

FFA HORSE DEPARTMENT

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SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 6

Noon Horses may arrive (Horse Barn)  
4:00 p.m. Horses must be in  
5:00 p.m. Exhibitor Meeting with check-in immediately following  
5:30 p.m. Horse Show (Outdoor Arena)  
Division 1 Speed Events  
After Show Horses are released

Friday, August 7

8:00 a.m. Exhibitor Meeting  
9:00 a.m. Horse Show - (Outdoor Arena)  
Division 2 Draft  
Division 5 Pony Halter  
Division 6 Mule Halter  
Division 7 Light Horse Halter  
Division 8 Western Halter  
Division 4 Performance  
Class 13 Draft Horse Single Pleasure Driving  
Class 14 Light Horse/Pony Pleasure Driving  
Class 11 Pony Western Pleasure (under 14.1)  
Class 10 2-5 Year Old Walk/Trot  
Class 19 2-3 Year Old Junior Horse Western Pleasure  
Class 20 4-5 Year Old Junior Horse Western Pleasure  
Class 21 Senior Western Pleasure  
Class 23 Western Equitation  
Class 25 Bareback Pleasure  
Class 18 Heavy Hitch Draft Team  
Class 15 English Pleasure  
Class 16 English Equitation

After Show Horses are released

Saturday, August 8

8:00 a.m. Horse Show - (Outdoor Arena)  
Division 4 Performance  
Class 12 Trail  
Class 22 Ranch Horse  
Class 24 Reining

After Show Horses are released

7:00 p.m. Horses must be out

DEPARTMENT RULES

1. General rules, regulations and health requirements listed on the Iowa State Fair website and in the FFA section apply in this department, with special emphasis on the following sections: Member Eligibility, Supervision and Lodging, Good Conduct Policy, Medication and Drug Testing, and Showing and Fitting Ethics.
2. **Nominations must be submitted online on or before June 1.** Exhibitors may nominate a maximum of six horses; up to **two of which may be leased, one if a light breed horse or two if a draft team.**
3. FFA horses and ponies must be owned **or leased** by the FFA exhibitor by the nomination due date. Ownership and lease agreement must be maintained from the nomination date through the exhibition date of the show. A copy of the lease agreement (signed by the leaser and lessee) must be sent to the State Fair Office. **Three color photographs (front view and both side views) along with the Iowa State Fair Horse Identification Form must be sent to the State Fair Office.** Pictures, identification forms and lease agreements must be updated yearly and sent to the State Fair Office on or before June 1. They will NOT be kept on file. No late nominations will be accepted.
4. **Entries must be submitted online on or before July 10.** The entry fee is \$25 per horse plus \$5 per class. Each exhibitor may show no more than four animals (may pre-enter five) except a mare and foal, which is considered one entry. The fourth animal must be a 1, 2 or 3 year old.
5. The exhibitor must have contributed to at least 50% of animal's training, verified by the FFA Advisor. This requirement applies to both owned and leased horses.
6. A horse or pony can only be shown in **one halter class**. Showing and Division Champions are not considered.
7. A horse or pony can only be shown in one western pleasure class plus bareback pleasure and western equitation.
8. An exhibitor may compete on only one horse per riding event (example: can run only one horse in barrel racing).
9. No stallions beyond 12 months of age can be shown in this department.
10. Any horse or pony age 2-5 may be ridden in all performance classes with a snaffle bit or bosal and two hands on reins.
11. The age of animals shall be based on January 1 of the year the animal was born.
12. A pony is defined as any equine under 14.1 hands, a horse is any equine 14.1 hands and over (14.1 hands equals 57 inches).
13. Broodmare is defined as having foaled in current year.
14. Showing is the ability to show at halter. Equitation is the exhibitor's riding ability.
15. All entries must be confirmed with FFA Supervisor prior to show.
16. After entries close, a letter will be posted on the Iowa State Fair website with details about show arrival, gate to use, unloading procedures, trailer parking, arrival time and stalling.
17. Health papers (must be stamped by Show Veterinarian) will be checked at the stalls at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 7. Members should plan to be near their stalls at 5:00 p.m.

18. There will be an exhibitors' meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 6; 8:00 a.m. on Friday, August 7 and 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 8.
19. All the FFA horses will be assigned box stalls in the Horse Barn. **Exhibitors will NOT be permitted to work out of their trailers on the Iowa State Fairgrounds.** Horses must be in assigned stalls.
20. Horses must be stalled as assigned unless written permission is granted by the FFA Horse Supervisor.
21. Aisles **must** be kept clean until horses are released. Carts will be available to haul manure to a designated area.
22. All stalls must be cleaned by moving the straw or bedding to proper disposal area before horses are released. Failure to comply is cause to hold premiums.
23. Horse trailers shall be parked in a designated area on the State Fairgrounds.
24. The FFA Supervisor has the right to combine any class or classes with less than five entries.
25. The AQHA Rule Book will prevail over the Horse Show Rules except for printed FFA Horse Show Rules and those that are breed specific.
26. Only immediate family, FFA advisor and fellow active Iowa FFA chapter members may assist with fitting. Exhibitors who hire professionals shall not qualify for showing awards.
27. Only FFA exhibitors can warm-up or ride FFA horses before, during and after the FFA Horse Show at the Iowa State Fair. Trainers and parents will NOT be allowed to warm-up or ride the FFA exhibit horse.
28. All decisions of the Judges, Superintendents and Supervisors are final.
29. Exhibitors are to wear Official FFA Jackets or white long-sleeve shirt/blouse. Western exhibitors shall wear western style hats and boots. Western exhibitors may choose to wear a helmet without penalty. Exhibitors shall wear solid dark black or dark blue jeans or slacks. No other special attire shall be worn (including chaps). Exhibitors in Saddle and Hunt Seat Riding Classes are to wear attire appropriate for season and Saddle and Hunt Seat Classes. T-shirts will not be allowed for any speed events. At no time will attire be considered except to coincide with rules listed here and cleanliness. T-shirts will be given to FFA exhibitors.
30. **All FFA participants in classes Hunter Hack, Barrel Racing, Flag Race and Pole Bending must wear American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) and Safety Engineering Institute (SEI) approved headgear with chin strap and properly fitted harness while mounted and riding, including warm up.** The show makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, about any protective headgear and cautions riders that death or serious injury may result despite wearing such headgear as all equestrian sports involve inherent dangerous risk and as no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries.
31. All FFA horses will be subject to random chemical testing and analysis of saliva, urine, blood or other excretions to determine whether a substance or drug has been induced or whether a substance or drug has been introduced to interfere with the testing procedures. Positive tests will result in forfeiture of ribbons, trophies, plaques and premiums and may result in banning from future participation.
32. Each entry in each class will receive a purple, blue, red or white ribbon.
33. Premiums will be paid to the top three in each class. Premiums paid will be: \$25, 20, 10.
34. Exhibitors may be disqualified and all premiums withheld for unnecessary roughness or poor sportsmanship.
35. Classes to receive ribbons: Division Champions (Western, Draft, Other Breeds, Mule and Pony); Showing; Draft Showing; English and Western Equitation; High Point Exhibitor; High Point Equestrian Team; additional awards may be announced on show day.
36. **Only purple and blue ribbon winners can be named Champion of a show/division/class.**
37. All horses will be excused after showing and must be out of area by 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 8. Failure to comply will result in loss of premiums and banning from exhibiting next year.

#### **SPEED EVENTS - DIVISION 1**

**CLASS**

- 1 Barrel Racing
- 3 Pole Bending

#### **DRAFT BREEDS - DIVISION 2**

**CLASS**

- 4 Foals (any draft breed)
- 5 1, 2 and 3 year olds (any draft breed)
- 6 Aged Horses (any draft breed)
- 7 Broodmares (any draft breed)
- 8 Division Champion/Reserve Champion (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from all classes in Division 2)

#### **PERFORMANCE - DIVISION 4**

**CLASS**

- 10 2-5 Year Old Walk/Trot (horse may not be entered in any Western or English Pleasure class)
- 11 Pony Western Pleasure (under 14.1 hands)
- 12 Trail
- 13 Draft Horse Single Pleasure Driving
- 14 Light Horse/Pony Pleasure Driving (all horses not eligible for Classes 11-12; ponies under 14.1 hands)
- 15 English Pleasure
- 16 English Equitation
- 18 Heavy Hitch Draft Team
- 19 2/3 Year Old Junior Horse Western Pleasure (horses/ponies 2 and 3 years old)
- 20 4/5 Year Old Junior Horse Western Pleasure (horses/ponies 4 and 5 years old)
- 21 Senior Western Pleasure (horses 6 years and older: 14.1 hands and over)
- 22 Ranch Horse Pleasure (any age or size)
- 23 Western Equitation
- 24 Reining
- 25 Bareback Pleasure

**PONY BREEDS - DIVISION 5**

**CLASS**

- 26 Foals (any pony breed)
- 27 1, 2 and 3 year olds (any pony breed)
- 28 Small Aged Ponies (under 52 inches)
- 29 Large Aged Ponies (52 inches up to 14.1 hands)
- 30 Broodmares (any pony breed)
- 31 Division Champion/Reserve Champion (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from all classes in Division 5)

**MULE - DIVISION 6**

**CLASS**

- 32 Foals
- 33 1, 2 and 3 year olds
- 34 Aged Mules
- 35 Division Champion/Reserve Champion (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from all classes in Division 6)

**OTHER LIGHT HORSE BREEDS - DIVISION 7**

Horses not normally shown in western equipment.

**CLASS**

- 36 Foals (any other breed)
- 37 1, 2 and 3 year olds (any other breed)
- 38 Aged Horses (any other breed)
- 39 Broodmares (any other breed)
- 40 Division Champion/Reserve Champion (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from all classes in Division 7)

**WESTERN-TYPE HORSES - DIVISION 8**

Horses normally shown in western equipment: Quarter Horse, Appaloosa, Paints, etc.

**CLASS**

- 41 Foals (any western breed)
- 42 1 year olds (any western breed)
- 43 2 year olds (any western breed)
- 44 3 year olds (any western breed)
- 45 Aged Mares (any western breed)
- 46 Broodmares (any western breed)
- 47 Aged Geldings (any western breed)
- 48 Division Champion/Reserve Champion (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from all classes in Division 8)

**HIGH POINT AWARDS**

No entry form or entry fee required.

High Point Awards will be determined using class placing 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>.

High Point Exhibitor - Exhibitor earning the most points in two or more classes.

Reserve High Point Exhibitor - Runner up to the High Point Exhibitor.