



# Taylor County Cooperative Youth Fair

## Dept. 06 Horses & Ponies

### HORSE EXHIBITS

1. Horses originating from within Wisconsin showing any symptoms of contagious or infectious disease will not be permitted to be shown at any fair. A negative Coggins test is required in the current year.
2. Each animal may be entered in either showmanship, horsemanship, and/or pleasure classes under the Danish system, and gymkhana and/or halter classes under regular judging. The only exception to this is the "Horseless Horse" class under showmanship and horsemanship.
3. Exhibitors must be enrolled in the horse or pony project of their respective organization.
4. No exhibitor may exhibit more than 2 head, and if exhibiting 2 animals, one of these must be owned by the member and the other may be a managerial animal as defined by project requirements. A horse with a nursing foal counts as one animal.
5. Each exhibitor must be carrying this animal as a supervised youth project as of May 15th and complete the horse registration certificate and waiver.
6. Animals must be shown by the junior member unless written permission is granted by the superintendent for another junior member to exhibit the animal.
7. No exhibitor may enter more than one animal in any one premium number.
8. No stallions shall be exhibited with the exception of suckling and weanling colts.
9. Follow state class guidelines for 4-H State Horse Expo and State Gymkhana requirements for clothing and tack. Guidelines available at the Extension Office or through Chapter representatives.
10. All exhibitors participating in the horse classes at the Taylor County Fair must wear an SEI approved helmet with chin strap fastened when mounted on a horse.
11. Inhumane treatment of animals will not be tolerated. Taylor County Fair Board and superintendents will rule on infractions.
12. Novice Class: (all grades) Exhibitors with some limited experience may remain in Novice unless the blue ribbon is won by the exhibitor at the previous Taylor County Fair.
13. 4-H members entered in the Horseless Horse Class shall attend the required workshops to learn proper care, grooming, and handling of the horse they are going to show.
14. Exhibitors grade 6 and up who win a blue ribbon in Showmanship, Horsemanship, Western or English Pleasure, Trail Class, and Horseless Horse (except for pre-novice, novice classes, and halter class) are eligible for state competition. If you are interested in showing at the State 4-H Horse Expo, your entry must be postmarked within 7 days after the Taylor County Fair Show.

15. Premiums will be withheld from any exhibitor who does not have their animal area properly cleaned by 9:00pm on Sunday night at the close of the fair. Each superintendent will instruct the exhibitors on what needs to be cleaned for each species.
16. Exhibitors will only get paid one premium for Horsemanship or Showmanship but can be entered in both. Exhibitors will only get paid out for one other lot. Maximum of 2 lots paid out per horse. There is no limit to the lots entered.
17. Exhibitors must comply with all Wisconsin State Animal Health Regulations and testing requirements.
18. If an exhibitor is participating in Horseless Horse, they are only eligible to show under class A, lot 5, and/or class C, lot 6.
19. If the exhibitor is entered in walk/trot classes, you cannot be entered in canter/gaming classes.

The Taylor County Fair Board has agreed to adopt the following as Taylor County Fair Horse Show attire:

1. SEI approved safety helmets (with safety harness securely fastened), must be worn when mounted.
2. Boots with cut out heels when riding the horse .
3. Long pants, jeans or breeches must be worn when leading to / from horse arena and when riding.
4. Long sleeve button-down shirt must cover rider's wrist and
5. Any person leading/handling a horse must wear proper footwear. **NO open toed footwear allowed.**
6. Exhibitor must wear exhibitor number at all times when riding the horse.

#### **GENERAL SAFETY TACK:**

1. **Saddle which fits horse and rider with stirrups, girth or cinch properly attached.**
2. **Bridle with reins and bit or hacklemore.**
3. **Adjustments to tack and attire for valid medical or veterinary reasons are permitted, provided the Fair is notified, and approves, no less than one week prior to Fair.**

#### **GENERAL HORSE SAFETY RULES:**

1. **Follow marked route to horse arena.**
2. **Not allowed to mount in barn or stalls.**

3. No riding in the parking lot.
4. Adults approved by the Fair or Horse Superintendent must be present when in the arena.
5. Only horse exhibitors may ride the exhibitor's horses.
6. Horse exhibitors and horse owners may lead or handle horses with permission from that horse's exhibitor.
7. Owners may not ride unless exhibitor.
8. Protective footwear is required when handling any large animal or in stalls.

**See website entry due dates and rules, animals on grounds dates and times, mandatory barn meeting date and time, judging schedule.**

<b>Premium Schedule – Classes A-F: Blue - \$8.00 * Red - \$7.00 * White - \$6.00 * Pink- \$5.00</b>
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<b>Class A - Showmanship:</b>
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Judged on the exhibitor's ability to show the horse or pony at halter – Danish Judging.

Lot numbers, Class A:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Senior Members – Grades 9+</li> <li>2. Intermediate Members – Grades 6-8</li> <li>3. Junior Members – Grades 3-5</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Novice Members – All Grades</li> <li>5. Horseless Horse Members – Open to Horseless Horse Members</li> </ol> |
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(Mini Donkeys, Donkeys, and Mini Horse Showmanship Classes will be judged at this time if applicable.)

<b>Class B - Halter Class:</b>
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Conformation of the horse or pony is judged – Regular Judging.

Lot numbers, Class B:

1. Ponies (56" and under)
2. Horses English or Western (under 3 years old)

3. Horses - Mares English or Western  
(3 years old and older)
4. Horses - Geldings English or  
Western (3 years and older)

(Mini Donkeys, Donkeys, and Mini Horse Halter Classes will be judged at this time if applicable.)

<b>Class C - Horsemanship</b>
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Horses or Pony under saddle, based on exhibitor's ability to ride - Danish Judging.

Lot numbers, Class C:

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| 1. Senior Members – Grades 9+        | 5. Novice Walk/Trot – All Grades                                |
| 2. Intermediate Members – Grades 6-8 | 6. Horseless Horse Members – Open<br>to Horseless Horse Members |
| 3. Junior Members – Grades 3-5       | 7. Therapeutic Walk-Trot Class –All<br>Grades                   |
| 4. Novice Members – All Grades       |   |

<b>Class D – Western Pleasure Class</b> <b>Class E – English Pleasure Class</b>
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Horse or Pony judged on its performance as a pleasure mount – Danish Judging.

Lot numbers, Classes D-E:

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| 1. Light Horses and Ponies (over 56”<br>Grades 9+) | 3. Light Horses & Ponies over 56”<br>Grades 3-5 |
| 2. Light Horses and Ponies over 56”<br>grades 6-8  | 4. Ponies 56” and under - All Grades            |
|  | 5. Novice Walk/Trot - All Grades                |

<b>Class F – English Equitation</b>
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Horse or Pony under saddle, based on exhibitor's ability to ride – Danish Judging.

Lot numbers, Class F:

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| 1. Senior Members – Grades 9+        | 3. Junior Members – Grades 3-5 |
| 2. Intermediate Members – Grades 6-8 | 4. Novice Walk/Trot            |

<b>Premium Schedule – Classes G-I: Blue - \$8.00 * Red - \$7.00 * White - \$6.00 * Pink- \$5.00</b>
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## **Class G - Trail Class**

Regular Judging

Lot Numbers, Class G:

1. Senior Members – Grades 9+
2. Intermediate Members – Grades 6-8
3. Junior Members – Grades 3-5

## **Class H - Costume**

No theme - be creative!

Lot Numbers, Class H:

1. Members – All Grades

## **Class I - Gymkhana**

Regular Judging.

Lot Numbers, Class I:

1. Barrel Race - Grades 9+
2. Barrel Race - Grades 6-8
3. Barrel Race - Grades 3-5
4. Barrel Race Ponies 56" & under - All Grades
5. Flag Race - Grades 9+
6. Flag Race - Grades 6-8
7. Flag Race - Grades 3-5
8. Flag Race Ponies 56" & under - All Grades
9. Plug Race - Grades 9+
10. Plug Race - Grades 6-8
11. Plug Race - Grades 3-5
12. Plug Race Ponies 56" & under - All Grades
13. Pole Bending – Grades 9+
14. Pole Bending – Grades 6-8
15. Pole Bending – Grades 3-5
16. Pole Bending Ponies 56" & under – All Grades
17. Key Race – Grades 9+
18. Key Race – Grades 6-8
19. Key Race – Grades 3-5
20. Key Race Ponies 56" & under – All Grades
21. Speed and Action – Grades 9+
22. Speed and Action – Grades 6-8
23. Speed and Action – Grades 3-5
24. Speed/Action Ponies 56" & under – All Grades
25. Lt. Special – Grades 9+
26. Lt. Special – Grades 6-8
27. Lt. Special – Grades 3-5
28. Lt. Special Ponies 56" & under – All Grades

## **Class J – Educational Exhibit – Open to Grades 3-7**

**Class K – Educational Exhibit – Open to Grades 8+**  
**Premium Schedule: Blue - \$1.75 \* Red - \$1.50 \* White - \$1.25 \* Pink- \$1.00**

All charts to be 12"x22" or larger than 18"x24".

Open to all members enrolled in Horseless Horse and Horse & Pony Project. Judged by the horse judge and brought to the show by the exhibitor, must be checked in on show day.

Lot Numbers, Class J-K:

1. Chart, drawings, and explanations of the markings and color of horse.
2. Chart or display of the history and development of the horse.
3. Display of photographs and descriptions of 8 breeds of horses.
4. Booklet of year's activities learned in Horseless Horse and Horse & Pony Project. Additional Awards (no entry required)
5. Horse Model, painted and equipped according to desired style. Western, English, Hunter, Park, Costume, Parade, or Breed. Model dolls may be used to accompany the horse, also to be dressed according to style of horse.
6. Clothes suitable for Horse & Pony Project rider.
7. Article for wear by horse (such as blankets, leg wraps, etc.)

**Additional Awards (no entry required)**

Trophies awarded for high point in classes A-H.

- Grades 3-5
- Grades 6-8
- Grades 9+

Trophies awarded for high point in Gymkhana.

- Grades 3-5
- Grades 6-8
- Grades 9+