

# DEPT 6 – HORSES & PONIES

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## ***Educational Projects – Horse & Horseless***

See Dept. 10 / Class E – Animal Science / Horse

### ***Clinic Requirements, Participation Information, General Rules***

See Materials that were received at the Mandatory Kick-off meetings that are held in the spring.

### ***Health Requirements***

All animals exhibiting at the fair must be free of any contagious, infectious or communicable disease.

**Equine animals originating from within Wisconsin:** All equine animals shall be accompanied by documentation of a negative EIA conducted within the current calendar year and which clearly identifies the equine by registration number, lip tattoos or freeze brand, or a complete description of the equine. Documentation must either be an original laboratory report VS 10-11 or a certificate of veterinary inspection with the negative EIA results listed.

**Equine animals originating from outside Wisconsin:** All equine animals shall be accompanied by certificate of veterinary inspection (CVI) and have been tested negative for equine infectious anemia (EIA) within the last year. The certificate must clearly identify the equine by registration number, lip tattoos or freeze brand, or a complete description of the equine. Equines from Minnesota are exempt from the CVI requirement if all of the following apply: 1) Ownership does not change while the animal is in the state; 2) the animal remains in this state for no more than 7 days; and 3) the animal is accompanied by a report of a negative equine infectious anemia from the current calendar year.

1. All horses over three months of age **MUST BE VACCINATED** within the last twelve months and at least two weeks prior to the fair for:
  - Eastern and Western Encephalomyelitis
  - Influenza
  - Tetanus
  - Equine Rhinopneumonitis
  - West Nile Virus
2. Equine **are encouraged** to have their horses vaccinated for the following diseases. Please consult your veterinarian for their recommendation in your local area.
  - Strangles, Rabies, Potomac Horse Fever
3. All horses will be examined upon their arrival to the fair by a designated member or representative of the St. Croix County 4-H Youth Horse Project Committee. Any horse exhibiting possible signs of disease will be examined by the fair veterinarian before the horse enters a stall. Any horse determined by the fair veterinarian to be exhibiting signs of contagious, infectious, or communicable disease will be required to leave the fairgrounds.
4. The St. Croix County 4-H Youth Horse Project Committee reserves the right to make decisions for emergency treatment of any animal, if necessary, when the owner cannot be immediately contacted.

### ***General Rules***

1. **PROJECT ANIMAL** –The date for all Horse project members to have managerial care of their animal is June 1st. Only the project member may ride the project animal while attending a project event.
2. **MAY EXHIBIT UP TO 2 ANIMALS** - The horse must be at least two years of age by January 1 of the current year. No stallions may be exhibited. Members of the same family may show the same horse provided the horse is only shown once in a specific class. The only exceptions being Trail Class and Dressage.
3. **PONIES / LIGHT HORSES** - Ponies are Shetland, Welsh, POA and similar breeds – 56” and under at the withers. Light horses are over 56” at the withers. Draft horses are Belgians, Clydesdales, Percherons and similar breeds. No state aids are available for separate draft horse classes.
4. **HELMETS & BOOTS** – Project members riding a horse at a project sponsored event **MUST** wear an SEI approved helmet with chin strap fastened and a boot with a minimum ½” cut out heel whenever mounted. The helmet rule is a state rule and there are **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

5. **EQUIPMENT** - Whenever a horse is being ridden, it must be saddled and bridled (bit or hackamore). The only exception to this rule is when the exhibitor is participating in (not practicing) Bareback Hunter or Costume Class.
6. **COGGINS** - All horses must have a current negative Coggins. The **original** Coggins results must be presented at each activity involving the horse. No horse will be allowed to participate at a clinic or show without a negative Coggins. Coggins results are valid for one year.

**CARRY YOUR ORIGINAL COGGINS PAPERS WITH YOU EACH AND EVERY TIME YOU TRANSPORT YOUR HORSE. THIS IS A STATE LAW!**

7. Current class rules and state dress code will be followed.  
<http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/files/2014/06/equestrian-guidlines.pdf>
8. Show committee reserves the right to split or combine classes depending on class size.
9. You must sign-up for classes through the UW 4-H Extension office by the sign-up deadline. Classes may be scratched the day of the show with the show secretary.
10. Uncontrollable or lame horses will be asked to leave the ring at the judge's discretion.
11. Horse project members are encouraged to stall horses at the fair.
12. **4-H Members Only** – It is considered a privilege to represent your county at a State or District 4-H event. All blue ribbon winners in qualifying classes (see below), grades 6-13, are eligible for the State Horse Expo Show. State Gymkhana and State Hunt/Dressage Shows are non-qualifying but still require approval. To participate in State events, a 4-H youth must be a member in good standing at the county level, as certified by a signature of a horse project leader and the county UWEX agent. Application forms will be available at the County Fair Show. Please be aware of Entry Form deadlines.
13. Qualifying classes for the State Horse Expo Show are: Showmanship, English Hunter, English Pleasure, Stock Seat Hunter, Western Pleasure and Trail. Driving is also a qualifying class for State.
14. Novice Classes are entry level classes set up for beginning riders and/or inexperienced horses. They are walk/trot only classes. The lope/canter will not be performed. If a member is showing in the Novice they may not enter another lot # in that class. Novice classes are not eligible for the Grand Championship Classes, and do not qualify for State Shows.
15. There is no special class for Explorers. Explorers are allowed to participate in the horse project, in the appropriate grade level.
16. Members are to ride their horses in designated areas at times supervised/approved by the Horse Committee.

A RESPONSIBLE ADULT MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE FOR A MEMBER TO RIDE AT A CLINIC OR HORSE SHOW REGARDLESS OF AGE.

Premium Classes: Blue (8.00) Red (7.00) White (6.00) Pink (5.00)  
Horseless Horse Premium Classes: Blue (3.50) Red (3.00) White (2.50) Pink (2.00)

**Pleasure Show** – Sunday, 8:00 am

- St. Croix County Pleasure Horse Show will be held on **Sunday at 8:00 am**
- Participants are encouraged to attend at least one clinic specific to Pleasure with the horse they are showing
- In **Pleasure** classes, the horse and rider are judged on manners and suitability of the horse for a relaxed but collected gait, relatively slow speed, along with calm and responsive disposition.
- **Hunter** refers to a rider's position while mounted and encompasses a rider's ability to ride correctly and with effective aids. In competition, the rider, rather than the horse is evaluated.
- **Stock Seat/Western classes** require a Western saddle and a shanked bit, unless the horse is 5 years old or younger. The rider uses one hand on the reins with a shanked bit. Horses 5 years old and younger may be shown in a snaffle bit. 2 hands on the reins are allowed if the horse is ridden in a snaffle bit. Riders are required to wear a long sleeved, collared shirt, boots and helmet. (Illegal bits include but not limited to: Cow horse, gag bits, bits without shanks, any bit where the bit slides)
- **English classes** require English saddle and bridle. Riders are required to wear breeches, jacket, tall boots or paddock boots with half chaps and helmet.
- **Pony** is defined as height, measured at the withers of 56 inches or less. If you ride a pony by this definition, you ride in the pony Lots. In other classes, the horses and ponies are judged together.

- **Draft** exhibitors will need an adult in the cart with them when driving. Both need to wear a helmet.
- 4-H participants are eligible State Competition (Contact show committee for details).
- The Show Committee reserves the right to split or combine classes depending on class size.
- Participants may drop entries on the day of the show.

**CLASS A – SHOWMANSHIP – Danish** (Premium, except Novice group)

**Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion are selected from the Blue Ribbon Winners of Lots 1-6**

Lot Number:

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 1. Showmanship, Grade 12 & up | 4. Showmanship, Grades 6-7       | 7. Showmanship, Novice / Horseless Horse, Grade 3-13 |
| 2. Showmanship, Grades 10-11  | 5. Showmanship, Grades 3-5       |  |
| 3. Showmanship, Grades 8-9    | 6. Showmanship Draft, Grade 3-13 |  |

**CLASS B – ENGLISH EQUITATION – Danish** (Premium, except Novice group)

**Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion are selected from the Blue Ribbon Winners of Lots 1-5**

Lot Number:

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1. English Equitation, Grades 12 & up | 4. English Equitation, Grades 6-7                                      |
| 2. English Equitation, Grades 10-11   | 5. English Equitation, Novice, Grade 3-5                               |
| 3. English Equitation, Grades 8-9     | 6. English Equitation, Novice/Horseless Horse Grade 3 – 13 (Walk/Trot) |

**CLASS C – ENGLISH PLEASURE – Danish** (Non-Premium)

Lot Number:

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1. English Pleasure, Grades 12 & up | 4. English Pleasure, Grades 6-7                           |
| 2. English Pleasure, Grades 10-11   | 5. English Pleasure, Grades 3-5                           |
| 3. English Pleasure, Grades 8-9     | 6. English Pleasure Pony, Grade 3-13                      |
|                                     | 7. English Pleasure, Novice Class, Grade 3-13 (Walk/Trot) |

**CLASS D – PLEASURE DRIVING** (Non-Premium)

Lot Number:

1. Pleasure Driving Horse or Pony, Exhibitor Grade 3-13
2. Pleasure Driving Draft, Exhibitor Grade 3-13

**CLASS E – REINSMANSHIP DRIVING – Danish** (Non-Premium)

Lot Number:

1. Reinsmanship Horse, Pony, Draft, Exhibitor Grades 3-13

**CLASS F – CONES DRIVING – Danish** (Non-Premium)

Lot Number:

1. Cones Driving Horse, Pony, Draft, Exhibitor Grades 3-13

**CLASS G – STOCK SEAT EQUITATION (Western Horsemanship) Danish** - (Premium-except Novice group)

**Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion are selected from the Blue Ribbon Winners of Lots 1- 4**

Lot Number:

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|-------------------------------|---|
| 1. Stock Seat, Grades 12 & up | 4. Stock Seat, Grades 6-7                                     |
| 2. Stock Seat, Grades 10-11   | 5. Stock Seat, Grades 3-5                                     |
| 3. Stock Seat, Grades 8-9     | 6. Stock Seat, Novice/Horseless Horse, Grade 3-13 (Walk/Trot) |

**CLASS H – WESTERN PLEASURE - Danish** (Non-Premium)

Lot Number:

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Western Pleasure, Grades 11 & up | 4. Western Pleasure, Grades 5-6   |
| 2. Western Pleasure, Grades 9-10    | 5. Western Pleasure, Grades 3-4   |
| 3. Western Pleasure, Grades 7-8     | 6. Western Pleasure Pony, Grades 3-13                                       |
|                                     | 7. Western Pleasure, Novice Class / Horseless Horse, Grade 3-13 (Walk Trot) |

**CLASS I – COSTUME CLASS - Danish** (Non-Premium)

Lot Number:

1. Western Riding, Grades 6-13

**CLASS J – WESTERN RIDING - Danish** (Ribbons 1-6 Places, Non-Premium)

Lot Number:

1. Costume, Grade 9-13
2. Costume, Grade 3-8

## Trail Class

See the kick-off materials for the date/time when the St. Croix County Trail Class Judging will be held.

**Trail can be ridden Western or English, but you need to wear attire that matches the discipline you are riding.**

**Example: if you are riding English you need to be in English attire.**

### CLASS K – TRAIL CLASS – Danish (Non Premium)

Lot Number:	1. Trail, Grades 12 & up	4. Trail, Grades 6-7
	2. Trail, Grades 10-11	5. Trail, Grades 3-5
	3. Trail, Grades 8-9	6. Novice / Horseless Horse Trail Class (Gr 3-13)

## 4-H Gymkhana “Game” Classes (Place 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Non Premium)

- See the kick-off materials for the date/time when the St. Croix County Gymkhana Show will be held
- Participants are encouraged to attend at least one clinic specific to Gymkhana with the horse they are showing
- Western tack is required for all Gymkhana events, with the exception of Egg and Spoon, which may be ridden in English tack.
- All riders must wear a long-sleeved shirt with a collar, appropriate heeled boots and SEI approved helmet with chin strap.
- 4-H participants are eligible State Competition (Contact show committee for details).
- All participants are eligible for District Competition (Contact show committee for details).
- **Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Highpoint** will be awarded in each age category.
- U\* 4-In-Line Barrels will NOT count towards highpoint.
- The Show Committee reserves the right to split or combine classes depending on class size.
  - Participants may drop entries on the day of the show.

### CLASS L – EGG and SPOON

Lot #:	1. Egg and Spoon, Grades 12 & Over	4. Egg and Spoon, Grades 6-7
	2. Egg and Spoon, Grades 10-11	5. Egg and Spoon, Grades 3-5
	3. Egg and Spoon, Grades 8-9	

### CLASS M – POLE BENDING

Lot #:	1. Pole Bending, Grades 12 & Over	4. Pole Bending, Grades 6-7
	2. Pole Bending, Grades 10-11	5. Pole Bending, Grades 3-5
	3. Pole Bending, Grades 8-9	

### CLASS N – KEY RACE

Lot #:	1. Key Race, Grades 12 & Over	4. Key Race, Grades 6-7
	2. Key Race, Grades 10-11	5. Key Race, Grades 3-5
	3. Key Race, Grades 8-9	

### CLASS O – CLOVERLEAF BARRELS

Lot #:	1. Cloverleaf Barrels, Grades 12 & Over	4. Cloverleaf Barrels, Grades 6-7
	2. Cloverleaf Barrels, Grades 10-11	5. Cloverleaf Barrels, Grades 3-5
	3. Cloverleaf Barrels, Grades 8-9	

### CLASS P – PLUG RACE

Lot #:	1. Plug Race, Grades 12 & Over	4. Plug Race, Grades 6-7
	2. Plug Race, Grades 10-11	5. Plug Race, Grades 3-5
	3. Plug Race, Grades 8-9	

### CLASS Q – FLAG RACE

Lot #:	1. Flag Race, Grades 12 & Over	4. Flag Race, Grades 6-7
	2. Flag Race, Grades 10-11	5. Flag Race, Grades 3-5
	3. Flag Race, Grades 8-9	

### CLASS R – LT SPECIAL

Lot #:	1. LT Special, Grades 12 & Over	4. LT Special, Grades 6-7
	2. LT Special, Grades 10-11	5. LT Special, Grades 3-5
	3. LT Special, Grades 8-9	

**CLASS S – JUMPING FIGURE 8**

- Lot #: 1. Jumping Figure 8, Grades 12 & Over 4. Jumping Figure 8, Grades 6-7  
 2. Jumping Figure 8, Grades 10-11 5. Jumping Figure 8, Grades 3-5  
 3. Jumping Figure 8, Grades 8-9

**CLASS T\* – 4 IN A LINE BARRELS****Sign-up day of show****DRESSAGE (Places 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Non Premium)**

- See the kick-off materials for the date/time when the St. Croix County Dressage Show will be held.
- Participants are encouraged to attend at least one clinic specific to dressage with the horse they are showing
- **Riders are allowed to sign up for 3 classes.** Classes entered, must be consecutive s (Example: Intro- A and Intro-B, or Intro- C and Training 1, etc.)
- **State 4-H Dressage rules will be followed** <https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/> with an exception to attire. English Riders are to wear breeches with tall boots or paddock boots with half chaps. Full English dress (rat catcher & jacket) or Polo shirts are acceptable Western Riders are to wear long sleeve western shirt, boots, jeans or western pants, and cowboy boots. These rules include acceptable tack and aids.
- **Musical Kur** (freestyle) will be ridden in a large size ring. A Musical Kur is a test done in a dressage ring, using standard dressage movements for your chosen level put together in any order you choose, to music. The test is judged on creativity, artistry, music suitability and difficulty.
- **Western Dressage** – Intro will be a walk/Jog pattern. Basic will be a walk/Jog/Lope pattern. Western tack and attire are required.
- 4-H participants, grades 6-13, are eligible for the State Hunt/Dressage Show which is held in June (prior to the county fair show). Contact show committee for eligibility requirements.
- **Grand Champion and Reserve Champion** will be awarded based on the highest test scores per level and highest overall. (Test level differential will be included.)
- The Show Committee reserves the right to split or combine classes depending on class size.
- Participants may drop entries on the day of the show.

**CLASS U – USDF INTRO – TEST A**  
Open to Horseless Horse

- Lot # 1. USDF Intro A, Grade 9 – 13 3. USDF Intro A, Grades 3 – 5  
 2. USDF Intro A, Grades 6 - 8

**CLASS V – USDF INTRO – TEST B**  
Open to Horseless Horse

- Lot # 1. USDF Intro B, Grade 9 – 13 3. USDF Intro B, Grades 3 – 5  
 2. USDF Intro B, Grades 6-8

**CLASS W – USDF INTRO – TEST C**

- Lot # 1. USDF Intro C, Grade 9 – 13 3. USDF Intro C, Grades 3 – 5  
 2. USDF Intro C, Grades 6 - 8

**CLASS X – USDF Training Level**

- Lot # 1. USDF Training Level – Test 1, Grade 3 - 13  
 2. USDF Training Level – Test 2, Grade 3 - 13  
 3. USDF Training Level – Test 3, Grade 3 - 13

**CLASS Y – USDF First Level**

- Lot # 1. USDF First Level – Test 1, Grade 3 – 13  
 2. USDF First Level – Test 2, Grade 3 – 13  
 3. USDF First Level – Test 3, Grade 3 – 13

**CLASS Z – USDF Second Level**

- Lot # 1. USDF Second Level – Test 1, Grade 3 – 13  
 2. USDF Second Level – Test 2, Grade 3 – 13  
 3. USDF Second Level – Test 3, Grade 3 – 13

**CLASS AA - FREESTYLE**

- Lot # 1. Musical KUR, Grade 3 – 13 (single rider)

- CLASS BB – WESTERN DRESSAGE** Lot #
1. Western Intro - Test 1, Grade 3 – 13
  2. Western Intro – Test 1, Horseless Horse Grade 3 - 13
  3. Western Intro – Test 2, Grade 3 – 13
  4. Western Intro – Test 2, Horseless Horse Grade 3 - 13
  5. Western Basic – Test 1, Grade 3 - 13
  6. Western Basic – Test 2, Grade 3 – 13

### **Hunter / Jumper (Place 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Non Premium)**

- See the kick-off materials for the date/time when the St. Croix County Hunter/Jumper Show will be held.
- **Participants must have attended at least one clinic specific to Hunter/jumper with the horse they are showing or may show at the fair. You will need to be “pre-qualified” to jump at the county fair. This can either happen at camp or a clinic.**
- Wisconsin 4-H rules will apply: <https://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4haganimalscience/wi-4-h-horse-assn-handbook/> this includes acceptable tack and aids. Riders are to wear breeches with tall boots or paddock boots with half chaps. Full English habit (rat catcher & Jacket) or Polo shirts are acceptable. **English Saddle Required.**
- 4-H participants, grades 6-13, are eligible for the State Hunt/Dressage Show which is held in June (prior to the county fair show). Contact show committee for eligibility requirements.
- Grand Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded based on the highest average scores.
- The Show Committee reserves the right to split or combine classes depending on class size.
- Participants may drop entries on the day of the show.

**No cross-entering within Jumping Levels.**

**A riders ONLY** - If you enter any A Class you may NOT enter any B, C, D, E (Fences will be 2’6” to 3’0”)

**B riders ONLY** - If you enter any B Class you may NOT enter any A, C, D, E (Fences will be 2’0” to 2’6”)

**C riders ONLY** - If you enter any C Class you may NOT enter any A, B, D, E (Fences will be 18” to 2’0”)

**D riders ONLY** - If you enter any D Class you may NOT enter any A, B, C, E (Fences will be 12” to 18”)

**E riders ONLY** – If you enter any E Class you may NOT enter any A, B, C, D (Fences will be ground poles / 12 “Cross Rails)

**HUNTER HACK:**

- Horses are required to jump two fences. (Jumps do not need to be set in a line. If the jumps are in a line they are to be set 36-60 feet apart with a 12-foot interval between jumps.
- Horses may be asked to walk, trot, and canter both ways of the ring. At the discretion of the judge contestants may be asked to hand gallop, pull up and stand quietly following the last fence.
- Class may be judged on flat work, manners, way of going, style over fences and even hunting pace.

**OBSTACLE JUMPING:**

- Each rider will have 45 seconds to complete their pattern. Points will be assigned to each jump. At the bell the rider enters the ring and takes the jumps in any order they choose. They may not jump the same jump without separating it by a different jump. If a rail is knocked down that jump is out of the rotation for that rider.

**WORKING HUNTER OVER FENCES:**

- A hunter course shall be a fair test of a hunter, with a minimum of 4 obstacles. Horse to jump a maximum of 8 fences. One change of direction is mandatory. The top element of all fences must be securely placed so that a slight rub will not cause a knock down.
- The class will be judged on manners, way of going, and style of jumping.
- Horse shall be credited with maintaining an even hunting pace that covers the course with free-flowing strides. Preference will be shown to horses with correct jumping style that meets fences squarely, jumping at the center of the fence.

**MINI MEDAL (for experienced rider)**

- Class is judged as an equitation class over a “jumper style” course. IT IS NOT TIMED
- Elements may be called for include: trotting on course, narrower fences, etc.

**CLASS CC – HUNTER HACK** Lot # 1. Hunter Hack E, Grade 3 – 13 6. Hunter Hack C, Grade 6 - 8  
 2. Hunter Hack D, Grade 9 – 13 7. Hunter Hack C, Grade 3 – 5  
 3. Hunter Hack D, Grade 6 – 8 8. Hunter Hack B, Grades 3 – 13  
 4. Hunter Hack D, Grade 3 – 5 9. Hunter Hack A, Grade 3 - 13  
 5. Hunter Hack C, Grade 9 – 13

**CLASS DD – WORKING HUNTER OVER FENCES** Lot # 1. Hunter E, Grade 3 – 13 6. Hunter C, Grade 6 - 8  
 2. Hunter D, Grade 9 – 13 7. Hunter C, Grade 3 – 5  
 3. Hunter D, Grade 6 – 8 8. Hunter B, Grade 3 - 13  
 4. Hunter D, Grade 3 – 5 9. Hunter A, Grade 3 – 13  
 5. Hunter C, Grade 9 – 13

**CLASS EE – HUNTER EQUITATION OVER FENCES** Lot # 1. Equitation E, Grade 3 – 13 6. Equitation C, Grade 6 - 8  
 2. Equitation D, Grade 9 – 13 7. Equitation C, Grade 3 - 5  
 3. Equitation D, Grade 6 – 8 8. Equitation B, Grade 3 - 13  
 4. Equitation D, Grade 3 – 5 9. Equitation A, Grade 3 - 13  
 5. Equitation C, Grade 9 - 13

**CLASS FF – MINI MEDAL** Lot # 1. Mini Medal D, Grade 3 – 13 3. Mini Medal B, Grade 3-13  
 2. Mini Medal C, Grade 3 – 13 4. Mini Medal A, Grade 3-13

**CLASS GG – TIMED OBSTACLE JUMPING** Lot # 1. Obstacle D, Grade 3 – 13 3. Obstacle B, Grade 3 – 13  
 2. Obstacle C, Grade 3 – 13 4. Obstacle A, Grade 3 – 13