

DEPARTMENT 4I – HORSE & PONY

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Livestock Department, Section, and Class Specific Rules & Regulations. These rules and regulations are in addition to the “General Rules and Regulations Applicable to All Exhibitors and Exhibits”. All Exhibitors must comply with all Washington County Ag Expo & Fair rules and regulations. Failure to comply may disqualify the entry and require that it be removed from the fairgrounds.

Department 4I – Horse & Pony

- 1) General Rules and Regulations
 - a) All participants must be enrolled in 4-H/FFA prior to May 1st of the current year.
 - b) All animals must be owned or leased prior to May 1st of the current year.
 - c) Animals are to be brought in the day of the show (English or Western) and taken home the same day.
 - d) No stalls will be provided for the animals.
 - e) All animals are to be kept in designated areas.
 - f) Riders are limited to showing 2 different animals for a combined total of eight (8) riding classes. Divisions are determined by the age/experience of the rider. Champion ribbons will be awarded to the exhibitor that has accumulated the most points during the day in the three separate divisions: Walk/Trot, Junior and Senior divisions. No Over All High Point will be awarded.
 - g) Champion ribbons will be awarded to the first place exhibitor in both the Junior and Senior Grooming and Showmanship class.
 - h) Champion ribbons will be awarded in pony, mare and gelding conformation classes.
 - i) Exhibitor must get written approval from the superintendent that the horse show area has been cleaned before a premium check will be issued.
 - j) Horse and Pony Project Identification Cards (4-H 117) must be registered in the 4-H office by June 1st of the current year.
 - k) The Maryland 4-H Horse and Pony Rule Book will apply unless specific changes are specified. In the absence of a specific 4-H rule, AQHA and USEF rules will apply.
 - l) All exhibitors, English and Western, must wear headgear passing ASTM standards when mounted. Headgear must carry the SEI seal. Boots with heels are required when mounted.
 - m) Harnesses must be secured and properly fitted.
 - n) Exhibitors, both English and Western, must have passed Horsemanship Standards 1, 2, and riding level 3.
 - i) Age divisions:
 - (a) Junior classes, 8-13 years of age
 - (b) Senior classes, 14 years and older
 - o) Walk-Trot classes are for those riders who are in their 1st or 2nd year of showing.
 - p) Riders entering in the Walk-Trot classes are limited to those classes unless listed as open.
 - q) 4I-3-1 – Horsemanship Skill-a-thon – Open to all 4-H and FFA.
- 2) Rules & Regulations for Model Horse Show
 - a) To be eligible to enter, each contestant must be a 4-H member in good standing with their club
 - b) Be a good sport. It's not about how well you did or did not do, it is about how much fun you and every one else had doing it.
 - c) Entrants are encouraged to pre-register. Once registered, each entrant will be given table space around the perimeter of the show area as their staging area to prepare their horses for classes.
 - d) Leg tags are required for each horse. These consist of small white blank tags that can be purchased at local office supply stores (For example, see Staples item number 721907). On one side of the tag, the entrant's name and horse's name should be printed. On the other side, the horse's breed should be printed. The tag should be tied to the horse's left hind leg. Breed side faces up when horses are judged.
 - e) Entrants are limited to 1 entry per performance class. Each performance class involves setting up a diorama-type scene that fits with the class description. The scene must include a model horse and complete tack set. Maximum size for each scene is 2' wide by 2' long. These scenes must be made entirely by the 4-H exhibitor and set up on the show table by the exhibitor with no outside assistance.
 - f) Entrants are limited to 2 entries per halter class. During the show, as each class is called, entrants will bring their entry(s) to the judging table making sure that the leg tag is placed breed side up. The entrants are judged on how well the selected horse meets the conformation standards for the designated breed. However, although called a halter class, horses are shown without halters. Once placings are announced, entrants will retrieve their horses and the next class will be called.
 - g) All model horses must be original finish Breyers. No customized or repainted models allowed.
 - h) The judge's decision is final in all classes.
 - i) No running or touching models is allowed in the show area. Parents please watch your children in order to maintain an orderly environment.

Premiums for Department 4I

1st – \$12.00	2nd – \$11.00	3rd – \$9.00	4th – \$8.00
5th – \$7.00	6th – \$6.00	7th – \$5.00	8th – \$4.00
9th – \$4.00	10th – \$4.00	11th & Up – \$4.00	

SECTION 001 – English

Classes

- 0001 Showmanship, Junior
- 0002 Showmanship, Senior
- 0003 Conformation, Pony
- 0004 Conformation, Mare
- 0005 Conformation, Gelding
- 0006 Pleasure All-Day Walk/Trot
- 0007 Pleasure All-Day, Jr.
- 0008 Pleasure All-Day, Sr.
- 0019 Pleasure Seat Walk-Trot
- 0010 Pleasure Seat, Jr.
- 0011 Pleasure Seat, Sr.
- 0012 Command Break Out, Walk-Trot
- 0013 Command Break Out, Jr.
- 0014 Command Break Out, Sr.
- 0015 Hunter Over Fences, Jr., (6-8 fences at 2' with directional change)
- 0016 Hunter Over Fences, Sr., (6-8 fences at 2'3" with directional change)
- 0017 Pleasure Over Fences, Walk-Trot, (4 Fences) at 18".
- 0018 Pleasure Over Fences, Jr. (8 Fences) at 2'
- 0019 Pleasure Over Fences, Sr. (8 Fences) at 2'3"
- 0020 Trail, Walk-Trot
- 0021 Trail, Jr.
- 0022 Trail, Sr.
- 0023 Dressage, Walk-Trot, (Introductory Level A)
- 0024 Dressage, Jr. (Introductory Level C)
- 0025 Dressage, Sr. (Introductory Level C)

SECTION 002 – Western

Classes

- 0001 Showmanship, Junior
- 0002 Showmanship, Senior
- 0003 Conformation, Pony
- 0004 Conformation, Mare
- 0005 Conformation, Gelding
- 0006 Western Pleasure, Walk-Jog
- 0007 Western Pleasure, Jr.
- 0008 Western Pleasure, Sr.
- 0009 Stock Seat Equitation, Walk-Trot
- 0010 Stock Seat Equitation, Jr.
- 0011 Stock Seat Equitation, Sr.
- 0012 Command Break Out, Walk-Trot
- 0013 Command Break Out, Jr.
- 0014 Command Break Out, Sr.
- 0015 Horsemanship, (Walk/Trot) (Western Riding Level 2)
- 0016 Horsemanship, Jr. (Western Riding Level 3)
- 0017 Horsemanship, Sr. (Western Riding Level 3)
- 0018 Trail, Walk-Trot
- 0019 Trail, Jr.
- 0020 Trail, Sr.
- 0021 Western Riding, Jr.
- 0022 Western Riding, Sr.
- 0023 All Age Clover Leaf Barrels

- 0024 All Age Pole Bending
- 0025 All Age Key Hole Race

**SECTION
003 – Horsemanship Skillathon**

Classes

- 0001 Hippology, Jr.
- 0002 Hippology, Intermediate
- 0003 Hippology, Sr.
- 0004 Exam, Jr.
- 0005 Exam, Intermediate
- 0006 Exam, Sr.
- 0007 Judging, Jr.
- 0008 Judging, Intermediate
- 0009 Judging, Sr.
- 0010 Judging Performance, Jr.
- 0011 Judging Performance, Intermediate
- 0012 Judging Performance, Sr.
- 0013 Horse Bowl, Jr.
- 0014 Horse Bowl, Intermediate
- 0015 Horse Bowl, Sr.

Awards for 4I Horse & Pony Section004-Model Horse Show
Ribbons will be awarded to 10th place

**SECTION
004 Model Horse Show**

Classes

Performance - Limit Two (2) Entry Per Class

- 0001 English Pleasure
- 0002 Western Pleasure

Halter – Limit Two (2) Entries Per Class

- 0003 Arabian
- 0004 Morgan
- 0005 Saddlebred
- 0006 Gaited Horses
- 0007 Spanish
- 0008 Thoroughbred
- 0009 Warmblood/Sport Horse
- 0010 Quarter Horse
- 0011 Appaloosa
- 0012 Paint
- 0013 Mustang
- 0014 Draft Breeds
- 0015 Pony Breeds
- 0016 All Foals
- 0017 Mixed/Grade Horses
- 0018 Fantasy Horse

Champion Classes - Rosette Only

- 0019 Best Overall Horse
- 0020 Reserve Champion