

2025 NYS Fair Horse Show Information





Construction of the one
of the new Horse Barns!

52 Stalls in each barn
104 Stalls total!

There will also be two
Portable Restrooms down
in our location this year.

Rule Updates for 2025

- 1. Readers will be allowed for Dressage Tests**
- 2. AQHA Western Ranch Patterns #1 and #4 will be used for the Western Ranch Pattern Classes.**

Updating up of the Rule Book has been started and will be shared when completed.

Schedule for the 2025 NYS Fair 4-H Horse Show

Tuesday August 19th-Huntseat Division Arrival

Wednesday August 20st-Hunter Division-Jumping

Thursday August 21st-Hunt Seat and Saddleseat Division-Flat Classes

Friday August 22nd--English Dressage Division

4:00 PM-Stables Open for Western Division Exhibitors who are participating in

Educational Events on Saturday August 23, 2025

Saturday August 23rd Educational Events

Sunday August 24th-Western Division

Monday August 25th-Western Division

Tuesday August 26th-Western Dressage Division & Western Ranch Clinic

Wednesday August 27th-Western Ranch Division

Thursday August 28th-Western Ranch Division

Friday August 29th -Driving/Miniature Division

Saturday August 30th-Parade/Drill/Quadrille & Mounted Games

Sunday August 31st- Gymkhana Division

Monday September 1st-Gymkhana Division

1st Step of Entering

1. There will be only one entry form required to be completed this year which will be the one issued by the NYS Fair. Please follow all directions and give correct information-County, Region, etc.
2. Youth must be entered in Showworks by Saturday August 2, 2025. Educators will have access to the link for entering.
3. When you enter through Showworks you be asked if you are interested in camping information if you do, they will send it to you so you can request a camping site.
4. Youth should make sure they register for the correct class including the right division (Jr., Sr., Pony). County educator should make sure the youth is aware of the class(s) that they are qualified for.

5. If Pony classes are not offered at the County level, they can be entered in the NYS Fair Horse Show if approved by Educator.

6. No Changes will be made at the time of check-in. What is registered in the NYS Fair entry form will be what will be used so be sure to double check entry form before submitting.



2nd Step of Entering

- 1. A 4-H Horse Exhibitor Form will be required to be completed and have required signatures. The form will be distributed and collected by the Educator.**
- 2. The Educator will scan and upload the completed form and a readable Coggins and Rabies certificate to Box that will be organized by County.**
- 3. This will need to be done before the deadline for entry for the NYS Fair.**
- 4. Counties should communicate with their Regional Chair to report how many youth are attending for each division. If counties would like additional spots than their 4 per division, they should let the Regional Chair to check for available spaces within the region.**

Preparing and Arriving at the State Fair

- 1. Be sure to obtain parking passes from Educators before coming to the Fair. We do not have extra tickets!**
- 2. Enter through Gate 11 and proceed to the first roadway on the left and continue to just past Gate 10 which is a walk-through gate, then the Beef Barn is on the left just beyond that there will be a warmup ring. There will be signs up as to where to enter. It will either be just after the ring or it may be down further where you would enter from the other end. At this time, I am unsure but will try to have the information out to everyone before the fair starts.**
- 3. There will more signage this year at the roadside when entering the Show area.**

4. When arriving at the Fairgrounds, before unloading check in with the stable manager who will give you instructions where you will be stabled in the barns.

5. There will be 1 tack stall for 4 exhibitors to share. No horses should be moved without first checking with stable manager during the stay at the Fair.

6. Since space is limited for unloading as there may be sheep exhibitors also coming in at the same time, we are asking everyone to unload as quickly as possible-30 minutes at the most will be allowed.

7. Before leaving to park in the Black Lot with truck and trailer be sure to check in with the stable manager and obtain a parking pass for that area. The tag parking pass will be required to be returned to the stable manager or the office before leaving the fair.

8. All exhibitors must use the stall and tack stall that they are assigned. Please be considerate of space and access to the tack stalls.
9. After getting settled in Exhibitors will need to check in at the office for their division.
10. Exhibitors will need to have their helmets inspected when they check in.
11. No exhibitor will be checked in until a division is completed.



State Fair Horse Show Considerations/Expectations

- 1. Positive behavior and good sportsmanship should always be displayed by everyone.**
- 2. All youth must wear their assigned number when mounted on their horse.**
- 3. All exhibitors should be ready and waiting to be called into the holding area.**
- 4. All exhibitors are expected to always sit in the saddle with legs on both sides of the horse.**
- 5. No riding in Barns.**
- 6. Rings will be closed nightly at 8:00 pm.**

7. The lights in all barns will be turned off at 10:00 pm.
8. Aisles must be kept neat, and uncluttered-NO tables should be in the aisles and please limit the number of chairs. This is for fire safety reasons and ease of moving horses in and out of the barns.
9. Manure needs to be put to the front of the dumpster-No manure should be dumped on the ground.
10. No trucks or trailers can be in the barn area until the division/show is finished for the day.
- 11.No vehicles without a Tan Parking ticket will be towed with no warning.



General Expectations

- 1. Reminder-This is a 4-H Youth Horse Show, and the youth exhibitor should be doing the preparation/caring of their own horse. This is stated in the Equine Rule Book and is considered to be a Positive Youth Development element of the overall 4-H program.**
- 2. This is a great time for showcasing the 4-H youth-it is not all about winning-it is about doing the best they can, learning and having fun doing it.**
- 3. There may be an opportunity to show in the Coliseum, but I am not aware yet of any date(s) at this time .**
- 4. Youth should be doing the preparation for showing with adults supervising. Youth should have the ownership in caring for their animals.**

5. No Poor Sportsmanship will be tolerated.

6. There will be a holding area that the exhibitors who are waiting for the next class or waiting to enter the ring will be asked to stay within so the Technical Delegate can do tack checks, and this helps the show run on a schedule. There will be staff in the area to help young people when needed. No trainers, parents, or coaches will be in this area.

7. Youth at this level should be able to handle this task.

8. Judges decision is final and an exhibitor or any adult should be questioning a judge without first going through the superintendent.

Suggested Ideas for the State Fair Horse Show

By Show Committee and Show Staff

- 1. For each division either the night that youth arrive or the evening of the first day of showing we would like to have a gathering with food available and make it a fun time where youth get to mingle and get to know other youth. Just to Have FUN!**
- 2. Ranch Riding Clinic after the Western Dressage Division**
- 3. Have a photographer on the grounds**
- 4. Suggestion box in the office**
- 5. Recognize a youth for Outstanding Sportsmanship during each division.**

**If anyone has a question about the NYS 4-H
Horse Show-Educator, Volunteer, Parent
PLEASE feel free to contact me at anytime from
now until you arrive at the Fair by emailing**

rlb392@cornell.edu

**Or calling
315-209-9187**

**If I don't answer leave me a message and I will
return your call asap.**

No questions should go unasked or unanswered!

**Any Questions or Suggestions or
Comments???????**

Hope to see you there!

