

# Defiance County Junior Fair Horse Department Guidelines – 2019

## Changes for 2019

New: Class limits: Exhibitors must register a minimum of **Two classes** per horse. Exhibitors may register a *maximum of ten (10) riding classes plus one showmanship and or one grooming class for a total of twelve (12) classes regardless of the number of horses entered.* Classes may be any combination of riding and performance.

## Jr Fair Show Dates:

Tuesday, August 20, 2019	8:30 am	Showmanship, Pleasure, Performance
Wednesday August 21, 2019	5:00 pm	Driving, Contesting, Versatility

## Clean Pen Guidelines:

All livestock pens must be kept clean and presentable at all times to make a favorable impression for visitors and potential Livestock Sale buyers. Therefore the following guidelines will be implemented at the Defiance County Junior Fair.

1. **Clean Pen:** Each exhibitor must clean his or her stall/pen prior to leaving the fairgrounds. Exhibitor must check out with a Barn representative. Pens must be cleaned by 12:00 noon on Saturday. Failure to do so will result in **forfeiting current year premiums and eligibility for exhibition with that species for the following year.** Evaluation of the stalls/pens will be done by the Barn Supervisor.
2. Pens, aisles and animals must be kept clean during fair week. Failure to do so will result in **forfeiting current year premiums and eligibility for exhibition with that species for the following year.** Evaluation of the stalls/pens will be done by the Barn Supervisor.
3. Livestock pens must be cleaned at a minimum of once daily and may be cleaned by the exhibitor or family member.
4. Pens will be inspected on a daily basis. Pens determined not to be presentable will receive a verbal warning from a member of the Clean Pen Committee.
5. The Clean Pen Committee shall consist of: Barn Supervisor, Chair of the Senior Fair Livestock Committee and the Extension 4-H Educator.
6. The pen will be expected to clean within two hours of receiving the verbal warning.

## Possession Dates:

1. June 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for all required horse paperwork to be eligible to show a horse at the State and/or County level. This date is strictly enforced. If June 1<sup>st</sup> falls on a weekend – deadline will be the following Monday. If deadline is missed – member may complete project by completing a skillathon and will not show at the County Fair or State Fair.
2. Horse Identification forms are due on a yearly basis with a new form and new photo due June 1<sup>st</sup> to the Extension Office. It is the responsibility of the member to have correct horse information on file.
3. Exhibitors are allowed two horses at the County Fair. Exception: Production classes.

## Exhibitor Paperwork:

- Horse ID Form (photo) & Vaccination Form & Lease Forms June 1 (every year)
- PAS Classes and Shows June 1
- Release of Liability Waver June 1
- Documentation 1<sup>st</sup> year member/parent June 1  
have viewed safety videos/booklet



### **Junior Fair Livestock Check-In & Release:**

1. Livestock Check-in is Friday, from 4:00 pm – 9:00pm. Jr. Fairboard members may move animals in from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.
2. Exhibitor must present a completed DUNF form on all animals at the gate. DUNF must indicate member has attended a Quality Assurance Training/Rules Session and the form must be signed by member and parent.
3. Animals must be free of all drug residues on **move-in date**.
4. Health papers are not required for animals purchased and residing in Ohio. Horses imported/brought into Ohio for exhibition must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection issued within thirty days preceding the exhibition opening date. See Ohio's Livestock Health Exhibition Rules for further clarification and a complete listing of health requirements.
5. Exhibitors must check in with the Barn Superintendent before placing animal in stall. Pen assignments for all Junior Fair exhibits will be made by Barn Superintendent. **Any changes in these pen assignments without prior approval of the Barn Superintendent will result in forfeiture of premium and the exhibitor not being permitted to show in the current year with that project. Animal will be sent home.**
6. Horses may leave Friday night at 9:00 pm THRU the campground gate OR on Saturday morning between 6:00 am – 9:00 am.
7. The Livestock Committee will designate one area for stall manure on last day of Fair. Failure to dump horse manure in the designated area will result in loss of premiums.

### **Stall Assignments:**

1. It is the 4-H Horse Committee's goal to be able to provide one stall for each horse exhibitor. In years where there are not enough stalls for a member's second horse, the Fairboard will provide a tent and additional stalls.
2. Members must make a final determination by August 11<sup>th</sup> as to whether they are bringing a second horse. **Members must notify the Extension Office by the August 12<sup>th</sup> deadline if NOT bringing two horses.** A \$50 fine may be charged to members who have reserved two stalls and do not bring two horses.
3. Any changes in stall assignments without prior approval of the Barn Superintendent will result in forfeiture of premium and the exhibitor not being permitted to show in the current year with that project.

### **Horse Barn & Grounds Information:**

1. All animals must be housed at the fair for the entire week in order to show and receive premiums. Horses must show in a Jr. Fair horse show to be permitted to stall horses at the fair.
2. Fairgrounds – Exercising of horses: Horse members are asked to be courteous to other Fairgoers and only exercise horses in the designated areas. Please remove all horse manure from public areas (grassy areas, parking areas, etc.)
3. Animals will be exercised in the arena and designated make up area only. Please refer to the schedule posted in the barn for appropriate times.
4. A round pen will no longer be provided or permitted at the County Fair.
5. **No horses are to be ridden inside the barn or outside the 4-H arena at any time,** except in designated exercise or make up areas. Exhibitors needing special accommodations should see the Barn Supervisor.
6. Horses must be in a stall or haltered/bridled with lead or longe line at all times.

### **Exhibiting Information:**

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2. The Barn Superintendent may switch an exhibitor's class if not entered in appropriate class. The exhibitor may scratch classes the day of show, but may not add a class.
3. If a member scratches all classes and does not show in a Jr. Fair Show – the horse will be sent home.
4. Horses may be measured at the discretion of the Barn Supervisor or show committee chair.
5. It is up to the discretion of the Barn Supervisor to cancel any class based on arena conditions and safety factors. Questions regarding arena conditions should be directed to the Barn Supervisor.

**First Year Classes:**

Exhibitors showing in the first year showmanship class may not show in any other showmanship classes. Exhibitors showing in the first year performance or riding classes may not show in any other performance or riding classes.

**Trail Class in Hand:**

This class is for equine to be exhibited with the handler on the ground, putting the animal through the obstacles. An exhibitor cannot show the same horse in Trail in Hand and also in the regular Trail Horse class at the same show. Attire for the handler is the same as for a showmanship class.

**Champion of Champion Showmanship Class:**

Entrants for this class will be the first place individual in all Showmanship classes, excluding production class, first year member class, and grooming. Judge will place five entries in this class.

**Gymkhana Showmanship:**

Entrants for this class must use the same horse as entered in the Gymkhana (Contesting) classes.

**Champion of Champion Contester:**

Entrants for this class will be the first place individual in all contesting classes, with the exception of first year member contesting classes, to participate in a pre-determined run off class that will be rotated each year. Rotation order: Keyhole Race (2019), Stakes Race (2020), Barrels (2021), Pole Bending (2022)

**Champion of Champion Horsemanship Class:**

Entrants for this class will be the first place individual in all performance/riding classes, with the exception of first year member class.

**Versatility Class:**

To qualify for the Versatility Class exhibitor must have placed in 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> in a showmanship, horsemanship or equitation classes. Exhibitor must have two years of horse showing experience. The class will be limited to 10 entries.

**JUNIOR FAIR PREMIUM AND AWARDS**

1. Refer to the available premium list in the general guidelines for the horse department.
2. Ribbons: 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> place ribbons will be awarded for each Junior Fair class. Also three grand and three reserve champion rosettes will be awarded for Championship classes. (Champion Showmanship Class, Champion of Champion Horsemanship Class and Champion of Champion Contesting Class.)
3. Must have a minimum of three entries for a trophy/plaque to be awarded. A horse neck ribbon will be awarded to classes without trophies.
4. Thank you cards will be required by the end of the week to the Jr. Fair office in order to receive premiums. It is up to the Barn Superintendent as to how to distribute the trophies/thank you cards.