

Horse

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Entry Guidelines

For general information about animal rules please refer to the Animal Science Rules section at the beginning of this book.

1. **Must meet 4-H ENTRY DEADLINE (see *scheduling*)**. No Exceptions!! One online entry/entry form per exhibitor needs to be submitted in for all Horse Division classes.
2. Exhibitors may enter 15 classes in addition to their required showmanship class/classes.
 - 2a. Exhibitors must use the same horse in all events except Ground Training, Driving classes, Gaming and In Hand Trail. Showmanship is required of all exhibitors, but only one showmanship class is allowed for each horse. If your horse is in equitation or pleasure classes it **MUST** show in performance showmanship. All other horses are required to show in their appropriate showmanship class (ie gamers in gaming showmanship, drivers in driving showmanship, ground trainers in ground training showmanship, etc). Ground trainers and drivers that premier will be eligible for medallion round.
3. 4-H Horse project is open to members ages 9 through 19 (as of September 1st of current 4-H year). 4-H members must be enrolled by May 1st and pass records check in order to exhibit at fair.
4. The 4-H exhibit must be the work of the 4-H member. Exhibitors must ride; show or exhibit horses they have owned, leased and/or trained **for 90 days prior to the County Fair and State Fair (April 26th, 2021)**. The 4-H Exhibitor's State Fair horse must be the same horse that qualifying Horse from County Fair. NO TRAINERS, paid or unpaid, are allowed to ride the 4-H exhibitor's horse with the purpose of improving its performance within 90 days of Fair. The intent is for the horse project to be under the training and control of the exhibitor.
5. The deadline for ownership is **90 days prior to County Fair**. 4-H project horses must be owned or leased by this deadline. All leased horses must have a proper lease agreement on file with your 4-H Horse Leader and the Extension Office by this deadline. Forms are at the Extension Office. No exceptions unless approved by the Superintendents and Agent.
6. In the event of injury, sickness, or loss of a 4-H Project Horse, an exhibitor must contact the Extension Agent and provide written documentation

(a note from a veterinarian.) regarding the animal. Then an exhibitor will be allowed to participate in County Fair, but will not be able to qualify for State Fair Team. If hardship horse qualifies for Master Showmanship they can compete in that contest.

7. A 4-H project horse may be shared between 4-H exhibitor in the immediate family or two non-family exhibitor. The exhibitors must work out class conflicts as they arise.

Exhibitor Guidelines

- All Oregon 4-H exhibitors participating in any equestrian activity, regardless of riding seat, will wear a properly fitted equestrian helmet which meets the standards imposed by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM F1163) and includes certification and labeling required by the Safety Equipment Institute (SEI). Such headgear will be secured with the harness engaged and be properly fastened when mounted on an equine or in a vehicle (cart, wagon, buggy, etc.) being pulled by one or more equine. This policy is the responsibility of the 4-H family, not the 4-H leader. 4-H Horse Leaders have the right to refuse participation in a county 4-H function if the helmet does not meet the ASTM-SEI certification or is not worn secured with the harness properly engaged.
- Horse Advancement Rules: All participants must comply with the 4-H Horse Advancement Guide and the 4-H Horse Contest Guide; both are available from your leader or the Extension Office. Participants **MUST** be working on advancement level set below by June 1st and marked as such on the Advancement Sign Off form completed by your leader. You must have passed each level by the end of the division (Novice, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior).
 - Novice & Jr. - Advancement Level 1
 - Intermediate - Advancement Levels 1 & 2
 - Senior - Advancement Levels 1, 2 & 3

In addition to the "Regular" advancements above, you are required to be working on the same level in the other events advancements in order to participate in each following events at fair; Trail, Jumping, Driving or Gaming. For Ground Training only, Exhibitors must have passed level 1 ground work and pass any level 2 or 3 steps they are attempting in their appropriate ground training class. The leader will sign the ground training score sheet to verify advancement completion.

- **“Novice” is a rider in their first year showing anywhere as of Oct. 1 of previous year.** Novices will do walk trot only in ALL classes. No cantering or loping. Novices will not be allowed to show a horse under 2 years of age.
- Appropriate attire shall be worn at ALL county fair classes; see 4-H Horse Contest Guide (effective October 1, 2015)
- Exhibitors must do their own work while on the grounds, and are encouraged to help each other
- All age divisions in state fair qualifying classes are eligible for premier ribbons and return in the medallion class. All age divisions in County only classes are eligible for Champion qualifying ribbons and a return to the Champion class.

HORSE CLASS NUMBERS:

Note: Fill in the blank in the class number () with one of the following numbers:

- 0 **Novice** (only enter classes marked with an*) *County Only*
- 1 **Junior**
- 2 **Intermediate**
- 3 **Senior**

SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES: (REQUIRED)

All ANIMALS must show in Showmanship at County Fair. Refer to Entry Guidelines 2 and 2a. To qualify for State Fair in showmanship and equitation (hunt seat, or western), exhibitors must have received a minimum combined score of 170 (**with the same horse in equitation and showmanship**) and each individual score must be 80 points or higher. In addition, they must have used the same horse in both classes. **For those exhibitors showing multiple performance horses, you may only qualify for state fair with ONE horse/rider combination. For exhibitors that qualify for state fair with more than one horse/rider combination, you must choose which horse you will exhibit prior to the state fair meeting held on the Saturday of fair.**

Qualifying for State: Exhibitors may qualify in English and/or Western equitation classes outside of the 170 qualifying score.

members would still QUALIFY for state by the 170 current system. Then any other equitation classes that they score an 80 or higher in they can compete in at state. This would not include Trail, Jumping or Driving, just Hunt Seat, Saddle Seat and Western Equitation.

751 500 00_ Showmanship*

If an exhibitor qualifies for a medallion round with more than 1 horse they must choose one.

***Champion from each division will go on to compete in Large Animal Master Showman competition. See Contest section for details.**

- 751 500 02_ Ground Training Showmanship**
- 751 500 03_ Gaming Showmanship**
- 751 500 04_ Reinsmanship Showmanship**

751 500 05_ 1st Year Under Saddle Showmanship

EQUITATION:

To qualify for State Fair in showmanship and equitation (hunt seat, or western), exhibitors must have received a minimum combined score of 170 (in equitation and showmanship) and each individual score must be 80 points or higher. In addition, they must have used the same horse in both classes.

For exhibitors who ride multiple seats, the highest equitation score must be used to determine eligibility. Then, if exhibitors have received blue ribbons in other seats on the same horse, they may ride those seats as well. The same horse must be used for all equitation classes.

There is no maximum or minimum number of exhibitors a county may send.

- 751 100 11_ English Equitation-Saddle Seat***
- 751 100 12_ English Equitation-Hunt Seat***
- 751 100 13_ Western Equitation***
- 751 100 17_ English Bareback Equitation**
- 751 100 18_ Western Bareback Equitation**

DRESSAGE/WESTERN DRESSAGE:

Exhibitors who qualify for State Fair in equitation/showmanship may also enter Dressage if they received a score of 58% or higher on any training Level Test or any First Level test at County Fair using the same horse as used for equitation/showmanship.

Additionally, exhibitors who qualify for State Fair in equitation/showmanship may also enter Western Dressage if they received a score of 58% or higher on Basic Level Test 2, 3 or 4 or Level 1, Test 1, 2, 3 or 4.

An exhibitor who score's 62% or higher at State Fair must progress up to the next test the following year. Riders may only ride one test **in each discipline.**

- 751 700 00_ Introduction to Dressage Test A (County Only)**
- 751 700 01_ Introduction to Dressage Test B (County Only)**
- 751 700 02_ Introduction to Dressage Test C (County Only)**
- 751 700 50_ Training Level, Test 1**
- 751 700 51_ Training Level, Test 2**
- 751 700 52_ Training Level, Test 3**
- 751 700 54_ First Level, Test 1**
- 751 700 55_ First Level, Test 2**
- 751 700 56_ First Level, Test 3**

Western Dressage

- 751 700 60_ Western Dressage, Basic Level, Test 2**
- 751 700 61_ Western Dressage, Basic Level, Test 3**
- 751 700 62_ Western Dressage, Basic Level, Test 4**
- 751 700 63_ Western Dressage, Level 1, Test 1**
- 751 700 64_ Western Dressage, Level 1, Test 2**
- 751 700 65_ Western Dressage, Level 1, Test 3**
- 751 700 66_ Western Dressage, Level 1, Test 4**

GROUND TRAINING:

Regardless of when a horse is born, their birth date is January 1st. Stallions over one year of age must be gelded. Horses entered in yearling and two year old ground training MUST NEVER have been mounted. **Your 15 minute time limit begins from when you enter the arena for your class.** To qualify for State Fair in Ground Training, exhibitors must have received a blue ribbon in ground training at County Fair. A total of 8 ground trainers (four seniors and four intermediates). The horses may be either yearlings or two-year olds. The same person may show both a yearling and a two-year old. Colt trainers and pony drivers may show another horse at State Fair if it qualifies.

- 751 200 20_** Ground Training - Weanling (*County Only*)
751 200 21_ Ground Training - Yearling
751 200 22_ Ground Training - Two-Year-Old

TRAIL & IN HAND TRAIL

Trail – Exhibitors who qualify for State Fair in equitation/showmanship may also enter Trail if they received a blue ribbon in that event at County Fair using the same horse as used in equitation/showmanship. In Hand Trail – Only non-ridden horse are eligible (driving ponies and ground training animals). Exhibitors must have received a blue ribbon in this class at County Fair and qualified in driving or ground training (see appropriate section for details).

- 751 300 31_** Trail Horse*
751 300 32_ In Hand Trail

REINSMANSHIP (DRIVING)

There are 2 ways to qualify for State Fair in Reinsmanship.

Exhibitors who qualify for State Fair in equitation/showmanship (see Equitation section for details) may also enter Reinsmanship if they received a score of 80 or above in that event at County Fair using the same horse or pony as used in equitation/showmanship.

Exhibitors may also qualify with their non-equitation horse or pony if they received a minimum combined score of 170 (in Reinsmanship and showmanship at County Fair. In addition, all scores must be 80 or above, and the precision driving score must be 85 points or higher. The showmanship score can be from their equitation horse or their driving horse. If exhibitors are not showing an equitation animal in showmanship, they must exhibit their driving animal in showmanship.

- 751 400 41_** Pony/Miniature Horse, Reinsmanship
751 400 42_ Horse, Reinsmanship

Exhibitors who qualify for Reinsmanship may also compete in Precision Driving if they received a score of 80 or above in that event at County Fair. The horse or pony used must be the same animal they qualified with at County Fair.

- 751 400 43_** Precision Driving (Intermediate/Senior only)

JUMPING

Exhibitors who qualify for State Fair in equitation/showmanship may also enter Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences if they received a blue ribbon in that event at County Fair using the same horse as used in equitation/showmanship and if they received a blue ribbon performing over an approved qualifying course. A qualifying course must have a minimum of six different fences with at least three of them at the maximum height and spread. There must be at least one combination jump and one change of direction.

- 751 600 85_** Hunter Hack (*County Only*)
751 600 16_ Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences

GAMING:

To qualify for State Gaming, exhibitors must be in the 7th to 12th grade, must have exhibited with their Gaming Horse in Gaming or Performance Showmanship, and must receive a blue ribbon time in their Gaming Race. Qualifying times are available at the Extension Office. Qualifying times are included in the 4-H Horse handbook. Each gaming division will have a timed event champion and reserve champion. To be eligible riders will need to receive 3 or more blues in the gaming events. The cumulative top two fastest riders in each division will receive Timed Event Jackets. Members who qualify in at least one Western Gaming event with a qualifying time, may choose an additional Western Gaming event in which to participate (This is a trail for 2 years, beginning 2019)

- 751 800 01_** Gaming - Figure 8
751 800 02_ Gaming - Barrels
751 800 03_ Gaming - Key Race
751 800 04_ Gaming - Pole Bending
751 800 05_ Gaming - Flag Race
751 800 06_ Gaming – Two Barrel Flag Race

1st YEAR UNDER SADDLE:

Horse may be any age over two years, but must not have been ridden more than 12 months prior to Pre-Fair and Fair. Exhibitors will do individual work made up from any of the 4-H Advancement steps. Exhibitors must give the judge a filled out First Year Under Saddle score sheet (obtained from the extension office and show office) at the time they enter the arena. This score sheet will contain the list of exercises to be attempted and the order in which they will be done. The exhibitor may also indicate the length of time training has taken place. The horse should have been worked and ridden mainly by the 4-H exhibitor, exceptions being initial training of horse by a skilled professional or adult or if safety is a major concern. The 4-H leader should be consulted and/or notified. Judges will take into account the amount of professional training. Cavessons, protective leg wear and running martingales are allowed. A time limit of 10 minutes maximum will be allowed to each exhibitor. Novice exhibitors are NOT eligible for this class. Any step attempted in this class **MUST** be signed off in your advancements. The leader will sign the score sheet to verify advancement completion. Teens and Oregon Mustangs may not cross enter into any other riding class.

751 100 73_ 1st Year Under Saddle (County Only)

PLEASURE:

751 100 81_ Western Pleasure. (County Only)

751 100 82_ English Pleasure. (County Only)

751 100 93_ English Working Pairs (County Only)

751 100 94_ Western Working Pairs (County Only)

DIVISION HIGHPOINT AND RESERVE HIGHPOINT

Novice

Junior

Intermediate

Senior

Qualifying classes are as a Listed

Showmanship
Trial (riding only)
English Eq.
Western Eq.

Total cumulative points in 4 listed events. Showmanship score will break any ties.

DAD POTTER

Any exhibitors testing in Dad Potter must have completed steps to be attempted in their advancements. By your leaders signature on your Dad Potter application form you and your leader are verifying this completion.

For further opportunities and awards see the "Communications" section

All Classes (except Dressage) - Ribbon Placing Criteria

State Classes – Premiere ribbon for scores 90 and above – Medallions at the Judge’s discretion

County Only Classes – Champion ribbons at the Judge’s discretion

Gaming – Top 2 blue ribbon times per division and event – medallions

Dressage – Top 2 blue ribbon percentages per test level and division in State qualifying classes – medallions

Score	Placing
85 or higher	Blue Ribbon
70 – 84	Red Ribbon
69 or lower	White Ribbon

Dressage Ribbon Placing Criteria

Score	Placing
62% or higher	Medallion
58% or higher	Blue Ribbon
50% - 57.99%	Red Ribbon
49.99% or lower	White Ribbon

What do ribbons mean?

County Fair is one of the few competitive events that are a part of the 4-H program. However, they are just a part of the program and competitive events should be fun and enjoyable for everyone.

Somewhere in 4-H many people have mistakenly started thinking that a white ribbon means “poor job”. That’s not true. In most 4-H competitive events you are being evaluated against certain standards, not other people; and just because you receive a white ribbon does not mean you shouldn’t feel good about yourself.

In that particular activity and at that particular time, a white ribbon might indicate the best you can do. Try to keep these ribbon color definitions in mind:

PARTICIPANT D/Q	Disqualified by the Judge for off course/off pattern.
WHITE	Good, but much improvement needed to meet top standards.
RED	Very good, but still one or two major improvements needed.
BLUE	Excellent meets or nearly meets top standards.

2021 Oregon 4-H State Western Gaming Qualifying Times

Times below are subject to change and are reference only.

Senior Division	BLUE	RED	WHITE
Key Race	10.400 or less	10.401 - 12.700	12.701 or more
Barrels	16.200 or less	16.201 - 17.900	17.901 or more
Figure 8	11.500 or less	11.501 - 12.200	12.201 or more
Pole Bending	25.000 or less	25.001 – 28.600	28.601 or more
NSCA Flag Race	9.000 or less	9.001 – 10.500	10.501 or more
Two-Barrel Flag Race	11.500 or less	11.501 – 15.500	15.501 or more

Intermediate Division	BLUE	RED	WHITE
Key Race	10.700 or less	10.701 – 14.500	14.501 or more
Barrels	16.600 or less	16.601 – 18.300	18.301 or more
Figure 8	12.000 or less	12.001 – 12.900	12.901 or more
Pole Bending	25.500 or less	25.501 – 28.900	28.901 or more
NSCA Flag Race	9.300 or less	9.301 – 11.000	11.001 or more
Two-Barrel Flag Race	12.100 or less	12.101 – 16.500	16.501 or more

County Only Qualifying times for Juniors - DO NOT go on to State 4-H Western Gaming.			
Junior Division	BLUE	RED	WHITE
Key Race	12.000 or less	12.001 - 16.000	16.001 or more
Barrels	19.000 or less	19.001 - 23.000	23.001 or more
Figure 8	13.500 or less	13.501 - 15.000	15.001 or more
Pole Bending	27.500 or less	27.501 - 32.000	32.001 or more
NSCA Flag Race	11.000 or less	11.001 - 13.000	13.001 or more
Two-Barrel Flag Race	12.700 or less	12.701 – 17.500	17.501 or more

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