



**New Mexico State Fair
September 9-25, 2011**

**New Mexico State Championship
4-H Horse Show**

Show Date

8 AM Thursday, September 15, 2011

Entries Close

August 18, 2011

Late Entries Close

September 1, 2011

Judge: Gary Campbell, Pueblo, CO

Trail Judge TBA



Director

You may contact Dr. Jason Turner with any questions at
(575) 646-1242

Rules

New Mexico State 4-H Horse Show Rules

1. Determination of eligibility and appropriate age divisions.

All contestants must be bona fide 4-H members in New Mexico, enrolled in a 4-H horse project for the current 4-H program show year, and in good standing. Each contestant must enter their appropriate age group as follows:

Novice - Must have passed their 9th birthday by January 1, of the current 4-H program year and must not have passed their 12th birthday by January 1, of the current 4-H program year or be eight years old and in the third grade.

Junior - Must have passed their 12th birthday by January 1, of the current 4-H program year and must not have passed their 14th birthday by January 1, of the current year.

Senior - Must have passed their 14th birthday by January 1, of the current 4-H program year and must not have passed their 20th birthday by January 1, of the current 4-H program year.

A horse may be ridden in only one age division in each class, either Novice, Junior, or Senior, and the horse cannot be shown in the other two age divisions. Horses entered in the show must be a project of the 4H member. The 4H member must have a horse or pony that he/she manages at least 75% of the time, and has full access to use of the horse. For project purposes, management is considered to include feeding, grooming, exercising, training, and stall maintenance. The 4H member is not allowed under any circumstances to exhibit stallions at any 4H horse event. The 4H member must file an identification certificate for his/her horse with the county extension office by April 15th of the current 4-H program year. Although horses are not required to be registered with any breed association, it is recommended that the 4H member has documentation verifying the identity and ownership of the horse (e.g., registration certificate, New Mexico brand inspection transport permit, etc.)

2. Conduct of classes and show management.

Show management must offer novice, junior, and senior divisions for the following classes (see exception for reining) at an approved 4H show. These classes (and associated courses, patterns, equipment requirements, arena requirements, etc.) will be conducted and judged according to the rules printed in the most current handbook of the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) in Amarillo, TX. The handbook is available online at www.aqha.com. It is advised that any other 4H classes offered outside of these be governed by AQHA rules for that particular class. For those classes not specifically included in the AQHA rules, the horse show judge is the final authority on how that particular class should be conducted and judged. Furthermore, the horse show judge is the final authority for interpreting AQHA rules as they apply to conduct of a show. In the event of inclement weather, the horse show judge is the final authority on determining which classes can safely be held. If a class is not conducted due to the judge's ruling, then no points will be awarded for that class. In the case where omission of a class prevents a 4H member from qualifying for the State Fair 4H Horse Show in that specific event, the 4H member can send a written letter to the Agriculture and Natural Resources Specialist at the State 4H Office for a ruling on their eligibility to compete at the State Fair 4H Horse Show. For classes listed below, the appropriate 2011 AQHA rule # is provided in parentheses.

Showmanship at Halter (#473) Western Pleasure (#465B) Western Horsemanship (#474B)
Hunter Under Saddle (#466B) Hunt Seat Equitation on the Flat (#475B)
Hunter Hack ((#464) Trail (#454B)
Reining (#451): Seniors only Barrel Racing (#457) Pole Bending (#458)

Fence height requirements for these classes are: Novice -15" to 18"; Junior - 24"to 27"; Senior 27" to 33".

Upon accepting the judging assignment, the horse show management should send a copy of these rules to the judge. Furthermore, the horse show management should have a copy of these rules and the current year's AQHA rule book on hand at the show for review.

3. New Mexico 4H Horse Show Dress Code Requirements and use of prohibited equipment (to be enforced at all shows)

Showmanship and Western Performance Events

- Only dark blue or black jeans are permitted. Long sleeved shirt tucked into pants. Long sleeved shirt is defined as a western style long sleeve shirt with buttons or snaps down the front. The shirt will have a fold down collar that can have a button. NO SWEAT SHIRTS, TURTLENECKS, "SLINKIES", T-SHIRTS, PULLOVERS, SWEATERS OR VESTS. Per AQHA rule #445(e), judges, at their discretion, may authorize adjustments to attire due to weather-related conditions.
- Ties, scarves and gloves are optional.
- Western hats, or ASTM/SEI approved helmet, must be worn in ALL Western classes. A western hat or helmet must be worn during Barrel Racing and Pole Bending in accordance with AQHA rules.
- NO CHAPS except in Reining where chaps are optional.

Appropriate Hunt Seat class attire will be per AQHA #445 (2011 Rulebook)

For a list of prohibited equipment, consult AQHA Rule #443 and 444.

It is recommended that show management designate someone to assist the horse show judge as an equipment and attire judge. This person should be knowledgeable in the rules provided herein and call to the attention of the horse show judge any suspected violations of the dress code and/or use of prohibited equipment before final placing of the individual in that class or go round. The horse show judge is the final authority on whether or not the dress code has been violated and/or prohibited equipment has been used. Violation of these rules will be cause for disqualification for that particular class. Per AQHA rule #438c.7, once the judge has marked the placing card, there shall be no changing of the judge's record.

4. Determination of All Around Awards

The point system will be a modified point system based on AQHA rules and regulations. This will be based off of 6 points for a full class. This means a class with 6 or more entries. Points will be awarded: 1st - 6 points; 2nd - 5 points; 3rd - 4 points; 4th - 3 points; 5th - 2 points; 6th - 1 point.

If a class has 6 or less entries, then points should be given for the number of entries. EX: If novice showmanship at halter has only 4 entries, then 1st place would receive 4 points; 2nd - 3 points; 3rd - 2 points; 4th - 1 point.

The winner is determined by adding the points earned by each contestant and each horse in which s/he has placed in the top six. Points are compiled on a one-horse, one - 4H member basis.

In the event of a tie, the order of tie breakers will be: (1) earned points in the greatest number of events, (2) earned the most points in the riding classes, (3) greatest # of first places, (4) coin toss.

5. Procedure for qualifying for the New Mexico State Fair (NMSF) 4-H Horse Show

The top six placings in each class at the designated district 4H Horse Show qualify and are eligible to show at the NMSF 4-H Horse Show.

The top ten placings at the Tucumcari 4H Horse Show in each class qualify and are eligible to show at the NMSF 4-H Horse Show. In the event that a previously qualified horse places in the top 10 at Tucumcari, then the next eligible qualifier (11th place) will qualify and be eligible for the NMSF 4-H Horse Show.

At the NMSF 4-H Horse Show, the 4H member must show the horse that qualified at the respective district or Tucumcari shows. No substitution of horses is allowed.

6. NMSF 4-H Horse Show Futurity and Versatility Classes

A. TWO-YEAR-OLD WESTERN PLEASURE FUTURITY AND SHOWMANSHIP CLASSIC

- 4-H'ers with advanced skills in horsemanship are eligible to nominate a two-year-old horse for the Western Pleasure Futurity and Showmanship Classic held each year during the State Fair 4-H Horse Show.
- **Nominations are due in the State 4-H Office by April 15 of the current 4-H program year.**
- Horses eligible for the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity must be totally green, that is, having never received any riding by ANYONE other than the 4-Her who nominates the horse to the futurity.
- During the NMSF 4H Horse Show, the horses will participate in three go-rounds of Western Pleasure.

1. Basic Rules for the Western Pleasure Futurity

a. The 4-H member, brother or sister, parent or guardian must own the horses. Horses eligible for the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity must be totally green, having never received any riding by anyone other than the 4-H member who nominates the horse.

b. Horses must be in the 4-H member's possession and under his or her complete management and care by April 15 of the current year.

c. 4-H members may nominate more than one horse, but may only show one horse.

d. 4-H members nominate horses for the futurity by completing the nomination form available from the State 4-H Office. The nomination form must be certified (signed) by the county extension agent. A \$20.00 nomination fee must accompany the form. Futurity nominations must be in the State 4-H Office postmarked no later than April 15. No late entries will be accepted. A list of horses nominated, will be published after the nomination deadline. Nomination does not constitute an entry to the NMSF Horse Show or Western Pleasure Futurity Class. Arrangements for a stall should be made with the NMSF at the time of entry.

e. 4-H members, with a properly nominated horse, may enter their futurity project in the NMSF 4-H Horse Show. Members must submit the appropriate entry forms and entry fee (as directed in the current New Mexico State Fair Premium Book) to the entry department at the NMSF.

f. Persons other than the 4-H member who nominates the horse for the futurity may have shown a futurity horse at halter and/or showmanship prior to becoming a futurity nominee. As soon as the horse becomes a futurity project, it can only be ridden and shown in riding classes by the 4-H member.

g. Advice and counsel on training techniques may come from outside sources; however, the 4-H member must do all the riding and work on his/her own futurity

horse (Refer to 1a). Horses for the futurity do not have to be registered. It is suggested that 4-H'ers be in level three of horsemanship before becoming involved with a futurity project. The futurity is not for beginning horsemen, especially not for very young horsemen.

2. Procedures- Western Pleasure Futurity

- a. Three go-rounds will be held during the NMSF 4-H Horse Show, with a different judge for each go-round.
- b. The futurity horse that places in the top 10 in each of the three go rounds and earns the most total points will be judged the winner. Points will be 10 for 1st, 9 for 2nd, etc. However, the winner must place in all three go-rounds.
- c. AQHA equipment rules for the two-year-old Western Pleasure Class will be used.
- d. It is suggested that each district show offer a class for futurity prospects only.

3. Procedures- Showmanship Classic

An additional dimension to the Western Pleasure Futurity is the Showmanship Classic. It is only open to those horses nominated to the Western Pleasure Futurity. This will enable 4-H'ers who do not feel their futurity prospect is sufficiently trained for the Western Pleasure Futurity to participate in the NMSF 4H Horse Show, and it will assure their futurity prospect's eligibility for the three-year-old versatility class the following year. The Showmanship Classic is also open to those horses that are going to be shown in the Western Pleasure Futurity.

If the 4-H member has nominated two (2) or more horses to the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity, he or she may only show one horse in the Western Pleasure Futurity, but may show a different eligible horse in the Showmanship Classic.

4. Basic Rules for Showmanship Classic

- a. Only those horses properly nominated to the Western Pleasure Futurity are eligible for the Showmanship Classic.
- b. Members must submit the appropriate entry forms and entry fee (as directed in the current New Mexico State Fair premium book) to the entry department at the NMSF.
- c. The Showmanship Classic will be handled in the same manner as the regular showmanship class. Exhibitors may be asked oral questions by the judge. The exhibitor's score will be a combination of the score on showmanship and the score on the questions. Questions will come from the 4-H Horse Project manuals: ***Horses and Horsemanship*** and ***Horse Science***.

Note: Only those horses that are nominated as two-year-olds for the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity, whether shown or not, will be eligible for the three-year old Versatility Class the following year.

B. 4-H THREE-YEAR-OLD VERSATILITY

The horses properly nominated, as two-year-olds to the futurity are eligible the following year to enter the three-year-old versatility class. Advice and counsel on training techniques may come from outside sources; however, the 4-H member must do all the riding and work on the versatility horse. The versatility class is held during the NMSF 4-H Horse Show. **Nominations for the versatility class are due to the State 4-H Office by April 15 of the current year.**

I. Basic Rules for the Versatility Class

1. Only those horses properly nominated as two year olds to the Two Year Old Western Pleasure Futurity, whether shown or not, are eligible for the Three Year Old Versatility Class.

2. Advice and counsel on training techniques may come from outside sources; however the 4-H member must do all the riding and work on his/her own versatility horse. Horses for the versatility class do not have to be registered. It is suggested that 4-Hers be in Level Three of Horsemanship before becoming involved with a futurity project. The futurity is not for beginning horsemen, especially not for the very young horseman.

3. More than one eligible horse may be nominated to the Three Year Old Versatility Class. However, only one horse may be shown.

4. 4-H members may nominate their horses for the Three Year Old Versatility Class by completing the nomination form on the State 4-H website, which is due in the State 4-H Office on or before April 15, 2011.

5. AQHA equipment rules for the Three Year Old Versatility Class will used.

6. It is suggested that each District Show offer a class for the versatility prospects.

7. The dress code for the State Fair 4-H Horse Show will apply to the Versatility Class.

8. Arrangements for a stall should be made with the NM State Fair at the time of entry.

9. Members must submit the appropriate entry forms and entry fee (as directed in the current NM State Fair Premium Book) to the entry department at the State Fair.

II. Procedures - Three Year Old Versatility Class

Class procedure will be a one class format where the participants will be allowed to demonstrate their horses' ability through a pattern with a combination of railwork and trail obstacles. Pattern will be posted.

Miscellaneous

- This complete document is available online at: www.cahe.nmsu.edu/4h
- Comments and suggestions for future revisions of this document should be submitted in writing to the Agriculture & Natural Resource specialist, State 4-H Office, P.O. Box 30003, MSC-3AE, Las Cruces, N.M. 88003

4-H Youth Classes

Entry Fee \$10.00

Premiums	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
	\$25	\$22	\$20	\$16	\$12	\$10

SEE CLASS SCHEDULE FOR ORDER IN WHICH CLASSES WILL BE HELD

Cls.	Classes
1	Showmanship at Halter, Senior
2	Showmanship at Halter, Junior
3	Showmanship at Halter, Novice
4	Western Pleasure, Senior
5	Western Pleasure, Junior
6	Western Pleasure, Novice
7	Western Horsemanship, Senior
8	Western Horsemanship, Junior
9	Western Horsemanship, Novice
10	Trail, Senior
11	Trail, Junior
12	Trail, Novice
22	Reining, Senior
13	Hunter Under Saddle, Senior
14	Hunter Under Saddle, Junior
15	Hunter Under Saddle, Novice
16	Hunt Seat Equitation, Senior
17	Hunt Seat Equitation, Junior
18	Hunt Seat Equitation, Novice
19	Hunter Hack, Senior 27"-33"
20	Hunter, Hack, Junior 24"-27"
21	Hunter Hack, Novice 15"-18"
23	Barrel Race, Senior
24	Barrel Race, Junior
25	Barrel Race, Novice
26	Pole Bending, Senior
27	Pole Bending, Junior
28	Pole Bending, Novice
29	*Western Pleasure Futurity (all three sections) (no payback)
30	*Classic Showmanship
31	*Versatility (no payback)

* These classes are open only to those 4-Hers and horses which have been previously nominated for these events. (See pp. 4-5 for class specs and entry conditions.)
Classes do not count toward High Point Awards.

Show Schedule in Outdoor Arenas

Trail

If entries warrant, Trail will be held in the outdoor arena immediately following the completion of Class 1 until Noon. Otherwise, Trail Classes will held following Class 22.

Barrels

Barrels will be held in the outdoor roping arena from 8:00 AM until 11 :00 AM.

Poles

Poles will be held in the outdoor roping arena from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM

New Mexico State Fair High Point Youth Awards

1st.	High Point Youth Award Senior	Buckle & \$100.00
2nd.	High Point Youth Award Senior	\$ 75.00
3rd.	High Point Youth Award Senior	\$ 50.00
1st.	High Point Youth Award Junior	Buckle & \$100.00
2nd.	High Point Youth Award Junior	\$ 75.00
3rd.	High Point Youth Award Junior	\$ 50.00
1st.	High Point Youth Award Novice	Buckle & \$100.00
2nd.	High Point Youth Award Novice	\$ 75.00
3rd.	High Point Youth Award Novice	\$ 50.00

The NM State 4-H Office will award special buckles to the Versatility winner and to the overall winner of the Western Pleasure Futurity.

(Buckles will be engraved and mailed to winners following the Fair.)

2011 NMSF 4-H Championship Horse Show Schedule

Thursday

September 15, 2011

New Mexico State Fair Horse Arena

8:00 AM

30	Classic Showmanship
1-2-3	Showmanship at Halter, Sr.; Jr.; Novice
29	1st Go Futurity Western Pleasure
31	Versatility
4-5-6	Western Pleasure, Sr.; Jr.; Novice
29	2nd Go Futurity Western Pleasure
7-8-9	Western Horsemanship, Sr.; Jr.; Novice
22	Reining, Sr.
13-14-15	Hunter Under Saddle, Sr.; Jr.; Novice
16-17-18	Hunt Seat Equitation, Sr.; Jr.; Novice
19-20-21	Hunter Hack, Sr.; Jr.; Novice
29	3rd and Final Go Futurity Western Pleasure

Outside Arena

Following Completion Of Class 1 Until Noon (if entries warrant; otherwise following Class 9)

10-11-12 Trail, Sr.; Jr.; Novice

Roping Arena

8:00-11:00 AM

23-24-25 Barrel Race, Sr.; Jr.; Novice

11:00-2:00 PM

26-27-28 Pole Bending, Sr.; Jr.; Novice

Presentation Of Awards

Print Name of Legal Owner (as required)

Street or P.O. Box _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (_____) _____

email _____

Social Security # _____

NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR 4-H ENTRY FORM

Entries close **August 18, 2011**
Late entries close **September 1, 2011**

SEND ENTRIES TO:
New Mexico State Fair – P.O. Box 8546 – Albuquerque, NM 87198
(505) 222-9700

OFFICE USE ONLY

Check# _____

Parking # _____

Jr. Exp. DOB _____

LEAVE BLANK (Class Number Under Name, One Class Per Square)

FEES

HORSE OR PONY

NAME OF RIDER OR HANDLER

LEAVE BLANK	NAME OF HORSE (Class Number Under Name, One Class Per Square)	FEES	HORSE OR PONY		NAME OF RIDER OR HANDLER
			Sex:	Age:	
			Color:	Height:	
			Sex:	Age:	
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			Color:	Height:	
			Sex:	Age:	
			Color:	Height:	

USE A SEPARATE ENTRY BLANK WITH A SEPARATE CHECK FOR EACH BREED OR DIVISION ENTERED

Class Entry Fees \$ _____
 Office Fee \$10.00 per horse \$ _____
 Stalls (\$15.00 per night or day) \$ _____
 Late Fee \$5.00 Per class \$ _____
 (All horses must have a stall.) \$ _____
 Tack Room (\$15.00 per night or day) \$ _____
 TOTAL FEES \$ _____
 Parking Permits (per show day per owner) \$4.00 \$ _____
 (includes one admission – additional parking \$10.00 per day)
 Please list dates permits are needed _____

CHECK-IN DAY IS FREE

Additional Exhibitor Passes \$4.00 per day \$ _____
 Please list dates exhibitor passes are needed _____

PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE FOR MINOR'S RELEASE AND LIABILITY CLAUSE *** SIGNATURES REQUIRED – PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF FORM

This contract is entered into at Albuquerque, New Mexico and is governed by the laws of the State of New Mexico. In any litigation concerning matters covered by this contract, jurisdiction shall be in New Mexico, with venue in the County of Bernalillo.

LIABILITY: The New Mexico State Fair will not be responsible for any loss or damage or injury to horses exhibited, or any article of any kind or nature that may be lost or destroyed, or in any way damaged. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any injury that may be occasioned to any person whosever, or any damage to any property, by any horse owned or exhibited by him, and shall indemnify the New Mexico State Fair and the State of New Mexico against all claims or demands, of any kind or nature, that may grow out of any injury or damage occasioned by any horses owned or exhibited by him or arise from any person in charge of any such horse. All horses exhibited in this show will be entirely at the owner's risk.

The New Mexico State Fair and the State of New Mexico will not be responsible or liable for any injury or loss of or damage to property sustained in any way to exhibitors or spectators.

I have read the entry form in its entirety and agree to all terms and conditions contained in this document.

X _____
Adult Owner's Signature



I hereby consent to the entry of my child:

Name _____

Birthdate _____

I hereby enter the above horse at my risk and subject to all rules and regulations of the premium list and ground rules of the NMSF. I further agree that if I or my child suffer personal injury, and/or damage or loss occurs to my horse or to any vehicle or equipment, I will not hold the New Mexico State Fair of the State of New Mexico, or any of their officers, employees or contractors, or any other persons connected with this show responsible, nor will I make claims against them, and I will indemnify and hold them harmless from any claims made by my child or others by reason of such injury of loss.

X _____
Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

X _____
Relationship of owner to rider if applicable

Date



The New Mexico State Fair 4-H State Championship Horse Show Stall Request Form

All horses must have a stall.

To have feed or bedding pre-delivered, please call 4-W Feed at 505-934-2681

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Count Any Part Of A Twenty-Four Hour Period As One Day.

	# of Days	Arrival Date/Time	Departure Date/Time
_____ # of Stalls	_____	Date _____ / Time _____	Date _____ / Time _____
_____ # of Stalls	_____	Date _____ / Time _____	Date _____ / Time _____
_____ # of Tack Rooms	_____	Date _____ / Time _____	Date _____ / Time _____

Special Requests:

- stall with _____
- stallion _____
- location _____
- other _____

You must present current health papers before stalls will be assigned.

If you are showing in additional shows, please list them here.

(Please complete a separate stall request form for each breed.)

This form and all fees must accompany entries.