inches the Superintendent shall not allow the horse to show.

## Show Rules

1. 4-H miniature horse entries, exhibitors, and adults are subject to the 4-H Code of Conduct and the rules published in this document.
2. Miniature horse project members must have shown each project horse they wish to qualify in a qualifying show and taken the written test.
3. Parents/family members and 4-H leaders may, as necessary, assist with minor grooming help with the understanding that the 4-H member should do the majority of the work.
4. The show ring will be under the absolute control of the show management. Only authorized persons will be allowed in the show ring during judging.
5. The State Fair requires all exhibitors to wear proper attire in all horse show classes.
  - a. Proper attire includes a long-sleeved shirt (must be tucked in), long pants, and boots with a heel.
6. All exhibitors are required to take the written test.
7. Any behavior considered negative by the exhibitor, family members of the exhibitor, or leaders directed toward any show official, fair staff, 4-H staff, 4-H exhibitor or their parents will result in disqualification and awards forfeited.
8. All judges' decisions are final.
9. Exhibitors must display a back-tag number while in the show ring.
10. Any exhibitor may wear protective headgear (Certified ASTM/SEI Equine Helmet) in any division or class without penalty from the judge(s).
11. For safety reasons any unruly horse or unsafe equipment may be excused from the ring by the judge, or Superintendent. An exhibitor cannot protest this action.
12. Excessively large classes may be divided by Superintendent or Judge, as conditions warrant.

13. No entry may leave the ring after judging has begun without the permission of the Judge or Superintendent.
14. A horse must be handled and shown through an entire class by the same person. Should an additional handler be required due to physical limitation or emergency, approval must be obtained from the Show Superintendent.
15. Miniature horses may be shown with full mane or mane with bridle path clipped and full tail.
16. Disqualifications: Height more than 38 inches, dwarfism, and unsoundness.
17. All animals must be a year old by October of the current 4-H year for show purposes only. Some classes will have higher age limits.
18. Classes may be dropped, but not added the day of the show. There will be no refunds.
19. Please refer to the 4-H Colorado Miniature Horse Show Rulebook for more in-depth information about the rules of the show, classes and expectations.

## **Showmanship Division**

1. Showmanship at Halter – Showmanship is designed to evaluate the exhibitor's ability to execute, in concert with a well-groomed and conditioned horse, a set of maneuvers prescribed by the judge with precision and smoothness while exhibiting poise and confidence, and maintaining a balanced, functional, and fundamentally correct body position.
2. In Showmanship classes, exhibitors are to show to the presiding (call) Judge only. Only the handler is judged, the horse is merely a prop to show the showmanship ability of the handler.
3. Show management and/or judges define the showmanship pattern.
4. Class Procedures – All exhibitors may enter the ring and then work individually, or each exhibitor may be worked from the gate individually (show and go).
5. The following maneuvers are acceptable for use in the pattern: lead the horse at a walk, trot, extended trot, or back; execute any of the gaits (including back) in straight and/or

curved lines or a combination of straight and curved lines; stop; turn 90, 180, 270, 360 degrees or any combination or multiple of these turns. The pull turn is an unacceptable maneuver. The pattern must require the exhibitor to set the horse up squarely for inspection sometime during the class.

6. Equipment – When showing in Western tack and attire, Western style show halters with lead are to be used. A chain under the chin is allowed, no lip chains or chains over the nose are allowed. When showing in English tack and attire, appropriate English bridle or English style show halter are to be used. Showmanship whips, war bridles or like devices or any type of wire or rope over a horse's head are not permitted.

## **In Hand Working Performance Division**

### **General Rules**

#### **All Obstacle, Jumping, and Hunter Classes**

1. A miniature horse can only be shown by one exhibitor per class.
2. The judge and/or Superintendent have the right to alter the course for safety or to meet rule requirements after the course is set and prior to the beginning of the class. Once the first exhibitor has completed the course, no changes may be made. If the same jump set up is used for different classes, and only jump order and/or heights are changed, the judge and Superintendent only need to walk the course one time.
3. Exhibitors will be allowed to walk the course after it has been set and verified by the judge and Superintendent.
4. A hunter/jumper miniature horse must be 3 years and older.

#### **Halter Obstacle**

1. To be shown in halter with appropriate lead, chain on lead permitted under the chin of the horse.
2. Horse to be penalized for any unnecessary delay or excessive time at an obstacle. Judge can advance an exhibitor to the next obstacle if a horse is taking excessive time at an obstacle. Maximum time of thirty (30) seconds or two (2) attempts per obstacle.

3. Edible treats are not allowed to encourage an animal to perform one of the obstacles.
4. Whips are not allowed.
5. There must be a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 8 obstacles.

### **Hunter and Jumper in Hand**

- 1) Horses are to be shown in halter or bridle with appropriate lead. Chain on lead permitted under the chin of the horse.
- 2) Hunters and Jumpers may show braided manes and tails in the manner of their larger counterparts.
- 3) Exhibitors are not permitted to go over jumps.
- 4) Whip may not be carried.
- 5) A practice jump of similar construction to the jumps on course will be provided in the warmup area.
- 6) Jump standards may not be taller than 40".
- 7) Jumps must be at least 5 feet wide but no wider than 6 feet.
- 8) There will be a minimum of 4 fences and a maximum of 6 fences.

### **Jumper Courses**

1. Jumper courses should be technically challenging. Jumper courses may consist of lines of fences or single fences, and fences may be placed on straight or curved lines. Multiple turns or changes of direction are encouraged.
2. Fence Heights for Jumpers are: Minimum height 18" Maximum height 33"
3. Jumpers Scoring: Jumpers are scored mathematically on accumulated faults, and on time to complete the course in case of ties. There will be one round which will be both scored for faults and timed. Exhibitors will be placed in order of least faults to most faults, with time utilized to break any ties (i.e. scoring by faults and then by time). There will be no additional rounds. Timing starts when the horse's nose passes the starting line and finishes when the horse's nose passes the finish line.



## **Hunter Courses**

1. Hunter courses are designed to allow the exhibitor to present the horse to its best advantage. Longer distances and wide corners are utilized to enable a smooth presentation. Exhibitors will not be asked for tight turns. Angled jumps must be approached from the long corner, not the short corners.
2. Hunter courses consist of two or three straight or gently curved lines of jumps that do not require turns between them, or single jumps, with room for wide corners between lines and jumps.
3. Fence heights for Hunters are: Minimum height 18" and Maximum height 27".
4. Hunters are not scored mathematically by faults nor by time. Hunters are judged on style and form over fences, manners, way of going and pace in that order. The Judge must penalize unsafe jumping (i.e., charging, refusals) and poor form over fences.
5. Circling once upon entering the ring and once upon leaving the ring is permissible.

## **Gymkhana Division**

### **General Rules**

1. All gymkhana events will be timed.
2. Horses must be under control at all times.
3. Horses must be at least 1 year old for in-hand.
4. Horses are to be shown in a halter with appropriate lead (when in hand). Chain on lead permitted under the chin or over the nose of the horse. A chain is optional. Western, Cable, nylon, and Draft style halters are permitted. Bridles are not allowed.
5. Horses can trot, canter, or gallop for in-hand events.
6. Disqualifications – Any of the following infractions will disqualify an entry.
  - a. Running through the chute or gate to enter the arena.

- b. Failure to begin the course within 1 minute after the ready signal is given.
  - c. A stop or willful refusal to move forward (loss of forward motion).
  - d. Off course, which includes negotiating obstacles in other than the specified order or in the wrong direction. This includes circling, backing or reversing the direction of movement.
  - e. Horse is behaving in an unruly manner or out of control.
  - f. Any kind of cruelty to the horse whether or not specifically mentioned in these rules will disqualify the competitor.
  - g. Striking or beating the horse in any manner whatsoever after entering the arena. Touching the horse will not be considered striking or beating the horse.
  - h. Fall of horse or exhibitor while in the arena.
  - i. Carrying a whip.
7. Timing Procedure – Electric timers are preferred over stopwatches. If an electric timer is used, at least one official should take the time using a stopwatch in case the electric timer fails. If an electric timer is not available, three stopwatches will be used. The median time of the three readings will be the official time. (The median time is the time indicated by two of the three stopwatches if two agree. If no two watches agree, the median time is the time indicated by the watch which indicated neither the fastest nor the slowest time.) All stopwatches must be calibrated to at least one-tenth of a second. The start/finish timing line must be a minimum of 10 feet from the end of the arena. The timing line must be visibly marked in the arena. Contestants are allowed running starts.

### **In-Hand Barrel Racing**

Barrel racing classes can be performed in-hand. These are to be separate classes. Three 55-gallon barrels in safe, usable condition should be used.

1. The size of the pattern (see fig. 22) should be 35 feet between barrels 1 and 2, 40 feet between barrels 2 and 3, 40 feet between barrels 1 and 3, and 25 feet from the timer to the first barrel. The course must be measured exactly. If the course is too large for the available space, then each measurement of the pattern should be reduced 5 feet from

the fence. If the course specified in this rule book is too big for the available space, the distance from barrel 3 to the finish line need to be reduced 15 feet at a time, as long as there is enough room for the horse to stop safely.

2. Knocking Down a barrel will result in a 5 second penalty.

### **In-Hand Pole Bending**

1. The pole bending pattern is run around six poles. The poles are placed in a straight line 10 feet apart. The first pole is to be 10 feet from the starting line. Poles are 6 feet high and set on top of the ground, with bases 10 inches to 14 inches in diameter.
2. Contestants may start on either side of the line of poles. They will cross the starting line, move in an approximately straight line to pole 6 (the farthest pole), make a 180-degree turn around pole 6, pass between pole 6 and pole 5, bend through the poles to pole 1, circle pole 1, bend through the poles to pole 6, make a 180-degree turn around pole 6, and cross the starting line by moving along the poles on the side opposite that on which they first approached pole 6.
3. A 5-second penalty will be assessed for each pole knocked down.

### **Costume Class**

1. General - Costumes must be considered safe.
2. Costume classes are to be judged 75% on originality of costume and 25% on presentation.
3. To be shown at a walk both ways of the arena and lined up in the middle of the arena for final judging.

### **Point Scoring System**

1. Points per class are figured on a 7-2 scale, no matter how many exhibitors are in a class. Example: A child placing 1st in a class of three will receive 7pts, a child placing 2nd would receive 6pts, and so on...

## Premiums And Awards

1. Ribbons will be given 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> place in each class.
2. Premiums for 4-H Miniature horse classes will be:

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	6th Place
\$25	\$20	\$15	\$13	\$10	\$7

## Award Winners

1. To qualify for Overall and Reserve Overall High Point in Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age divisions, competitors must take the written test, compete in showmanship, and enter two (2) or more classes in their division.
  - a. Overall High Point and Reserve Overall High Point winners will receive awards.