



## Kennebec 4-H Horse Shows Rules and Regulations

- 1.) Kennebec County has adopted the New England 4-H Rule Book to govern the operations of this show. Please see our state Equine Program site for complete New England Rules: <http://umaine.edu/4h/youth/4-h-projects/animal-science-resources/horse/>.
- 2.) Open only to bona fide 4-H Members, in good standing and enrolled by December 31, 2017. 4-H'ers must be 9 years old by December 31, 2017 to show. No Exceptions.
- 3.) Only 4-H Members with questions may approach the show secretary or steward, who will in turn answer your question or will permit you to approach the judge. Parents and Members shall not approach judges directly.
- 4.) Judges' decisions are final.
- 5.) No stallions allowed.
- 6.) Exhibitors shall only show animal(s) listed on Animal Approval Form (due June 30 annually) and will ride the animal shown in the showmanship and fitting class (Class 1, 2, or 3).
- 7.) Western Pony is defined as being 14 hands and under, English Pony is defined as being 14.2 hands and under. Exhibitor must be 13 years or younger to ride a pony in this event.
- 8.) "Holds" between classes shall be no longer than 3 minutes, only one hold per class is allowed.
- 9.) See the Grievance Committee for any issues; all decisions from Grievance Committee are final.
- 10.) Showmanship patterns (if any) and English/Western riding patterns will be posted day of the show.
- 11.) All exhibitors must wear ASTM/SEI approved helmets and shall produce signed helmet waiver at registration if it was not sent in with registration paper work.
- 12.) No additional classes will be accepted or added the day of the show; classes may be scratched day of the show.
- 13.) Exhibitor shall show proof of liability insurance either by Certification of Liability Insurance reflecting name of Fair as Certificate holder or by proof of membership to Maine Association of Livestock Exhibitors (Male membership). Application is found at [www.mainerlivestockexhibitors.org](http://www.mainerlivestockexhibitors.org). For details regarding minimum coverage amounts, please check with Fair Officials.
- 14.) Exhibitors are expected to show their horse project to the best of their ability including but not limited to: grooming, clipping and handling their horse with minimal support.
- 15.) Exhibitors riding horses age 5 years and under may ride two handed with regulations snaffle bit Bosal or Hackamore.
- 16.) Dropped or figure 8 noseband and running martingales are allowed in jumping classes only.
- 17.) Numbers shall be worn and visible while in the ring.
- 18.) Warn other riders of a horse with kicking tendencies with a red ribbon in its tail.
- 19.) The only dogs permitted on fairgrounds are service dogs. If your service dog behaves inappropriately during or near the horse arena area you will be asked to leave.
- 20.) Exhibitors shall not ride outside of the arena or designated practice area.
- 21.) Exhibitor shall present a neat and clean appearance and be attired in riding clothes appropriate to their seat. Riding boots with heels are required. No sneakers. No chaps in equitation or bareback classes.
- 22.) Monmouth Fair rule: Exhibitors and horses shall remain visible from the secretary's booth at all times.
- 23.) Monmouth Fair rule: Horse manure shall be picked up and delivered to the designated area.

Please include email (if available) in your registration packet, as “confirmation of receipt of registration” notices will be going out to you via phone call, email or letter. **IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION NOTICE by July 31, 2018; you are not considered registered** for the show and will not be allowed to enter classes.

Pre-registration is required. **Registration packets** shall be postmarked **no later than July 24, 2018. Mail to Ceil Robichau, 164 South Monmouth Road, Monmouth, ME 04259.**

**Registration packets includes the following: Show Registration form, Animal Approval form, Helmet Waiver, Indemnity Agreement for a Minor, current Rabies Certificate, Neg. Coggins report, proof of EHV-1 & 25. (Liability Insurance or proof of MALE membership).**

For further questions you can contact Ceil via email [ceil0361@aol.com](mailto:ceil0361@aol.com) or call Kennebec County Extension office at (207) 622-7546.

### **MONMOUTH 4-H HORSE SHOW CLASSES**

1. ***SENIOR 4-H FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP.*** Ribbons and trophies, no premiums. All 4-H'ers ages 14 to 18 must enter this class to be eligible to participate in any other classes. English horses to be shown in a bridle, Western horses in a halter. Entries are led into the ring and posed, then are judged individually, standing and at a walk and trot. To be judged 40% on Appearance of Animal (condition, grooming, trimming & braiding, and tack), 10% on Appearance of Exhibitor, and 50% on Showing of Animal in the Ring (leading, posing, showing animal to best advantage, and poise, alertness & attitude)
2. ***INTERMEDIATE 4-H FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP.*** (see class 1 for details) All 4-H'ers ages 12 to 13 must enter this class to be eligible to participate in any other classes
3. ***JUNIOR 4-H FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP.*** (see class 1 for details) All 4-H'ers ages 9 to 11 must enter this class to be eligible to participate in any other classes
4. ***JUDGING CLASS.*** This is a student judging class. You will judge a class (halter) and compare your results to the official judge's results. Danish ribbons awarded. Premiums for first six places.
5. ***SENIOR ENGLISH EQUITATION.*** Ribbons and trophies. Open to riders, ages 14 to 18. To be judged on the rider's form, security of seat, and skill in control of the horse at a walk, trot, and canter.
6. ***SENIOR ENGLISH PLEASURE.*** To be shown by riders, ages 14 and over. To be judged on the horse's performance, manners, and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk, trot, and canter. Will be asked to back.
7. ***WALK TROT ENGLISH EQUITATION.*** Open to all riders, ages 9 to 18 including green horse/green rider. Rider not eligible for any class where canter or lope is required. An adult or a senior 4-H Member must be available for each rider, and may be asked to stay with the horse or to lead the horse, at the discretion of the judge or the rider's 4-H leader. To be judged on the rider's form, security of seat, and skill in control of the horse at a walk and at a trot or jog.
8. ***WALK TROT ENGLISH PLEASURE.*** Open to all riders, ages 9 to 18 including green horse/green rider. Rider not eligible for any class where canter or lope is required. An adult or a senior 4-H Member must be available for each rider, and may be asked to stay with the horse or to lead the horse, at the discretion of the judge or the rider's 4-H leader. To be judged on the horse's performance, manners,

suitability as a child's mount, and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk and at a trot or jog. May be asked to back.

- 9. *INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH EQUITATION.*** Ribbons and trophies. Open to riders, ages 12 to 13. To be judged on the rider's form, security and skill in control of the horse at a walk, trot and canter.
- 10. *INTERMEDIATE ENGLISH PLEASURE.*** Be shown by riders ages 12 to 13. To be judged on the horse's or pony's performance, manners and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk, trot and canter. Will be asked to back.
- 11. *JUNIOR ENGLISH EQUITATION.*** Ribbons and trophies. Open to riders, ages 9 to 11. To be judged on the rider's form, security of seat, and skill in control of the horse at a walk, trot, and canter.
- 12. *JUNIOR ENGLISH PLEASURE.*** Be shown by riders ages 9 to 11. To be judged on the horse's or pony's performance, manners, and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk, trot, and canter. Will be asked to back.
- 13. *HUNTER UNDER SADDLE.*** Horses are to be shown at walk, trot, canter both ways of the ring and may be asked to hand gallop. Class may be split to hand gallop. May be asked to back. The judge may ask for extended trot. The Hunter Under Saddle should be obedient, alert, responsive, and move freely with a ground-covering gait.
- 14. *ENGLISH PATTERN RIDE W/T/C.*** Open to riders, ages 9 to 18, who can walk/trot/canter under control. Entrants to ride a designated pattern demonstrating a variety of English riding skills. To be judged on smoothness and accuracy of pattern, regularity and freedom of the horse's gaits, willingness to move forward, acceptance of the bit, position and seat of the rider, and correct use of the aids (hands, legs, and weight).
- 15. *WALK TROT TRAIL CLASS.*** Riders are judged on their performance through the obstacle course one at a time at a walk or trot.
- 16. *WALK TROT CANTOR TRAIL CLASS.*** Riders are judged on their performance through the obstacle course one at a time at a walk, trot and cantor.
- 17. *WALK TROT ENGLISH AND WESTERN PATTERN RIDE.*** Open to riders, ages 9 to 18, who can walk/trot under control. Entrants to ride a designated pattern demonstrating a variety of English and Western riding skills. To be judged on smoothness and accuracy of pattern, regularity and freedom of the horse's gaits, willingness and prompt obedience, acceptance of the bit, position and seat of the rider, and correct use of the aids (hands, legs, and weight).
- 18. *SENIOR WESTERN EQUITATION.*** Ribbons and trophies. Open to riders, ages 14 to 18. To be judged on the rider's form, security of seat, and skill in control of the horse at a walk, jog, and lope.
- 19. *SENIOR WESTERN PLEASURE.*** To be shown by riders ages 14 to 18. To be judged on the horse's performance, manners, and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk, jog, and lope. Will be asked to back.

- 20. WALK TROT WESTERN EQUITATION.** Open to all riders, ages 9 to 18, including green horse/green rider. Rider not eligible for any class where canter or lope is required. An adult or a senior 4-H Member must be available for each rider, and may be asked to stay with the horse or to lead the horse, at the discretion of the judge or the rider's 4-H leader. To be judged on the rider's form, security of seat, and skill in control of the horse at a walk and at a trot or jog.
- 21. WALK TROT WESTERN PLEASURE.** Open to all riders, ages 9-18, including green horse/green rider. Rider not eligible for any class where canter or lope is required. An adult or a senior 4-H Member must be available for each rider, and may be asked to stay with the horse or to lead the horse, at the discretion of the judge or the rider's 4-H leader. To be judged on the horse's performance, manners, suitability as a child's mount, and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk and at a trot or jog. May be asked to back.
- 22. INTERMEDIATE WESTERN EQUITATION.** Ribbons and trophies. Open to riders, ages 14 to 18. To be judged on the rider's form, security of seat and skill in control of the horse at a walk, jog and lope.
- 23. INTERMEDIATE WESTERN PLEASURE.** To be shown by riders ages 12 to 13. To be judged on the horse's performance, manners and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk, jog and lope. Will be asked to back.
- 24. JUNIOR WESTERN EQUITATION.** Ribbons and trophies. Open to riders, ages 9 to 13. To be judged on the rider's form, security of seat, and skill in control of the horse at a walk, jog, and lope.
- 25. JUNIOR WESTERN PLEASURE.** To be shown by riders ages 9 to 11 years old. To be judged on the horse's or pony's performance, manners, and apparent ability to give a pleasurable ride at a walk, jog, and lope. Will be asked to back.
- 26. WESTERN PATTERN RIDE W/T/C.** Open to riders, ages 9 to 18, who can walk/trot/canter under control. Entrants to ride a designated pattern demonstrating a variety of Western riding skills. To be judged on smoothness and accuracy of pattern, regularity and freedom of the horse's gaits, willingness to move forward, acceptance of the bit, position and seat of the rider, and correct use of the aids (hands, legs, and weight).
- 27. WALK TROT EGG-ON-A-SPOON.** English and Western. Each rider carries an egg on a spoon. The class may be asked to walk, trot or jog, reverse directions, or perform other maneuvers. Riders are eliminated as they drop their eggs, until only one rider remains.
- 28. WALK TROT CANTOR EGG-ON-A-SPOON.** English and Western. Each rider carries an egg on a spoon. The class may be asked to walk, trot or jog, canter or lope, reverse directions, or perform other maneuvers. Riders are eliminated as they drop their eggs, until only one rider remains.
- 29. WALK TROT CANTOR RIDE A BUCK.** Each exhibitor must ride bareback without a training saddle, blanket, etc. Upon entering the ring with the rider's one dollar bill, the judge places the dollar under the rider's leg between the knee and buttocks. The horses are then worked at a walk, trot, and canter both directions of the ring. Any rider not performing the gaits asked by the judge in a reasonable amount of time is eliminated. As exhibitors lose their dollar, they are eliminated. The last to lose the dollar is first and receives all the discarded dollars.
- 30. MYSTERY GAME.** to be determined the day of the show by participant's vote

# MONMOUTH FAIR 4-H HORSE SHOW REGISTRATION FORM

**Must be postmarked no later than July 24, 2018**

Name of rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
County: \_\_\_\_\_ Club name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's name & email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Age of horse: \_\_\_\_\_  
Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

## CLEARLY MARK CLASSES YOU ARE ENTERING:

**Rider's division is determined by their age as of December 31, 2017**

**Ages: 9-11 are Juniors, 12-13 are Intermediates & 14-18 are Seniors**

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| 1 ____ Senior Fitting & Showmanship (14-18)                   | 15 ____ W/T Trail Class                  |
| 2 ____ Intermediate Fitting & Showmanship (12 & 13)           | 16 ____ W/T/C Trail Class                |
| 3 ____ Junior Fitting & Showmanship (9-11)                    | 17 ____ W/T English/Western Pattern Ride |
| 4 ____ Judging Class (open to all) Danish Ribbons             | 18 ____ Senior Western Equitation        |
| Can we use your horse for this class if needed? Y ____ N ____ | 19 ____ Senior Western Pleasure          |
| Adult Volunteers to handle horses requested.                  | 20 ____ W/T Western Equitation           |
| 5 ____ Senior English Equitation                              | 21 ____ W/T Western Pleasure             |
| 6 ____ Senior English Pleasure                                | 22 ____ Intermediate Western Equitation  |
| 7 ____ W/T English Equitation                                 | 23 ____ Intermediate Western Pleasure    |
| 8 ____ W/T English Pleasure                                   | 24 ____ Junior Western Equitation        |
| 9 ____ Intermediate English Equitation                        | 25 ____ Junior Western Pleasure          |
| 10 ____ Intermediate English Pleasure                         | 26 ____ W/T/C Western Pattern Ride       |
| 11 ____ Junior English Equitation                             | 27 ____ W/T Egg on Spoon                 |
| 12 ____ Junior English Pleasure                               | 28 ____ W/T/C Egg on a Spoon             |
| 13 ____ Hunter Under Saddle                                   | 29 ____ W/T/C Ride a Buck                |
| 14 ____ W/T/C English Pattern Ride                            | 30 ____ Mystery Game                     |

## LUNCH

➤ Mail to Ceil Robichau, 164 South Monmouth Road, Monmouth, ME 04259 with registration packet.

## RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT FOR A MINOR

In consideration of (rider's name) \_\_\_\_\_ my (son-daughter-ward {circle one}) being permitted to participate in **Monmouth's 4-H Horse Show** conducted by the **Monmouth Fair**, I, for my (son/daughter/ward),

His/her legal representatives, heirs, and assigns, hereby release, waive and discharge the **Monmouth Fair**, its officers, members, employees, and each of them,

Herein after referred to as releasees, from all liability to my (son/daughter/ward), his/her spouse, legal representatives, heirs and assigns, for any and all loss or damage, and any claim for damages resulting there from, on account of injury to his/her person or property, even injury resulting in death of my (son/daughter/ward), whether caused by the negligence of releasees or otherwise while the releasor is engaged in the above described event or events.

I agree to indemnify the releasees and each of them from any loss, liability, damage or cost they may incur due to the presence of my (son/daughter/ward) in or upon the property of the **Monmouth Fair** or property rented, leased, or used thereby, whether caused by the negligence of the releasees or otherwise.

I hereby assume full responsibility for the risk of bodily injury, death, or property damage due to the negligence of releasees or otherwise while in or upon the property rented, leased, or used thereby, and while competing, officiating in, working or for any purpose participating in the above described event or events.

I expressly agree that this release, waiver, and indemnity agreement is intended to be a broad and inclusive as permitted by the Laws of the State of Maine, and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

### Optional for non-parents:

The undersigned is guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ as the  
result of an order entered by the Court on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018 in the action  
entitled:

### All must fill out & sign

In witness whereof, releasor has executed this release at **Monmouth Fair** this \_\_\_\_\_ day in the month of \_\_\_\_\_ and year of 2018 first above written.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/ Guardian Signature

## **Maine 4-H Horse Program Helmet Rule**

1. Effective January 1, 2002 all youth under 19, participating in any 4-H equestrian activities, regardless of riding seat, shall wear a properly fitted equestrian helmet which carries a current ASTM/SEI approval with secured chin harness properly fastened at all times when mounted on an equine or in a vehicle being pulled by one or more equines.
2. It is the responsibility of the rider or the parent or guardian of the minor rider, to see to it that the head gear worn complies with such approved standards and carries the proper seals, and is properly fitted and in good condition. Due to degeneration concerns, equestrian and sport manufacturers recommend replacement every five years. The University of Maine system, organizing committees, and licensed officials or leaders are not responsible for checking headgear worn for such compliance. The University of Maine or said committees and officials and leaders make no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, about such headgear and cautions riders that serious injury may result despite wearing head gear, as no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries in equestrian activities.
3. At any 4-H equestrian activity, the official activity manager (e.g. show manager, clinic organizer, club leader) may, at his/her discretion, check a participant's equestrian helmet for proper standards. If the participant is found to be wearing an unapproved, defective or improperly fitted helmet, he/she will NOT be permitted to participate in any mounted or driving activities until proper headgear is acquired.
4. The approved helmet requirement supersedes all hat and helmet requirements as stated under appointments in the current set of rules and regulations

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### **Assumption of Risk and Release Maine 4-H Horse Program**

I have read **the MAINE 4-H HORSE PROGRAM EQUESTRIAN HELMET RULE** printed above. I understand that equestrian activity involves certain risks of physical injury. I, nonetheless, wish to participate in the Maine 4-H Horse Program. I do so at my own risk and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the University of Maine, the University of Maine Cooperative Extension System, their trustees, employees, and agents from any and all losses, penalties, damages, settlements, costs or other expenses or liabilities arising out of this activity. This release, however, is not intended to release the University of Maine from causes of action arising out of the sole negligence of the University of Maine, its Trustees, employees, or agents.

**Name of rider:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Rider** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of parent/guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of parent/guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(If 4-H member is under 18, this must be signed by parent or guardian)**

**Address of 4-H member:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **email:** \_\_\_\_\_