

# Clallam County 4-H Horse Project Rule Book



2017

### **CLALLAM COUNTY 4-H HORSE RULES**

To Make the Best Better.

- 4-H fair classes open ONLY to Clallam County 4-H members enrolled in horse projects. Member is responsible for the care and up-keep of their project animal. Be courteous and respect the rights of other exhibitors.
- 2. All members/parents must have active enrollment in 4-H online including signed the code of conduct and photo release. Members must turn in signed fair release form and show rules for barn superintendent before they show in a 4H show.
- 3. Be a good sport: win without bragging and lose without complaining.
- 4. No cell phones, I-pods, or electronics while riding or working with your horse. Medically required devices are allowed.
- 5. Any horse shown MUST be the members' own 4-H project. No stallions may be shown except weanling colts. Club leaders turn in a list of members, project, and horse being used in which project to Horse Program Leader by **June 1** of current year. Member borrowing horse must have a lease agreement filed with list. The Fairs' Hold Harmless agreement is due with your club horse list. EX. Jack Smith Inter. Perf. Blacky, Backup Pete Dressage Champ Games Whitey, Backup Pete Eq over fences KingGreen Colt Yellow Girl Reining Max
- 6. Record books must be up to date **August 1**. They must be signed off on sheet by **August 1**. This means plans/goals for each project area you are done, ie. Performance, Games, Mini, Dressage, Equitation over fences, Driving, Green Colt, Reining, Horse Production. Up to date is plans/goals, highlights, calendar/ activities, add sheet, permanent record, and story intro. Record books must be completed and turned in **OCT 1** to be eligible for ANY year-end pins or awards. Final sign off may be reviewed by the grievance committee.
- 7. Every member **MUST** do a club horse demonstration to be eligible for fair and year end pins. Club demonstration must be given by prefair. District demo, horse related, must be given by Aug 1. District demonstrations are not required however will earn points for state intent. A list of members eligible for fair and record books must be turned in **Aug 1** along with sign off sheets and fair entry forms to Record book committee/Extension office and horse superintendent.
- 8. Exhibitors and family will read and sign the SHOW RULES. Show Rules sheet must be signed and returned with prefair entries or before.
- Rules are in this rulebook and PNW 4-H Horse Contest Guide. Support manuals are
  Horse project PNW587, Training EM4714, Judging PNW 875, Hunt Seat PNW488, Driving
  PNW229, Dressage PNW 608, Groom Squad C1114E and State Fair rules, per state publications.
- 10. Each club must attend 80% of horse leaders meetings or be in jeopardy of loosing their stall allotment. Each club is guaranteed two stalls if needed.
- 11. Boots and ASTM SEI approved helmet must be worn when riding all shows, all classes, all workdays, all ages. Boots must have a flat sole with a heal stop. **Leaders must check members' helmet to verify they are ASTM SEI APPROVED.**

- 12. To be eligible to show at 4-H Fair/ Pre-Fair, every member must participate with the horse/s they will show at fair in a show in all the classes they intend to ride, i.e. Equitation, Dressage, Games events, Trail, Reining. Showmanship with each animal. Members must know the class and the rules. IF A BACK-UP HORSE/or grievance horse will be used; the same requirements must be met. The member will ask the person to watch their class and then ask them to sign with phone number on the **sign off sheet**. Sign off only if you see them ride the class and feel they **are safe**. Club leader has the final say about members' eligibility to show at fair. Sign off sheets are due **August 1**. **Leaders, do not sign if member/horse is not ready to show**.
- 13. Show management reserves the right to dismiss any youth or party from a class or show for any misconduct or lack of sportsmanship, infractions of the rules in 4-H Contest Guide and Clallam County Horse Rules. Exhibitor may forfeit all awards received at the show. Acting, inciting, or permitting another to act in a manner deemed improper, unethical, dishonest, unsportsmanlike, intemperate, or prejudicial to the best interests of 4-H IS NOT ALLOWED. A persons' miss-behavior or inappropriate actions and the physical or verbal mistreatment of competitors, adults, leaders, and/or animals WILL NOT BE ALLOWED. This is reason for dismissal from the show or grounds, and loss of ribbons and premiums. An animals' misbehavior is also reason for dismissal.
- 14. Cruelty is: A. Striking ahead of the cinch area.
  - B. Excessive jerking on the bridle or lead shank.
  - C. Excessive use of whip or spurs
  - D. Failure to properly exercise and feed your horse at fair.

Consequences could be any or all of the following:

- A. Loss of premiums and ribbons.
- B. Asked to leave show or function.
- C. Loss of Intent to State
- D. Severe cases- Loss of 4-H membership for one year.
- E. NOT to participate in 4-H activities.
- 15. **NO Coaching from rail, grandstands or arena.** Any type of coaching (giving instructionswrong lead, sit, acknowledge the judge) and/or type of disturbance (annoying to the competitors or adults/leaders) or any unsportsmanlike conduct shall be cause for event management to take appropriate action. Exhibitors' ribbon placing will be lowered. If the judge does not stop the situation, the leaders show committee will handle the problem. Safety is most important.
- 16. Members must be appropriately dressed for each class. Exhibitor going in the arena with a minor rule infraction will be given one warning for that infraction. A repeat of the same infraction will result in disqualification.
- 17. MAIDEN: The rider or horse not to have won 1 blue in that class in previous years. A maiden rider will finish the year as maiden even once they have earned a blue ribbon placing. If the class is judged on the horse (Pleasure Class), the horse is not to have won a blue with ANY RIDER in that class. If it is judged on the rider (equitation) the rider not to have won a blue in that seat on any horse. This includes past years in 4-H. Riding MAIDEN classes will disqualify you from state intents. Maiden do not ride Medal Classes. Riders showing in Maiden may show in grand champion classes. Leaders and members should be ethical when choosing classes.

- 18. Walk/trot classes are for members showing for the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year that have never loped in any show excluding games events. Classes: Stockseat Eq, Huntseat Eq, and Saddleseat Equitation, pleasure, trail, **No cross entry, may not lope in any class. You may ride walk/trot only your first or second year (except bareback).** Not eligible for grand championship classes. Bareback is an exception. If you are not riding bareback your first year, you will be able to ride walk/trot bareback only when you are ready to ride bareback. Your first year to ride bareback may be walk/trot, but only one year. Riding **ANY WALK/TROT CLASS DISQUALIFIES** you from qualifying for state fair.
- 19. Classes may be added or dropped as needed, yearly.
- 20. Juniors will not show or ride junior horses including Green Colt without parents permission and leader's OK.
- 21. Green horse class to be ridden one time only walk/trot and once w/t/lope. A horse or pony that has never been shown under saddle before the current year may be entered in Green horse Project &class. No cross entry. They may be ridden English or Western. Horses entered in this class may enter ONLY halter, costume, showmanship, longeline and ground driving. Green horse riding Class will be divided into walk/trot and walk, trot, lope.
- 22. Limit of two exhibitors using the same horse in any project. Same horse may be shown by two exhibitors in different age groups except in Pleasure classes. Only one may show in championship class. A 4H child may not share a horse with an adult open rider unless the rider is not currently showing that horse.
- 23. Exhibitor may add or scratch any class. If you scratch, you may not reenter that class. If you add a class, you must ride that class.
- 24. Games exhibitors, attending State Finals (during Fair) who require an exception to herdsmanship rule for State Intent must request it by July meeting. They must participate in games at fair. They must provide an alternative educational exhibit to be accepted by leaders.
- 25. Members may show only one horse/pony in any project/division except in halter for Green horse project.
- 26. No costumes allowed that are made for professional shows. These may be shown as a special class. Exhibition classes may be added as needed.
- 27. All horses and ponies will be serviceable and sound. Soundness of a horse will be up to the judge and/or leaders.
- 29. Riders will be divided into three age divisions based on age as of Oct. 1 of 4H year:

A. Juniors: 8-10

B. Intermediates: 11-13

C. Seniors: 14-18

- 30. Ponies may be divided into two sizes, Small-12.2 Hands /under, Large -12.3 to14.2 hands
- 31. Exhibitors and judges shall bear in mind that entries are being judged on ABILITY and not on personal attire/silver.

- 32. Any rider not having his mount under sufficient control may be dismissed/disqualified from class at judge's discretion.
- 33. The fall off any horse and rider MAY result in disqualification at Judges discretion.
- 34. Judges decision is final.
- 35. Ropes will be prohibited except in working ranch horse class. Hobbles and chaps (in trail) are optional.
- 36. Riders will not switch bits on junior horses-Go from snaffle to a curb or visa versa.
- 37. Riders may ride a junior horse (5 years and under) in equitation classes two handed in a snaffle or bosal if they are not doing the Green Colt Project. Once you change from a snaffle and ride a class, you may not go back. Horses ridden in a curb bit (bit with a shank) must be ridden with one hand. Judges may penalize rider, when competing two handed.
- 38. Parents, leaders, or trainers MAY NOT RIDE/WORK member's horse at any time on the fairgrounds during a 4-H Show(fair also) EXCEPT parent classes and judging.
- 39. At all times, we encourage members to ask other members for help. Safety is the number one factor. Parents may help the 4-Her when safety is the issue. I.E. Cinch needs tightening, or horse out of control.
- 40. Members having burros, mules or donkeys will show separately. Gaited horses may be shown separately at judge's discretion. Leg wraps on gaited horses are permitted during a class.
- 41. Mare and Foal class: A 4-Her must lead the other animal.
- 42. 4-H Medal Class for Showmanship, Equitation and games. To go in Bronze you must win 3 blues or a Champion or Reserve Champion. Off pattern is a disqualification. IF all contestants are off pattern no medal will be awarded. You may move up one level in class at the same show. Class may be run with one rider. Games are based on times.
- 43. GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE: Program Leader calls grievance meeting. Must have a minimum of three clubs present. Each club has one vote. To change horses--Horse MUST be seriously injured, deemed unsafe by 4H leader, or lame (4-Her gets a Vets letter for injured horse, with proof of right to use new horse (Notarized) and completes a Clallam County 4-H Grievance/Appeal Form. They give this to Club leader.
  - The leader states concerns or their opinion (if they agree or not ), then gives all the papers to the program leader.
  - Program Leader then calls meeting. All interested may come and speak. Non-voting parties will leave. The committee, one leader per club present, will discuss and vote. The program leader will notify club leader of decision. No grievance will be heard after the Aug horse leaders meeting. Grievance horse must be signed off by the weekend before fair. A grievance horse is not eligible for STATE.
- 44. In the case of abuse of horse (showing a lame horse), or protest/problem during a show, the show will be stopped and a grievance committee meeting called. All clubs present at

the show will be notified of the meeting. Minimum of three club (not involved with case) present to decide action to take. This meeting will follow grievance guidelines.

- 45. Show books are open to 4-H leaders.
- 46. All 4H shows must be announced by June Horse Leaders meeting. Show must be held in an established show arena with show setting.
- 47. Grand Champion class is for Champion & Reserve Champion ONLY and is optional. Walk/trot are not eligible for Grand Champion class. RULE 18 pg 3.
- 48. Equitation over fences will be for 18", 2Ft, 2ft6". To sign up for equitation over fences or hunter hack classes, exhibitor must provide a statement signed with phone number from a qualified instructor stating level in which they may participate. This letter **must** be turned in with your show entry, or you will not be allowed to participate in those classes. One letter per year is OK. You may ride one over fences class only.
- 49. State intents page 1 are due 90 days before the first qualifying show. Page 2 is due to the points keeper by Aug 1. See page 13
- 50. Miniatures are 38" and under. They may not jump until three years of age. Jumps are 12" to 18" Ground driving reins must be long enough for you to stand 3 feet behind your horse. Minis are divided in beginner and advanced/or by age divisions. Miniatures will not be ridden. No cross entries.
- 51. 4-H Reining Program is striving to follow the National Reining Horse Association (NRHA) guidelines and judging criteria whenever possible. However a Beginner Level has been added. This level has distinct modifications to accommodate the various experiences. Beginners are to be judged by a less stringent standard. The Advanced Level is to be judged with a standard on par with NHRA Judging Standards.
- 52. Points for **county** awards: Champion 5, Reserve Champion 4, Blue 3, Red 2, White 1. If still tied, we count the most blues, then Red, White if still tied. Record book may be used to break ties. Leader fills out county results sheet for their club and gives to superintendent or record book committee.
- 53. Any exception to the rules will be done by grievance committee.

# **SHOW & FAIR RULES by Superintendent**

- 1. You as well as your horse are on display. BE NEAT, CLEAN AND COURTEOUS at all times. Exhibitors should be talking to the public.
- 2. All horses must have influenza, tetanus, and rhino shots for current year. Please have documentation for leaders. **Leaders will verify for superintendent before fair.** Leaders will check all members' helmets for ASTM approval and verify for SUPER.
- 3. Each exhibitor and club is responsible for the feeding, watering, and keeping of his/her stall. Exhibitor not doing this will be sent home with their horse.
- 4. White ribbon in herdsmanship means all premiums are pulled in that species/project.
- 5. All equipment and attire will be clean, in good condition, and appropriate for the class.
- 6. Each club must have their own wheelbarrows, rakes and shovels, with name of club on same. They must be kept in proper places. Each exhibitor must have a halter and lead rope by door of their stall.
- 7. Each club/exhibitor is responsible for having a member on herdsmanship duty while barns are open to the public.

  Each club/exhibitor is responsible for having an adult on duty to supervise their club.
- 8. Exhibitors who trailer in will do herdsmanship at their trailer. Once your class is over, your horse & trailer must leave the grounds. No extra horses may be brought in.
- 9. Exhibitor may show/stall only one horse in any division/project. Superintendent may make exceptions due to enrollment. Superintendent is in charge of stalls.
- 10. Each club/exhibitor needs to decorate their barn area for the public.
- 11. Horse exhibits may be removed at 7PM Sunday. PREMIUMS WILL BE WITHHELD IF ANIMALS or Exhibits ARE REMOVED BEFORE 7PM.
- 12. Displays may be removed BEGINNING at 7PM. Clubs may leave displays overnight, but do so on their own responsibility. Stalls must be cleaned at the end of fair. Before barn superintendent can sign off for premiums, stalls must be cleaned to dirt floors and shavings dumped in pits. Stalls must be limed by an adult, and checked off by Superintendent/Assistant. **Feeders must be cleaned.** Failure to be checked off could result in lowering of the herdsmanship ribbon.
- 13. Blankets may be put on horses registered for Fitting and Showing at 9PM the night before that class and left on until their class the next morning. Blankets and leg wraps left on during this time must be in good repair and clean. All other times, blankets and wraps must be removed before 9AM and not put on until after barn closes.
- 14. Leaders are responsible for members once they arrive at the fair. Exhibitors going home must check out with leaders before leaving fair grounds. Exhibitors staying overnight must be in campsites with chaperones by 11:00pm. All exhibitors staying overnight must have a responsible adult staying with them, if not they will be sent home. Fair curfew is 11:00pm.

- 15. Clipping is to be done in your horses stall with the horse tied or held. No hoof blacking on concrete or in aisle ways. May be done in stall or at wash rack.
- 16. No horse or pony will be ridden on the grounds except in the arenas. Penalty will be dismissal from fair and loss of ribbons and premiums.
- 17. Horses are not allowed in the camping area. They must stay in the paddock areas.
- 18. Stalls will be cleaned appropriately, limed (by Adult) and refilled with shavings by 9AM.
- 19. Each night by 9 PM horses will be watered, fed, and bedded.
- 20. Please keep a list of the classes you enter. You must scratch any class you decide not to ride, or you may lose premiums.
- 21. You must do Showmanship and herdsmanship. You may do Showmanship for each project you are showing in. You must do a **minimum of two hours** of herdsmanship each day of fair.
- 22. If you scratch all of your riding classes, you will forfeit your Showmanship ribbon and Premiums earned in that project.
- 23. Galloping/running in the arenas is not allowed.
- 24. An ADULT MUST BE WITH YOU FOR YOU TO RIDE/WORK IN ANY ARENA ANYTIME.
- 25. Limit of Eight riders in warm-up arena during free time.
- 26. No lunging in warm up arena except by permission of Superintendent. Maximum of two horses may lunge in horse arena. All horses must be kept on a lunge line, exceptions by Super. No lunging outside of arena.
- 27. Everyone must be going in the same direction in show and warm up arenas.
- 28. No riding Bareback during fair hours in warm-up arena except just prior to your bareback class.
- 29. When one class is in the arena, horses for the next class should be saddled and in the paddock. The next class may be in the warm up arena. All other horses should be in the barns.
- 30. Horses must be in barn at all times except during cleaning, exercise, and classes.
- 31. No horses allowed outside barns after 9PM. If an emergency occurs, making it necessary for a horse to be outside after 9PM, Barn Superintendent must be notified.
- 32. Horses ready for next class may be saddled and tied in stall.
- 33. Only exhibitors may ride, groom, saddle, school, or handle horses.
- 34. Eq over fences class 2ft or above at FAIR will be for state intent performance 4-Hers only when this exhibit is returned to state fair. Ride one height only.

- 35. Any exhibitor in violation of these rules is subject to removal from barn/fairgrounds and loss of premiums.
- 36. You must do herdsmanship all four days of fair.
- 37. No coaching allowed from the rail or grandstands by anyone.
- 38. Trainers are spectators at fair. Their job is over until after fair. They can not give private lessons at fair or during any 4H times.
- 39. FFA classes will be separate from 4H. FFA must follow 4H rules.
- 40. All record books must be available to the superintendent. We will check the books for the up to date projects. Project entries for each project. EX: Performance, Games, Reining, Miniature, Dressage, Green Colt, Eq over fences, would all be separate entries in your book. A section includes plans, photos, highlights, management record. You may use more than one management record for all the projects if you can not fit it all on one.
- 41. Health issues to have vet look for: ring worm, skin disease, respiratory disease, lameness, thinness/fitness, warts, strangles, scabies, lice, mites, ticks
- 42. Costume Class to be judged on: SAFETY, ORIGINALITY, CROWD PLEASER, HORSE INVOLVEMENT Talking and noise are allowed.
- 43. Members wishing to participate in non 4-H classes must have letter stating what and when they are doing it. It must be signed by 4-Her, parent/guardian, owner of horse, and their club leader. This is given to Barn Superintendent. Barn Superintendent and Fair manager will make the final decision. This includes Rodeo.
- 44. No painting or permanent changes in any barn, or decorating above the ridge line in Barn #1, without the fairgrounds and superintendents' ok.

## **FAIR BARN RULES**

- 1. Each exhibitor must be dressed neatly & appropriately (boots are required). No shorts or halter-tops are allowed. No eating on barn duty. No cell phones or I-pods, or electronics.
- 2. Exhibitor should talk to the public while doing herdsmanship.
- 3. No loitering in the aisles, shouting, or running in the barns. No eating in the barns. No bad language. No smoking in or around barns.
- 4. Every club is responsible for outside barn duty at appointed times. Every club/exhibitor will have an exhibitor and a parent on barn duty from 9AM to until barn closes. Every exhibitor must do barn duty at least two hours daily for all four days of fair.
- 5. If your horse messes in the aisle, or while outside, you must clean it up.
- 6. Do not tie and leave horses at wash rack unattended, and do not tie to arena rails.
- 7. Keep aisle clear of tack, feed, and clothing during fair hours.
- 8. No saddling of horses in the aisle or doorways. While in stall if saddled, horse must be tied.
- 9. An ADULT must lime stalls. Stalls must be heavily limed after cleaned before signed off after fair.
- 10. Do not leave wheelbarrows half full of manure around or in the barn
- 11. No horses to be taken out west (Barn 1&2) or south (Barn 3) entrance of barns.
- 12. Stall doors must be closed and latched at all times. If you wish to share your horse with the public your horse must have a halter and lead rope on and you must be holding it at your stall door.
- 13. Only exhibitors are allowed in the stalls. Except for safety issues.
- 14. Wash rack is closed to all but GAMES participants after Games
- 15. When entering or exiting barns, call "HORSE COMING THROUGH" then allow time for the public to move before you enter the isle way, be sure the public has moved aside first. If your horse is nervous or has a tendency to kick you must have someone walk at the back and to the side of your horse on the way out to prevent the public from coming up to the back of your horse.
- Halter and lead must be at each stall.
- 17. You must have an adult with you when you ride (no cell phones, I pods) in the arena. Horses are not allowed in the camping area.
- 18. Club/ exhibitor must be checked off Sunday before you leave the grounds. Premiums will be lowered if your stalls & feeders are not checked and clean.

Any exhibitor in violation of these rules is subject to removal from fairgrounds and loss of premiums.

### **DEMONSTRATIONS**

MEMBERS MUST give a horse related club demonstration to participate in pre-fair and fair.

Club Demo- - in front of your club, horse related, given by Prefair.

District Demos- Must be done by Aug 1, these are not required in order to do county demo. Must be given in front of another group or designated person. example, civic group. The demo must be judged. Judging sheet turned in to Superintendent (program leader) Points are one point.

County Demo is held at Fair. Points are awarded as Blue(3), Red(2), or White(1).

State Demo Sign up through Fair Coordinator (4H Office 417-2398) They are usually given on county day.

### **GUIDELINES:**

Juniors and Intermediates, 5-10 minutes Seniors, 20 minutes (time includes set up and takes down.)

- 1. Be neatly dressed.
- 2. Do not chew gum.
- 3. Demonstration should be age appropriate.
- 4. Memorize your demonstration. Do not write it all on the posters.
- 5. Be prepared to answer questions.
- 6. When asked a question, REPEAT THE QUESTION, then answer.
- 7. BE ON TIME.

## **HORSE JUDGING**

- 1. Judging will be held at fair.
- 2. Classes will be judged by the fair judge, along with each member.
- 3. You will judge the classes individually.
- 4. Talking between members, leaders, or parents will disqualify you.
- 5. Classes will be determined by the judging committee.
- 6. The top blue then red ribbons in Intermediate and Senior are eligible for State Fair Judging.
- 7. You should be dressed neatly because this is part of your oral reasons score.
- 8. Bring a pencil.
- 9. Oral reason class will be the last class.

### **GROOM SQUAD**

- 1. Team must consist of three members. Seniors only if trying for State.
- 2. Only senior team will qualify for State Fair.
- 3. Each team will provide a horse, with show halter from the barns or leaders will choose the horses. Horses may be provided.
- 4. Horses will be drawn at random, or you may be given the horse you provided.
- 5. Do not roach manes or shorten tails without permission of owner.
- 6. Judges will check grooming supplies before class starts. All equipment points will be deducted if illegal equipment is found.
- 7. Once class begins if team forgets anything they will have to go on without it.
- 8. Teams will have 20 minutes to groom horse and 10 minutes to practice showmanship.
- 9. Be prepared for a horse, a pony, or a mini.
- 10. One member of the team will do Showmanship.
- 11. Teams will not talk to anyone on the rail, this is an automatic White placing.
- 12. Bring a pencil for the test. Test will be timed.
- 13. Resources will be all 4H Equine Project publications in Publications and Projects catalog,& our rule book.

# Suggested EQUIPMENT

2 curry combs

2 body brushes 5-gal bucket of water 5-gal buckets of shavings

Mane and tail comb or brush 4"x4" tarp or pad to lay equipment on

Grooming rags Dry, with no grooming aids added

Hoof pick

Bot block

Cover-alls may be worn over showmanship clothes.

Bring safety pins

### **NOT ALLOWED**

Electrical equipment

Commercial products EX hoof black, mane/tail whitener, baby oil, Vaseline, Show Sheen.

Razor blades or any items containing any type of razor blade

Bot knife

Spray containers

Scissors

# Safety first at all times.

Grooming 10 points
Teamwork 15 points
Equipment 5 points
Safety 35 points

Written questions 20 points

Showmanship 15 points

# Basis of judging groom squad

- 1. Grooming Points awarded on the method the squad demonstrated to clean and "slick-off" the horse for show.
  - Use tools correctly, and in correct sequence on the body.
  - One member holds the horse. The holder may rotate. The holder may work on the horse as long as it is done in a safe manner. The horse must always be under control.
- a. Hoof picks- Use on hooves from heel to toe
- b. Curry combs- Use in circular motion to lift dirt, flicking motion to remove dirt. Never us on ears, on legs below knees, hocks, manes, or tail
- c. Hard and soft brushes- Use short, brisk, flipping motion
- d. Mane & tail comb or brush Start brushing at bottom of hair and work up towards roots. Never start at the top.
- e. Rags- For use on head and finishing touches on coat.
- f. Hands- Use for adding bloom to coat and removing excess hair.
- 2. Teamwork based on how well the team is organized for each member to have his own task. If all participate equally and if total job is finished in the allotted time.
- a. Be well organized. Each team member should have her own tasks.
- b. Space out to work. Never cluster around one area.
- c. Be pleasant to fellow team members.
- d. Do not talk with friends or parents in audience or other teams. This is a WHITE ribbon
- e. Excessive talking within a team may be marked down
- Equipment Team should have at least the minimum equipment suggested. There is no limit to amount of equipment allowed, but extra equipment will not receive more points. All equipment should be clean and in good useable condition. Do not borrow or loan equipment to other teams once you begin. Prior check of equipment with points deducted for illegal equipment.

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- 4. Safety Points awarded for properly following the rules of safety for working around horses.
- a. All members must wear boots
- b. Never stand or work in the "Danger Zone"
- c. All team members will work on same side of horse.
- d. Never kneel or sit near the horse. When grooming legs, squat down so you can move quickly away if the horse moves. Never have all team members squatting at the same time.
- e. When crossing behind horse, either cross out of range of hind legs or pass close with a hand on the horse. Never cross under lead rope between handler and horse.
- f. Work quietly. Abuse or harsh treatment will result in Disqualification
- 5. Written questions: Resources for questions will be all 4-H Equine project publications including Contest guide and Horse Science.
- 6. Showmanship One member is judged on personal appearance and ability to present the horse his team has groomed. 4H Showmanship Class.

### **STATE FAIR 4-H**

- 1. Guidelines for the WA State 4-H Fair Horse Exhibit are available each year.
- 2. State is limited to Intermediate and Senior members with horses.
- 3. Exhibitor may show in multiple divisions, performance, games, dressage. According to State.
- 4. No mares with foals are allowed. Grievance horses, maiden and walk/trot are not allowed.
- 5. The horse shown at State must be the same as you qualified with at County. You must have possession of the horse by March 1 for all shows to qualify, no show will count until you have had possession for 90 days. You must qualify at county qualifying show/s for all classes you ride at state fair. You must show at county fair.
- 6. State intent (pg 1) is due 90 days before first qualifying show, signed by 4-Her, parent and leader. Pg 2 must be turned in by Aug 1. You must declare class for state fair qualification on Pg 1. You must attend mandatory state meeting (member & parent/ adult representative) when it is offered.
- 7. Qualifying for state will be selected on state requirements and county points. Participants will be selected on points following states requirements for eligibility.

Blue Showmanship/Blue in declared riding event

Blue Showmanship/Red in declared riding event

Red Showmanship/Blue in declared riding event

Blue in showmanship/ Blue in non-declared riding event at fair

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Red in Showmanship/ Blue in non-declared riding event at fair

Red in showmanship and red in riding does NOT qualify for state.

White does NOT qualify. White in herds does not qualify. Only showmanship score and declared class will be kept from all shows prior to fair for points purposes, eligibility will be based on all qualifying shows for state allowed riding classes.

- 8. After state requirements, County points are added as Blue(3), Red(2), White(1). Ties are broken by Champion and Res Champion and/or by the most blues. You must give a club horse demo before pre fair, no points for this requirement. District demo will be 1 point. Participation in County 4H Shows including pre fair will receive 1 point per show in each project area you show. County Demo points and Judging will be their placing Blue(3), Red(2), or white(1) Record books must be in Aug 1 and of blue or red scoring. White record books do not qualify for state. Riding any Maiden, Walk/Trot, or pony class will disqualify you from state qualifying.
- 9. The exhibitor must enter Showmanship at fair. Your ribbon in showmanship for points may come from a Clallam County 4-H show using the Danish system, if you had possession by March 1.
- 10. You must ride the class at County fair to qualify for the class at state fair. You may not ride any class at state fair in which you received only whites in qualifying shows. Riding any class at state that you are not eligible for would make you ineligible for state next year.
- 11. If you go to State fair and not ride, you are not eligible for state next year without a vet's letter from state. You must turn in record book in Oct 1<sup>st</sup> or not be eligible next year. If you are told you qualify for state and accept, if you do not go, you are not eligible for state next year.
- 12. Each exhibitor must participate in herdsmanship. White ribbons at county do not qualify for state. Herdsmanship at state is the same as our county. Member must be on duty with an adult.

Any exceptions to these rules will be handled by grievance committee.

Page 1 Due 90 days before first qualifying show. Circle Choices: Perf, Dressage Games Eq/F INTER **SENIOR STATE INTENT 4-H** Print NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Phone CELL PHONE Club I wish to state my intention to take my horse and complete at STATE FAIR in September. I must furnish transportation for my horse and myself. I must provide a suitable adult chaperone. I MUST BE ACTIVE IN A 4-H Club (Not carrying an independent project), and give a club demonstration (horse related) before pre fair. District Demonstrations and Horse Judging are not mandatory, but anyone participating in District Demo will receive 1 point, Judging and County Demos will receive their blue (3), red (2), white (1) points. For participating in County 4H Shows you will get 1 point per show in your project areas. Mandatory fair classes are Showmanship and herdsmanship, but you must qualify in each class you wish to compete in at State Fair. White ribbons are not allowed to compete in that class at state. Exhibitors riding any MAIDEN, WALK/TROT, or pony CLASS will be DISQUALIFIED from state intents. If you accept a position for State, then back out you will not be eligible for State next year. THIS FORM is due 90 days before first qualifying show. Second page due Aug 1<sup>st</sup>. Your record book (Blue or red.) is due Aug 1<sup>st</sup>. You must turn in completed book Oct 1. I am an active member of my club. I have attended at least 60% of our meetings and workdays and my record book is up to date (blue or red quality). White scoring record book does not qualify for state. Attend mandatory state meeting(member & parent) when offered. I have had possession of each horse I am using for state intent since March 1 of this year. I have read the above and I agree to the 4-H rules and requirements. Signature 4-H Member Signature Parent Perf HORSE \_\_\_\_\_ Declared Class Dressage/Eq over fences HORSE Declared Class Games Horse \_\_\_\_\_ Declared Class Page 1 of 2

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# **STATE INTENT 4-H**

Print NAME	
Phone	CELL PHONE
CLUB	
Attended mandatory sate mee	ting
Before Prefair Club Demonst	ration Date givenLeaders sig
By Aug 1 District Demonstrat	ion/date&where
Record Book UP TO DATE	Leader initial
Clallam County 4H Show par Games) Pre Fair is counted	ticipation 1 point per show in each project area (Perf, Dress, and
Date/Project	
P-Performance Declared Class	SS
G- Games Declared Class	
D- Dressage	
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