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★ 2024 Alabama 4-H Horse Show ★

**Alabama 4-H Horse Show &
Active Education Roundup**

REGISTRATION 2024



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Alabama 4-H Horse Show 2024 Schedule

May 3–5, 2024 | Montgomery, Alabama

Day 1				
Time	Covered Arena	Stall Arena	Main Office	Grass Ring
6:00 a.m.	Main Arena Open for Warm-up			
7:00 a.m.		Check-in Passive Ed	Show Office Open for Check-in	
8:00 a.m.	Main Arena Closed Outside Arena Open for Warm-up All Day			
8:30 a.m.	Gaited Classes Start (Class 32–36)	Passive Ed Check-in Closes		
Break (10 min)				
	Hunter Classes Start (Class 37–46)			
Break	Set Up for Jumps			
	Jumping Classes (Class X47–50)			
	Break to Take Down Jumps			Dressage (Class 51 & 52)
After Dressage	All Arenas Closed			
30 Minutes After Class			Gaited & Hunter Division Awards	
Day 2				
Time	Covered Arena	Stall Arena	Main Office	
6:00 a.m.	Arena Open for Warm-up			
7:00 a.m.		Check-in Passive Ed	Show Office Open for Check-in	
8:00 a.m.	Main Arena Closed (Outside Open)			
8:30 a.m.	Western Classes Start (Class 53–65)	Passive Ed Entries CLOSE Passive Ed Entries Judging Begins		
	Break to Set Up for Western Trail			Western Dressage (Class 66)
	Western Trail (Class 67–69)	Take Projects after 2pm		
Break	Set up Ranch Trail			
	Ranch Trail (Class 70–71)			
Break	Remove Trail			

	Ranch Classes (Class 72-75)			
	Break to Set up Ground Handling			
	Ranch Ground Handling (Class 78 & 79)			Stock Horse Pleasure (Class 76 & 77)
After Class 79	All Arenas Closed			
30 Minutes After Class			Western & Ranch Division Awards	
Day 3				
Time	Covered Arena	Stall Arena	Main Office	Grass Ring
6:00 a.m.	Arena Open for Warm-up			
7:00 a.m.			Show Office Open for Check-in	
8:00 a.m.	Main Arena Closed (Outside Open)			
8:30 a.m.	Speed Classes Begin (Class 80-90)			
After Class 90	All Arenas Closed			
30 Minutes After Class			Speed Division Awards	

May 31, 2024 | Auburn, Alabama

Time	Auburn Equestrian Arena	CASIC Building
7:30 a.m.	Horse Judging Sign-In, Record Book Turn-In	
8:00 a.m.	Horse Judging Contest Begins	
Noon	Lunch Break	
1:00 p.m.		Hippology Sign-in, Record Book Turn-In
1:30 p.m.		Hippology Contest Begins

March 9, 2024 | Montgomery, Alabama | Alabama Department of Ag & Industries 30 Minutes after Hippology Awards

Time	CASIC Building
8:00 a.m.	Quiz Bowl Sign-In
8:30 a.m.	Quiz Bowl Begins
Noon	Lunch Break
1:30 p.m.	Public Speaking/Presentation Sign-In
2:00 p.m.	Public Speaking Begins
	Presentations Follow Directly After
30 Minutes After Presentations	Awards



Alabama 4-H Horse Show Class List 2024

ACTIVE EDUCATIONAL CONTESTS

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

1. Public Speaking–Junior*
2. Public Speaking–Senior*

INDIVIDUAL PRESENTATION CONTEST

3. Individual Presentation–Junior*
4. Individual Presentation–Senior*

TEAM PRESENTATION CONTEST

5. Team Presentation–One Division*

HORSE JUDGING CONTEST

6. Horse Judging–Junior
7. Horse Judging–Senior*

HIPPOLOGY CONTEST

8. Hippology–Junior
9. Hippology–Senior*

QUIZ BOWL

10. Quiz Bowl–Junior
11. Quiz Bowl–Senior*

PASSIVE EDUCATIONAL CONTESTS

Held in conjunction with the riding events

ARTWORK

12. Artwork–Junior
13. Artwork–Senior

ARTISTIC EXPRESSION

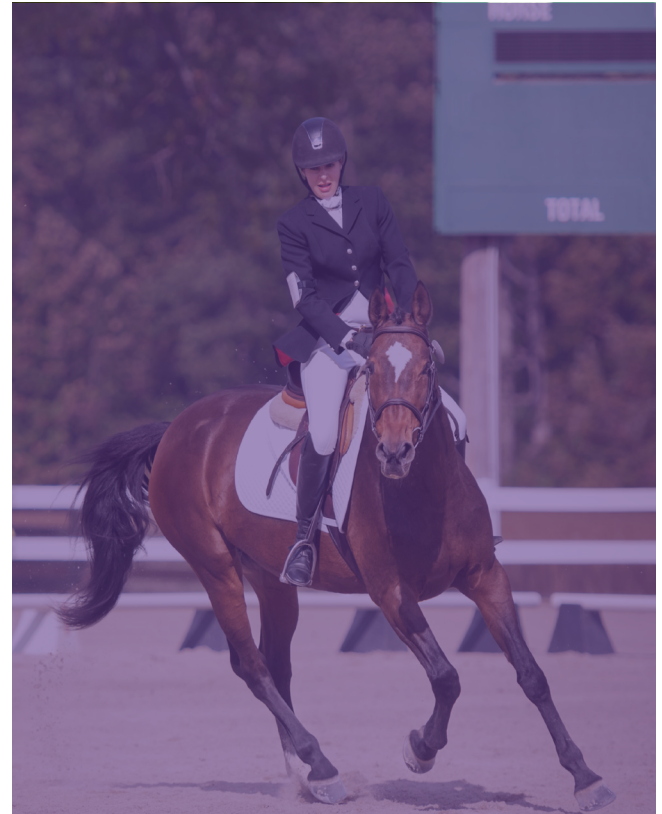
14. Artistic Expression–Junior
15. Artistic Expression–Senior

CREATIVE WRITING

16. Creative Writing–Junior
17. Creative Writing–Senior

MODEL HORSE

18. Model Horse Scene–Junior
19. Model Horse Scene–Senior



PASSIVE EDUCATIONAL CONTESTS

PHOTOGRAPHY

20. Photography, Black and White–Junior
21. Photography, Black and White–Senior
22. Photography, Color–Junior
23. Photography, Color–Senior
24. Photo Picture Story–Junior
25. Photo Picture Story–Senior
26. Altered Photography–Junior
27. Altered Photography–Senior

POSTER CONTEST

28. Poster Contest–Junior
29. Poster Contest–Senior

HORSE RECORD BOOK (Due June 6 in Auburn, Alabama)

30. Record Book–Junior
31. Record Book–Senior

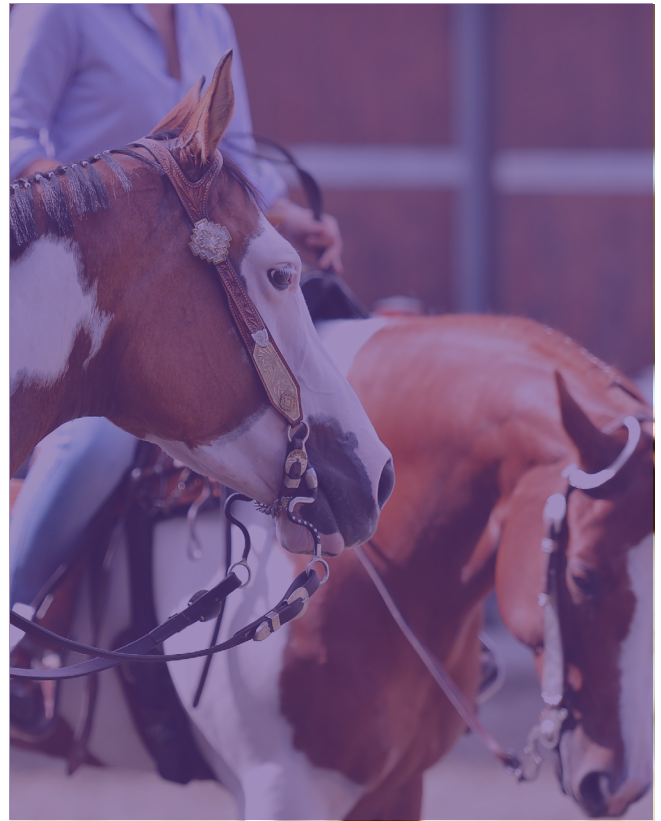
HORSE EVENTS

GAITED DIVISION

32. Gaited Horse Showmanship*
33. Trotting - Gaited Horse Pleasure*
34. Trotting - Gaited Horse Equitation*
35. Non-Trotting - Gaited Horse Pleasure*
36. Non-Trotting - Gaited Horse Equitation*

HUNTER DIVISION

37. Hunter Mares*w Hunter Geldings*
38. Hunt Seat Showmanship JR*
39. Hunt Seat Showmanship SR*
40. Hunter Pony Pleasure
41. Hunter Under Saddle JR*
42. Hunter Under Saddle SR*
43. Walk-Trot English Equitation
44. Hunt Seat Equitation on the Flat JR*
46. Hunt Seat Equitation on the Flat SR*
- X47. Hunter Hack Practice Round
47. Hunter Hack*
- X48. Hunt Seat Equitation Practice
48. Hunt Seat Equitation*
- X49. Pony Working Hunter Practice
49. Pony Working Hunter
- X 50. Working Hunter Practice
50. Working Hunter*
51. Dressage Training Level*
52. Dressage First Level*



WESTERN DIVISION

- 51. Stock Type Pony Mares
- 52. Stock Type Mares*
- 53. Stock Type Pony Geldings
- 54. Stock Type Geldings*
- 55. Western Showmanship JR*
- 56. Western Showmanship SR*
- 57. Western Pleasure JR*
- 58. Western Pleasure SR*
- 59. Walk-Trot Western Pleasure
- 60. Western Horsemanship JR*
- 61. Western Horsemanship SR*
- 62. Walk-Trot Horsemanship
- 63. Western Riding*
- 64. Western Dressage - Open*
- 65. Western Trail JR*
- 66. Western Trail SR*
- 67. Walk-Trot Western Trail

RANCH DIVISION

- 68. Ranch Trail - Junior*
- 69. Ranch Trail - Senior*
- 70. Ranch Riding - Junior*
- 71. Ranch Riding - Senior*
- 72. Ranch on the Rail - Junior*
- 73. Ranch on the Rail - Senior*
- 74. Stock Horse Pleasure - Junior*
- 75. Stock Horse Pleasure - Senior*
- 76. Ranch Ground Handling - JR*
- 77. Ranch Ground Handling - SR*

SPEED DIVISION

- 78. Arena Race JR*
- 79. Arena Race SR*
- 80. Barrels JR*
- 81. Barrels SR*
- 82. Walk Trot Barrels
- 83. Pole Bending JR*
- 84. Pole Bending SR*
- 85. Key Hole Race JR*
- 86. Key Hole Race SR*
- 87. Stake Race JR*
- 88. Stake Race SR*



* Indicates classes that are qualifiers for Southern Regional.



Alabama 4-H Horse Show Important Information

REGISTRATION

Registration only in 4-H Online. A complete registration includes the following:

- Completed entry forms with signatures (digital signature via 4HOnline is accepted)
- An agreement to all policies and procedures with signatures
- All fees
 - \$30 office/grounds fee (nonrefundable)
 - \$20 entry fee for each class involving an equine animal
 - Each exhibitor is allowed to exhibit/ride only one entry per class regardless of the number of entries made.
 - A 4-H member may exhibit in **only one halter or conformation class per horse.**
 - \$5 entry fee per class for active educational events.
 - One-time \$20 entry fee for passive educational events. Enter as many passive events as you like for the one entry fee.
 - \$60 stall fee (includes 2 bags of shavings)
 - Stall assignments will be by club and county. Grouping of clubs and/or county must be requested in writing by all involved clubs at time of 4HOnline registration. Any other arrangements desired must be made in writing by all involved 4-H members at time of 4HOnline registration.
 - A stall card identifying the animal, the owner, and the owner's phone number should be posted on each animal's stall during the show. Free stall cards are available at the registration office. This information should be made available upon arrival at the grounds.
 - There will be a stall manager to unlock stalls for the participants as they arrive.
 - Move-in is Thursday (May 2, 2024) after 3:00 p.m. central. Move out is Sunday afternoon.
 - There will be extra shavings to purchase at the arena or you can order ahead of time by calling Ron Ledbetter at (334) 832-2466.
 - \$10 tie-off fee per day, per horse (for day users who do not request a stall)
 - RV or camper hookups are available. Fees are \$40 per night for 30 amp. Register for camper hook ups during 4-H Online registration.
 - \$100 non-entered equine stall fee
 - All non-entered equine must be identified with show management prior to unloading and be marked in a manner that makes them readily identifiable as a non-4-H Horse Show entry. This identifying character must be either a mark by a livestock marking stick/paint or a commonly used livestock back tag. All non-entered equine are required to have a current negative Coggins test.
 - Fees may be paid online or mailed (online payments encouraged). If you choose not to pay online, please make all checks payable to Alabama 4-H and send to Angel Holladay, 217 Duncan Hall, Auburn University, AL 36849.
- A copy of current Coggins test must be uploaded to 4HOnline at time of registration. A copy of the Coggins test must be presented at the show. Be sure to double-check your coggins that all dates and signatures are filled in and legible before uploading.
- Creative writing entries are due by April 15, 2024. Essays must be mailed to Geni Payne, 508 14th Street, Phenix City, AL 36867 or emailed to paynegl@aces.edu.

The deadline to register and pay is April 15, 2024, by midnight. No exceptions or time extensions will be made if payments are not made on time. If you need help with registration, please use the tip sheet also located at the website above.

Substitutions of animals or entries are not allowed. As stated in the objectives of this program, the desire of all the Alabama 4-H Animal Science/Equine programs is that youth work with their animals for an appropriate amount of time before showing or exhibiting in 4-H competition. The only exception is a note from your veterinarian stating that the animal is unable to work due to an injury or illness. In this instance, please email Geni Payne at paynegl@aces.edu with all required information for the new horse and include a copy of the veterinarian's note. No substitutions will be allowed after May 2, 2024.

REFUNDS AND EMERGENCIES

- Refunds will be considered under the following policy:
 - Appropriate documentation must be provided by a physician in the event of injury to the 4-H member.
 - Appropriate documentation must be provided by a veterinarian in the event of injury to the horse.
 - If requested in writing prior to 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 2, 2024, full refunds will be considered.
 - If requested after 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 2, 2024, partial refunds will be considered.
 - After Sunday, May 5, 2024, no stall refunds will be considered.
 - In no case will requests be honored for individual class refunds during the show.
- Show management reserves the right to make adjustments to the schedule, procedures, and protocols and to make cancellations as deemed necessary or appropriate.
- Emergency personnel will be on the grounds (during competition) for the duration of the Alabama 4-H Horse Show.
- A farrier and veterinarian will be on call. Their information and emergency contacts will be released upon check-in at the show grounds.
- The liability release statement, which is part of the entry form, must be completed accurately.

2024 COVID-19 RULES

- If the CDC or Auburn University changes their COVID-19 policies, these rules could change or be updated before the show. A final COVID-19 Policy and Rules handout will be available at show check-in.

ELIGIBILITY OF PARTICIPANTS AND HORSES

- Competition is open to active members of a chartered Alabama 4-H club that has experiential learning in regularly scheduled and planned meetings. Participation is limited to those members who are actively participating in the 4-H program and have been a member for a minimum of 90 days. Alabama 4-H provides for 10 years of 4-H club membership for youth ages 9 through 18.
- The Alabama 4-H club year begins on August 1 and ends on July 31. Age eligibility is based on the age of the youth prior to January 1 of the Alabama 4-H club year. To be eligible for 4-H, the youth must be 9 years old and not older than 19 years old prior to January 1 of the Alabama 4-H club year. The Alabama 4-H Age and Eligibility Chart will help families, volunteers, and staff to determine the divisions of 4-H membership. For the 4-H Horse program, a Junior 4-H member is any youth age 9 to 13 by 4-H age; a Senior 4-H member is any youth age 14 to 18 by 4-H age.
- All participants, volunteers, staff, and parents will be expected to follow the 4-H Code of Conduct.
- All members of a Junior team must be age eligible for the Junior division. All members of the Senior team must be age eligible for the Senior division. No team will consist of a combination of Junior and Senior members.
- It is deemed that members on Senior division winning teams and/or those that represent Alabama at a national contest have demonstrated mastery and therefore cannot participate in the same contest in the same age division. It should be noted that some national contest rules prevent the same contestants from returning in subsequent years.
- If a county has two or more distinct 4-H clubs/teams, each having a separate volunteer leader and club charter and practicing at different times, then multiple teams from a county are permitted.

- Members on Junior division winning teams are encouraged to continue their participation for the duration of their Junior division eligibility. This may result in an entire or partial team competing in Juniors for 5 years regardless of their placing. Positive youth development programs promote mastery. Junior division members are gaining mastery.
- 4-H members with special needs are requested to provide documentation by April 15, 2024, to Geni Payne at paynegl@aces.edu. Evaluation of requests will be acted on in an appropriate fashion.
- Ownership of the horse project animal(s) must be by the 4-H member or an immediate family member, which includes siblings, parents/guardians, or grandparents. In all cases the ownership/lease deadline is March 15, 2024. The Alabama 4-H Horse Project will accept a lease agreement with a non-family member provided it is established by March 15, 2024. In either case, the 4-H member is expected to be the primary caretaker and trainer of the animal. Joint ownership or joint leasing of an equine by siblings is allowed with the understanding that no animal may be shown more than once in any given class. In no case, however, may a horse being shared/leased by non-siblings be eligible for the 4-H Southern Regional, except in the first class the horse/rider qualifies in.
- Stallions are not eligible for exhibition in 4-H Horse Show events.
- Equine measuring 58 inches (14.2 hands) or less are classified as ponies at the Alabama 4-H Horse Show. Ponies entered in any pleasure class will be measured at time of checking Coggins test papers and before exhibitor numbers will be handed out. Large ponies (at least 52 inches or 13 hands) are eligible for all classes and must show either as a regular pleasure horse or pony pleasure, but they may not show as both. Small ponies (less than 52 inches or 13 hands) are eligible for all classes except the regular horse pleasure classes and working hunter. If the 4-H member rides a small pony (less than 52 inches or 13 hands) and chooses to enter a pleasure class, the member must compete in the appropriate pony performance class. Ponies entered in pony working hunter may not enter working hunter.
- When an exhibitor or exhibitor's parent, guardian, leader, trainer, or agent is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct or misbehavior during the course of the event in or out of the area, the show management may suspend such exhibitor's right to participate in future classes and/or events as deemed appropriate. The show management's and/or judge's decision shall be final and may not be protested.

HORSE SHOW/ARENA

- Only exhibitors of 4-H age who are registered for the 4-H State Horse Show may mount and ride horses being shown during the course of the Horse Show. This starts when the horse arrives on show grounds. If a parent, coach, leader, or other non 4-H individual mounts the horse on the show grounds for any length of time, the exhibitor, rider, and horse will be disqualified from further participation in the Horse Show.
- The judge's decision is final in all cases affecting the merits of the equine and/or the equine/rider combination. The judge has the authority to require the removal or alteration of any piece of equipment or clothing that, in the judge's opinion, would give an animal or rider an unfair advantage. Individual workouts in any class will be at the discretion of the judge.
- The PA system is used to help the show move as smoothly as possible, but it is only a courtesy. It is the responsibility of the contestants to know when they are required to be in the makeup area or arena. Not hearing or understanding gate calls, etc., is not an excuse for missing one's order of work or class. Youth will be responsible for checking in at the gate area during the class prior to the one they are entered. Once checked in with the gate, youth and equine must remain in the holding area until the start of their class. If a youth misses their gate call, they will have 1 minute to enter the arena. If the youth does not enter the arena before the 1-minute time expires, they will be scratched from the class with no refund or substitutions available.
- Dressage will be conducted under USEF rules. Dressage competitors must be ready and present 10 minutes ahead of their ride time.
- Walk-trot classes are for 4-H member beginner riders. These competitors are ineligible to enter certain classes. Please refer to the class list for ineligible classes.
- The use of built-up shoes is not permitted except in the saddle horse classes. Therapeutic pads are permitted when accompanied by a veterinarian's statement.
- Bell boots are permitted in timed events and open jumping. Splint boots or galloping boots are allowed in western riding, open jumping, and timed events. Boots are not allowed in any other classes. Leg wraps or polo wraps are not allowed in any class.

- Jumps used in the hunter hack will be 2 feet. The jumps used in the equitation over fences and pony working hunter will not exceed 2½ feet in height. Working hunter will not exceed 2½ feet in height. Jumps used in open jumping may exceed 2½ feet in height.
- If an exhibitor would like to school the jump course, an opportunity to purchase an unjudged warm-up round directly before their official scored round will be provided. Schooling sessions will be available for registration during 4HOnline Horse Show registration only. No registration is allowed at the event. During the unjudged schooling round, the exhibitor will be allowed 4 minutes in the arena or have 3 refusals, whichever comes first, before being asked to exit the arena. The exhibitor will then immediately reenter the arena for their judged jumping round. The 4-H member must be wearing a helmet, appropriate footwear, and an exhibitor number to gain entrance into the arena for their schooling round. Otherwise, 4-H members are encouraged to use provided practice jumps in the warm-up arena.
- One horse/exhibitor combination may enter only one conformation class and one ground handling/showmanship class. A horse may not enter both trotting and non-trotting classes. Horse/exhibitor combinations may enter both trail classes (western and ranch) and both dressage classes (training and first level).
- Performance and timed event entrants must report to the starting line within 1 minute of the time they are first called. The assistant must not cross the arena gate for the time to be allowed. No assistance can be given in the arena. Only the judge, ring steward, and timekeepers are allowed in the arena. Gates will be closed after equine/rider combination enters the arena. Timed events riders will begin at a defined starting point. When the rider begins a run in speed events, the arena gate will be open unless the exhibitor requests the arena gate to be closed. With the exhibitor's safety in mind, Horse Show managers shall decide on policies of entering and leaving the arena in timed events.
- All heats and all working orders will be drawn at random. Working order will be in the official show program or posted ahead of the class. In classes with drawn working orders, horses will work in that order or forfeit their right to compete in that class. The show management reserves the right to change the working orders or class schedules if extenuating circumstances warrant. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to alert show management of any conflicts with the working orders.
- For any judged class in which a pattern or course is utilized, the judge or show management shall post any pattern(s) to be worked at least 1 hour prior to the commencement of the class. If pattern books are distributed to contestants, the responsibility of posting patterns has been met. However, patterns should still be posted to alert exhibitors of changes or to confirm there are no changes. If the judge requires additional work of exhibitors for consideration of final placing, the pattern will not be posted.
- No rerun will be given any contestant if handicapped by failure of personal equipment or accident to horse or rider. Failure of timer or similar equipment will void any first run. Another run will be given regardless of circumstances of first run at the discretion of the management.
- In the event of a tie in a timed class (except in jumping), the contestant declared the winner in a runoff must run the pattern in not more than 2 seconds over his original time or the runoff must be held again. Ties for first, second, and third place in judged events will be worked off. Ties below third place will be broken at discretion of judge and show committee. Any points involved in ties will be evenly split between the tied contestants.
- No one will be allowed in the paddock area except paddock committee members and participants.
- Protests must be submitted to the announcer or manager of the show. Protests must be submitted in writing by the 4-H member filing the protest and accompanied by \$100 cash. The exhibitor or animal and the reason for the protest being filed must be designated. Protests will not be accepted unless they are made prior to the official results being announced. Protests will be made with the understanding that the protester's name will be made public. If the rules committee does not uphold the protest, the \$100 cash will become the property of the State Horse Show. If the protest is valid, the \$100 cash will be returned to the 4-H member filing the protest.
- ALL non-entered equine must pay a stall fee of \$100 and be identified with show management prior to unloading, and they must be marked in a manner that makes them readily identifiable as a non-4-H Horse Show entry. This identifying character must be either a mark by a livestock marking stick/paint or a commonly used livestock back tag. All non-entered equine are required to have a current negative Coggins test.

- Chemical stimulants, depressants, and caustic agents are prohibited and can result in disqualification. All equine are subject to testing. The exhibitor of an animal testing positive will be ineligible the following year.
- No person shall exhibit any equine that appears to be sullen, dull, lethargic, emaciated, drawn, or overly tired. No person on show grounds, including but not limited to barns, stalls, practice areas, and show arena, may treat an animal in an inhumane manner, which includes but is not limited to the following:
 - placing an object in an animal's mouth so as to cause undue discomfort or distress
 - tying an animal in a manner so as to cause undue discomfort or distress in a stall or trailer or when lunging or riding
 - letting blood from an equine
 - use of inhumane training techniques or methods
 - use of inhumane equipment, including but not limited to sawtooth bits, hock hobbles, tack collars, tack hackamores, wire head stalls, or wire curb straps
 - any item or appliance that restricts movement or circulation of the tail
 - intentional inhumane treatment that results in bleeding
- The judge shall examine and check for lameness in all horses brought into any class. This is essential regardless of whether or not the competition indicates it is necessary. Obvious lameness shall be cause for disqualification at the discretion of the judge.
- Research has shown that health complications, such as heat stress, stress of traveling, and showing, can be exacerbated at low body condition scores. Due to concerns for animal welfare and the objective of 4-H to educate and promote quality animal husbandry, horses, ponies, and/or mules shall not be shown at the State Horse Show with a body condition score of less than 4 based on the Henneke scale (ribs easily discernible, tops of spinous process easily discernible, tailhead prominent with hook bones easily discernible, withers accentuated, and neck obviously thin). If you have questions about the body condition score of your horse, or if you are not sure your horse will pass inspection, please contact your Extension 4-H agent before the State Show. Show management will assess animals in question. If there is a thin horse, management will make a final decision whether or not to disqualify the animal.
- Situations not covered by Alabama 4-H Horse Show rules will be ruled on by the rules committee.

OTHER ITEMS TO NOTE

- All participants will be expected to follow the 4-H Dress Code. This will be strictly enforced.
- Exhibitors may enter the same horse in both western trail and ranch trail.
- Riders in all classes are required to wear a properly fitted ASTM/SEI approved equestrian helmet with a fastened chin strap when showing or schooling. Chin straps must be fastened. Helmets must be properly sized to fit the 4-H member. Improperly sized helmets are a deterrent to safety. Caps worn under helmets or ill-fitting helmets are grounds for disqualification. Bicycle helmets are not SEI or ASTM approved equestrian headgear. Loss of or removal of helmet before exiting the arena will result in disqualification of the 4-H member from that particular class. Helmet use is required when mounted at all times on the show grounds, including all performance classes and divisions. Additionally, this policy is in effect in the show pen as well as all warm-up/practice pens and on the show grounds when mounted. Helmets must be in place for all mounted pictures. Violation of this policy may result in disqualification from the show and or removal from show grounds.
- It is the responsibility of the exhibitor, or the parent or guardian or trainer of the exhibitor, to see to it that the headgear worn complies with appropriate safety standards for protective headgear intended for equestrians' use and is properly fitted and in good condition. The 4-H State Horse Show committee and officials are not responsible for checking appropriateness of headgear worn.
- The 4-H State Horse Show committee and officials make no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, about any protective headgear, and cautions riders that death or serious injury may result despite wearing such headgear because all equestrian sports involve inherently dangerous risks, and no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries.

- Exhibitors may wear safety attire in any class without judging discrimination. The Alabama 4-H Horse Program encourages the use of safety vests in all classes.
- The PA system is just a courtesy. Competitors must be at the arena on time. Punctuality is the responsibility of the competitors and their team leaders. We will not accept riders who arrive late to their ride times.
- There is an entire section including literature on proper bits that follows AQHA and USEF guidelines. Everyone is subject to a random bit check if the judge feels it is necessary (for example, if a bit appears to be too severe). However, mandatory bit checks will be performed for all dressage competitors.
- There will be a pattern book available for all events that require a pattern. One of the patterns included in the book will be chosen for the respective class.
- There is a point system chart available in the rule book. Once scores are entered and placings are determined, the chart will be used to award points to competitors as we go along. This is included in the manual so that everyone can keep track and understand how the system works. The scoring system will follow AQHA and USDF guidelines.
- Each rider must notify the show office of any potential conflicts during the show so that the participant's ride time or order of go can be adjusted.
- Any 4-H member (whether he or she owns a horse or not) is eligible to compete and should be encouraged to participate in the educational classes.
- Camper fees are payable during registration. Campers will be issued a placard to place in a visible space to signify how many days of service have been paid for. Campers with no placard in place are subject to having services shut off.
- Vendors are encouraged to support the 2023 Alabama 4-H Horse Show. The Montgomery Coliseum charges a vendor fee for all outside vendors.
- No dogs/pets are allowed at the Horse Show; it is recommended you leave them at home.
- Golf carts and bicycles are the only transportation device allowed other than trucks. No ATVs or other personal transportation devices are allowed on the grounds.
- No illegal drugs or alcoholic beverages are allowed on the grounds.
- The show office keeps posted hours only.
- Do not park vehicles in or near barn aisles.
- A class sponsorship form is included. Each county with 4-H members participating in the show should obtain one or more class sponsorships. This is intended as an activity to encourage 4-H members to develop leadership skills as well as an interest in locally owned equine industry-related businesses.
- The Montgomery Coliseum will open for 4-H competitors and equine at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2023. Earlier arrivals are not allowed. Competitors and equine must vacate the grounds May 7, 2023.
- In all classes, failure to wear the correct exhibitor number (either on the back only or on both sides of the saddle pad only) will result in a disqualification in that specific class.

For all other rules or for rules clarification, please refer to the 2023 4-H Horse Show Rule Book.



Alabama 4-H Horse Show Class Sponsorship List

General Horse Show Sponsors

- \$25 for a business card advertisement in the program
- \$50 for a quarter-page advertisement in the program
- \$100 for a half-page advertisement in the program
- \$500+ for a full-page advertisement in the program; advertisement materials available at registration desk

Class Winner Sponsors—\$100

Choose one or more classes:

- Sponsor name in program with each class
- Name announced when class is placed
- Business card advertisement in the show program
- Program listing as a Class Winner Sponsor

Division High Point Sponsors—\$250 for High Point or Reserve

Choose one or more of the high points and reserve high points given:

- Sponsor name in program with high point category and banners hung near show office/arena
- Name announced when high point (or reserve) is awarded
- Business card advertisement in the show program
- Program listing as a High Point Sponsor

Ribbons Sponsor—\$1,000

- Has a presence in every class and educational contest
- Recognized via announcement at least once in each show arena each day
- Full-page advertisement in the official program book (8.5" x 11" vertical) and banners hung near show office/arena
- Recognition in the show program and social media

Belt Buckle Sponsor—\$2,000

Sponsor the high point belt buckles given:

- Announce winners of belt buckles and have a picture made with each high point recipient
- Full-page advertisement in the official program book (8.5" x 11" vertical) and banners hung near show office/arena
- Recognition in the show program and social media as the Belt Buckle Sponsor
- Promotional materials available at registration



Alabama 4-H Horse Show Class Sponsorship Form

Circle:

Belt Buckle Sponsor

Division High Point Sponsor

Ribbons Sponsor

Class Winner Sponsor

General Sponsor

NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE: _____

COMPANY: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: (____) _____ EMAIL: _____

1ST CHOICE CLASS (see attached list): _____

2ND CHOICE CLASS: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

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Alabama 4-H Horse Show Point System

NUMBER OF ENTRIES IN CLASS															
	75- 66	65- 56	55- 46	45- 36	35- 26	25- 10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Place	Points														
1	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
2	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
3	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
4	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			
5	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1				
6	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1					
7	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1						
8	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1							
9	7	6	5	4	3	2	1								
10	6	5	4	3	2	1									
11	5	4	3	2	1										
12	4	3	2	1											
13	3	2	1												
14	2	1													
15	1														

- Points are calculated by the following procedure: For classes with twenty-five or fewer contestants, each of the first ten horses placed in a class is given one point for each horse placing below it, plus one point.
- Educational high point winners (classes 1 to 29) are calculated in the same manner as the horse/rider high point calculations.
- 4-H members must participate as individuals in one or more active educational events (classes 1 to 11), passive educational events (classes 12 to 29), horse project record book (classes 30 or 31), and horse event (classes 32 to 90) to be eligible for horse/rider high point buckles and awards.
- In case of a tie for the high point award, the following tiebreaker system takes effect: The winner is selected based on the highest placing in the record book. If a tie still exists, the highest placing in an active educational event is used to determine the winner.



Southern Regional 4-H Horse Show Championships

JULY 31–AUGUST 4, 2024, PERRY, GEORGIA

Please decide before the Alabama State 4-H Horse Show if you want to and can compete at the Southern Regional 4-H Horse Show Championships.

This is an invitation-only event. Competitors are not to invite themselves.

Regional entries will be first and second place from every class with a Junior/Senior split, first through fourth (no matter age) in any open class that is eligible to move on to regionals (denoted by *), as well as any graduating senior (18 years old) that is aging out of the 4-H program that did not qualify at the state show. Youth may only enter regionals on a horse they qualified with at the state show.

Regional registration will open directly after our active educational event in June and will be open for qualified horses and riders to register. Once registration closes June 30, 2023, no further registrations or changes to registrations will be allowed.

Where equine classes are split into Junior and Senior:

- First and Second place Junior and Senior in qualifying horse events, with the horse they qualified on, will be invited to attend the Southern Regional Horse Championships in Perry, Georgia.

Open equine classes:

- First, Second, Third, and Fourth place in qualifying events, with the horse they qualified on, will be invited to attend the Southern Regional Horse Show.
- First and second place Senior Active Educational Quiz Bowl, Horse Judging, and Hippology Teams will be invited to attend the Southern Regional Horse Championships.
- First place Junior and Senior Active Educational Public Speaking and Presentations will be invited to attend the Southern Regional Horse Show.

To participate in the Southern Regional Horse Show Championships, a horse and rider combination must qualify in an appropriate class at the Alabama State 4-H Horse Show. In the event of 5 or less entries in a Southern Regional qualifying class, no exhibitor will automatically qualify to compete at the Southern Regional. In this case, qualification of the horse/rider combination will be at the discretion of the Southern Regional committee. Exhibitors and their parents or guardians should make a decision about attending the Southern Regional prior to the State Show. Registration for Southern Regional Horse Championships will be on 4HOnline only. Registration will close June 30, 2024.

NOTE: No Southern Regional entries will be accepted after June 30, 2024. The Southern Regional will be held at the Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter in Perry, Georgia.



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