

JUNIOR HORSE & PONIES DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT - 206

Horseless Horse and other Horse Exhibits also see:

Division - 210 Horse & Pony Exhibits & Contests, and Division - 260 Clothes-Horse/Equestrian Attire

Rules

1. Exhibitors are not to be coached from the rail. Animals cannot be worked or ridden by anyone except the exhibitor while on the grounds. If assistance is needed, the parents, project leaders or an older exhibitor may assist from the ground. **ASTM/SEI helmets must be worn by all riders whenever mounted or driving.**
2. Since this is a Junior Show, horses must be prepared for show by the exhibitor (this includes but is not limited to bathing, clipping, grooming, and braiding or banding the mane). Only 4-H members, FFA members, other Waukesha County Fair youth exhibitors, Waukesha County 4-H or FFA volunteers, and family may assist in preparation at the fair.
3. Members may show a maximum of two (2) horses.
4. All exhibitors may reserve up to two stalls (if available). **If NOT enough stalls are available, exhibitors will be limited to showing one horse. Stall registrations are due by June 15th to the Waukesha County Fair Office, along with a \$25 check that will be refunded to the participant upon stall inspection on Sunday to confirm the participant cleaned the stall area. Exhibitors are not allowed to stable or work out of a trailer.**
5. Animals exhibited may be owned or managed. Ownership is defined as being owned by the member or his/her immediate family. Managed is one that is fed, cared for and ridden at least 50% of the time by the member, but not owned by him/her or his/her immediate family.
6. Draft Horses may be exhibited in appropriate driving and showmanship Divisions on Friday. Exhibitors ages 11 and under must be accompanied by an adult while driving.
7. For judging purposes, this horse show will follow the Wisconsin 4-H Horse Project Equestrian Guidelines (unless otherwise stated). Copies can be found on the internet at www.uwex.edu/ces/4h/onlinpro/horses.cfm or obtained from a 4-H horse project leader/extension agent.
8. No class changes will be allowed the day of the show. Please advise show office/superintendent should you wish to drop a class you previously signed up for.
9. Severe bits will be disqualified at the discretion of the judge.
10. No tie downs or martingales shall be allowed in the show ring.
11. If it is deemed necessary to consult a veterinarian or farrier, the exhibitor is responsible for the fee. Horse Superintendent must be notified that veterinary or farrier services are needed prior to veterinarian or farrier arrival.
12. All animals must meet State Health Requirements listed in the front of the book. A copy of current year negative Coggins Test must be provided to the Waukesha County Fair Office, sent in conjunction with stall reservations.
13. Horses must arrive by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday and are required to stay until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday. Horses unable to meet this requirement due to illness, injury, temperament, or safety reasons should not be brought to the County Fair. Animals that become sick, injured or dangerous while at the County Fair will be examined by the County Fair Veterinarian who will decide if the horse should be taken home. Only the County Fair Veterinarian is allowed to excuse a horse from the Fair Grounds. Late arrivals or early departures will result in the loss of premiums and will be given a pink ribbon.
14. Clubs are encouraged to have stall decorations. No crepe paper please. **Stall decorations must remain in place until 7:00 p.m. on Sunday. No exceptions.**
15. **Decisions and rulings related to the Waukesha County Fair Junior Horse Show will be made by the Waukesha County Fair Board and/or Livestock Committee.**
16. All entrants must check in with the gatekeeper and remain in the area before the previous class ends. The gate will not be held for late arrivals.
17. The championship classes will consist of the two (2) top Blue ribbons from each eligible Division.
18. All livestock being exhibited must be washed at the wash rack.
19. Horse Stall Reservation Forms and \$25 deposit checks should be mailed or brought directly to the Fair Office by June 15th. Please do not rely on leaders or superintendents to turn these in for you.
20. **Entry fee is \$50.00 per animal.**
21. It is at the discretion of the Superintendent to split or divide classes.
22. Judge's decision is final once exhibitor exits the ring.

Senior Youth: age 16 and above

Junior Youth: age 15 and below

High Points: Youth Senior, Youth Junior

Youth Pony/Mini & Open

Halter points count toward High Point / No cross-entering in halter

DIVISION: JUNIOR HORSE & PONIES

Class No.

Blue	Red	White	Pink
8.00	7.00	6.00	5.00

1. Youth Western Type at Halter
2. Youth English Type at Halter
3. Youth Pony / Mini at Halter

YOUTH HALTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes

10. Senior Youth Showmanship E/W
11. Junior Youth Showmanship E/W
12. Youth Pony / Mini Showmanship E/W

YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP CHAMPIONSHIP E/W

Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes

15. Youth Reinsmanship Driving (H/P)
17. Youth Cones Driving (H/P)
19. Youth Walk/Trot English Pleasure
21. Senior Youth English Pleasure
22. Junior Youth English Pleasure
23. Youth Pony English Pleasure

YOUTH ENGLISH PLEASURE CHAMPIONSHIP

Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes

26. Youth Walk/Trot English Equitation
28. Senior Youth English Equitation
29. Junior Youth English Equitation
30. Youth Pony English Equitation

YOUTH ENGLISH EQUITATION CHAMPIONSHIP

Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes

34. Youth Walk/Trot Western Pleasure
36. Senior Youth Western Pleasure
37. Junior Youth Western Pleasure
38. Youth Pony Western Pleasure

YOUTH WESTERN PLEASURE CHAMPIONSHIP

Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes

41. Youth Walk/Trot Western Horsemanship
43. Senior Youth Western Horsemanship
44. Junior Youth Western Horsemanship
45. Youth Pony Western Horsemanship

YOUTH WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP CHAMPIONSHIP

Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes

48. Youth Walk/Trot Ranch Pleasure
49. Youth Ranch Pleasure
51. Senior Youth In-Hand Trail (E/W, H/P)
52. Junior Youth In-Hand Trail (E/W, H/P)

YOUTH IN-HAND TRAIL CHAMPIONSHIP

Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes

55. Youth Walk/Trot Trail (E/W, H/P)

56. Senior Youth Trail (E/W, H/P)

57. Junior Youth Trail (E/W, H/P)

**YOUTH TRAIL CHAMPIONSHIP (E/W, H/P)
Top 2 Blues from Youth Classes**

A champion ribbon and reserve champion ribbon will be awarded for the Showmanship, Equitation, and Horsemanship Pleasure and Trail championship divisions.

*Horse/Pony Educational Exhibits are in Junior Small Animals, Pets & Vet Science Department – 210.

DRAFT HORSES:

All Showmanship will be held on Friday morning beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Information Regarding State 4-H Horse Expo

December 2022...still applies into 2026...

Wisconsin 4-H Horse Association updated their requirement for showing at Wisconsin 4-H Horse Expo. Due to a 4-H rule change in 2023, 4-H members will not need to earn a blue ribbon at their fair qualifying horse show to attend Expo. This is in alignment with the other state 4-H horse shows that the association conducts, State 4-H Hunt and Dressage and State 4-H Gymkhana. Additionally, this aligns with other state 4-H animal shows.

On the county level, horse project groups and clubs should continue their great work with local activities, programs, and expectations as decided by the group's membership. Exhibitors should continue showing horses at the county fair. The fair is a great opportunity for members to exhibit their project, gain feedback and reflect, and apply that gained knowledge to their project. Plus, the fair is a great way for the community to see your ongoing great work and passion for the horse project.

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