HORSE DEPARTMENT – 01

Horse Show Superintendents – Jenny Lang and Dr. Jessie Churchill
Draft Horse Show Superintendent – John Ingram
Gymkhana Coordinator – Neal Mercier Jr.

2016 HORSE SHOW SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 8:30 AM	**4-H Horse Show**
Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 4:30 & 7:00 PM	**Draft Horse Pull** Weigh-In 2:00PM
Thursday, August 4, 2016, 9:00 AM	**Open Pony & Driving Show**
Friday, August 5, 2016 9:00 AM	**Open Draft Horse Show**
Saturday, August 6, 2016, 8:00 AM	**Open Western Show**
Saturday, August 6, 2016, 4:00 PM	**Open Gymkhana** Sign-Up 2:00PM
Sunday, August 7, 2016, 9:00 AM	**Open English Show**

DEPARTMENT RULES - ALL DIVISIONS

1. The decisions of the Superintendent(s), Show Committee, and Judge are FINAL.
2. These rules may be adjusted by the aforementioned parties at any time *if necessary for the safety of the horses and/or riders*.
3. The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets requires that all horses/ponies, etc., entering the fairgrounds or being transported on a public highway carry a negative Coggins test for the year in which the fair is held or the preceding year. You MUST show your negative Coggins test paper when you enter a class. A New York GoPass issued by your veterinarian in conjunction with a State Animal Health Official is sufficient proof of a negative Coggins test for this event.
4. The Ulster County Fair requires that all horses/ponies, etc., entering the fairgrounds must be accompanied by a rabies certificate. You MUST show your certificate when you enter a class.
5. **At all Ulster County Fair horse shows riders 18 and under must wear ASTM SEI 1163 approved, properly fitting helmets on the fairgrounds when mounted.** Those riders found to be mounted without a helmet will be excused from the remainder of the show. No reimbursement of entry fees will be given.
6. USEF rules will be followed.
7. ***THE JUDGE'S DECISIONS ARE FINAL***. No one shall approach a judge with regard to a decision. The Show Committee shall arrange an appointment with the judge at a proper time and place if they are approached with questions.
8. Exhibitors must wear appropriate clothing, footwear and headgear for their division in accordance with USEF rules. Additional regulations may be found in the general information section listed under your division.
9. ENTRIES:
   - Each animal exhibitor will pay a $5.00 exhibitor fee in addition to class fees as noted on the entry form.
   - Checks should be made payable to: Ulster County Agricultural Society
   - Mail all pre-entries to: Ulster County Agricultural Society, Inc. P.O. Box 71, New Paltz, NY 12561
   - Walk/Trot/Jog exhibitors may not exhibit in any class where a Canter/Lope could be required.
   - Horse/Ponies being entered and not exhibited **for any reason** shall forfeit entry fees.
   - All questions shall be referred to the Show Committee whose decision shall be final.
   - The Show Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry.
10. LOGISTICS:
    - All horse shows will start on time. Please schedule your arrival to permit completion of entry forms prior to start of show. **NOTE: Post entries may be made up until 2 classes before that class enters the ring.**
    - Classes will be held in order listed unless otherwise stated.
    - If there are more than 20 entries in a class, the class may be divided at the Show Committee's discretion, with each half judged individually and awarded similar trophies and ribbons. In the event of a Stakes Class being divided, the top six ribbons in each half will be included in a ride off for ribbons/ premiums.
    - Insufficient entries in a class shall result in the cancellation of that class.
    - The Show Committee also reserves the right to divide, combine or add any classes it deems necessary.

DEPARTMENT RULES – ALL DIVISIONS CONTINUED

11. Cantering/galloping outside the ring or reckless horsemanship is not permitted. Offenders will be excused from the remainder of the show. No reimbursement of entry fees will be given.
12. LOSS, INJURY OR DAMAGE to the horse or rider is in no way the responsibility of the Ulster County Fair management.
13. STALLIONS: Entries must be 18 years of age or older to show a stallion. No stallions will be permitted to enter Walk/Trot/Jog or Short Stirrup classes.
14. CANCELLATION: In the case of rainy weather, regarding cancellation, call the Fairgrounds at 845-255-1380.
15. PAYOUTS/PREMIUMS:
    - Any adjustments in premiums, etc., must be rectified with the Show Committee immediately following the class in question.
    - If there are less than four entries in a premium class, the first place money will not be awarded. Winner of the class will receive second place money.
    - Payouts/Premiums will be paid by mail through the ULSTER COUNTY FAIR.
16. POINTS/CHAMPIONSHIPS:
    - To be eligible for championship awards the same horse and rider combination must be entered in at least three classes within their division.
    - Champions will be determined on a 5/3/2/1 basis and will be adjusted accordingly if there are less than four horses in the class.