

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS 4-H/FFA HORSE SHOW

Please read these rules and discuss them with your project leader and your parents. The rules will be enforced.

1. These rules govern all events and participants of the Howard County 4-H/FFA Horse Show. In the absence of a specific rule, state fair rules will apply.
2. All entries are made with the distinct understanding that in no event will fair officials, or any individuals connected with the fair be responsible for loss from any causes which might occur as a result of the fair. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS.
3. Exhibitors must provide a current negative (within one year) Coggins test result for each horse exhibited.
4. Exhibitors must be a member, in good standing, of a Howard County 4-H or FFA club. 4-H exhibitors must have attended at least six (6) club meetings and at least 50% of project meetings available, must have a Project Horse Enrollment Form for each horse to be shown on file at the Howard County Extension office by May 1. Members are to keep a copy of this form in their possession. Each 4-H member is to provide proof of eligibility in the form of an updated Project Horse Enrollment Form with the appropriate signatures of your club leader and project leader.
5. A project horse may be shown by more than one family member as long as that horse is enrolled as a project horse for each member. (this applies if there is only one horse in the family)
6. Exhibitors must own or lease all horses they are showing beginning not later than May 1 of the current year. Horses, which are not owned by the 4-H member(s), must have a lease agreement on file. (on back of the Project Horse Enrollment form) If a horse is leased, it can only be leased to one person.
7. Horses shall not receive professional training, showing, or handling after May 1 of current year.
8. A youth who has enrolled only one horse may substitute an un-enrolled horse in the event of death or injury with a written statement AND/OR death certificate from a veterinarian. If the youth has more than one horse in the Horsemanship Project and the main horse used in the project is injured, or in the event of a death, one of the other enrolled horses **must be used**.
9. Saddles, with appropriate stirrups are required for all classes unless otherwise stated.
10. Locked rowels, sharp points, or sharp edged spurs are prohibited.
11. All tack must be neat, clean, and in good repair.
12. All exhibitors are required to wear appropriate boots, pants, and hats. ASTM-SEI Equestrian approved helmets are required for the speed events.
13. Exhibitors must walk or trot into the arena, no running in and out of gate.