

**Lawrence County 4-H Horse Program**  
**2007 Rules and Regulations**

1. To show in the 4-H Horse Fair Show or PAS Show the age requirement is the same as 4-H project requirements. Members must be at least eight years old by January 1 of the current club year AND in the third grade. Membership eligibility ends December 31 of the calendar year in which member reaches the age of 19. All members must be enrolled in a 4-H club by April 1, 2007, and enrollment records must indicate at least one of the horse projects.
2. All Lawrence County 4-H Horse projects and activities will follow rules and guidelines in the current edition of the Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows.
3. Any 4-H member who has previously participated in the State Fair Junior Horse Show must complete a 4-H project (as defined by the county, and it need not be a horse project) in Ohio 4-H the previous year as well as the current year to participate in the State Fair Junior Horse Show. Exception: If it is the member's first year in 4-H.
4. At the county level, a 4-H member may take as many horse projects as he/she wants but not 2 of the same discipline (English, Western, Gymkhana [contest], etc.), except draft horses. At the County Fair 4-H Show 4-H members may show any horse ***as long as that horse is registered with the Horse Committee by April 1<sup>st</sup>.***
  - a. The Equine Record Book must be presented at the Skillathon.
  - b. Members must declare by April 1 which horse they are competing with for the Ohio State Fair Representative (PAS).
5. Members must declare by April 1<sup>st</sup> which horse they are competing with Performance Against Standard (PAS) or Ohio State Fair.
6. Horse identification registration sheets and Permission to Participate forms must be completed and turned in to the Extension office by April 1.
7. To qualify for state fair competition (PAS) and to show at the 4-H County Fair Horse Show, **ALL EXHIBITORS MUST ATTEND before July 1:**
  - a. **One Quality Assurance Meeting;**
  - b. **One Clinic; and**
  - c. **The Skillathon****\*\*\* Any request for exemption from the Skillathon must be submitted to the 4-H Horse Committee for review and decision by June 1<sup>st</sup>. \*\*\***
8. Members can be a State Fair Representative every year, but must let the Horse Committee know within 24 hours of the show they are going or forfeit their right to attend. Members must qualify at a Lawrence County PAS show to participate in State Fair Competition.
9. If a child's project is killed or injured before Fair time, they may change horses with the approval of the 4-H Horse Committee, the 4-H Committee and a written Health Statement from their veterinarian. **EXCEPTION: PAS-Designated horse CANNOT be replaced once shown in a PAS class.**
10. All horses are to be owned by the 4-H member and/or their immediate family/guardian or be leased. When leasing a horse, a copy of the signed LEASE FORM must be turned into the Extension Office by the registration deadline.
11. Subject to review by the Horse Committee, two members from an immediate family may show the same horse as long as only one of those members designates the horse for PAS, and that members be declared by the registration deadline.

12. A youth must qualify in two PAS classes in order to go to the State Fair. If a youth qualifies in more than two classes, he/she can choose which two classes he/she will enter at the State Fair. Unless the extra classes are Production or Ground Roping.
13. **To qualify for the State Fair Reining, Trail, Western Riding, Ground Roping, Dummy Roping at other roping events, see current rule book for requirements.**
14. Only 4-H/FFA members showing their horse in a class at a show may ride their horse at the show. IF someone other than the member is found riding the horse, the violator and the horse will be disqualified from further participation at the show.
15. A tack inspection will be conducted in the paddock before the class. In case of a dispute over the approval of a piece of tack, the judge will have the final say. If a youth is found in violation, the youth will be given an opportunity to change illegal tack if they can do so and still make the class.
16. At the beginning of each year, the youth determine the PAS/State Fair classes in which they wish to qualify. They are limited to no more than four classes or five if one is ground roping. The four may be any of the classes offered at the State Fair. Attached to these rules are the classes offered and the minimum score/maximum times to qualify for these classes.
17. A 4-H/FFA member may show in beginner classes for a maximum of 3 years. Once a member registers for beginner classes they must show in beginner classes for the rest of the show year.
  - a. Beginners **MUST** show in the Showmanship in order to be allowed to show in any other class.
  - b. Beginners may **NOT** show in any other classes except beginner designated or fun classes. **Beginners are not eligible for State Fair (PAS) competition, but they can show in beginner classes on PAS competition days.**
18. 4-H exhibitors and their attendants are expected to conduct themselves in a courteous and orderly manner. Harassment, profanity or unsportsmanlike conduct toward show officials, judges, show managers, help or exhibitors will not be tolerated. Any violation of this rule will warrant withholding of premiums and awards and exclusion from showing at the Lawrence County Fair the following year.
19. All Youth wishing to exhibit in The State Fair Horse Production Classes must be registered with the Ohio State Fair. Entries are due to the OHIO STATE FAIR office (with the County Extension Educator's signature) by June 20.
20. It is highly recommended that youth wear protective headgear at all times while riding a horse. Protective headgear is acceptable in any 4-H class even if it is not the style that goes with a certain class. When buying protective headgear, the buyer should look for the letters ASTM and SEI, which indicates that the head gear has met safety standards.
21. Suitable English attire is jodhpurs and riding coat, boots, hat and tie. Conservative, well-coordinated colors and fabrics are preferred. Day coats with jodhpurs are acceptable, and contrasting vest and/or ties are acceptable. Suitable Western attire, including boots, hat and shirts with a collar and long sleeves are required for entry in western horsemanship and contest classes **(hat is optional for contest - hat must stay on if worn, otherwise youth will be disqualified!!)**.
22. All decisions by the judge are final. **Grievances** along-with a **\$100 fee** should be filed with the Ring Steward at the completion of the show.
23. Stallions cannot be shown after the age of 8 months.
24. No one is allowed in the Announcers stand during the 4-H Horse Shows other than 4-H Horse Committee members and authorized volunteers.

2007 State Fair Classes

1. Cones and Barrels
2. Pole Bending
3. Barrel Racing
4. Speed and Control
5. Showmanship, Western Horse or Large Ponies
6. Showmanship, Hunter Horse or Ponies
7. Showmanship, Western Small/Medium Ponies
8. Draft Showmanship, Horses, Ponies, Mules
9. Showmanship, Saddle Type Horses or Ponies
10. Horsemanship, Western Horse or Large Ponies
11. Horsemanship, Western Small/Medium Ponies
12. Equitation, Hunter Horse or Ponies
13. Equitation, Saddle Seat Horse or Ponies
14. Equitation, Easy Gaited Horse or Ponies
15. Intermediate Hunt Equitation over Fences, Horse or Ponies
16. Advanced Hunt Seat Equitation, Horse or Ponies
17. Low Working Hunter, Horse or Ponies
18. Regular Working Hunter, Horse or Ponies
19. Hunter Hack, Horse or Ponies
20. Working Hunter Under Saddle, Horse or Ponies
21. Western Pleasure, Small or Medium Ponies
22. Western Pleasure, Horse or Large Ponies
23. Saddle Seat English Pleasure, Horse or Ponies
24. Easy Gaited Pleasure, Horse or Ponies
25. Western Reining, Horse or Ponies
26. Pleasure Driving, Light Horse or Pony
27. Single Hitch Draft Driving, Horse or Ponies
28. Driving Reinsmanship, Horse or Ponies
29. Trail
30. Trail in Hand
31. Western Riding
32. Ground Roping

**PAS QUALIFYING SCORES/TIMES**

	<b>SCORE</b>	<b>SCORE</b>		<b>SCORE</b>	<b>SCORE</b>
<b>Western Classes</b>	<b>JR</b>	<b>SR</b>	<b>Hunter Classes</b>	<b>JR</b>	<b>SR</b>
Showmanship*	87	90	Showmanship*	87	90
Horsemanship*	83	87	Equitation*	83	87
Pleasure**	85	88	Hunter under Saddle	85	88
Reining	68	68	Equitation/Fences	80	80
Western Riding	68	68	Working Hunter	80	80
Trail/Trail in Hand	55	60	Hunter Hack	80	85

\*\*Western pleasure and hunter under saddle for horses at state fair has intermediate division; youth 13-15 yrs. need to qualify with Senior scores. Ponies in Western Pleasure qualify by Junior scores.

\*Western small equine & medium ponies & all Hunter ponies need to qualify by Junior score.

	SCORE	SCORE		SCORE	SCORE
SADDLESEAT CLASSES	JR	SR	DRAFT CLASSES	JR	SR
Showmanship	88	88	Showmanship	87	87
Equitation	83	87	Draft Horse Driving	88	88
English Pleasure	87	87	Draft Pony Driving	87	87
Easy Gaited Pleasure (no trot)	88	88	Pleasure Driving		
Easy Gaited Equitation	88	88	Light Horse Driving	88	88
Driving Reinsmanship - draft or light	88	88	Light Pony Driving	87	87
Ground Roping	75*	75*			

\*(must receive 90 out of a possible 120 points or 75%)

**Gymkhana (contest) Classes** - Time given is maximum time in seconds. The judge has the right to raise the maximum amount time one second for poor arena conditions or two seconds for extremely poor arena conditions. All times will be rounded to nearest tenth of a second.

BARRELS PATTERN	A	B	C	D
Pony or Junior (sec.)	22.5	21.0	19.0	17.5
Seniors (seconds)	22.0	19.5	17.5	16.0

POLES	SECONDS
Ponies or Juniors	25.5
Seniors	24.5

SPEED AND CONTROL	SECONDS
Juniors	13.5
Seniors	12.5

CONES AND BARRELS	TIME (SECONDS)
Juniors and Ponies	22.0
Seniors	21.5

#### 4-H Draft Horse Rules

1. 4-H Draft Horse must follow the 4-H Horse Show Rules (refer to page 1).
2. There is no limit on the number of draft horses a member may take.
3. NO stallions over 6 months of age may show.
4. Proper dress includes: Dress Jeans, Dress Shirt and boots.
5. All members must participate in Showmanship. The 4-H Horse Committee will divide showmanship according to the age of members.
6. Classes are as follows: Showmanship, Driving, Driving Reinsmanship
7. If a youth is planning to enter the Ohio State Fair Junior Production Horse Show, then they must enter by the June 20 deadline. (per rule 19)