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4-H Helmet Policy: All youth age 19 and under, participating in any 4-H equestrian activity, are required to wear properly fitted protective headgear which meets or exceeds current ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards with the chin harness securely fastened at all times while riding or driving an equine.

It is the responsibility of the rider, or the parent or guardian of the youth participant, to make sure that the headgear worn complies with appropriate safety standards for protective headgear intended for equestrian use, and is properly fitted and in good condition. The Ohio 4-H Horse Program, Show Committees, Officials, Extension Personnel and Volunteer Leaders and the Fulton County Agricultural Society and its Agents are not responsible for checking headgear worn for such compliance.

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FULTON COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM RULES

1. The 4-H Program is a voluntary program. Exhibitors must be currently enrolled and in good standing as 4-H & FFA members to participate in the Fulton County Junior Fair.
2. The Ohio 4-H Program and the Fulton County Junior Fair uses the 4-H Uniform Rules book to give direction for competitive events. Counties may adapt or add to these as needed.
3. If a 4-H participant exhibits deliberate, inappropriate, or unsafe behaviors at any time, her or she and their horse may be asked to leave the show/competition/fairgrounds for the remainder of the event or program year.
4. The 4-H Horse Council is an advisory council to the 4-H Youth Development Professional(s) for equine related activities.
5. Each horse project family will purchase a 4-H Uniform Horse Rules Book. Each club is required to purchase a rule book each time it is updated.
6. Horse projects should be taken through clubs specializing in 4-H horse projects.
7. All project horses must be in possession by June 1.
8. Only one youth is permitted to use a horse as a 4-H project.
9. The following forms are due to the Fulton County OSU Extension Office by June 1 for each member: a. horse liability/disclosure, b. permission to participate, c. Horse’s registration or written description with head and side body photos, d. Safety & Ethics, e. jump release form (if applicable), f. lease paperwork (if applicable).
10. All members must file with OSU Extension the project animal ID papers by June 1st. One copy of the horse registration OR 1 head photo AND 1 side body photo with a written description are required to be submitted yearly. Forms are submitted to advisors and then submitted to OSU Extension.
11. If a youth decides to exhibit two equine at Junior Fair: (1) Youth must complete two separate 4-H project and record books for each horse. (2) Each project must do a community service, separate leadership/citizen activities, learning experience, and club demonstration. (3) QA will cover both projects. (4) Youth must be complete in all projects to show at the Fulton County Junior Fair. (5) The youth must designate on June 1 of current year that equine #1 can go in 2 different disciplines. Equine #2 can only go in 1 discipline. To be on the youth’s Horse ID papers and cannot be changed after the June 1 deadline.
12. Members will be permitted to enter and practice for jumping classes (such as Equitation over Fences Class and Novice Equitation over Cross Rails) only after receiving a release signed by the member, their parent/guardian, and a recognized jump trainer. This release must be submitted to the Fulton County OSU Extension Office by June 1. Proper helmet and foot safety gear are required.
13. Youth not owning a horse must file with OSU Extension, Fulton County, lease papers on the project animal and the horse must be in possession of the member by June 1. The lease form is in addition to the other ID forms listed in #9.
14. If a horse becomes ill or dies after June 1, the member may substitute another horse with a Veterinarian Disability form and Vet call receipt AND new ID forms. The youth will complete their project book and interview judge to be complete in their project.

15. Project animals cannot be switched during the year nor trained by professionals within 60 days prior to competing in Junior Fair classes. If a project animal must be switched for safety reasons, contact the 4-H Youth Development Professional(s) for consideration.

16. Advisors must interview each 4-H member on their project book prior to the fair to be in good standing and for Junior Fair eligibility.

17. Horse Quality Assurance is a state 4-H Horse Program ruling. All 4-H horse project members are required to certify for QA and it will be conducted within the club. Appropriate paperwork must be signed and submitted by June 1 each year. If a 4-H member is taking both a horse project and another animal species project, the youth will still need to attend a market/breed QA class. This is a yearly requirement and an Ohio Department of Agriculture Law under Ohio Revised Code.

18. Pony Measurement: Most classes are divided into horses and ponies. A pony is an animal measuring 58 inches and under. Ponies and miniature equine must be measured the first Monday in June. NO EXCEPTIONS. Animals not identified on this date will show as a horse at both PAS and Junior Fair. This rule is in effect for all ponies and miniature equine. Each pony and miniature equine will have 2 chances to be measured. Ponies and miniature equine seven (7) years of age or older may be measured once for a permanent measurement. If animal is unshod at measurement it must show unshod and if shod at measurement it must show shod.

19. Only the 4-H horse project member is allowed on the project horse during the PAS show. Violation of this rule will result in an exhibitor being disqualified for the remaining of the PAS Show.

20. PAS Show judges decisions are final.

21. The 4-H Horse Program year will run from October to September.

Performance Against Standards (PAS) SHOW RULES

1. A Performance Against Standards Show is required for selection of members wanting to participate in competition at the Ohio State Fair (OSF).
2. Only 1 horse may be used for PAS/Ohio State Fair per the Ohio 4-H Uniform Rule Book.
3. Entries must be submitted by June 1.
4. Entries must be selected from the Ohio State Fair class list.
5. Participants may select to participate in up to six classes.
6. No class changes or late entries allowed.
7. PAS Show Fee is $20.00 per exhibitor for the Fulton County PAS Show.
8. The Ohio 4-H Uniform Rules apply.
9. Ohio State Fair competition is not mandatory.
10. See the 4-H Calendar for the PAS show date.
11. The show will be held at the Fulton County Fairgrounds Osthimer Horse Arena. This show is held on the Fulton County Fairgrounds. All rules pertaining to safety, stalls, arenas, camping, horse handling and behavior apply. See “GENERAL FAIR RULES” under Fulton County Fair Specifics.
12. Youth must qualify in 2 classes to compete at the OSF.
13. A member may qualify in all four (4) classes, but must choose up to 2 to compete in at the Ohio State Fair. Youth may only compete in classes at Ohio State Fair for which they qualified through PAS.
14. If youth exhibitors qualify to exhibit at Ohio State Fair, they must sign themselves up online by the entry deadline of Monday, July 6 at 1:00 pm.
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FULTON COUNTY FAIR RULES

GENERAL FAIR RULES

1. Junior Fair Entries are due by August 1st and are required via “Blue Ribbon Fair Online” for ALL ANIMALS to exhibit at the Fulton County Fair. The web portal will be open for registration from July 1, 2021 at 12:00 a.m. – August 1, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (EST). LATE ENTRIES ONLY ACCEPTED UNTIL AUGUST 6th BY 4:30 P.M. AT THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY WITH A $20 LATE FEE. The online link and instructions will be under the “Junior Fair Entries” section of our website at https://fulton.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/junior-fair-forms. These instructions will assist you in completing your on-line entry. Please read and follow the instructions before entering your online entry. There is information included in these instructions to assist you through the process and make sure everything is entered correctly. There is one set of instructions for "individuals" and one for "Group" (2 youth or more).


3. 4-H Uniform Rules Helmet Policy applies.

4. No Drug Use Notification Form is needed.

5. Any special rules made by the Fulton County Fair Board at the fair must be obeyed or premiums will be forfeited and or expulsion from fair may occur.

6. Equine Quality Assurance is a mandatory class for all horse project members and 1 adult family member for participation in 4-H, PAS and the Junior Fair. Equine QA may be conducted within the club.

7. If a 4-H/FFA participant exhibits deliberate, inappropriate, or unsafe behaviors at any time, her or she and their horse may be asked to leave the show/competition/fairgrounds for the remainder of the event or program year.

8. Members may sign up for unlimited classes in the Junior Fair Horse Show; scratch the class at fair if you choose not to show, but you CANNOT add classes at the fair. A parent or advisor must sign drop class forms.

9. All members bringing a horse must show.

10. Each Junior Fair Exhibitor must have his or her own project horse.

11. All animals shown by 4-H and FFA members in Junior Fair Classes must be owned by the member or partnership with his/her immediate family (horse leasing is permitted with appropriate filed paperwork).

12. If a youth only takes one equine project to the Fulton County Jr Fair, they can compete in all disciplines.

13. Tack inspection is to be completed by Fulton County 4-H horse club advisors.

14. Only the 4-H/FFA horse project member is allowed on the project horse during the Junior Fair until all Junior Fair Horse Classes and Versatility finish. Violation of this rule will result in an exhibitor being disqualified for the remaining of the Junior Fair Horse Classes and Versatility Shows.

15. Abuse as determined by the judge will cause disqualification. If a Junior Fair participant exhibits deliberated, inappropriate, or unsafe behavior, he/she and their horse could be asked to leave the fairgrounds for the remainder of the fair.

16. A horse that is out of control and runs into the fence or wall at any time while in the arena will be disqualified. To be determined by the judge.

17. The 4-H Horse Queen and King and all horse 4-H members are asked to represent the horse division in the county fair livestock sale on Wednesday evening.

18. Horses may not be stalled on the fairgrounds before noon Thursday prior to opening day of the fair. Horse projects may not be removed prior to 12:00 p.m. Thursday, closing day of fair without approval of the Sr. Fair Board. 4-H Horses leaving early for non-emergency reasons may result in exhibitor forfeit of all premiums and the right to attend the fair the following year.

19. Stalls must be cleaned out completely and decorations/tape/staples/wire, etc. removed upon leaving the fairgrounds on Thursday or premiums will be forfeited.

20. No bedding will be furnished.

21. No stalls to be exchanged without approval of the Director in Charge.

22. No appliances (refrigerators, coffee makers, cooking appliances of any kind) are to be plugged into barn outlets.

23. No equine shall be ridden on the fairgrounds except at designated places.

24. No sitting on horse while in the barn.

25. No double riding or bareback riding.

26. No horses in camping areas or in bleacher areas.

27. You must walk your horse through bridle path area. You may ride or lead the horse at a walk.

28. No lunging horses outside the arenas.

29. No horses turned loose in the arenas. Horses must be led, not ridden in and out of the barns.

30. Keep horses away from vehicles.

31. Use closed eyebolts and snaps, no open hooks.

32. 4-H members must wear boots when riding. Appropriate footwear is required at all times.

33. No cross-tying horses in aisle ways.
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34. Tack and feed are to be kept in trailers unless tack stalls are available.
35. No tying hay bags, water buckets, feed buckets or horses to hog panels or doors.
36. No painting of stalls. All nails and staples must be removed at the end of fair.
37. No racing of horses outside of competition.
38. NO DOGS permitted in/around barns or arenas.
39. All Fair judges decisions are final.

FAIR TWO EQUINE RULES

40. Youth must designate on June 1 of current year that equine #1 can go in 2 different disciplines. Equine #2 can only go in 1 discipline. This is to be on the youth’s Horse ID papers and cannot be changed after the June 1 deadline.
41. A member may exhibit two 4-H or FFA horses in different disciplines at the fair IF (1) 4-H advisor approval is given, (2) Youth has 3-4 years of 4-H Horse experience, (3) Youth has completed Beginner Horse Management project book, AND (4) All separate project books and record books are complete for both horses.
42. Each equine must have separate entry forms for the Fulton County Junior Fair.
43. The points do not cross over. They stay with the horse.
44. If a member receives two “A’s” with both equine, only 1 can be used for Versatility Class.
45. If a youth takes a horse or pony in contesting classes and a horse or pony in performance classes, then that equine is only to show in the discipline they were designated for. Youth may not show a horse or pony in the same class. Youth may not show both disciplines in the same class.

FAIR CLASS SPECIFIC RULES

46. Members may sign up for ONLY 1 Showmanship Class.
47. If a contestant is eligible to represent more than one discipline in the Showmanship Show Off Class, the second place exhibitor in the discipline the contestant chooses not to represent will represent that discipline in the Showmanship Show Off Class.
48. The winner of the Showmanship Show Off Class will represent the Junior Fair Horse Division at the Showman of Showmen contest on Tuesday night of the fair. If the Showmanship Show Off winner is unable to participate in Showman of Showmen, the person who received 2nd place in Showmanship Show Off class will represent and so on until a representative is found. Permission from Junior Fair Board Director and Senior Fair Board Horse Department Director is required to excuse the Show Off winner from Showman of Showmen competition.
49. A member may compete in an older showmanship and horsemanship class, but must make decision by June 1, limited to one class in each discipline.
50. Showmanship is an optional graded class however it is a mandatory class if a member wants to participate in Versatility. Then they must follow the Ohio 4-H Uniform Rules book.
   a. Each member will receive two “A” grades at the county fair to be eligible for Versatility. One grade must be in Showmanship and the other in one of the following classes: Horsemanship, English Equitation, Barrels, or Poles. If an exhibitor does not receive two “A” class grades at the fair, their project is considered ineligible to qualify for Versatility.
51. Versatility is a 4-H Show at the Fair. Rules provided to contestants at Show Office.
52. Grade classes are not interchangeable to qualify for the versatility class. Youth must get both “A” grades in the same discipline.
53. When designating what equine the youth is taking to the versatility class, they have to compete in all disciplines with the same equine.
54. Riders cannot participate in both Western Pleasure and Ranch Horse Pleasure or Ranch Riding.
55. Horseless horse project members are permitted to enroll in the ground roping class.
56. Walk Trot is for Beginners only. They cannot enter any Canter class. See Fair Book for available W/T classes.
57. Equine used for trail-in-hand class must be small equine or non-ridden project equine. This rule will be enforced by advisors. If an equine is entered in this class, the animal may not be ridden in any other class at the current year Fulton County Fair.
58. Contesting showman are required to show in Barrels or Poles for their second grade.
59. Only those who qualify will place.
60. The horse and mounted rider may be assisted up to the entrance gate, but must enter alone. The contestant has 2 minutes to enter the arena and start the timer once they have been called. Failure to do so will cause disqualification. Only a pre-designated, arena crew person may enter the arena to correct a safety issue within the two minute window.
61. Knocking over obstacles is a 5 second penalty per obstacle knocked over. Being off pattern or touching an obstacle to hold it up is a disqualification.
62. The judge may assess a 5 second penalty for the rider that obviously has no control of their animal while doing the pattern and produces an unsafe ride.
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63. Judge will determine excessive use of whips, crop, bats, or reins. You can wear spurs, but excessive spurring or spurring in front of the girth will incur a 5 second penalty.

64. **Indiana Flags:** The course will be set with 3 barrels in a cloverleaf pattern. A five gallon bucket with dirt will be placed on the first and third barrel. You must pick up a flag from one bucket, go around the second barrel and place the flag in the third bucket. You may start from either side. You can run inside or outside the first and third barrel, but you must finish on the same side you started on. Any obstacle knocked over will be a disqualification. If you do not pick up the flag or stick it in the other bucket you will be disqualified.

65. **Jump Classes:** Members will be allowed to enter the Equitation over Fences Class (jump classes up to 24”) except Novice Equitation over Cross Rails (riders will jump cross rails with a height of up to 12” at a canter) if a jump release has been signed by the member, their parent/guardian, and a recognized jump trainer and was submitted to the Fulton County OSU Extension Office by June 1. Proper helmet and foot safety gear are required.

66. Any yearling born before January 1, current year is eligible to show in the yearling class. A stallion may be shown until he is one year old. No stallion over one year old shall be brought onto the fairgrounds as part of a 4-H or FFA project. Any male horse or pony older must be gelded. Foals/yearlings show in Basic Horse Training.

HIGH POINT TROPHY RULES

1. High Point trophies are awarded by the Fulton County Horse 4-H Council annually.

2. High point awards will only be awarded in the aforementioned divisions if there are a minimum of 5 exhibitors enrolled in that discipline in Blue Ribbon Online as of the August 1 sign up deadline.

3. Points are assigned 5 for 1st, 4 for 2nd, 3 for 3rd, 2 for 4th, and 1 for 5th. If there are less than 5 exhibitors in all placed classes, points are awarded for each number in class based on number shown.

4. WESTERN DIVISION CLASSES include: Western Showmanship, Horsemanship, Western Pleasure, Ridden Trail, Western Riding, Reining, and Ground Roping.
   a. Senior
   b. Junior

5. RANCH DIVISION CLASSES include: Ranch Showmanship, Ranch Pleasure, Ranch Riding, Western Riding, Reining, and Ground Roping.
   a. All Ages


7. CONTESTING DIVISION CLASSES include: Contesting Showmanship, Barrels, Poles, Indiana Flags, Speed & Control, Keyhole, Cones & Barrels, Big E, and Ground Roping.
   a. Senior
   b. Junior
   c. Pony All Ages

   a. Senior

9. DRAFT DIVISION CLASSES include: Draft Showmanship, Horsemanship, Draft Cart, and Driven Trail.
   a. All Ages

    a. All Ages

11. DONKEY/MINI EQUINE DIVISION CLASSES include: Donkey Showmanship, Trail-in-Hand, Mini Equine+Donkey Pleasure Driving, and Ground Roping.
    a. All Ages

12. EASY GAITED DIVISION CLASSES include: Easy Gaited Showmanship, Horsemanship, Western Pleasure, Equitation, English Pleasure, Ridden Trail, Western Riding, Reining, and Ground Roping.
    a. All Ages

13. The Western discipline the youth wishes their ground roping points to follow must be declared by the Blue Ribbon Online entry deadline date (see Calendar in Section 2 for specific date) in the comments section of the Blue Ribbon Online entry.

14. The First tie breaker will be most first places won, second is most placings over-all, and third is best placing in showmanship or best time in barrels.
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VERSATILITY SHOW RULES

In the event of a conflict, the FULTON COUNTY 4-H HORSE COUNCIL VERSATILITY RULES SHALL CONTROL. If questions arise regarding interpretation of rules, an advisor from each club will be called for an immediate meeting before competition continues. Judges will adhere to decisions of Horse Council and the main judge will deliver the ruling.

GENERAL RULES
Versatility is one (1) show comprised of four (4) classes. The four (4) classes are determined by selection from the approved classes listed in the Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows under the Versatility Class section and approved by 4-H Horse Council. If the following scenarios occur, 1) a rider becomes separated from the horse during ANY of the four (4) classes, not including the determined breaks or without prior approval from the ring steward or judge, 2) the rider voluntarily excuses themselves from any class, or 3) the judge removes a rider for any valid reason, they will then be eliminated from the versatility competition, immediately removed from arena and will not be eligible for any awards/points. The Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows suggests two (2) years of ‘project work with horses’ before competing in versatility. Fulton County 4-H Horse Council will rely on the exhibitor’s advisor recommendation and discretion for participation.

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To qualify for versatility, an exhibitor must receive an ‘A’ grade in Showmanship, and then one “A” grade in one of the following predetermined classes: Western Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equation, Barrels, or Poles during the Fulton County Fair.

Exhibitors eligible for versatility must sign up at the horse entry booth by 7:00 PM on the evening before the competition during the Fulton County Fair.

A coin will be tossed before the show, to determine the tie-breaking judge for ties throughout the entire contest. A coin toss for tie breaking class (either Horsemanship or Equitation) will be done at the same time in the case of a tie in overall scores.

An exhibitors’ meeting will be held at 12:30 PM and the show will begin at 1:00 PM on the day of the competition. Results will be announced, once tallied, immediately following competition.

DURING THE COMPETITION
Exhibitors may utilize two (2) grooms who are allowed to assist in tack, clothing, and care for the rider and horse during each break. The length of the first break will be 7 minutes and the next two breaks will be 5 minutes.

Exhibitors should be prepared for the competition by having all equipment ready and at the show arena before the competition begins. If an exhibitor forgets an item, clothing or a piece of equipment, only one (1) of the two (2) designated grooms may go get that piece of equipment. No exhibitor may leave the show arena unless directed by the judge or ring steward.

Two (2) judges will be utilized for the competition. 2-4 adults will keep score tallies and police rules. The judges and adults will work together on final decisions.

HOW POINTS ARE DETERMINED

• Contesting
Scores for the contesting class will be timed to the hundredth of a second for sure, to the thousandth of a second if possible to prevent ties. ALL riders’ times will be recorded. If a tie occurs, the tied participants will have a run off. In the contesting class, the times will be ranked. The fastest time will be placed 1st = one point, 2nd = two points, 3rd = three points, etc.

• All other classes
Judges will score all competitors and place the top ten (10) contestants in each class. Points are awarded by ascending point value. Example: First place in a class is awarded 1 point, Second place = 2 points, etc.
- **No time or Off pattern**

IF “no time” or “off pattern” is called by the judge in ANY Class, the participant receives the number of points equal to the number of participants in the class and will not receive a ribbon in that class. However, they are still eligible for all other classes and overall placing.

**HOW POINTS ARE COUNTED AND PLACINGS DECIDED**

- **Individual class placing**
  Points from each judge are added together for each class and the lowest overall score for each class determines the winner of that class. The next lowest score receives 2nd up to 10th place.

To break a tie score at the end of each class, the pre-determined judge placing will be used. Lowest score by that judge breaks the tie. In the case of more than a two (2) way tie, the next lowest score among the tied exhibitors is used until there are no further ties.

- **Overall show placing**
  Points from all four (4) classes are added (not-averaged) together and the lowest overall score for all four (4) classes determines the overall winner of the show. The next lowest score receives 2nd up to 10th place.

To break a tie score at the end of all four (4) classes for overall show placing, the pre-determined class (either Horsemanship or Equitation) will be used. Lowest score in that category breaks the tie.

In the case of more than a two (2) way tie, the next lowest score among the tied exhibitors is used until there are no further ties. Adopted January 14, 2018.

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ALL HORSE PROJECT MEMBERS MUST INTERVIEW JUDGE WITH THEIR PROJECT BOOKS WITHIN THE CLUB TO BE COMPLETE IN THEIR 4-H PROJECT AND THEREFORE ELIGIBLE TO GO TO FAIR WITH THEIR HORSE.

#### HORSELESS HORSE

**Guidelines:** Gallop ahead with your study of horses without owning one. Over twenty different horse related subjects to choose from in an easy to use worksheet fashion. This can also be used during the educational portion of club meetings. The project is suited for members of all ages. NO HORSE AT FAIR, however, you may enroll in the ground roping class. Take part in at least two Project Learning Experiences. Complete two or more Citizenship/Leadership Activities.

**Judging Requirements:** All youth interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging. At least 4 new sections of your book must be completed annually. Complete a “What I Learned” 1 page summary annually.

**Fair Exhibit:** An educational display of something learned from project.

#### BEGINNING HORSE MANAGEMENT

**Guidelines:** This is a beginning level project designed for youth starting out in the 4-H Horse Program. Complete the General Project Guidelines as indicated on page 9 of the project book. Select a minimum of 3 (from the 12) Interest Areas to complete each year the project is taken. Answer questions from the Interest Areas you selected to complete.

*If repeating the project after all 12 Interest Areas are completed, additional activities are to show advancement in knowledge. Participate in 2 Learning Experiences and 2 Leadership/Citizenship Activities per year. Records for your project animal are to be kept yearly. Write a one-page report about an aspect of the project you enjoyed and learned.

**Judging Requirements:** Be prepared to answer questions and discuss your project work. Bring book with completed Interest Areas chosen and record portion of the book. All youth interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Fair Exhibit:** Exhibit one horse. If not exhibiting, construct a display or poster illustrating an aspect of the project you learned.
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#### LIGHT HORSE SELECTION

**Guidelines:** Ages 15 and over, with experience. Work on judging of horses: a.) review anatomy of horse; b.) recognize blemishes and unsoundness; c.) learn definition for terms listed on pages 28-29 of project book; d.) place at least one class of horses and give oral reasons for placing. Complete other club requirements, if necessary. File a lease agreement, if applicable.

**Judging Requirements:** Participation in the proper showmanship class in the 4-H county fair horse show for project grade. All youth interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Judging Requirements:**
- Complete livestock judging interview within club and bring complete project book.
- Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Fair Exhibit:**
- Horse Jump Release Form must be signed by Jumping Instructor and submitted to Extension Office by June 1.

#### BASIC HORSE TRAINING

**Guidelines:** Basic training is a process that begins at birth and continues until the horse will lead, turn and stop on a loose head. This project also explains the procedure for teaching the walk, trot, canter, stop on haunches, backing, suppleness in neck and body to any age horse.

**Judging Requirements:**
- Complete livestock judging interview within club and bring complete project book.
- Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Fair Exhibit:**
- An educational display of knowledge learned from project.

#### LEARNING TO JUMP

**Guidelines:** Be able to answer all questions and exhibit skills found on pages 16-17 of the project book. Advanced 4-H'ers should be able to answer all questions and exhibit all skills found on pages 18 and 19 of the book.

**Judging Requirements:**
- Complete livestock judging interview within club and bring complete project book.
- Bring completed project book.

**Fair Exhibit:**
- Horse Jump Release Form must be signed by Jumping Instructor and submitted to Extension Office by June 1.

#### 4-H DRAFT HORSE

**Guidelines:** Ages 13 & over (recommended). Own or lease a suitable horse commensurate with skills of member. It includes information about care, feeding, harnessing, hitching, showing, and more. (Equine Record Book 190R required each year)

**Judging Requirements:** Participate in the Harness and Halter (showmanship) Class at the county fair. Show for project grade. All youth interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Judging Requirements:**
- Complete livestock judging interview within club and bring complete project book.
- Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Fair Exhibit:**
- Educational display in miscellaneous booth. Youth may take a donkey and participate in proper showmanship and equitation classes at county fair.

#### SMALL EQUINE

**Guidelines:** Small Equine is a project intended for youth exhibiting donkeys, miniature horses, and other small equine. Appropriate for all skill and age levels. Complete all seven project areas including caring for, guiding in-hand and driving, and showing small equine. This project will take the place of the county donkey project (previously project 190). Youth must have completed 174 Beginning Horse Management before taking this project. (Equine Record Book 190R required each year)

**Judging Requirements:** Participate in the Harness and Halter (showmanship) Class at the county fair. Show for project grade. All youth interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Judging Requirements:**
- Complete livestock judging interview within club and bring complete project book.
- Bring completed project book to interview judging.

**Fair Exhibit:**
- Educational display in miscellaneous booth. Youth may take a donkey and participate in proper showmanship and equitation classes at county fair.

#### STANDARD BRED HORSES

**Guidelines:** Intermediate project for youth ages 13-18 that have completed beginning level projects in the 4-H Horse Program. Explore all Interest Areas. Within at least seven Interest Areas; plan to do a minimum of two Activities. Take part in at least two Project Learning Experiences. Complete two or more Citizenship/Leadership Activities. Write a one-page report telling what you did and learned through this project. Must have access to a standard bred or pleasure-driving animal. Project may be repeated. (Equine Record Book 190R required each year)

**Judging Requirements:**
- Complete livestock judging interview within club and bring complete project book.

**Fair Exhibit:**
- Project book and display of knowledge gained from project.
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| **Guidelines:** Explore breeding and mare and foal management in a project that requires commitment. Advanced-level project designed for members 14-18 years of age. Basic Horse Training and Horse Nutrition should be taken before this project is considered. This is a 2-3 year project. Participation required in three Project Learning Activities and three Leadership/Citizenship Activities each year. You must have access to a horse. (Equine Record Book 190R required each year)

**Judging Requirements:** Complete Guidelines on page 7, prepare poster on topic explored, present demonstration to club. Project will be judged by club advisor. Display poster at the fair with the diary or scrapbook made in project. If you have a horse, you may exhibit it at the fair. All interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

| **TRAIL RIDING** |
| **188** |
| **Guidelines:** Ages 14 & over. Project centers on competitive trail riding. Units include: a) Selection of trail animal; b) Conditioning in preparation for trail ride; c) Riding the ride; d) Judging a ride; e) Learning the rules. Members must compete in a competitive trail ride during the project year. Complete Members Project Guide. (Equine Record Book 190R required each year)

**Judging Requirements:** Participation in the proper showmanship class in the 4-H county fair horse show for a project grade. All interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging.

| **DRESSAGE** |
| **189** |
| **Guidelines:** See “Completion of Project Guidelines” in project book.

**Judging Requirements:** All interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring completed project book to interview judging. This intermediate-level project is designed for members who have completed 191-R Horses, Safety & You and 174 Beginning Horse Management. Project may be repeated and competition in dressage show not required. Complete all activities in each project area and complete the first year “Completion of Project” activities #1-11 on page 41. Must do at least two learning experiences and two citizenship and leadership activities. Complete the Equine Record Book 190R each year. Write a one page report of knowledge gained and activities. Must have access to a horse.

**Fair Exhibit:** Educational display in miscellaneous booth. Youth may take a horse and participate in proper showmanship and equitation class at county fair.

| **HORSE NUTRITION** |
| **762** |
| **Guidelines:** Advanced project. Explore digestion, nutrients, feedstuffs, rationing and poison plant identification to protect the health of the horse you love. Use Extension Publication 762, Horse Nutrition, as your project manual and use 190R (record book)

**Judging Requirements:** Complete guidelines in project book, create poster on topic explored, present a demonstration to club. Project will be judged by club advisor. Display poster at fair. If you have a horse, you may exhibit it at fair. All interview judging for livestock projects will be done within the local 4-H club before fair to be eligible for exhibition at the fair. Bring project book to interview judging.