

The Path Starts Here



With 4-H!

OBJECTIVES OF THE 4-H FAIR

The general objectives of the Atlantic County 4-H Fair are:

1. To allow 4-H members to demonstrate what they have learned in their projects over the past year.
2. To demonstrate learned skills and measure skill levels through competition; judging against a standard and not against each other. Competition/judging is meant to be educational and serve as a basis for further education.
3. To develop self-confidence through public presentation.
4. To develop leadership skills through responsibility.
5. To promote 4-H to the public and to increase enrollment.
6. To provide a chance to meet others, developing a county 4-H spirit and camaraderie.

Additional 4-H Fair objectives that pertain specifically to the horse project include:

1. To allow 4-H Horse Project members to demonstrate their knowledge and skills in horse care and management, safety and horsemanship.
2. To provide educational experiences for our 4-H Cloverbud project members and leadership opportunities for our older 4-H horse project members.
3. To promote the 4-H Horse Project and related activities.

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PLEASE NOTE: A parent, guardian, or an officially designated guardian **MUST** be on the fairgrounds. Members are not the responsibility of the barn managers/counselors.

ELIGIBILITY

A. *Who is eligible to participate?*

1. Atlantic County 4-H horse club members who have:
 - a) Enrolled by January 1, 2011.
 - b) Registered a project animal by April 1, 2011.
 - c) Participated in at least 70% of the 4-H horse club meetings.
 - d) Given a club or county public presentation, Favorite Foods Show demo, or state equine presentation.
 - e) Attended a personality/ethics workshop.
 - f) Completed an accurate horse project record book for each project animal (must be submitted at the Pre-Fair Horse Project Members Meeting (Mandatory Monday) on Monday, August 8 at 6 PM at the Horse Barn - see details under registering).
2. Members in Grades 4-13 as of September 2010.
3. Members who have completed at least one of the 4-H horse project divisions: Active members in good standing in horse project area.

B. *Riders*

1. Senior Riders – Grades 9-13, as of September 2010
2. Junior Riders – Grades 4-8, as of September 2010
3. Up and Coming
 - a) Will perform at a walk-trot only
 - b) Riders who have never ridden in a walk/trot/canter class. EXCEPTION: Rider may have ridden in the Qualifying Show, but for experience only – not as a contestant.
 - c) It is strongly encouraged riders who have received a Grand with the same horse the previous year should move up to the appropriate Division.
 - d) THE SPIRIT OF OUR DIVISIONS. In the spirit of fair competition, the 4-H Office requests that you enter the division that truly represents your riding level – not that of your horse. Our walk/trot divisions are included to help the beginner rider develop confidence and to learn the ins and outs of competition in the show ring. They are not included to serve as training classes for young/inexperienced horses ridden by experienced competitors.

C. *All Members*

1. Every member attending must meet the requirements as stipulated in the Pre-Fair Members' Meeting section.
2. Participants and visitors must follow the 4-H Code of Conduct. Any infractions by the rider, owner or parents, friends or relatives shall disqualify the horse and rider, and result in dismissal from the Fair.
3. Smoking is not permitted in the barn, within 50 feet of the barn, horse ring, or ready ring. Alcohol and drugs are not allowed anywhere on the Fairgrounds.
4. Any rider in the junior or senior divisions encountering difficulties may request to move to the Up & Coming division- no other moves are possible.
5. Upon written request riders may move up a division upon approval of fair committee.

D. *Cloverbud Members*

1. Cloverbud members, Grades K-3 as of September 2010, may participate in the Cloverbud Exhibition that will be held during fair (see section Q).
2. All Cloverbud members must wear hard hats in all classes and be neatly attired in appropriate riding clothes.
3. Cloverbud members' project animals must be trailered in the day of the exhibit.

E. *Horses*

1. Horse(s) must be the member's registered project animal(s) as of April 1, 2011.

- a) The project animal can only be replaced if it dies, becomes sick or unsound, but it must be verified with a veterinarian's certificate.
2. The age of a horse shall be determined as of January 1, regardless of its actual birth date.
3. Stallions are ineligible to compete in any 4-H event.
 - a) Colts of the current year are eligible in the Mare and Foal classes
4. Ponies will be defined as found in the *NJ 4-H Horse Rule Book*.

GENERAL RULES

F. *Horse Behavior*

1. Horses that kick must have a red ribbon in the tail.
2. Unruly, unsound, and/or uncontrollable horses will be removed from the stable, ring, or Fairgrounds as is deemed necessary by the judge and/or County 4-H Agent in consultation with the Show Committee.

G. *Clothes, Shoes, Etc.*

1. Expensive show attire is not necessary, but riders should be neatly and properly attired.
2. Riding boots are required for all classes.
3. All riders must wear a properly fitting equestrian helmet passing or surpassing current applicable ASTM/SEI (American Society for Testing and Materials/ Safety Equipment Institute) standards with chin strap secured while mounted at any time/anywhere on the competition/event grounds.
4. Boots or muckers are required whenever working around horses (no sneakers, sandals, etc.)
5. It is the parents' responsibility to determine if tack is safe and fits the project animal. If in doubt, parents should seek advice from a knowledgeable horse person.

H. *Riding*

1. All horses must be led at a walk to and from the barn area.
2. No horses are to be ridden around or near the announcer's booth, concession stands, or bleachers.

I. *Parental Assistance*

1. No parent, trainer, or other adult is permitted to ready the Project animal for the show ring by grooming or schooling (including lunge line or under saddle).
 - a) The exception is a parent readying a horse or pony for demonstration purposes only, while the member is occupied with another 4-H related activity.
 - b) With regard to safety, parental/adult assistance is agreeable with regards to holding the horse while the rider changes clothes, checking girth and/or equipment, or placing saddles for those members of smaller stature than their mounts.
 - c) Other concerns with regard to 4-H member and/or horse safety and adult assistance should be directed through the Barn Managers—we do not want any members disqualified.
2. Assistance is allowable in the following order:
 - a) 4-H member with horse experience
 - b) Leader/non-parent
 - c) Parent
3. Riders with disabilities are allowed parental/adult help with those things the rider cannot perform alone. (See details in Section J)

J. *Riders with Disabilities*

1. Riders are required to participate to the fullest extent possible based on disability, with some effort put forth to work with their project animal.
2. The disabled rider should work out limitations and assistance prior to attending Fair.
3. Assistance is allowable in the following order:
 - a) 4-H member with horse experience
 - b) Leader/non-parent
 - c) Parent

K. *Parents or Guardians*

1. Parents or guardians need to attend Mandatory Monday meeting (August 8).
2. It is **MANDATORY** that each member's parent or one family member give at least 2 hours at one or more Fair Horse Shows. A sign up sheet will be present on Mandatory Monday. Failure to do so will forfeit any points and awards.
3. Fair committee will ask every family to bring one of the following: 1 case of water, ice tea, sport drinks or 2 large bags of ice, for the community cooler.
4. Remember to bring project books, original Coggins and shot records including proof of rabies

Mandatory 1st Timers Pre-Fair Meeting (all are encouraged to come)– Monday, July 18; 7 PM

1. For all first time members going to fair. At least one parent/guardian must attend. This is strongly encouraged for all other members.
2. This meeting will provide information to all first time members and parents.
3. Rules will be discussed, a list of things needed for Fair will be given out, and any questions you may have can be asked at this time.
4. This meeting will help parents get an idea of what happens at Fair and what is expected of the members at Fair.
5. This also helps to know more before the Mandatory Monday meeting (August 8).

L. *Horse Council BBQ*

1. Shortly following the Western Show, Horse Council will provide a BBQ behind the horse barn.
2. At the Pre-Fair Horse Project Members' meeting, parents will be asked to bring side dishes for the BBQ. Horse Council will provide hamburgers and hotdogs.

M. *Specific Questions*

1. For answers to specific questions not listed in this handbook, participants and parents should refer to the NJ 4-H Horse Rule Book
 - a) Available from the 4-H Office at a \$2 fee
 - b) Or can be downloaded from the NJ 4-H website:
<http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/horses/horseshow/2011-2012-horseshow-rulebook.pdf>

PARTICIPANTS & HORSE

N. *General*

1. Participant may exhibit up to two project animals at Fair
 - a) Horses participating in Fair are required to be stalled at Fair in 2011 – the only exceptions will be project animals used for Dressage and/or Driving only since they will be held prior to the start of Fair. Special circumstances will be reviewed by Fair Committee if needed.
 - b) Mare and Foal is considered one project.
2. A horse ridden for points towards a division title must be the member's project animal and comply with rules listed under I.E.
3. Either the same or different 4-H members may exhibit the same horse in all divisions; all other requirements must be met to comply.
4. Participants with more than one project horse who switch horses between shows must do so before 8 a.m. or after Fair hours.
 - b) Participants with more than one horse may choose to keep one or both on grounds during Fair due to stall availability in 2011.

FAIR ACTIVITES

O. *Horse Care and Management Evaluation - Wednesday, August 10; 5PM*

1. All participants at the Fair are required to participate in this event.
2. All members will be required to demonstrate the ability to tie a safety knot:
 - a) Which may be displayed through hanging their haynets
 - b) Members who hang their haynets with a panic snap will be required to demonstrate their ability to tie a safety knot.
3. Members may display on their stall gates a card with special information about their horse and/or methods of caring for the horse. These cards may include special diet information, indications of known wounds and what they are being treated with, etc.
4. A haynet left in the stall must have hay in it. All empty haynets must be removed from the stalls.
5. Water buckets in stalls must be filled at all times. If water is removed for any reason, it should be noted on the stall gate card.
6. Project Books must be displayed at management if returned prior to judging.
7. In-depth Inspections-Wednesday, August 4 (see separate section for detailed information)
Members are reminded that Both English and Western Saddles and Tack need to be displayed if riding both divisions as this is a safety check of your Tack for fair participation.
8. "Spot" Inspections – There will be two unannounced spot inspections between Thursday, August 11 and Saturday, August 13. Once the judge begins judging, however, all members must remain outside of their stalls until the inspections are complete.
9. Leaders and/or parents must remain outside the fenced area during in-depth inspections, except at the request of the judge.

P. *Educational Team Activities - Wednesday, August 10; 5 PM*

1. Fair teams will be selected at random- each team having an equal number of experienced, junior, and beginner members- to work together on Fair Activities
2. Teams will be assigned on Monday, August 8.
3. Teams will be stalled together or as close as possible, to encourage cooperation and team sprints, and so they can proceed to Hippology area together.
4. Teams should work together and support each team's younger members.

Q. *Cloverbud Exhibition - Friday, August 12; 5 p.m.*

1. A mini show will be conducted to provide an educational, mounted clinic for Cloverbud members.
2. All Cloverbud members are invited to attend.
3. All members participating at Fair are strongly encouraged to attend.
4. Others who are interested may attend.

R. *Stall Decorations*

1. Members are encouraged to decorate their stalls in an appropriate manner.
 - a) Stalls will be judged by teams.
 - b) Suggestions: pictures of the horse and rider; information regarding the age, breed, height, etc. of the horse; information of general interest to the public, such as road safety practice.
 - c) Theme: "The Path Starts Here With 4-H!"

S. *Horse Shows*

1. Riders must have turned in the previously mailed registration form by Wednesday, June 1.
2. Riders may choose to ride all 6 divisions, but may ride only one, if desired. Due to stall availability, all project animals are to be stalled on the grounds throughout the Fair, with the exception of horses participating ONLY in Dressage and/or Driving.
3. In order to stall your horse you must ride at least one division.

HORSE SHOW SCHEDULE

T. *Dressage Division - Saturday, August 6; 9 AM*

1. Riders may enter (1) test only, but may list an additional test. This may be ridden, if time permits, as determined by Show Committee.
2. Placings will be awarded to 6 places for: (all grade divisions combined)
 - a) Intro Level Test A and B (combined)
 - b) Intro Level Test C and Training Level Test 1 (combined)
 - c) Training Level Test 2 and Above (combined)

U. *Driving Division - Saturday, August 6; not to begin before 1 PM*

1. Senior/Junior groups will be combined.
2. Proper attire and equipment is required
3. Junior drivers (Grades 4-8) must be accompanied by a knowledgeable horseman 21 or over in the carriage at all times, including outside of ring.
 - a) An adult or senior 4-H member with at least 2 years experience must head the pony/horse at all times outside the arena and when needed inside the arena.

V. *English Division - Thursday, August 11; 9 AM*

1. Proper riding attire and equipment required
2. Placings will be awarded to 6 places

W. *Miniature Horse Division - Thursday, August 11; 5 PM*

1. Groups will be combined: Junior/Senior/Up & Coming
2. Proper attire and equipment required
3. Placings will be awarded to 6 places

X. *Drill Team Demonstration - Thursday, August 11; 7 PM and Friday, August 12; 7 PM*

1. Those members who have been practicing for the Atlantic County 4H Fair Drill Team exhibitions will perform a precision horseback demonstration of their horsemanship skills.

Y. *Fun Games with Miniature Horses/VSE - Friday, August 12; 12 Noon*

1. This is a non-competitive, fun-oriented activity.
2. All members are invited to participate. Games will combine speed, skill, and fun on horseback.
3. All safety measures will be strictly enforced.

Z. *Games on Horseback Fun Games - Friday, August 12; 2:30 PM*

1. This is a non-competitive, fun-orientated activity.
2. All members are invited to participate.
3. Games will include costume class, speed, skill, and fun.
4. If a different horse is to be used for games, it must be trailered in between 1-3 PM on Friday.

AA. *Speed Division - Friday, August 12; 8 PM*

1. Rider groups will be
 - a) Up & Coming (Walk/Trot Only)
 - b) Juniors
 - c) Seniors
2. All safety measures will be strictly enforced.
3. Long sleeves are mandatory at all times
4. Placings will be awarded to 6 places

BB. *Western Division - Saturday, August 13, 9 AM*

1. Proper riding attire and equipment required
2. Placings will be awarded to 6 places
3. Hard hats to be worn at all times, except for in-hand classes such as Grooming and Showmanship.

4. Cowboy hats are appropriate for the in-hand classes only when the participant is in Western attire.
- **On Saturday evening, prior to the Horse Awards on stage, Horse Council will provide a BBQ behind the horse barn. On Mandatory Monday parents will be asked to bring side dishes for the BBQ. Horse Council will provide hamburgers and hotdogs.**

CC. ***Horse Award Ceremony - Saturday, August 13; 8:30 p.m.***

1. The high scoring members in the Up & Coming, Junior, and Senior groupings of the English and Western Divisions will receive Grand Champion awards. Reserve Champion will be awarded to the second highest scoring individuals in the Up & Coming, Junior, and Senior groups of the English and Western Divisions.
2. The high scoring members in the Dressage Division will receive Grand Champion in Intro Level Test A & B, Intro Level Test C & Training Level Test 1, and Training Level Test 2 & Above. The second highest will receive Reserve Champion in Intro Level Test A & B, Intro Level Test C & Training Level Test 1, and Training Level Test 2 & Above. Only one Dressage Grand/Reserve per horse rider combination per division. In keeping with the "Spirit of Competition" 4H members riding 2 tests will be placed based on the higher of the 2 tests ridden.
3. The high scoring members of the Up & Coming, Junior, and Senior groupings of the Speed Division will receive Grand Champion Awards. Reserve Champion will be awarded to the second highest scoring individuals in the Up & Coming, Junior, and Senior divisions.
4. The high scoring members in the combined groups of the Miniature and Driving Division will receive Grand Champion awards. The second highest scoring members in the combined groups of the Miniature and Driving Division will receive Reserve Champion awards.
5. **Sportsmanship/Barn Managers Award** – In 2010, these two awards were combined. All members active during Fair will vote for the member who best displayed good sportsmanship, barn managers will recommend up to 5 names of members that demonstrated all aspects of sportsmanship throughout entire Fair for 4-H Fair horse participants to vote on.

SPORTSMANSHIP means a member who displays good conduct and helps other members during the entire Fair.

- *2010 Sean Hotlen*

- **Previous Sportsmanship Winners:**

<i>2001 Melissa Webster</i>	<i>2004 Lauren Fleming</i>	<i>2009 Tina Seelig</i>
<i>2002 Dana Kaufman</i>	<i>2005 Meredith Dougherty & Keri Galli</i>	
<i>2003 Melissa Mathis</i>	<i>2006 Meredith Dougherty</i>	
<i>2007 Ashlee Grasso</i>	<i>2008 Jessica Patrick</i>	

- **Previous Barn Managers' winners:**

<i>2003 Melissa Mathis</i>	<i>2004 Renee Boddy</i>	<i>2005 Steven Fleming</i>
<i>2006 Heather McGourley</i>	<i>2007 Kelly Sullivan</i>	<i>2008 Jessica Webster & Jessica Patrick</i>
<i>2009 Joey Pollino</i>		

HORSE SHOW CLASS INFORMATION

DD. ***Competitive Divisions and Grouping:***

- Riders must ride in at least one division to be eligible for Fair.
 - Riders may ride all six divisions.
 - Must have at least 3 exhibitions to be a Division.
 - Divisions maybe combined or added depending on number of fair entries.
1. English and Western Divisions
 - a) Seniors – Grades 9-13, as of September 2010
 - b) Juniors – Grades 4-8, as of September 2010
 - c) Up & Coming – Any grade, walk/ trot only

2. Dressage Division
 - a) May register for up to 2 tests, listing them in order of preference.
 - b) Will be notified in advance how many tests time will permit them to ride at Fair
 - c) Riders in the Up & Coming Division MUST ride the Intro Level Tests A & B
3. Speed Division
 - a) Junior
 - b) Senior
 - c) Up & Coming
4. Miniature Division
 - a) Combined Groups (Junior/Senior and Up & Coming)
5. Driving Division
 - a) Combined Groups (Junior//Senior)

EE. *Non- Competitive Divisions and Grouping:*

1. Games on Horseback – All riders are eligible to participate in these activities.
2. Fun Games with Miniature Horses – All riders with registered miniature horses.
3. Cloverbud Exhibition/Demonstration – For registered Cloverbud members.

FF. *Awarded Points - * points will not exceed the number of entrants*

1. English, Western, Speed, Miniature, and Driving Divisions
 - 1st Place – 6 points
 - 2nd Place – 5 points
 - 3rd Place – 4 points
 - 4th Place - 3 points
 - 5th Place – 2 points
 - 6th Place – 1 point
2. Dressage Division

Placings to six places:

 - a) Intro Level A & B– high test percentages (1-6)
(Grand and Reserve for Up & Coming/Junior/Senior combined)
 - b) Intro Level C & Training Level Test 1
(Grand and Reserve for Junior/Senior combined)
 - c) Training Level Test 2 & Above– high test percentages (1-6)
(Grand and Reserve for Junior/Senior combined)

GG. *Division Tie Breakers*

1. The tie breaker for the English, Western, Miniature, and Dressage Divisions will be the Grooming and Showmanship placings.
 - a) Grooming and Showmanship is a required class for all participants, but the points for this class will only be used in case of a tie. Grooming and Showmanship classes will be held on both English and Western show days.
2. The tie breaker for Driving will be the participant with the most number of first and second placings.
3. The tie breaker for Speed Division will be determined by total time score.
4. Participants in either the English, Western or Miniature shows may choose to do only one of the Grooming and Showmanship classes, but are strongly encouraged to compete in all classes.

REGISTERING TO PARTICIPATE

HH. *Business Reply Card*

1. Stall Cards were previously mailed and the reply card that required a response from you on or before Wednesday, June 1st.
2. If a card was not returned by deadline it will be an automatic disqualification of eligibility.

II. *Mandatory Participation Required by Fair Registrants*

1. 1st Timers Pre-Fair Meeting
 - a) This is a mandatory meeting required for all first time participants scheduled for Monday, July 18 at 7 PM.
2. Pre-Fair Members' Meeting
 - a) This is a mandatory meeting for all who register to be held on Monday, August 8, at 6 PM.
 - b) Members must bring:
 - Completed and signed Project Books
 - Parent(s)/guardian(s) or designated adult who will be responsible for the member during Fair
 - Original Coggins and vaccination records.
3. Cloverbud Exhibition
 - a) To demonstrate support for our younger members,
 - b) All Fair registrants are strongly urged to attend the exhibit on Thursday afternoon.
4. Junior and Senior members exhibiting at Fair must participate in at least one mounted division.

A parent or guardian MUST be on the fairgrounds in order for their child(ren) to ride. If a parent or guardian is not able to be on the grounds, a DESIGNATED adult must be assigned. Barn Managers and the Show Committee need to know which parent(s) is/are not on the grounds and the adult(s) that will be responsible for the child(ren).

ARRIVAL / DEPARTURE / PARKING

1. Horses should arrive at the Fairgrounds on Wednesday, August 10; between 11 AM and 2 PM. Stall assignments will be made in advance.
 - a) NOTE: Those not able to arrive during scheduled time must notify 4-H Office by Tuesday, July 19 for approval.
2. Horses will not be allowed to leave the stable area until Sunday, August 14, unless a special request is approved prior to the start of Fair. Participants with more than one project animal may choose to switch horses for different disciplines; however one horse must remain until Sunday.
3. Participants may not depart with their horses on Sunday until their stalls are checked and approved by a Barn Manager.
4. Parking passes will be available at the 4-H Fair Office on Wednesday evening. The cost for the 4-H Horse Families is \$3.00.

FACILITIES/SUPPLIES ANIMAL CARE

JJ. *General*

1. The member must supply the bedding
 - a) 2 -4 bags of shavings, per stall is recommended. No more than 4 bags per stall will be needed for the entire Fair.
 - b) To lend consistency in the barn appearance, Horse Council prefers all horses to be bedded on sawdust or cedar chips. Exceptions will be made for Mare and Foal exhibits, or health problems.
2. All supplies/equipment are the responsibility of the 4-H members stalling their horses.
3. It is the responsibility of members to see that their animals are properly supervised and cared for at all times during Fair.
4. Members should bring to Fair only the equipment they use in the daily management of their horses. It is **Not Necessary** to buy extra supplies just for fair. Equipment does not need to be new, but it must be **clean**. Suggested list:
 - a) General equipment, such as double ended snaps, towels, scissors
 - b) 2 tarps to cover equipment, saddle rack

- c) Buckets – 2 water, 1 feed
 - d) Halter and lead – An extra set is recommended
 - e) Grooming supplies, such as Brushes, hoof dressing and bath supplies
 - f) First Aid supplies
 - g) Fly spray
 - h) Stall cleaning equipment, such as a muck bucket and rake
5. As a safety measure, a Stall Guard of some type is mandatory.
 6. All equipment and supplies must be kept out of the aisle of the barn. This area is meant for spectators.

KK. *Overnight Sleeping*

1. A member must have a horse stabled at the Fair in order to be eligible to sleep overnight.
2. If space is limited, members may be asked to spend one night at home, either Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday night.
3. If stall space is not available, a member who trailers in MAY be eligible to sleep overnight under the following conditions:
 - a) Opts to trailer in due to space limitations
 - b) Rides the full show on the day of the overnight stay
 - c) Agrees to assume an additional responsibility, such as working with a more experienced member, caring for a horse of a member going home for the night, mentoring a younger rider.
4. NJ 4-H rules for overnight sleeping will pertain to the Fair. Members and adults must complete NJ 4-H Overnight Agreement Forms and turn in to the 4-H Fair Office prior to the night staying over.
5. All arrangements for overnight sleeping will be determined by the respective 4-H leaders and barn managers. Assigned Chaperones will be selected by Fair committee.

AUTHORITY

LL. *Horse Barn Managers*

1. Ken Lehberger
2. Mary Dougherty
3. Barb Wooton
4. Amy Mejlak

MM. *Show Chairpersons*

1. English - Stephanie Morrongiello & Mary Osgood
2. Western - Courtney Beidelman
3. Dressage - Amy Mejlak
4. Mini Show & Mini Games - Cindy Boddy
5. Driving - Mary Dougherty
6. Speed - Mary Dougherty & Ken Lehberger
8. Horse Games – Junior Horse Council/Melissa Mathis/Tracy Neveling
9. Drill Team - Melissa Webster
10. Ribbons & Awards – Rose Marie Quirk/Amy Mejlak
11. Chaperones Chairperson - Joanna Grasso

NN. *Fair Committee*

1. Chairs: Kristin Rummler & Amy Mejlak
2. Members: Cindy Boddy, Mary Dougherty, Joanna Grasso, Ken Lehberger, Melissa Mathis, Stephanie Morrongiello, Mary Osgood, Al Schollenberger, May Schollenberger, Melissa Webster, Barbara Wooton, Michelle Wooton

2011 ATLANTIC COUNTY 4-H FAIR HORSE SHOW CLASS LIST

<p>DRESSAGE – Saturday, August 6, 9 AM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Intro Level Test A - combined 2. Intro Level Test B - combined 3. Intro Level Test C - combined 4. Training Level, Test 1 - combined 5. Training Level, Test 2 - combined 6. Tests Above Training Test 2 - combined 	<p>DRIVING – Saturday, August 6, 1 PM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Driving: Pleasure – Combined 2. Driving: Obstacle Course – Combined 3. Driving Reinsmanship – Combined
<p>ENGLISH – Thursday, August 11, 9 AM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. *Grooming and Showmanship – Senior 2. *Grooming and Showmanship - Junior 3. *Grooming and Showmanship - Up & Coming 4. *Mare & Foal 5. *Growing & Training Halter 6. *growing & Training Pleasure 7. Hunter Over Fences - Senior (2' fences) 8. Hunter Over Fences - Junior (2' fences) 9. Equitation Over Fences - Senior (3' fences) 10. Equitation Over Fences – Junior (2'3") 11. Equitation Over Fences - U & C (18" X-rails) 12. Hunter Over Fences - Up & Coming (18" X-rails) 13. Hunter Hack - Senior (2' fences) 14. Hunter Hack - Junior (2' fences) 15. Hunter Hack – Up & Coming (18" X-rails) 16. Pleasure – Senior 17. Pleasure - Junior 18. Pleasure - Up & Coming 19. Hunter Under Saddle – Senior 20. Hunter Under Saddle - Junior 21. Hunter Under Saddle - Up & Coming 22. Hunt Seat Equitation – Senior 23. Hunt Seat Equitation - Junior 24. Hunt Seat Equitation - Up & Coming 25. Command – Senior 26. Command – Junior <p>MINIATURE – Thursday, August 11, 5 PM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Showmanship 2. Halter 3. In- Hand Jumping 4. Hunter Jumper 5. In-Hand Trail 6. Liberty Class 	<p>Miniature Horse Fun Games - August 12, 12 Noon</p> <p>Games On Horseback - August 12, 2:30 PM</p> <p>SPEED – Friday, August 12, 8 PM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Barrel Racing – Senior 2. Barrel Racing - Junior 3. Barrel Racing - Up & Coming 4. Keg Race – Senior 5. Keg Race - Junior 6. Keg Race - Up & Coming 7. Pole Bending – Senior 8. Pole Bending – Junior 9. Pole Bending - Up & Coming 10. Bow Tie – Senior 11. Bow Tie – Junior 12. Bow Tie - Up & Coming 13. Key Hole – Senior 14. Key Hole – Junior 15. Key Hole - Up & Coming <p>WESTERN – Saturday, August 13, 9 AM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. *Grooming and Showmanship – Senior 2. *Grooming and Showmanship - Junior 3. *Grooming and Showmanship - Up & Coming 4. *Mare & Foal 5. *Growing & Training Halter 6. *Growing & Training Pleasure 7. Pleasure – Senior 8. Pleasure - Junior 9. Pleasure - Up & Coming 10. Horsemanship – Senior 11. Horsemanship - Junior 12. Horsemanship - Up & Coming (walk, trot) 13. Command – Senior 14. Command - Junior 15. Command - Up & Coming (walk, trot) 16. *Versatility (Western pleasure/English equitation) – Senior/Junior Combined 17. Trail – Senior 18. Trail - Junior 19. Trail - Up & Coming 20. Reining – Senior 21. Reining – Junior 22. Western Combine – Up & Coming 23. Western Riding – Senior 24. Western Riding – Junior <p>*not for Grand/Reserve Points</p>

HORSE CARE AND MANAGEMENT EVALUATION

developed by Keith G. Diem, August 1983 (revised 1992, 1994, 1997, 2007 DLC)

OBJECTIVES

1. To insure that well cared for animals and clean stalls are on display at the Fair.
2. To promote proper horse care and management practices, especially safety.
3. To allow members to become more aware of their own present practices and to learn methods for improvement.
4. To inform the public of the approved management practices taught and used in the 4-H Horse Project and ensure those concerned with Animal Rights of the philosophies practiced by 4-H horse project members.

PHILOSOPHY OF THE EVALUATION

Horse owners handle most of their horses daily. They groom them , feed the, clean their stalls, check for diseases and parasites, and exercise them. Each of these requires close contact with the horse, a BIG animal! That's why in 4-H, and during our annual 4-H Fair, we want to make sure that our members know how to handle horses safely and know how to care for them.

The definition of management in the 4-H Horse Program is "making the most of what you have to get closer to where you'd like to be". In other words, it's not necessarily what you have, but more, what you do with what you have.

The best way to conduct the Horse Care and Management Evaluation would be to actually visit each member's own stable and evaluate the level of individual management expertise. However, visiting over thirty barns all over the county would be unrealistic, if not impossible, to accomplish. Therefore, the judge must draw conclusions that are representative of the general day to day on-goings that would be typical of what the member does at home. Due to this, *it is important to present your normal practices in the best way possible while at the Fair.*

The judge will be looking for general clues that will hint at what you normally do. The judge does not expect every hair to be in place at all times, but she/he does expect your horse to be well cared for during the Fair at a level that is similar to your everyday practices and not at a level displayed only at the Fair.

Besides just visual observations at the Fair, the judge may also ask you questions, refer to your record book, and make comparisons between what is written and what is seen.

Members are not expected to meet the highest standards for all (if any) of the items being judged. The contest is meant to depict the ideal - a level that is aimed for if you haven't yet reached it. Remember, there is always room for improvement!

Junior and senior member divisions will be the same as for the horse shows; Junior members are those that were in grades 4-8 during the school year and Seniors are those that were in Grades 9-13. An Division may be required/necessary due to number of participants and grade cutoffs determined for safe class sizes. Junior members may be assisted by an adult with certain tasks that may be difficult for the 4-H'er to perform. These include mounting the saddle for display, lifting water buckets into place, showing a 4-H'er how to make a slip knot, holding the animal while washing, assisting with clipping and washing of the face. However, it's encouraged that the younger members look to the older 4-H members for assistance.

HORSE CARE AND MANAGEMENT CONTEST

Basic Procedure

General –

1. All members need to be ready for judging by 5 PM
 - ◆ Stall and horse completely cleaned
 - ◆ Water & feed buckets, and haynet hung
 - ◆ Tack ready for inspection
 - ◆ Tack box, supplies, and first aid kit on display
2. If your horse makes a manure pile or other mess before the judge gets to you
 - ◆ Get the barn manager's attention for your side during judging and explain
 - ◆ You will be able to quickly spot clean
 - ◆ You may not clean more than the pile/mess
3. Stalls will be judged by "team" groupings - this will give time for teams with later judging slots to complete their "team hippology stations" while another group is having stall management

Stall Judging

1. Judges will be looking at
 - ◆ Placement and proper securing of feed and water buckets, salt lick, and haynet
 - ◆ Cleanliness and amount of bedding
 - ◆ Type and placement of stall guard
 - ◆ Any hazards - nails, sharp objects, etc. in stall
2. You will need to take your horse out of the stall for this inspection, the judge will look for:
 - ◆ How you approach your horse
 - ◆ Walk your horse out of the stall
 - ◆ Work the stall guard and gate

Horse

1. Overall grooming and cleanliness
2. Any health conditions - be prepared to answer questions and offer information regarding your horse's overall condition; items may include:
 - ◆ Feeding, worming, exercising and/or veterinarian program
 - ◆ Type(s) of feed, hay, wormer(s), and medications
 - ◆ Hoof and dental care

Equipment

1. Basic cleanliness and safety of tack - any dry rot, dirt on bit or chin strap, cleanliness of girth
2. Supplies and equipment - what you have available
 - ◆ Be ready to provide information as to why (or why not)you have or don't have particular supplies - horse reacts badly, use alternate product, new horse owner and have only purchased absolute necessary items to start, etc.
3. Be sure to place your veterinarian's name, address & telephone very visible to the judge in your tack box or supply container

Record Book

1. Your record book must be on display for Horse Care and Management.
 - ◆ Record books will have been judged between Mandatory Monday and Thursday morning.
 - ◆ A member of the Fair Committee will return your project record in time for you to display.

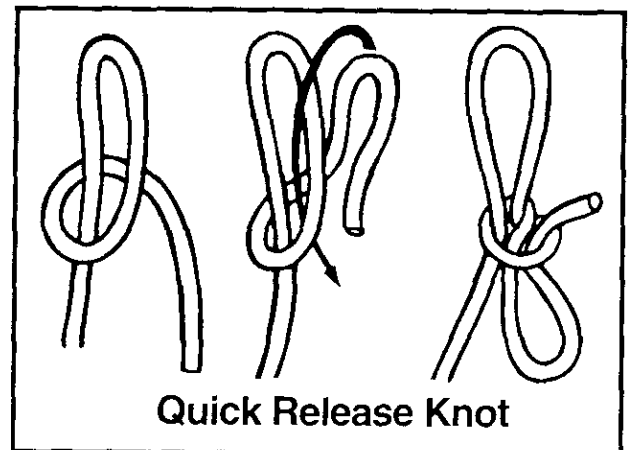
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Helpful Suggestions and Checklist

If you look at the Evaluation form included with this booklet, you will get an idea of what the judges will be looking for and evaluating your level of skills.

STALL - Make it safe and hazard free.

1. Remove or hammer in nails, or other sharp areas, sticking out.
2. Fill in deep holes in stall floor - then level.
3. Have plenty of bedding and piling it higher around walls.
4. Make sure hinges and latches on doors work properly and are on tight.
5. Stall guards are MANDATORY for additional safety and must be properly installed.
 - ◆ It is recommended to use a full panel, webbed, or multiple row-type of stall guard rather than the single band guard for added safety!
1. Haynets should be tied with a safety knot, or hung with a double ended snap.
 - ◆ You will need to demonstrate to the Horse Care & Management judges that you are able to tie a quick release (safety knot). Ask another 4-H'er, your leader or the office for help if you don't know how to tie one.
2. Haynets should be high enough to prevent the horse/pony from getting feet tangled in it; ask an older 4-H member for help if needed.
3. Water and feed buckets should be secured in the stall - not placed on the floor. Usually they are secured in corners with rings and double-ended snaps.
4. Place water bucket in a corner, or other area, away from grain bucket and haynet.
5. Keep buckets clean.
6. Muck often to keep clean.



HORSE.

1. Should be properly trimmed and groomed. The 4-H Office has an excellent book, *Show Grooming - The Look of a Winner*, available for your use.
2. Turn out time when needed should be scheduled with ring manager or barn managers. Many horses need to have turn out time and the scheduling is tight, so scheduling is important to get a time.
3. Groom to remove saddle and bridle sweat marks after riding/exercising - you never know when there will be a spot check.
4. All cuts and/or sores, as well as other health conditions, should be known about and placed on your stall cards for judging purposes.
 - ◆ Make sure you are properly caring for any cuts or health conditions - know names/types of medications using, etc.
5. Feeding requirements and program should be known by the member - the in-depth inspection judge will probably ask individual members.

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OO. TACK/EQUIPMENT - New equipment is not necessary, but safety and cleanliness are essential.

1. Saddle Rack
2. Show Halter and Lead
3. Show Bit
4. Saddle, Blanket and Girth
5. Two Leads
6. Regular Halter
7. Spare Girth
8. Equipment/storage container(s)

*homemade equipment - such as saddle racks and storage boxes are completely acceptable - the judges are not more impressed with new, store bought items!

TACK BOX.

1. Grooming Supplies
 - Curry Comb Soft Brush Hard Brush
 - Mane Comb Sponge(s) Sweat Scraper
 - Hoof Pick(s) Clippers Stable Rubber
2. First Aid Kit
 - Thermometer 4 rolls - 6" guaze 4 rolls - 4" Vetrap
 - Iodine Surgical Scrub Antibiotic Salve Tube of K-Y Jelly/Vaseline
 - 2 large Sterile Pads First Aid Kit (people's) Veterinarian's Name, Phone, Address

*these items are recommended from the NJ Department of Animal Health, consult your veterinarian for other recommendations - but be prepared to explain your items to the judges

3. Miscellaneous Items for Kit
 - ice pack adhesive tape rubbing alcohol Vet Handbook
 - hoof dressing scissors peroxide

GENERAL SUPPLIES.

- 12 double ended snaps 6 eyebolts with rings 6 screw-in hooks salt block holder
- paper towels towels BUG SPRAY wheel barrow
- buckets - 2 minimum pitch fork, rake, etc. muck bucket haynet
- bath supplies - horse boots/muckers riding apparel
- suntan lotion chair(s) 2 tarps
- personal grooming items rain coat, hat cover, umbrella
- sleeping bag, pillow thermos/igloo/cold drinks/food

Parents Please Note. The suggested list of equipment and supplies to bring to fair is just that - a suggested list. If your child(ren) does not use some of the equipment or supplies in their daily care and management program, don't go out and purchase it just because it is on the list. The list is included to serve as a guideline only!

4-H MISSION STATEMENT

"The Rutgers Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program uses a learn by doing approach to enable youth to develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to become competent, caring, and contributing citizens of the world.

The mission is accomplished by using the knowledge and resources of the land grant university system, along with the involvement of caring adults.

OBJECTIVES OF THE 4-H HORSE PROJECT

- * Develop leadership, initiative, self-reliance, sportsmanship and other desirable traits of character.
- * Experience the pride of owning a horse or pony and being responsible for its management.
- * Develop and appreciate horseback riding as a healthy and wholesome form of recreation.
- * Learn skills in horsemanship and an understanding of the businesses of breeding, raising and training horses.
- * Promote greater love for animals and a humane attitude toward them.
- * To be better prepared for citizenship responsibilities through working in groups and supporting community horse projects and activities.

4-H is the youth development segment of the Cooperative Extension Service, an off-campus, educational division of Cook College, Rutgers - The State University. 4-H Youth Development programs are offered to all youth through the age of 19, without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability or handicap, on an age appropriate basis. All possible effort will be made to include rather than exclude youth in events conducted by the 4-H Youth Development Program.