

HORSES

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RULES: HORSES

1. **Entry Requirements:**

In accordance with item 2 of the General Rules, the horse entered shall be approved by the exhibitor's supervisor as to complete eligibility. Should the entry be determined ineligible, the entry fee will be returned.

2. **Eligibility of Participants:**

- a. The exhibitor must manage at least one horse of any age or breed as a horsemanship project. The horse must be owned by the member, his parents, brother, sister or guardian by October 31, 2008. This horse must be under management of the exhibitor by October 31, 2008.
- b. The horse must be owned and certified as a 4-H, FFA or FCCLA project.

3. **Age Groups:**

Exhibitors will be divided into Junior Classes, age 13 and under as of August 31, 2008 and Senior Classes, age 14 and over as of the date. (See General rule #2 for age requirements)

4. **Entry Deadline:**

a. **Validation Entries:**

Must be turned into the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Office along with proof of ownership by October 31, 2008. An exhibitor may validate as many horses as they wish. There is a \$5.00 validation fee per exhibitor, no matter how many horses are listed by that individual.

- b. Class entries must be postmarked by December 15, 2008. These entries are to be mailed to the official Horse Show Secretary. Entry fees for each class will be \$5.00 per class. All cattle and goat classes will have an additional \$2.00 stock fee.

- c. Late class entries or changes will not be accepted. There will be no exceptions.

5. **Horse Entries:**

- a. Contestants may enter more than one horse and pay an entry fee for each horse, or two contestants may compete on the same horse, provided each contestant validates and pays an entry fee for that horse. But no contestant or any horse may enter the same class more than one time. Further, a contestant must designate on his entry blanks, which horse will be his High Point entry, and the points from that horse only will be used for the High Point Award.
- b. Contestant may enter as many horses and events as he chooses. However a contestant may only compete for one High Point Award.

c. Each horse must be entered on a separate entry form.

6. Performance Classes:	Speed Event Classes:	Halter Classes:
English Pleasure	Breakaway Roping	Showmanship at Halter
English Equitation	Goat Tying	Registered Mares under 5
Western Pleasure	Figure 8 Barrels	Registered Mares 5 and over
Western Horsemanship	Cloverleaf Barrels	Grade Mares all ages
Western Riding	Pole Bending	Registered Geldings under 5
Reining	Stake Race	Registered Geldings 5 and over
Trail		Grade Geldings all ages

7. Registration:

- a. Registration for Performance Classes will begin at 8:00 a.m. and their first class will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, January 11, 2009.
- b. Registration for Speed Classes will be held for one hour following the final Performance Class. The first Speed event will begin immediately following registration.
- c. Required forms of registration will include current proof of Negative Coggins Test, Proof of Ownership and participant's eligibility voucher.

8. Rules:

The Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations will apply with the exceptions of the ground rules specific to our show that will be posted prior to the beginning of Performance Registration. They include but are not limited to:

- a. Horses will enter Speed Events from a designated entry gate and exit the opposite gate.
- b. All speed contestants will run from and to a closed gate.
- c. In any Performance event, the number of horses in the arena at one time will be left to the judge's discretion.
- d. No stallions will be allowed.

9. Point System:

4-H Point System B will be used to determine the High Point winners.

10. High Point Award:

- a. There will be four High Point Awards given:
High Point Junior Performance High Point Junior Speed
High Point Senior Performance High Point Senior Speed
(Reserve High Point Awards will be given if donors are available.)
- b. The horse to be used in the High Point Award must be designated along with the six classes to be used toward the High Point Award at the time of the class entries. Again, a contestant may enter as many classes as he/she wishes, but only the six designated classes will accumulate for points toward High Point Awards.
- c. Points received on the designated horse in the Showmanship and Halter classes may be designated toward the High Point in Performance or Speed.

11. **Ribbons/Banners:**
Rosettes will be given 1st through 10th places and tack awards will be given for 1st through 3rd place contestants in each class. These awards will be chosen by the Horse Committee based on financial resources available at show time. Banners only will be given to the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of each sex in the halter division.
12. **Judge:**
The selection of a judge must be approved by majority vote of the NCJLS Horse Committee.
13. **Appeals Committee:**
The appeals committee will be comprised of the Horse Division committee and they alone will decide all grievances and appeals.

Awards - Horse	
Highpoint Junior Performance	Award
Highpoint Senior Performance	Award
Highpoint Junior Speed	Award
Highpoint Senior Speed	Award
Reserve High Point	Buckles if donor is available
Champion and Reserve Halter Gelding & Mare	Banners
1st-3rd Class Placings	Tack
1st - 10thClass Placings	Rosettes
Gail Cardwell Shanahan Sportsmanship Award	Trophy