

## 4-H MINIATURE HORSE SHOW

**Date/Time:** Sunday, July 19th, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in Livestock Arena Building; El Paso County Fairgrounds

**Superintendent:** Cherie Erler

**Show Manager:** Cherie Erler

1. **Eligibility:**

The El Paso County Fair 4-H Miniature Horse show is open to every 4-H member who is a member in good standing with any club from this county and who:

- a. Is enrolled in the Miniature Horse project for the current year.
- b. Has completed the Miniature Horse project requirements including taking a written test after at least one sanctioned show.
- c. Has shown the project horse in a showmanship class at a sanctioned 4-H show and attended at least one 4-H miniature horse clinic.
- d. Has completed the driving test and activities if planning on entering any driving classes.

1. **Miniature Horse Eligibility:**

All horses will be measured by the show managers no later than one hour before the show is scheduled to start. If your horse does not get measured you will not be allowed to show.

- a. Horses may not exceed 38 inches on the day of the fair - measurements will be taken according to the AMHR rules (from the last hair on the main at the withers to the ground)
- b. Each exhibitor may show no more than two miniature horses at the County Fair.
- c. If entered in any driving classes the horse must meet all driving tests required in the driving activity.

1. **Awards:**

All awards will be based on the total accumulation of points per horse.

- a. Ribbons will awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> place
- b. Buckles will be awarded for first place in three age groups for showmanship (8-10, 11-13 and 14-18).

1. **Dress Code:**

A dress code will apply in all classes with an exception of costume parade classes.

- a. Western attire including boots, hat, and long pants and long sleeve shirt will be required for all halter and jumping classes. In addition, gloves are required for Showmanship classes.
- b. Western attire should be worn in driving classes.

1. **Driving Equipment:**

All carts and tack will be checked by an assigned person before carts enter arena.

- a. Carts can be home made but must be approved by assigned Show Management before the show for safety.
- b. All harnesses must fit horses correctly.
- c. All carts must be the correct size for the horse pulling them.
- d. Each exhibitor must have an individual header in the ring at all times.

1. **Condition of Entry:**

Each exhibitor shall be responsible for any injury that may be occasioned to any person by any horse exhibited by him/her. It shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the El Paso County Fair Board, All 4-H Advisory Committees, CSU Cooperative Extension and Horse Show management harmless for any loss or accident to horse or equipment, or for injury sustained in any way by exhibitors or spectators. All horses entered in this show will be exhibited entirely at the owner's risk. UNDER COLORADO LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM INHERENT RISK OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES PUSUANT TO SECTION 13-21-119, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.

2. **Round-Robin:**

Winners of the showmanship at halter in all age groups and the second place winner will, along with their horse, be eligible to compete in the Round.

3. **Entries:**

All entry fees will be \$5 per a class, not to exceed \$35 per horse and must be received or postmarked by June 23, 2009. Checks should be made payable to: EPC Horse Advisory Committee and delivered or mailed to Miniature Horse Project; c/o Cherie Erler; 7860 Bar X Rd; Colo Spgs, CO 80908. ONCE ENTERED, A CONTESTANT MAY NOT ADD CLASSES.

**4-H Miniature Horse Show Classes** (each exhibitor is **required** to take the written test; each exhibitor is **required** to

participate in Showmanship)

- Halter – Junior Division (age 8-10 years)
- Halter – Intermediate Division (age 11-13 years)
- Halter – Senior Division (age 14-18 years)
- Supreme Halter Champion
- Showmanship Junior
- Showmanship Intermediate
- Showmanship Senior
- Hunter Jumping Junior
- Hunter Jumping Intermediate
- Hunter Jumping Senior
- Precision Patterns -- Junior
- Precision Patterns -- Intermediate
- Precision Patterns -- Senior
- Halter Obstacle -- Junior
- Halter Obstacle -- Intermediate
- Halter Obstacle -- Senior
- Poles (Junior)
- Poles (Intermediate)
- Poles (Senior)
- Ground Driving – Level II
- Driving – Level III
- Driving Obstacle – Level II
- Driving Obstacle – Level III
- (Fun event to be determined) Junior
- (Fun event to be determined) Intermediate
- (Fun event to be determined) Senior
- Costume Parade all ages

Entry Forms can be downloaded from [www.coopext.colostate.edu/elpaso](http://www.coopext.colostate.edu/elpaso) or maybe picked up from the extension office or from your project leader.