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1. 4-H EQUESTRIAN HEADGEAR POLICY- 4-H members participating in any equestrian activity, regardless of riding seat, WILL WEAR a properly fitted equestrian helmet which meets the minimum performance standards imposed by the American Society for Testing 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. It is recommended that 4-H'ers wear their ASTM/SEI helmets anytime they are around their horses.

2. DRUGGING – The 4-H horse program does not condone the use of drugs, herbal compounds, or surgical procedures which affect an animal's conformation, appearance, natural performance, or in any way alters its natural color. Horses requiring any medication should be identified upon arrival at the 4-H Horse Show or registrations area. Exhibitors should be prepared to present a valid prescription or a written explanation, either or both to be signed by the animal's licensed veterinarian. If a horse requires medication or treatment after arrival at the show, any medication used to protect the health and welfare of the animal must be prescribed by a licensed veterinarian. Administration of all medication must at all times be done in accordance with the specification and/or instructions given in the prescription. Liability for the correct administration of the prescribed drug is the responsibility of the exhibitor's parent or legal guardian. The use of Phenylbutaxone ("bute") in older 4-H project horses is acceptable when the drug is used with a veterinarian's prescription.

3. POSSESSION - Ownership of horse is encouraged but not required. In order to receive awards, premiums and participate in State & County Fair, members must have possession of their project animal(s) and a "Horse Declaration Form" in to the extension office 90 days before Horse fair. Members not owning their horse must have a written lease agreement with the horse's owner. A copy of this agreement must be attached to the declaration form and turned in to the Extension office 90 days before county fair. After this day, the horse may only be ridden by or shown at halter or showmanship by the 4-H member or another 4-H member participating at County Fair; by an immediate family member; or by a special permission of the county Extension Agent. A trainer or instructor may assist or teach members during the 90 day period prior to fair, but may not ride the horse.

4. COUNTY FAIR PROCEDURE

Each exhibit animal must have a "project record" turned in with their record books. To participate in Hunt Seat over fences, Ranch Horse Roping, Gymkhana or Cow Work at County Fair, a consent form must be completed and turned in to the Extension Office by **June 14, 2024**. No schooling or training may be done by anyone other than a 4-H youth member while at the county fair. Parents and other adults may not handle or ride horses at County Fair except in emergency situations. Class requirements and procedures are listed in "4-H Horse Contest Guide" (EB1974). Patterns will be provided prior to the show. The judge's decision for each class will be final.

5. SHOWMANSHIP – Showmanship is required for all horse 4-H fair exhibitors and for all horses being exhibited. 4-H members are to do all grooming and care of the horse (older enrolled members may assist junior members). When two or more 4-H members of the same family have only one horse available, they must jointly care for and train the horse.

6. -No stallions may be exhibited or presented during the Fair.
 -All stallions must be gelded three (3) months prior to Fair.
 -No wet mares are allowed at State Fair but will be permitted at County Fair as long as foals are left at home. Any disruptive horse shall be removed from the class.

7. Members must use equipment and wear appropriate attire as defined in 4-H Horse Contest Guide (Publication #EB1974) and 4-H Ranch Horse Contest Guide.

8. Advancements:

- To compete at the county fair in showmanship, members must have completed all Level 1 Ground Work Advancement steps.
- To compete at the county fair in any riding class, members must have completed all Level 1 Riding Advancement steps. If a member is at a walk/trot level only, they can skip the loping/cantering advancements in Level 1, but may not enter a lope/canter class at fair.
- To compete at a county fair in any specialty area class (trail, jumping, driving, gaming, or any Ranch Horse class) members must have completed the Level 1 Advancements for that specific area.
- Each year members have to show progression in the advancement program.
- By the end of their junior years (usually 6th grade), members should have completed the Level 1 knowledge, ground work, and riding advancements.
- By the end of their intermediate years (usually 9th grade), members should have completed Level 2 knowledge, ground work, and riding advancements.
- By the end of their senior years, members should have completed Level 3 knowledge, ground work, and riding advancements.
- For showing in specialty area classes, intermediate members should have completed Level 2 and senior members should have completed Level 3 advancements in those areas.
- All members must complete at least two Personal Development Options each year.
- Dad Potter: Before attempting any three-step Dad Potter Certificate of Merit, members must first complete their three selected Dad Potter steps in the Riding Advancements. Members must complete all 10 Dad Potter elements specified in the Riding Advancements before participating in a Dad Potter trial.

9. Exhibitors must attend two of the following activities to participate in County Fair:

Horse Judging Contest	Horse Hippology Contest	
Horse Bowl	Presentation Contest	Community Service
Any leader approved horse clinic		

10. Ribbons and scoring will be awarded at Fair as follows:

Blue -- 85 and above (Excellent to Superior)

Red -- 70-84 (Good to Excellent)

White -- 69 and below (OK, but needs improvement)

11. To be eligible for premiums, all manure, hay, and garbage must be cleaned up and placed in the designated areas by the member throughout the time of the Horse Fair. Keep the area clean the entire time of Horse Fair.

12. Participants in the following classes are to be mounted on the horse in the arena while performing the required movements: Equitation, Trail, Hunt Seat Equitation over Fences and Dressage.

13. No dogs are allowed at Horse Fair, if brought onto the fairgrounds they must remain in the camping area and at no time come around horses, the horse stalls, the livestock barns or either of the riding arenas.

14. Any exceptions to these rules must have the approval of the Crook County 4-H Agent.

15. State Fair Qualifying information can be received at the County Extension Office or from the State 4-H website at <https://extension.oregonstate.edu/4h/oregon-state-fair>

4-H HORSE SHOWMANSHIP

751 500 000 Performance Novice (Junior first year member) (County Only)

751 500 001 Performance Junior (County Only)

751 500 002 Performance Intermediate

751 500 003 Performance Senior

Other Showmanship

County only. No special awards (Blue, Red, White only). Horse must not have been exhibited in another showmanship class.

751 500 020 Other Junior

751 500 030 Other Intermediate

751 500 040 Other Senior

4-H EQUITATION

1st year Horse project members participating in the "Walk/Trot" Equitation classes, may not cross enter with the same horse in a loping class. "Walk/Trot" Equitation is a County only class and is **not used to calculate high point awards or State Fair points.**

751 100 105 Walk/Trot Equitation Junior (County Only)

751 100 106 Walk/Trot Equitation Intermediate (County Only)

751 100 107 Walk/Trot Equitation Senior (County Only)

751 100 111 Junior English Equitation (Saddle Seat) (County Only)

751 100 112 Intermediate English Equitation (Saddle Seat)

751 100 113 Senior English Equitation (Saddle Seat)

751 100 121 Junior English Equitation (Hunt Seat) (County Only)

751 100 122 Intermediate English Equitation (Hunt Seat)

751 100 123 Senior English Equitation (Hunt Seat)

751 100 131 Junior Western Equitation (County Only)

751 100 132 Intermediate Western Equitation

751 100 133 Senior Western Equitation

4-H TRAIL HORSE

Obstacles for trail course will be selected from the 4-H Horse Contest Guide (#EM1974).

Participants in the trail class will be mounted on their horse unless specific obstacle calls for a dismount.

751 300 311 Junior Trail Horse (County Only)

751 300 312 Intermediate Trail Horse

751 300 313 Senior Trail Horse

4-H IN-HAND TRAIL

- Obstacles for the in-hand trail course will be selected from the 4-H Horse Contest Guide (#EM1974).
- Participants in the in-hand trail class will not be mounted on their horse.
- **At county level only**, participants may choose to compete in the 4-H Trail Horse **OR** the 4-H In-Hand Trail with their mounted horse project. In Hand Trail scores will not count towards High Point.
- Youth who are participating in the ground training class may choose to exhibit their ground training project in the In-Hand trail and still exhibit a mounted project in mounted Trail Horse class.
- For State Fair – intermediates and seniors, only **non-ridden** horses will compete (drivers or ground training horses only).

751 300 321 Junior In-Hand Trail (County Only)

751 300 322 Intermediate In-Hand Trail

751 300 323 Senior In-Hand Trail

Ground Training Class

- Ground Training is open to weanlings, yearlings, and 2-year-olds. *Only yearlings and 2-year-olds are allowed at the Oregon State 4-H Fair.*
- **Animals entered in Ground Training classes cannot have been mounted at any time.**
- A Ground Training animal may also be entered in Showmanship and In-Hand Trail but not in Equitation or Driving. If contestants are not showing an equitation animal in showmanship, they must exhibit their ground training animal in showmanship.
- A time limit of 15 minutes maximum will be placed on each contestant. No more than 5 minutes will be allowed to bring in and set up equipment. Each contestant must give the judge, in advance, a ground training score sheet that lists the items to be attempted. The score sheet is available at Oregon county Extension offices and on the Oregon State University 4-H website:
http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/sites/default/files/special-events/state-fair/ContestMaterials/Horse/ground_training_score_sheet.pdf.
- Only age-appropriate items from the back of the score sheet may be attempted. Contestants must attempt a minimum of three items and a maximum of ten items.

__1 Junior (County Only)

__2 Intermediate

__3 Senior

751 200 23__ Weanling, current year (County Only)

751 200 21__ Yearling

751 200 22__ Two-year-old gelding or filly

4-H HUNT SEAT EQUITATION OVER FENCES

General Requirements:

- **This event will be held at the Deschutes County 4-H Horse Fair.**
- See Contest Guide for guidelines, equipment, and appointments.
- Contestants must have the approval of their 4-H leader to compete over fences.
- Blue ribbon winners may participate at State Fair if they qualify in English or Western Equitation or driving with the same horse.
- Parents and members must have a signed Consent Form on file in the Extension office by **June 14, 2024.**
- Trot-A-Course participants will not be eligible for high point. The class will consist of a full course of shortened fences. All performed at a trot. Participants will be first year beginner jumpers and may not cross enter in Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences.

751 600 10__ Trot-A-Course

__ 1 Junior

__ 2 Intermediate

__ 3 Senior

Ribbons: Blue, Red, White

751 600 16__ Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences

- __ 1 Junior
- __ 2 Intermediate
- __ 3 Senior

- A supervised practice fence will be available for contestants only at least thirty minutes prior to the start of hunt classes. Riders not demonstrating the skills to ride a full course or beginner course may be excused at the practice fence.
- Riders may be instructed by the announcer to HOLD HARD in the case of necessary fence repair, or at the request of the judge. Riders are to pull up immediately, and may not continue until instructed to do so.

4-H DRESSAGE

- **This event will be held at the Deschutes County 4-H Horse Fair.**
- All training level tests will be ridden in the small court.
- Riders will be expected to ride current USDF. All 1st level tests will be ridden in the large court. Participants must have received a blue ribbon in Dressage Training Level Test 2, or 3 or First Level Test 1-3 with a minimum score of not less than 58% at the county level to qualify for State Fair.
- Training Level Test 1 is not eligible for State Fair.
- A member who scored 62% and above at the previous Oregon State Fair must progress to the next test. The requirement to move up does not apply to a new horse. Additionally, riders scoring 64% and above at the county fair must move up to the next test.

Training Level, Test 1

751 700 501 Horse Dressage, Junior (County Only)

751 700 502 Horse Dressage, Intermediate

751 700 503 Horse Dressage, Senior

Training Level, Test 2

751 700 511 Horse Dressage, Junior (County Only)

751 700 512 Horse Dressage, Intermediate

751 700 513 Horse Dressage, Senior

Training Level, Test 3

751 700 521 Horse, Dressage, Junior (County Only)

751 700 522 Horse, Dressage, Intermediate

751 700 523 Horse, Dressage, Senior

First Level, Test 1

751 700 541 Horse, Dressage, Junior (County Only)

751 700 542 Horse, Dressage, Intermediate

751 700 543 Horse, Dressage, Senior

First Level, Test 2

751 700 551 Horse, Dressage, Junior (County Only)

751 700 552 Horse, Dressage, Intermediate

751 700 553 Horse, Dressage, Senior

First Level, Test 3

751 700 561 Horse, Dressage, Junior (County Only)

751 700 562 Horse, Dressage, Intermediate

751 700 563 Horse, Dressage, Senior

4-H WESTERN GAMING FINALS (WGF)

A Consent form turned into the extension office is required to participate.

	County level award ribbon placement		
	Blue	Red	White
Juniors (County Only)			
Key race	17.700 & Less	17.701 - 21.500	21.501 & More
Barrels	23.600 & Less	23.601 - 25.300	25.301 & More
Figure 8	19.000 & Less	19.001 - 20.000	20.901 & More
Pole Bending	32.500 & Less	32.501 - 35.000	35.001 & More
Flag Race	16.300 & Less	16.301 - 18.000	18.001 & More
Two Barrel Flag Race	19.500 & Less	19.501 - 23.500	23.501 & More
Intermediate (County Only)			
Key race	12.700 & Less	12.701 - 16.500	16.501 & More
Barrels	18.600 & Less	18.601 - 20.300	20.301 & More
Figure 8	14.00 & Less	14.001 - 15.000	15.901 & More
Pole Bending	27.500 & Less	27.501 - 30.000	30.901 & More
Flag Race	11.3 & Less	11.301 - 13.000	13.001 & More
Two Barrel Flag Race	14.100 & Less	14.101 - 18.500	18.501 & More
Senior (County Only)			
Key race	12.400 & Less	12.401 - 14.700	14.701 & More
Barrels	18.200 & Less	18.201 - 19.900	19.901 & More
Figure 8	13.500 & Less	13.501 - 14.200	14.201 & More
Pole Bending	27.000 & Less	27.201 - 30.600	30.601 & More
Flag Race	11.000 & Less	11.001 - 12.500	12.500 & More
Two Barrel Flag Race	13.500 & Less	13.501 - 17.500	17.501 & More
Intermediate (State Qualifying Times)			
Key race	10.700 & Less	10.701 - 14.500	14.501 & More
Barrels	16.600 & Less	16.601 - 18.300	18.301 & More
Figure 8	12.00 & Less	12.001 - 12.900	12.901 & More
Pole Bending	25.500 & Less	25.501 - 28.900	28.901 & More
Flag Race	9.3 & Less	9.301 - 11.000	11.001 & More
Two Barrel Flag Race	12.100 & Less	12.101 - 16.500	16.501 & More

Senior (State Qualifying Times)

Key race	10.400 & Less	10.401 - 12.700	12.701 & More
Barrels	16.200 & Less	16.201 - 17.900	17.901 & More
Figure 8	11.500 & Less	11.501 - 12.200	12.201 & More
Pole Bending	25.000 & Less	25.201 - 28.600	28.601 & More
Flag Race	9.000 & Less	9.001 - 10.500	10.500 & More
Two Barrel Flag Race	11.500 & Less	11.501 - 15.500	15.501 & More

4-H WESTERN GAMING FINALS (WGF) Cont.

- 751 800 011 Figure 8 Junior (County Only)
- 751 800 012 Figure 8 Intermediate
- 751 800 013 Figure 8 Senior
- 751 800 021 Barrels Junior (County Only)
- 751 800 022 Barrels Intermediate
- 751 800 023 Barrels Senior
- 751 800 031 Key Race Junior (County Only)
- 751 800 032 Key Race Intermediate
- 751 800 033 Key Race Senior
- 751 800 041 Pole Bending Junior (County Only)
- 751 800 042 Pole Bending Intermediate
- 751 800 043 Pole Bending Senior
- 751 800 051 Flag Race Junior (County Only)
- 751 800 052 Flag Race Intermediate
- 751 800 053 Flag Race Senior
- 751 800 061 Two-Barrel Flag Race Junior (County Only)
- 751 800 062 Two-Barrel Flag Race Intermediate
- 751 800 063 Two-Barrel Flag Race Senior

Overall gaming awards are given to the top horse and rider combination competing in all 6 events with the best accumulative times.

4-H RANCH HORSE

The goal for the Ranch Horse program is to educate 4-H'ers in additional horse related skills as well as basic knowledge of cattle. Skills learned may typically be used on a working ranch or in a ranching atmosphere. To compete at County Fair in Ranch Horse events members must have completed the Level 1 Advancement Program for each Ranch Horse event.

It is recommended that intermediates are in Level 2 of the Horse Advancement program and seniors are in level 3, working on completing the levels.

A completed "Consent Form" must be turned into the Extension office by **June 14, 2024**, to participate in Cow Working and Roping.

Ranch Horse Showmanship

Ranch Horse Showmanship is a class where members show their skill at handling their horses safely and effectively from the ground. They show pride in their animal by how well it is groomed and cared for. They show pride in themselves by how neatly dressed, poised, confident, courteous, and knowledgeable they are. 4-H members must have a safe halter and lead rope for their horse. (see the Ranch Horse Contest Guide for specifications)

Working Ranch Horse

Participants in Working Ranch Horse will demonstrate horsemanship skills that may be used on a working ranch. The class is a pattern that may include but is not limited to, walk, trot, lope lead changes, rollbacks and turns on the haunches. There is no rail work. They should demonstrate horsemanship skill at natural gaits and controlled speed when specified.

Ranch Horse Trail

4-H members will demonstrate skills necessary to ride the trail looking for lost cattle or moving herds, including overnight stays. Riders are asked to negotiate tight spaces and perform tests of skills that may be needed on the trail or ranch. The use of natural obstacles will be used whenever possible.

Cow Working

In this Cow Working event, youth demonstrate their ability to sort, hold, and/or move cattle effectively as if working them on a ranch.

Ranch Horse Roping

Roping is a class where 4-Hers can test their roping skills. Beginner and Junior members will rope a "dummy" from the ground. Intermediate members will rope a "dummy" from horseback and Senior members will rope cattle in a small branding size pen. **Participants in the "Beginner" class will be intermediate or senior members who are prepared to rope a dummy and not rope from horseback.** Beginners' roping score will not be eligible for High Point and participants may not cross enter in this section.

Identification, Knowledge and Skills Test

In this class, exhibitors demonstrate their knowledge of tack, equipment, and supplies that might be used on a ranch. They also show their skill at various ranch tasks. There will be 10 items to identify, 10 questions to answer and 2 tasks to perform.

Note: Fill in blank () with division number

- 0 Beginner (Intermediate and Seniors roping only)
- 1 Junior
- 2 Intermediate
- 3 Senior

751 700 10_ Ranch Horse Showmanship (County Only)

751 700 20_ Working Ranch Horse (County Only)

751 700 60_ Ranch Horse Trail (County Only)

751 700 30_ Cow Working (County Only) (Consent Form required)

751 700 40_ Ranch Horse Roping, (County Only) (Consent Form required)

751 700 70_ Identification, knowledge, and skills test

4-H Ranch Horse Awards

Ribbons and scoring will be awarded for the Ranch Horse Program as follows:

- Blue – 85 and above (Excellent to Superior)
- Red – 70 to 84 (Good to Excellent)
- White – 69 and below (OK, but needs improvement)

There will be a Reserve Champion and Champion ribbon given to each level (Junior, Intermediate, Senior). This will be determined by the highest score in each class for each level.

Special awards will be given to the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Ranch Horse Exhibitor. These awards will be calculated based on the exhibitor's top five scores of the six classes. The exhibitor with the highest combined score will receive the Grand Champion and the exhibitor with the second highest combined score will receive the Reserve Grand Champion award. Junior, Intermediate and Senior participants will be in the pool for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion awards. If the contestant enters the Beginner Roping class, they will not be eligible for the Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion awards.

To qualify for Reserve Grand Champion and Grand Champion Ranch Horse Exhibitor, contestants must participate in all six classes (Ranch Horse Showmanship, Working Ranch Horse, Ranch Horse Trail, Cow Working, Ranch Horse Roping and Identification & Skills Test).