

2026 Eastern Region 4-H Horse Show

Thursday, May 28, 2025

Roane State Expo Center, Harriman, TN

Check-In Starts at 8:00 a.m.

Show Starts at 9:00 a.m.

Read Division Keys before Pre-Registration

Pre-Registration is \$10.00 per class (non-refundable)

Guidelines for All Horse Show Classes

- *Pre-Registration is required in your county Extension office – No refunds on any classes*
- *Check in at the office for pre-assigned exhibitor number and present Coggins papers at the office*
- *All show management decisions will be made by the Eastern Region Horse Show Management Committee*
- *ER Horse Show Management Committee reserves the right to combine classes with less than 5 entries and will announce combined classes on the day of show.*

RANCH

CLASS #	CLASS NAME	GRADE
1/1	RANCH SHOWMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS)	4th - 5th
2/2	RANCH SHOWMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS)	6th - 8th
3/3	RANCH SHOWMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS)	9th - 12th
4/4	RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION ALL AGE GELDINGS (HALTER CLASS)	4th - 5th
5/5	RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION ALL AGE GELDINGS (HALTER CLASS)	6th - 8th
6/6	RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION ALL AGE GELDINGS (HALTER CLASS)	9th - 12th
7/7	RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION ALL AGE MARES (HALTER CLASS)	4th - 5th
8/8	RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION ALL AGE MARES (HALTER CLASS)	6th - 8th
9/9	RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION ALL AGE MARES (HALTER CLASS)	9th - 12th
10 minute break will be observed between Conformation and Riding Classes		
10	JR. RANCH RIDING – BEGINNER (WALK, JOG) (PATTERN CLASS)	4th - 8th
11	SR. RANCH RIDING– BEGINNER (WALK, JOG) (PATTERN CLASS)	9th - 12th
12	JR. RANCH HORSEMANSHIP – BEGINNER (PATTERN CLASS)	4th - 8th
13	SR. RANCH HORSEMANSHIP – BEGINNER (PATTERN CLASS)	9th - 12th
14	JR. RANCH RIDING (WALK, JOG, LOPE) (PATTERN CLASS)	4th - 5th
15	JR. HIGH RANCH RIDING (WALK, JOG, LOPE) (PATTERN CLASS)	6th - 8th
16	SR. RANCH RIDING (WALK, JOG, LOPE) (PATTERN CLASS)	9th - 12th
17	JR. RANCH HORSEMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS)	4th - 5th
18	JR HIGH RANCH HORSEMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS)	6th - 8th
19	SR. RANCH HORSEMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS)	9th - 12th
BEGINNER TRAIL RIDER CLASSES (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)		
20	JR. RANCH TRAIL – BEGINNER (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (PATTERN AVAILABLE DAY OF SHOW)	4th - 8th
21	SR. RANCH TRAIL – BEGINNER (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (PATTERN AVAILABLE DAY OF SHOW)	9th - 12th
TRAIL CLASSES (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)		
22	JR. RANCH TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (PATTERN AVAILABLE DAY OF SHOW)	4th - 5th
23	JR. HIGH RANCH TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (PATTERN AVAILABLE DAY OF SHOW)	6th - 8th
24	SR. RANCH TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (PATTERN AVAILABLE DAY OF SHOW)	9th - 12th

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WESTERN – Not to start before 4:00 p.m.

CLASS #	CLASS NAME	GRADE
25/25/25	WESTERN SHOWMANSHIP, PATTERN CLASS	9th - 12th
26/26/26	WESTERN SHOWMANSHIP, PATTERN CLASS	6th - 8th
27/27/27	WESTERN SHOWMANSHIP, PATTERN CLASS	4th - 5th
28/28	WESTERN ALL AGE HALTER MARES - JUNIOR	4th - 8th
29/29	WESTERN ALL AGE HALTER MARES – SENIOR	9th - 12th
30/30	WESTERN ALL AGE HALTER GELDINGS - JUNIOR	4th - 8th
31/31	WESTERN ALL AGE HALTER GELDINGS - SENIOR	9th - 12th
32	PONY HALTER (MARES)	4th - 12th
33	PONY HALTER (GELDINGS)	4th - 12th
34	JR. WESTERN PLEASURE - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT)	4th - 8th
35	SR. WESTERN PLEASURE - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT)	9th - 12th
36	JR. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT), NO PATTERN	4th - 8th
37	SR. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT), NO PATTERN	9th - 12th
38	JR./SR. PONY WESTERN PLEASURE (WALK, JOG & LOPE)	4th - 12th
39	JR. WESTERN PLEASURE (WALK, JOG & LOPE)	4th - 5th
40	JR. HIGH WESTERN PLEASURE (WALK, JOG & LOPE)	6th - 8th
41	SR. WESTERN PLEASURE (WALK, JOG & LOPE)	9th - 12th
42/42	JR. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS) (WALK, JOG & LOPE)	4th - 5th
43/43	JR. HIGH WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS) (WALK, JOG & LOPE)	6th - 8th
44/44	SR. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP (PATTERN CLASS) (WALK, JOG & LOPE)	9th - 12th
BEGINNER TRAIL CLASSES (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)		
45	JR. WESTERN TRAIL - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT) (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES)	4th - 8th
46	SR. WESTERN TRAIL - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT) (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES)	9th - 12th
TRAIL CLASSES (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)		
47/47	JR. WESTERN TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (WALK, JOG, & LOPE)	4th - 5th
48/48	JR. HIGH WESTERN TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (WALK, JOG, & LOPE)	6th - 8th
49/49	SR. WESTERN TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (WALK, JOG, & LOPE)	9th - 12th

MINIATURE HORSE – Not to start before 5:30 p.m.

CLASS #	CLASS NAME	GRADE
50	MINIATURE HORSE TRAIL (IN HAND TRAIL) (Trail Course Open 3-8pm)	4th - 12th
51	MINIATURE HORSE SHOWMANSHIP	4th - 12th
52	MINIATURE HORSE CONFORMATION	4th - 12th

TIMED EVENTS – NOT TO START BEFORE 6:30 P.M.

CLASS #	CLASS NAME	GRADE
53	SR. RANCH GOAT TYING	9th - 12th
54	JR. HIGH RANCH GOAT TYING	6th - 8th
55	JR. RANCH GOAT TYING	4th - 5th
56	JR. BARREL RACE	4th – 8th
57	SR. BARREL RACE	9th – 12th
58	JR. POLE BENDING	4th – 8th
59	SR. POLE BENDING	9th – 12th
60	JR. DUMMY ROPING (\$5 ENTRY FEE, RIBBONS ONLY)	4th - 8th
61	SR. DUMMY ROPING (\$5 ENTRY FEE, RIBBONS ONLY)	9th – 12th

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HUNTER – Showmanship may be conducted with a split arena dependent on class entries.

CLASS #	CLASS NAME	GRADE
62/62/62	HUNTER SHOWMANSHIP, PATTERN CLASS	9th - 12th
63/63/63	HUNTER SHOWMANSHIP, PATTERN CLASS	6th- 8th
64/64/64	HUNTER SHOWMANSHIP, PATTERN CLASS	4th - 5th
65/65	HUNTER CONFORMATION ALL AGE MARES - JUNIOR	4th -8th
66/66	HUNTER CONFORMATION ALL AGE MARES - SENIOR	9th - 12th
67/67	HUNTER CONFORMATION GELDINGS 5 YRS. AND UNDER – JUNIOR/SENIOR	4th - 12th
68/68	HUNTER CONFORMATION GELDINGS OVER 5YEARS - JUNIOR	4th - 8th
69/69	HUNTER CONFORMATION GELDINGS OVER 5YEARS - SENIOR	9th - 12th
70	HUNTER PONY CONFORMATION (MARES) 58 INCHES AND UNDER - JUNIOR	4th - 8th
71	HUNTER PONY CONFORMATION (MARES) 58 INCHES AND UNDER - SENIOR	9th - 12th
72	HUNTER PONY CONFORMATION (GELDINGS) 58 INCHES AND UNDER - JUNIOR	4th - 8th
73	HUNTER PONY CONFORMATION (GELDINGS) 58 INCHES AND UNDER - SENIOR	9th - 12th

HUNTER – All Hunter Classes, except for Trail, will be in indoor arena.

CLASS #	CLASS NAME	GRADE
74	JR. HUNTER UNDER SADDLE - BEGINNER (WALK, TROT) (HORSE OR PONY)	4th - 8th
75	SR. HUNTER UNDER SADDLE - BEGINNER (WALK, TROT) (HORSE OR PONY)	9th - 12th
76	JR./SR. HUNT SEAT EQUITATION - BEGINNER (WALK, TROT) (HORSE OR PONY)	4th - 12th
77	JR./SR. PONY HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	4th - 12th
78	JR. HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	4th - 5th
79	JR. HIGH HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	6th - 8th
80	SR. HUNTER UNDER SADDLE (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	9th - 12th
81	JR. HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	4th - 5th
82	JR. HIGH HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	6th - 8th
83	SR. HUNT SEAT EQUITATION (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	9th - 12th

OUTDOOR COVERED ARENA

CLASS #	BEGINNER RIDER TRAIL CLASSES (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)	GRADE
84	JR. HUNTER TRAIL CLASS - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT) (HORSE OR PONY) (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES)	4th - 8th
85	SR. HUNTER TRAIL CLASS - BEGINNER (WALK/TROT) (HORSE OR PONY) (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES)	9th - 12th
	TRAIL CLASSES (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)	
86	JR. HUNTER TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	4th - 5th
87	JR. HIGH HUNTER TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	6th - 8th
88	SR. HUNTER TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES) (WALK, TROT & CANTER)	9th- 12th

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- WALKING, RACKING, AND SPOTTED SADDLE HORSE – Starting at 4:00 p.m.**

CLASS #	CLASS NAME	GRADE
89	GAITED SHOWMANSHIP (any non-trotting, walking, racking, spotted saddle horse), HORSE'S TACK & EXHIBITOR'S ATTIRE MUST MATCH, PATTERN CLASS	9th - 12th
90	GAITED SHOWMANSHIP (any non-trotting, walking, racking, spotted saddle horse), HORSE'S TACK & EXHIBITOR'S ATTIRE MUST MATCH, PATTERN CLASS	6th - 8th
91	GAITED SHOWMANSHIP (any non-trotting, walking, racking, spotted saddle horse), HORSE'S TACK & EXHIBITOR'S ATTIRE MUST MATCH, PATTERN CLASS	4th - 5th
92	MODEL MARES ALL AGES (any non-trotting, walking, racking, s/s horse), HORSE'S TACK & EXHIBITOR'S ATTIRE MUST MATCH	4th -8th
93	MODEL MARES ALL AGES (any non-trotting, walking, racking, s/s horse), HORSE'S TACK & EXHIBITOR'S ATTIRE MUST MATCH	9th - 12th
94	MODEL GELDINGS ALL AGES (any non-trotting, walking, racking, s/s horse), HORSE'S TACK & EXHIBITOR'S ATTIRE MUST MATCH	4th - 8th
95	MODEL GELDINGS ALL AGES (any non-trotting, walking, racking, s/s horse), HORSE'S TACK & EXHIBITOR'S ATTIRE MUST MATCH	9th - 12th
96	JR. RIDER RACKING EQUITATION, ENGLISH, PATTERN MAY OR MAY NOT BE REQUIRED	4th - 8th
97	SR. RIDER RACKING EQUITATION, ENGLISH, PATTERN MAY OR MAY NOT BE REQUIRED	9th - 12th
98	JR. RIDER TRAIL PLEASURE RACKING - NO PADS, ENGLISH	4th - 8th
99	SR. RIDER TRAIL PLEASURE RACKING - NO PADS, ENGLISH	9th -12th
100	JR. RIDER COUNTRY PLEASURE WALKING HORSE 2-GAIT (appropriate walking horse tack and attire), EITHER ENGLISH OR WESTERN (TACK: HORSE & EXHIBITOR MUST MATCH)	4th - 8th
101	SR. RIDER COUNTRY PLEASURE WALKING HORSE 2-GAIT (appropriate walking horse tack and attire), EITHER ENGLISH OR WESTERN (TACK: HORSE & EXHIBITOR MUST MATCH)	9th - 12th
102	JR. RIDER WALKING EQUITATION 2-GAIT, ENGLISH and/or WESTERN, PATTERN MAY OR MAY NOT BE USED	4th - 8th
103	SR. RIDER WALKING EQUITATION 2-GAIT, ENGLISH and/or WESTERN, PATTERN MAY OR MAY NOT BE USED	9th - 12th
104	JR. RIDER SPOTTED SADDLE HORSE 2-GAIT, HORSEMANSHIP, WESTERN, PATTERN MAY OR MAY NOTE BE USED	4th - 8th
105	SR. RIDER SPOTTED SADDLE HORSE 2-GAIT, HORSEMANSHIP, WESTERN, PATTERN MAY OR MAY NOTE BE USED	9th - 12th
106	JR. RIDER SPOTTED SADDLE HORSE PLEASURE, WESTERN	4th - 8th
107	SR. RIDER SPOTTED SADDLE HORSE PLEASURE, WESTERN	9th - 12th
108	JR. RIDER WALKING PLEASURE 2-GAIT, LITE SHOD, ENGLISH	4th - 8th
109	SR. RIDER WALKING PLEASURE 2-GAIT, LITE SHOD, ENGLISH	9th - 12th
110	JR. RIDER WALKING/RACKING/SSH TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES), EITHER ENGLISH OR WESTERN (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)	4th - 8th
111	SR. RIDER WALKING/RACKING/SSH TRAIL (PATTERN CLASS WITH OBSTACLES), EITHER ENGLISH OR WESTERN (Trail Course Open 3-8 pm)	9th - 12th

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Note:

- 1) After the last class is completed, jumps will be set. Schooling then can take place until 11:00 p.m. Schooling will take place again from 7:00 – 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 3rd.
- 2) Maximum riders in ring is 5 at any given time.
- 3) All rider must have own supervision/trainer/coach at all times.

2026 Eastern Region 4-H Horse Show

Saturday, May 30, 2026

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Check-In Starts at 8:15 a.m.

Show Starts at 9:00 a.m.

Read Division Keys before Pre-Registration

Pre-Registration is \$10.00 per class (non-refundable)

CLASS #	NOVICE DIVISION	GRADE
112	NOVICE JR. HUNTER HACK – PONY – NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	4th - 8th
113	NOVICE SR. HUNTER HACK – PONY – NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	9th - 12th
114	NOVICE JR. HUNTER HACK – HORSE - NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	4th - 8th
115	NOVICE SR. HUNTER HACK – HORSE - NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	9th - 12th
116	NOVICE JR WORKING HUNTER OVER FENCES – NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	4th - 8th
117	NOVICE SR. WORKING HUNTER OVER FENCES - NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	9th - 12th
118	NOVICE JR EQUITATION OVER FENCES - NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	4th - 8th
119	NOVICE SR. EQUITATION OVER FENCES - NOVICE, CROSSRAILS	9th - 12th
120	NOVICE JR. WALK/TROT HUNTER HACK CROSSRAILS	4th - 8th
121	NOVICE SR. WALK/TROT HUNTER HACK CROSSRAILS	9th - 12th
PONY DIVISION		
122	JR./SR. HUNTER HACK PONY (WALK, TROT & CANTER AND 2 FENCES), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 12th
123	JR./SR. GREEN WORKING HUNTER PONY (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 12th
124	JR./SR. EQUITATION OVER FENCES PONY, FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 12th
125	JR./SR. WORKING HUNTER PONY (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 12th
GREEN DIVISION		
126	JR. GREEN HUNTER HACK, FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 8th
127	SR. GREEN HUNTER HACK, FENCE HEIGHT 2'	9th - 12th
128	JR. GREEN WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 8th
129	SR. GREEN WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	9th - 12th
130	JR./SR. EQUITATION OVER FENCES (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 12th
INTERMEDIATE DIVISION		
131	JR. HUNTER HACK (WALK, TROT & CANTER AND 2 FENCES), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 5th
132	JR. EQUITATION OVER FENCES, FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 5th
133	JR. WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'	4th - 5th
134	JR. HIGH HUNTER HACK (WALK, TROT & CANTER AND 2 FENCES) FENCE HEIGHT 2'3"	6th - 8th
135	JR. HIGH EQUITATION OVER FENCES, FENCE HEIGHT 2'3"	6th - 8th
136	JR HIGH WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2' 3"	6th - 8th
137	SR. HUNTER HACK (WALK, TROT & CANTER AND 2 FENCES), FENCE HEIGHT 2'3"	9th - 12th
138	SR. EQUITATION OVER FENCES, FENCE HEIGHT 2'3"	9th - 12th
139	SR. WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'3"	9th - 12th
JR/JR.HIGH/SENIOR HIGH DIVISION		
140	JR. HUNTER HACK (WALK, TROT & CANTER AND 2 FENCES), FENCE HEIGHT 2' 3"	4th - 5th
141	JR. EQUITATION OVER FENCES, FENCE HEIGHT 2" 3"	4th - 5th
142	JR WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2'3"	4th - 5th
143	JR. HIGH HUNTER HACK (WALK, TROT & CANTER AND 2 FENCES), FENCE HEIGHT 2' 9"	6th - 8th
144	JR. HIGH EQUITATION OVER FENCES, FENCE HEIGHT 2' 9"	6th - 8th
145	JR. HIGH WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2' 9"	6th - 8th
146	SR. HUNTER HACK (WALK, TROT & CANTER AND 2 FENCES), FENCE HEIGHT 2' 9"	9th - 12th
147	SR. EQUITATION OVER FENCES, FENCE HEIGHT 2' 9"	9th - 12th
148	SR. WORKING HUNTER (OVER FENCE CLASS), FENCE HEIGHT 2' 9"	9th - 12th

RANCH DIVISION --- KEYS TO CORRECT ENTRY

- R 1 RANCH RIDING CLASSES are not for the normal western pleasure horse. A good using horse is what the judge will be looking for. Everyday working equipment (saddle and bridle) IS PREFERRED. Chaps or chinks are optional equipment. NO BANDING OF MANES FOR RANCH CLASSES. ROPE HALTERS OR PLAIN LEATHER HALTERS CAN BE USED FOR THE CONFORMATION CLASSES.
- R 2 Cannot show two different horses in the same class – even if a single animal is shown one at a time.
- R 3 Refer Tennessee 4-H Horse Championships Handbook for all rules.
https://trace.tennessee.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1015&context=utk_agexani
- R 4 Split showmanship ring - if class size warrants.
- R 5 TRAIL classes 20 - 24 on Thursday are for horses eligible for Ranch division only.
- R 6 Classes 48 - 52 on Thursday are for horses eligible in Western division only.
- R 7 Riders that enter in Beginner Classes cannot participate in Timed Events (classes 53 – 59).
- R 8 Anyone can enter Dummy Roping (classes 60-61).

RANCH HORSEMANSHIP

The Ranch Horsemanship class will be a pattern class. The exact pattern will be determined by the judge, but will contain at least the following:

- 👉 A large fast circle, a small slow circle in both directions with a simple lead change.
- 👉 At least one 360 degree turn in each direction, plus a stop and a back.

RANCH HORSE CONFORMATION

The horse will be judged on type and conformation correctness only. Conformation is defined as the physical attributes necessary to perform under saddle. The horse should possess eye appeal with an attractive head; refined throat-latch; well-proportioned trim neck; long sloping shoulder; deep heart girth; short back; strong loin and coupling; long hip and croup. The ideal standard in evaluating horses in conformation should include, but not limited to, soundness and correctness in conformation, particularly feet and legs, with emphasis on correct manner of travel. The horse should show balance and uniform muscling. Horses are not penalized for scars or brands.

Judging Procedure. All entries will enter the arena individually, walking to the judge one at a time. As the horse approaches, the judge will step to the right (left of the horse) to enable the horse to trot straight to a cone placed at 50 feet away. At the cone, the horse will continue trotting, turn to the left and trot towards the left wall or fence of the arena. After trotting, horses will be lined up head to tails for individual inspection by the judge. The judge shall inspect each horse from sides, front and rear.

Equipment. Horses are to be shown in good working halter; rope, braided, nylon or plain leather. Minimum silver will be allowed on halters with the exception of the mandatory buckles. Keepers on open buckles are allowed, and tips are allowed. It is recommended that a horse should be shown as naturally as possible. Banded or braided manes and tail extensions are not allowed.

Ranch Riding

21.3.1. The purpose of the ranch riding class is to measure the ability of the horse to be a pleasure to ride while being used as a means of conveyance from performing one ranch task to another. The horse should reflect the versatility, attitude and movement of a working ranch horse riding outside the confines of an arena. The horse should be well-trained, relaxed, quiet, soft and cadenced at all gaits. The ideal ranch horse will travel with forward movement and demonstrate an obvious lengthening of stride at extended gaits. The horse can be ridden with light contact or on a relatively loose rein without requiring undue restraint, but not shown on a full drape of reins. The overall manners and responsiveness of the ranch riding horse to make timely transitions in a smooth and correct manner, as well as the quality of the movement are of primary considerations. The ideal VRH ranch riding horse should have a natural ranch horse appearance from head to tail in each maneuver.

21.3.2. Horses shall be shown individually, and the class may be conducted inside or outside of an arena. The pattern may be started either to the right or left direction. Show management has the option to set markers to designate gait changes. If the class is held inside an arena, the course shall be set up to make approximately one pass of the arena in each direction. The optional ranch riding pattern may be used or another pattern may be used as long as all elements of the class are fulfilled as follows:

A. Horses will be shown individually at three gaits; walk, trot and lope in each direction of the arena.

B. Horses will also be asked to reverse, stop and back.

C. The judge must ask for an extended trot and extended lope at least one direction of the ring.

21.3.3. CREDITS AND PENALTIES. Part of the evaluation of this class is on smoothness of transitions. A horse may be collected from the extended trot as the horse moves into the lope. The transition from the extended lope down to the trot is a transition to the seated trot not the extended trot. Therefore, an extra cue to achieve this gait is expected. Horses that complete this total transition within three strides calmly and obediently should be rewarded. Horses that attempt to stop or do stop prior to trotting will be penalized. Judges expect to see horses that have been trained to respond to cues. To see these cues applied discretely and the horse responding correctly could be a credit-earning situation. Maneuver evaluations and penalty applications are to be determined independently. The following penalties will be applied to each occurrence and be deducted from the final score:

A. 1 Point: Over-bridled (per maneuver); out of frame (per maneuver); too slow; break of gait at walk or trot for two (2) strides or less; wrong lead or out of lead for two (2) strides or less.

B. 3 Point: Wrong lead or out of lead for more than two (2) strides; draped reins; break of gait at lope, except when correcting an incorrect lead; break of gait at walk or trot for more than two (2) strides; out of lead or cross-cantering more than two strides when changing leads; trotting more than three strides when making a simple lead change; trotting for more than three (3) strides in lope departures or when exiting a rollback.

C. 5 Point: Spurring in front of cinch; blatant disobedience; use of either hand to instill fear.

D. Off-Pattern (OP): Repeated blatant disobedience; breaking pattern; incomplete maneuver; eliminating or adding maneuvers; use of two hands (except junior and Level 1 horses shown in a snaffle bit/hackamore); more than one finger between split reins or any fingers between romal reins (except in the two-rein). Exhibitors cannot place above others who complete pattern correctly.

E. Disqualification (DQ): Lameness; abuse; illegal equipment; disrespect or misconduct; leaving working area before pattern is complete; improper western attire; fall of horse/rider.

WESTERN DIVISION—KEYS TO CORRECT ENTRY

- W 1 A 4-H'er cannot enter the same horse in Western and Ranch divisions. A different horse must be shown in each of these divisions.
- W 2 WESTERN horse classes for walk, jog & lope are in **BLUE**, Beginner Rider which consist of WALK/TROT classes are in **RED**, PONY classes are in **GREEN**.
- W 3 REMEMBER to only enter the color coded classes for your type of horse(s). For example: You cannot cross enter your horse in WALK/TROT Classes and WALK/JOG/LOPE classes.
- W 4a 4-H'er can only show ONE showmanship horse in each Division.
- W-4b 4-H'er can show in more than one Halter class if their horse meets the requirement of that class (example: horse entered in gelding 5 and under and another horse in halter in gelding over 5), remember - only one horse per class.
- W 5 HALTER and SHOWMANSHIP classes are shown IN-HAND with HALTER typical for that breed.
- W 6 HALTER classes are judged on the horses' conformation and movement only.
- W 7 SHOWMANSHIP and HORSEMANSHIP classes are judged with emphasis on the exhibitor, may have a pattern to perform.
- W 8 RIDING classes are judged with emphasis on the performance of the horse.
- W 9 TRAIL classes 45, 46, 47, 48, & 49 on Thursday are for horses eligible for Western division only.
- W 10 BEGINNER RIDER CLASSES: If 4-H'er enters classes 34, 35, 36, 37, 45, & 46 they are not eligible to enter other classes except in appropriate classes 28-36.
- W 11 All PONY entries must be measured that did not show last year. Measurement records from ponies have been maintained from previous years. A pony, measures 58" and under. Ponies will be measured only one time.
- W 12 PONY can be declared a horse and show in horse classes, but they cannot show in both pony and horse classes
- W 13 Cannot show two different horses in the same class – even if single animal at a time.
- W 14 Refer Tennessee 4-H Horse Championships Handbook for all rules.
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- W 15 Spilt Showmanship ring – if class size warrants.
- W 16 A MINIATURE horse, measures 38' and under.
- W 17 **Contestants must wear protective head gear** (ASTM/SEI certified helmet) with a chin strap securely fastened. Both helmet and harness (chin strap) must fit properly. 4-H'er must furnish safety helmet.

TIMED EVENTS DIVISION KEYS TO CORRECT ENTRY

- TE-1 All horses, regardless of division, are eligible to enter Timed Events Classes as long as they meet the condition keys: TE-2, TE-3.
- TE-2 In BARRELS and POLES, 4-H member must wear appropriate Western tack and attire. **Contestants must wear protective head gear** (ASTM/SEI certified helmet) with a chin strap securely fastened. Both helmet and harness (chin strap) must fit properly. 4-H'er must furnish safety helmet.
- TE-3 4-H'ers entering a beginner class in any division cannot enter Timed Events Classes (53-59). Those beginner classes are:
- Ranch Division Classes: 10, 11, 12, 13, 20, or 21
 - Western Division Classes: 34, 35, 36, 37, 45, or 46
 - Hunter Division Classes: 74, 75, 76, 84, or 85
- TE-4 Cannot show two different horses in the same class.

HUNTER DIVISION KEYS TO CORRECT ENTRY

IF YOU SHOW IN A WALK / TROT CLASS, YOU CANNOT SHOW IN CANTER OR OVER FENCES CLASSES.

- H 1 HUNTER horse classes for walk, trot & canter are in **BLUE**, Beginner Rider which consists of WALK/TROT classes are in **RED**, PONY classes are in **GREEN**.
- H 2 REMEMBER to only enter the color coded classes for your type of horse(s). For example: You cannot cross enter your horse in WALK/TROT Classes and WALK/TROT/CANTER classes.
- H 3 Beginner WALK/TROT exhibitors cannot enter canter/lope classes on a different horse or pony. If you enter classes 74, 75, 76, 84 or 85, the only other classes you can enter are the appropriate showmanship or conformation classes (62-73).
- H 4 4-H'er can only show ONE showmanship horse in each Division.
- H-5 4-H'er can show in more than one conformation class if their horse meets the requirement of that class (example: horse entered in gelding 5 and under and another horse in halter in gelding over 5), remember - only one horse per class.
- H 6 CONFORMATION and SHOWMANSHIP classes are shown IN-HAND with HALTER or BRIDLE typical for that breed.
- H 7 CONFORMATION classes are judged on the horses' conformation and movement only.
- H 8 SHOWMANSHIP and EQUITATION classes are judged with emphasis on the exhibitor, may have a pattern to perform.
- H 9 RIDING classes are judged with emphasis on the performance of the horse.
- H 10 TRAIL classes 84 thru 88 are for the horses eligible to show in Hunter Division only.
- H 11 Pony Conformation on Friday is just for Hunter type ponies and should be shown with the appropriate tack and attire.
- H 12 All PONY entries must be measured that did not show last year. Measurement records from ponies have been maintained from previous years. A pony measures 58" and under. Ponies will be measured only one time.
- H 13 A PONY can be declared a horse and show in horse classes, but they cannot show in both pony and horse classes.
- H 14 If 4-H'er shows in GREEN WORKING HUNTER, they cannot show the same horse or pony in WORKING HUNTER.
- H 15 Cannot show two different horses in the same class – even if a single animal is shown one at a time.
- H 16 If 4-H'er enters novice classes (#112 thru 121), they cannot enter classes 122 – 148.
- H 17 Refer Tennessee Horse Championship for all rules. Use this site to click on the link:
https://trace.tennessee.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1015&context=utk_agexani
- H 18 Split showmanship ring - if class size warrants.
- H 19 **Contestants must wear protective head gear** (ASTM/SEI certified helmet) with a chin strap securely fastened. Both helmet and harness (chin strap) must fit properly. 4-H'er must furnish safety helmet.

HUNTER DIVISION KEYS TO CORRECT ENTRY (continued)

- H 20 A horse rider combo may enter only one Hunter Hack Class.
- H 21 A horse rider combo may show in only one Working Hunter Class.
- H 22 Novice Hunter - Open to horse/rider combinations who are not capable of jumping fences higher than 2' OR riders who are in their first two years of showing in USEF, IEA or breed shows, and/or the TN State 4-H Horse Show. Horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any Under Saddle, Equitation, Hack or Over Fence class other than Novice. Fence heights 2'. No oxers or in-and-outs.
- H 23 Intermediate Hunter - Open to horse/rider combinations who are not capable of jumping higher than 2' (small/medium ponies), 2'3" (large ponies), or 2'6" (horses) OR riders who have showed more than two years in USEF, IEA or breed shows, and/or the TN State 4-H Horse Show. Open to 4-Hers of any age riding horses or ponies. Horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any Under Saddle, Equitation, Hack or Over Fence class other than Intermediate. Fence heights 2' for Small/Medium; 2'3" for Large Ponies; 2'6" for Horses. No in-and-outs.
- H 24 Junior Hunter Horse – Open to junior 4-H members (grades 4-5) riding horses. Horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any Under Saddle, Equitation, Hack or Over Fence class other than Junior Horse. Fence heights 2'3".
- H 25 Junior High Hunter Horse – Open to junior high 4-H members (grades 6-8) riding horses. Horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any Under Saddle, Equitation, Hack or Over Fence class other than Junior High Horse. Fence heights 3'.
- H 26 Senior Hunter Horse – Open to senior 4-H members (grades 9-12) riding horses. Fences 3'. To be shown over a course of eight jumps. Fences shall simulate obstacles found in the hunting field. Horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any Under Saddle, Equitation, Hack or Over Fence class other than Senior Horse. Fence heights 3

WALKING, RACKING AND SADDLE SEAT DIVISION —Keys to Correct Entry

- T 1 WALKING horse classes are **BLUE**, RACKING horse classes are **RED**, SPOTTED SADDLE horse classes are **BROWN**.
- T 2 You can cross enter your horse in a Walking Class and a Racking Class if your horse meets the gait requirement of the class.
- T 3 HALTER and SHOWMANSHIP classes are shown IN-HAND with either HALTER or BRIDLE typical for that breed.
- T 4 GAITED SHOWMANSHIP and HALTER classes are for WALKING, RACKING and SPOTTED SADDLE horses.
- T 5a 4-H'er can only show ONE showmanship horse in each Division.
- T-5b 4-H'er can show in more than one Halter class if their horse meets the requirement of that class (example: horse entered in gelding 5 and under and another horse in halter in gelding over 5), remember - only one horse per class.
- T 6 HALTER classes are judged on the horses' conformation and movement only.
- T 7 SHOWMANSHIP and EQUITATION classes are judged with emphasis on the exhibitor, may have a pattern to perform.
- T 8 RIDING classes are judged with emphasis on the performance of the horse.
- T 9 COUNTRY PLEASURE is a specialty class for Walking Horses. If you enter Country Pleasure (classes 100 & 101), you cannot show in classes 104-107 on the same horse.
- T 10 TRAIL classes for 110 & 111 are for Walking, Racking or Saddle Seat horses only.
- T 11 In the WALKING/RACKING Division, horses may show with bands except in Western Pleasure (classes 106 & 107) and Walking Pleasure Lite Shod (classes 108 – 109).
- T 12 Any breed or type of horse can show in the RACKING classes as long as they rack and appropriate tack and attire is used.
- T 13 Cannot show two different horses in the same class – even if a single animal is shown one at a time.
- T 14 Refer Tennessee 4-H Horse Championships Handbook for all rules.
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- T 15 Split showmanship ring - if class size warrants.
- T 16 **Contestants must wear protective head gear.** (ASTM/SEI certified helmet) with a chin strap securely fastened. Both helmet and harness (chin strap) must fit properly. 4-H'er must furnish safety helmet.