

## DIVISION A - HORSES

### **The horse program will not have a horse check in.**

1. All 4-H members must register their project horse(s) in 4hOnline. This must be done before May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year if you intend to use the horse at State Fair. Any new horses to be used by a member at the Lincoln County Fair must be properly registered as a project horse in 4hOnline no later than July 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
2. FFA members must obtain and return a Horse Identification Certification to the County Extension Office no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. 4-H/FFA enrolled members are not eligible to show in Open Class Horse if they are participating in 4-H/FFA classes. However, horses used in 4-H/FFA classes may be used in Open Class.
4. Horse project members bringing their horse(s) to the fairgrounds the night before the 4-H/FFA horse show; must have approval from the horse show superintendent. Members may take horse(s) home at the end of the show or they may choose to leave their horse(s) at fair as long as the horse superintendent knows where the horse(s) will be stalled.
5. No riding on the track in front of Grand Stands during judging events. No horses in midway or parking lot.
6. In order to qualify for overall horseman, the contestant must compete in at least one performance and at least one timed events class. Contestants must also complete a written knowledge test and those points will be included in the score used for calculating overall horseman. In the event of any ties of any individual classes in Division A, points for placing will be averaged between tying members.
7. In the event of a tie occurring for the award of overall horseman, Champion or Reserve Performance or Champion or Reserve Timed Events, the contestant who has the most first places, then second, etc. will be tallied until the tie is broken.
8. Patterns and guidelines for the timed classes are found in the current Colorado 4-H Horse Rule Book. If the horse refuses to enter the arena, three attempts will be allowed.
9. A contestant will have three attempts to ride their horse into the box and turn around. If the horse still refuses after the third attempt it will be an automatic No Time. The time limit allowed per roping contestant(s) will be 30 seconds per event.
10. All horse exhibitors are eligible for Showmanship.

**Dress Code for Lincoln County (not state) contests:** All exhibitors are required to wear western attire, including western hat or protective helmet, boots, belt, long-sleeved shirt, and jeans; to reflect a neat, clean and well-fitted appearance. Members will not be penalized for wearing protective head gear. Expensive clothing is not necessary and will not be counted over neat, clean clothing. Accessories are optional as permitted in the current Colorado 4-H Horse Rule Book.

Riders participating in English classes are required to wear a helmet. Tack must be English tack according to the current Colorado 4-H Horse Rule Book.