

**DEPARTMENT 16**  
**SECTION 1**  
**Youth – Horse**  
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**General Rules**

1. Please read general rules and regulations page.
2. All exhibitors and their parents/guardians are responsible to read and understand the rules set forth in the Chelsea Community Fair Book. Exhibitors and attendants will comply with the Chelsea Fair Rules and Regulations, the Livestock Exhibition Code of Conduct as well as all rules below.
3. Harassment, profanity or unsportsmanlike conduct toward officials, judges, staff, superintendents, other exhibitors, or grounds property will not be tolerated and will result in immediate removal from Fairgrounds.
4. Behavior toward any animal which Superintendent deems harsh or inhumane, by exhibitors or guests, will not be tolerated and may result in removal from the Fairgrounds.
5. Chelsea Fairground liability waiver must be signed for each exhibitor prior to any riding or lunging. Chelsea Community Fair Management, Superintendents, Judges, and its helpers will not be responsible (individually or collectively) for loss, damage, or injury to any persons, horses, or property incurred in connection with these shows.
6. Per Michigan law, a current negative Coggins must be shown to office staff upon arrival.
7. Exhibitors may wear a cowboy hat while being judged for a western flat class. **Otherwise, All riders under the age of 18 are required to wear ASTM/ SEI approved headgear while mounted.**
8. No stallions allowed.
9. Only registered exhibitors may ride on the Fairgrounds.
10. No one other than Superintendent, ring steward and show staff may approach the judge(s).
11. The only people permitted in the ring during any class will be the exhibitor(s), ring person(s), and official(s) necessary to run the class.
12. Exhibitors must clean up after themselves and their horse prior to leaving the fairgrounds. This includes area around the trailer.
13. Camping is not available.
14. Rules not addressed in the Chelsea Community Fair Premium Book regarding behavior, clothing, equipment, or judging of classes will be governed by the most recent edition of the 4H Horse and Pony Show Rules and Regulations.
15. A member or a family member must attend setup and clean up. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from next year's show.

**Barn, Stall and Arena Rules**

1. Barns, stalls and aisleways shall remain clean and clear of obstacles.
2. Stall decorating is encouraged but must be tasteful and appropriate. Decorations deemed inappropriate by Superintendent must be removed immediately.
3. All decorations must be removed prior to haul out.
4. Stall must be cleaned prior to haul out this includes stripping of all sawdust.
5. It is HIGHLY recommended that any tack stalls be curtained and locked. Exhibitors assume all risk (including damage and loss) associated with leaving items at the Fairground.
6. All horses must be stalled by 8 PM unless participating in a class or rodeo.
7. Horses are to be exercised in arena only.
8. No free lunging is permitted at anytime, anywhere on the grounds.

9. Horses may move between the Horse Barn and area directly around the arena. No horses are allowed north of the Horse Barn.
10. At no time may a horse go into any area open to the public for the purpose of accessing rides or concessions. Horses are not permitted in any other barns other than the Horse Barn.

### **Parking, Passes and Hauling In/Out Rules**

1. Exhibitors may haul-in Wednesday or Thursday, **before** 4pm, or the morning of the show.
2. Exhibitors may haul-out at the conclusion of the show or any of the following days **before** 4pm. Horses may remain at the Fairgrounds until Sunday at 9am.
3. Exhibitors will be admitted to the fair for each day they are showing.
4. Exhibitors who stall a minimum of 2 nights will be eligible for an Exhibitor Pass.
5. Vehicles must be parked in designated areas only. Trailers may be dropped along the southern fence if stalling overnight.
6. Spectators will need to purchase day passes.

### **Registration and Class Rules**

1. Refunds will NOT be given for dropped classes.
2. Show staff reserves the right to combine or split any classes.
3. Proper riding attire is required at all times, including during warm up.
4. Gymkhana riders may wear short sleeves but tank tops are not allowed.
5. Participants receiving coaching while in the show ring may be dismissed at the judge's discretion. Coaching is defined as communication of any type to participants in the show ring.
6. Gymkhana riders may not run through the gate and must be in control of their horse prior to the start of the pattern.
7. The judge has the right to deem an exhibitor unsafe or not in control and excuse the rider from the arena. This is considered a disqualification.
8. Refunds will not be issued for class disqualifications.
9. Judge's decisions are final.
10. Preregistration is preferred but exhibitors may register the morning of the show. See show bill for more information regarding fees.
11. Preregistration is available at <https://forms.gle/VsxB6G1L9LGZoTdq6> or submitted via email to Meggie81@aol.com

### **Exhibitor Age and Division Requirements**

1. Exhibitor's age is as of 12/31/2022
2. Show is open to any rider 18 years old and younger.
3. Divisions are defined as:
  - a. Leadline/Walk Only (10 years old & under)
  - b. Walk-Trot (13 years old & under)
  - c. Junior (7-14 years old, W/T/C)
  - d. Senior (15-18 years old, W/T/C)
  - e. Mini: 38" or less (at the last few hairs of the mane)
4. Exhibitors who have participated in canter classes at other open shows shall not enter into the Walk-Trot Division without approval from Superintendent.
5. Walk-Trot exhibitors may only participate in classes designated as a Walk-Trot class.
6. Horse may only enter a class once.
7. Rider may only enter a class once.
8. Horse/rider combination may only show in one division.
9. Leadline/Walk only classes will not be placed but will receive participation ribbons.

**High Point and Championship Classes**

1. High Point participation is optional. Points do not carry over from Rail to Gymkhana. High Point Divisions are defined as:
  - a. Rail Divisions:
    - i. Walk/Trot: 13 & under
    - ii. Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
    - iii. Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
  - b. Gymkhana Divisions:
    - i. Gymkhana W/T: 13 & under
    - ii. Gymkhana Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
    - iii. Gymkhana Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
2. Showmanship Championships-first and second place riders from Senior, Junior, Walk/Trot and Minis are eligible to participate in Showmanship Championships. Leadline/Walk Only are not eligible for championship classes.
3. Showmanship Championship classes do not count towards Highpoint.

**THURSDAY**

**Show starts at 8:00 am**

**SHOWMANSHIP**

Class #	Class Description	Division
1	Western Showmanship Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
2	Western Showmanship Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
3	Western Showmanship W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
4	Western Showmanship Mini	Mini: 38" or less
6	English Showmanship Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
7	English Showmanship Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
8	English Showmanship W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
9	English Showmanship Mini	Mini: 38" or less
11	English/Western Showmanship Leadline/WO	Leadline/Walk Only Division: 10 & under

**ENGLISH**

Class #	Class Description	Division
12	Hunt Seat Pleasure Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
13	Hunt Seat Equitation Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
14	Hunt Seat Pleasure Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
15	Hunt Seat Equitation Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
16	Hunt Seat Pleasure W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
17	Hunt Seat Equitation W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
18	English Discipline Rail W/T/C	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
		Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
19	English Discipline Rail W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
20	English Riding Pattern Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
21	English Riding Pattern Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
22	English Riding Pattern W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
23	Hunt Seat Bareback Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
24	Hunt Seat Bareback Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
25	Hunt Seat Bareback W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under

## LEADLINE/WALK-ONLY

Class #	Class Description	Division
26	Hunt Seat or Western Pleasure L/W	Leadline/Walk Only Division: 10 & under
27	Hunt Seat or Western Equitation L/W	Leadline/Walk Only Division: 10 & under

## WESTERN

Class #	Class Description	Division
28	Western Pleasure Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
29	Western Equitation Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
30	Western Pleasure Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
31	Western Equitation Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
32	Western Pleasure W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
33	Western Equitation W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
34	Western Discipline Rail W/T/C	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
		Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
35	Western Discipline Rail W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
36	Western Riding Pattern Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
37	Western Riding Pattern Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
38	Western Riding Pattern W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
39	Western Bareback Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
40	Western Bareback Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
41	Western Bareback W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under

## TRAIL

Class #	Class Description	Division
42	Trail Leadline/Walk Only	Leadline/Walk Only Division: 10 & under
43	Trail Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
44	Trail Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
45	Trail W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
46	Trail Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less

## FRIDAY

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## POLES

Class #	Class Description	Division
47	Pole Bending Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
48	Pole Bending Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
49	Pole Bending W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
50	Pole Bending Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less

## TWO-MAN RELAY

Class #	Class Description	Division
51	Two-Man Relay Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
52	Two-Man Relay Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
53	Two-Man Relay W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
54	Two-Man Relay Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less

## FLAGS

Class #	Class Description	Division
55	Flags Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
56	Flags Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
57	Flags W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
58	Flags Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less

## CLOVERLEAF

Class #	Class Description	Division
59	Cloverleaf Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
60	Cloverleaf Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
61	Cloverleaf W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
62	Cloverleaf Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less

## MYSTERY GAME 1

Class #	Class Description	Division
63	Mystery Game 1 Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
64	Mystery Game 1 Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
65	Mystery Game 1 W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
66	Mystery Game 1 Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less

## MYSTERY GAME 2

Class #	Class Description	Division
67	Mystery Game 2 Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
68	Mystery Game 2 Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
69	Mystery Game 2 W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
70	Mystery Game 2 Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less

## MYSTERY GAME 3

Class #	Class Description	Division
71	Mystery Game 3 Senior	Senior W/T/C: 15-18 years old
72	Mystery Game 3 Junior	Junior W/T/C: 7-14 years old
73	Mystery Game 3 W/T	Walk/Trot: 13 & under
74	Mystery Game 3 Mini In-Hand	Mini: 38" or less