

## HORSE SHOW/GYMKHANA RULES

- HORSE SHOW RULES:** Unless otherwise specified, rules & definitions for conducting classes as contained in the Rules for Horse Show Management. At USA Equestrian (formerly AHSA) and/or breed association approved horse shows, association rules shall apply. At non-USA Equestrian (formerly AHSA) approved horse shows, USA Equestrian rules will be used as a guideline unless otherwise specified in State or Local rules. **RULES FOR EXHIBITORS,** Information website: [cdfa.ca.gov/fe](http://cdfa.ca.gov/fe) or [californiastatehorsemen.com](http://californiastatehorsemen.com)
- GYMKHANA RULES:** Unless otherwise specified, rules & definitions for conducting classes as contained in the rule book of the California State Horsemen's Association, Inc., will apply to gymkhana classes held at this horse show, provided they do not conflict with any of the rules &/or regulations prescribed by the **Division** of Fairs & Expositions of the California Department of Food & Agriculture. Course patterns will be available on show days. Information website: [cdfa.ca.gov/fe](http://cdfa.ca.gov/fe) or [californiastatehorsemen.com](http://californiastatehorsemen.com)
- HORSE SHOW OFFICE (NORTH ARENA):** Will be open Wednesday (July 15) from 2-6pm. Thursday & Friday from 8am-5pm.
- POST ENTRIES** Management will accept post entries after the official pre-entry deadline in the Fair Office until the day before the horse show. On Wednesday, Thursday & Friday post entries will be accepted at the Horse Show Office (North Arena). **See Horse Show/Gymkhana Schedule for post entry deadlines.**
- POST ENTRY FEES** will be double the original entry fees. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- MINIMUM ENTRIES** Management will cancel any senior or open *class* with fewer than **three entries**. All junior classes will be held regardless of entry numbers.
- HALTER CLASSES—REGISTRATION PAPERS** For horses entered in halter classes, copies of current registration papers are required for all stallions, & for all horses entered in specific breed and registered classes. Papers must be submitted with entry forms. Horses cannot be shown if this requirement is not fulfilled. "Current" means that all information on registration papers (except owner's current address) is accurate on date horse is shown. Registration papers are not required for ponies, or for geldings & mares under two years of age, or for horses entered in "all other unregistered breeds" classes. Stallions under twelve months of age & still owned by the owner/breeder may be exhibited when entry is accompanied by a copy of the mare's registration certificate, & a copy of the breeders certificate. All purebred Horses participating in purebred divisions **MUST** be registered and recorded in breeds specified.
- OUT-OF-STATE HORSES:** For all out-of-state horses, exhibitors must present current original Health Certificate & Coggins Certificate to horse show management upon entry to the fairgrounds. If this requirement is not met, horse may not be shown & must be removed from the fairgrounds.
- JUNIOR EXHIBITORS** must be under 18 years of age on December 1, 2008.
- JUNIOR EXHIBITORS—OWNERSHIP** State rules require that all horses & ponies must be owned or leased by the junior exhibitor or immediate family for 120 days prior to show date. See State Rules for complete details. An original written lease must be presented to horse show management if requested. This rule does not apply to Halter Classes or Lead Line Classes.
- LEAD LINE** Juniors entered in Lead Line classes may not cross enter into other junior or open classes. Riders must be at least 4 yrs. old as of Dec. 1, '08. All handlers must be 18 years or older.
- JUNIORS** entered in Walk-Trot or Walk-Jog age group classes may not cross enter into other junior or open classes, except Open Walk-Trot or Open Walk-Jog Warm-Up horse show classes.
- JUNIOR RIDERS** in both Horse Show & Gymkhana must be at least 5 yrs. old as of Dec. 1, 2008.
- 4-H MEMBERS** who win regular junior classes not offered by any 4-H show affiliated with the Lassen County Fair, may qualify for the California State Fair Best of Show Horse Show.
- WESTERN BITS** All horses six years of age & older shown in western classes must be shown in a standard western bit. At the discretion of management or judge, horses may be mouthed.