

DEPARTMENT H – HORSES 2024

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ENTRY: Online entry is mandatory at: www.montanafair.com by **August 1, 2024**

Contact the entry office at (406)256-2400 or email: entryoffice@metrapark.com The MontanaFair Entry Office is located on the 3rd floor in the First Interstate Arena @ MetraPark

DIVISION 1 – Open Horse Show - SuperBarn

Saturday, August 10th @ 4:00 pm and Sunday, August 11th @ 9:00 am

Entry deadline is August 1, 2024, for Division 1
See Rules below regarding post entries!

Horse Office Charge: \$20.00 per horse *
Class Entry Fee: \$10.00 per class/per horse/per show
Stakes Class Entry Fee: \$15.00 per class/per horse
Stall Fee and/or Tack Stall Fee: \$15.00 per stall
Stall fees must be paid if you use a stall at anytime

***ENTRY DEADLINE:** Due to the large number of entries received for MontanaFair, an entry deadline date is established for all departments. In the Horse Department, the **ENTRY DEADLINE is THURSDAY, AUGUST 1st @ 5:00 pm.** New entries for exhibitors/horses will not be allowed after that date. Horses that have been entered and paid fees by entry deadline, may enter additional classes, however entry fees for classes (including stake classes) will be doubled and must be paid immediately with cash or check. Credit card payments will not be allowed for additional classes. MontanaFair does not operate with “tab” checks. The exhibitor may enter additional classes at any time up until 5 classes prior to class. *Minor exhibitors must have signature of a parent or guardian.* All entries must include full payment. EXHIBITORS WILL FORFEIT ANY PREMIUMS AND POINTS GIVEN TOWARDS THE HIGH POINT FOR ANY POST ENTERED CLASSES THAT ARE LEFT UNPAID at the end of the show. Post entry fees cannot be deducted from premiums earned.

ARRIVAL AND CHECK IN: Enter at Gate #1 (Livestock Entrance).

- Open Horse Show exhibitors may arrive Saturday, August 10th after 2:00 pm or Sunday, August 11th beginning at 7:00 am. Horses will be stalled in the AgBarn (newer building next to SuperBarn). Note: You will not be able to stall until the 4-H Horse Show concludes on Saturday, August 10th and stalls have been inspected.

STALLING: All horses will stall as assigned by the Superintendent and noted on exhibitor’s packet at check-in at Gate #1. Exhibitor’s gate tickets will be in those packets if applicable. DO NOT stall in any other stall than assigned or you may be asked to leave the grounds. This courtesy is on behalf of other MontanaFair exhibitors and exhibits. Please do not put signs or stall decorations on the stalls with staples or tape. Use only zip ties. The show secretary will have zip ties for your use. Bulk shavings are available for exhibitors, you must bed your own stall. We ask exhibitors to please clean up your own stall and area. Note: You will not be able to stall until the 4-H Horse Show concludes on Saturday, August 10th and stalls have been inspected.

GATE ADMISSION: Non-refundable Exhibitor’s Discount tickets (\$6) and wristbands (\$50) can be purchased on the online entry system at time of entry. **Discount exhibitor tickets will not be available after August 1, 2024.**



HORSE SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

Exhibitors must read and observe the General Information and Health Requirements at www.montanafair.com

1. U.S. Equestrian Rules will be followed unless otherwise stated in rules.
2. All breaks are at the discretion of the Superintendent. Gate holds **must be requested and approved** by the Show Superintendent, **at least five classes before the requested gate hold**. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to be at the gate, MontanaFair will not be responsible for failure of sound system outside of the arena.
3. Western hat, long sleeve shirt and boots are mandatory in Western Classes. Chaps are optional. English classes rider should wear a helmet, English style coat, long sleeved shirt and breeches with high English boots or paddock boots.
4. The judge may dictate class instructions. His/her decision will be final. The Superintendent may decide matters not related to judging decisions. Matters of equipment will be decided by Judge.
5. Eligibility – Age for the shows will be determined by contestant or horse's age on January 1st of 2024. Proof should be available in the event of a dispute.
6. Horses currently in, or that have just completed training (within the last 30 days on show date) with the Judge are ineligible for showing.
7. Patterns will be posted at least one hour before the start of the show.
8. Youth can not show stallions.
9. Any horse/rider combination that has competed in a class that requires a lope (or is entered in one), may NOT cross enter in a Walk/Trot class that does not require a lope or canter.
10. Stakes classes are open to all ages of exhibitors.

PREMIUMS (All divisions):	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
All classes (except stake classes)	\$17	\$12	\$ 9	\$ 7
Stakes Classes	\$50	\$25	\$15	\$10

Ribbons to 1st - 6th place in all classes.
 Rosettes and \$50.00 will be awarded to Open Grand Champions (Halter) Stallions, Mares & Geldings.
 Rosettes and \$25.00 will be awarded to Open Reserve Grand Champions (Halter).
 High Point Awards will be awarded AS STATED. Additional High Point Awards will not be added.

All premiums will be paid by MontanaFair as soon as possible after the fair and are payable to the exhibitor as listed on the entry form. Please allow four weeks for processing and mailing. Exhibitors awarded \$600.00 or more will be required to complete a current W-9 form prior to receipt of premium check. In the case of a tie for a high-point cash award, funds will be split on a 50/50 basis and non-cash award will be decided by a toss of the coin. Ribbons must be picked up by 6:00 on day of show before leaving the grounds. MontanaFair will not mail non-cash awards and they become surrendered if not collected at show.

OPEN HORSE SHOW - Note: To be eligible for a high point award, a halter class will be mandatory.

- OPEN** - \$500 & TROPHY BUCKLE
- 14-18** - \$150 & TROPHY BUCKLE
- 13 & UNDER** - \$150 & TROPHY BUCKLE
- WALK TROT** - \$50 & TROPHY BUCKLE (ANY HORSE OR RIDER IN THIS DIVISION MAY NOT ENTER A CLASS THAT REQUIRES A LOPE).
- 18 & UNDER WALK TROT** - \$50 & TROPHY BUCKLE (ANY HORSE OR RIDER IN THIS DIVISION MAY NOT ENTER A CLASS THAT REQUIRES A LOPE).

(Handler/Horse Must Be the Same for High Point)



OPEN HORSE SHOW

Judge – To Be Announced

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 - 4:00 PM

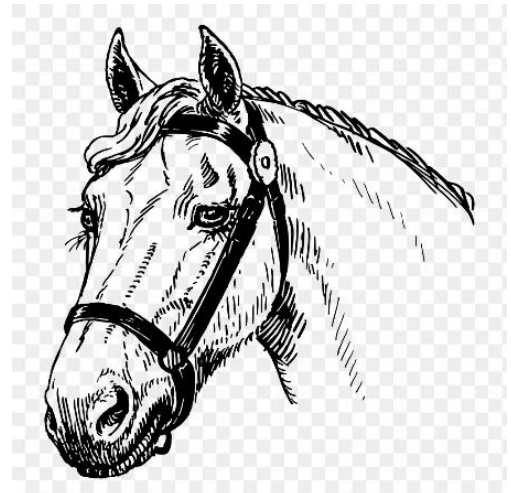
1. TRAIL - YEARLING
2. TRAIL - YOUTH - WALK/TROT 18 & UNDER
3. TRAIL - YOUTH - AGE 13 & UNDER
4. TRAIL - YOUTH - AGE 14-18
5. TRAIL – ADULT – WALK/TROT
6. TRAIL – OPEN
7. TRAIL – STAKES

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 - 9:00 AM

8. OPEN GELDING/STALLION - YEARLING
9. OPEN GELDING/STALLION - 2 & 3 YR OLDS
10. OPEN GELDING/STALLION - 4 YRS & OLDER
GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
11. YOUTH GELDING - YEARLING
12. YOUTH GELDING.- 2 & 3 YR OLDS
13. YOUTH GELDING - 4 YRS & OLDER
GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
14. OPEN MARES - YEARLING
15. OPEN MARES - 2 & 3 YEAR OLDS
16. OPEN MARES - 4 YRS & OLDER
GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
17. YOUTH MARES – YEARLING
18. YOUTH MARES – 2 & 3 YEAR OLDS
19. YOUTH MARES – 4 YRS & OLDER
GRAND & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
20. SHOWMANSHIP - WALK/TROT
21. SHOWMANSHIP - WALK/TROT - ADULT
22. SHOWMANSHIP - 13 & UNDER
23. SHOWMANSHIP - 14-18 YEARS
24. SHOWMANSHIP - OPEN

25. SHOWMANSHIP – STAKES
26. YEARLING LUNGE LINE
27. ENGLISH PLEASURE - WALK/TROT
28. ENGLISH PLEASURE - WALK/TROT - ADULT
29. ENGLISH PLEASURE - 13 & UNDER
30. ENGLISH PLEASURE – 14-18 YEAR OLDS
31. ENGLISH PLEASURE – OPEN
32. ENGLISH PLEASURE – STAKES
33. ENGLISH EQUITATION–WALK/TROT -YOUTH
34. ENGLISH EQUITATION – WALK/TROT-ADULT
35. ENGLISH EQUITATION – 13 & YOUNGER
36. ENGLISH EQUITATION – 14-18 YEARS OLD
37. ENGLISH EQUITATION – OPEN
38. ENGLISH EQUITATION – STAKES
39. LEADLINE
40. WESTERN PLEASURE – WALK/TROT – YOUTH
41. WESTERN PLEASURE – WALK/TROT – ADULT
42. WESTERN PLEASURE – 13 & YOUNGER
43. WESTERN PLEASURE – 14-18 YEAR OLDS
44. WESTERN PLEASURE – OPEN
45. WESTERN PLEASURE - STAKES
46. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP-WALK/TROT - YOUTH
47. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP-WALK/TROT ADULT
48. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – 13 & YOUNGER
49. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – 14-18 YR OLDS
50. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – OPEN
51. WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP – STAKES

NOTE: Exhibitors must wear the correct Number assigned by the Open Entry Animal being judged. in class on their belt or back. Wearing the wrong number will mean disqualification in class. Make a last check at the end gate before entering the arena.



2024 MONTANAFAIR GENERAL INFORMATION/RULES & REGULATIONS

THE PRESS: Please contact our Marketing Department at 256-2400 for information and credentials.

EMERGENCY MESSAGES: Emergency messages for exhibitors should be directed to the MontanaFair Entry Office at (406)256-2400 or the Yellowstone County Sheriff at (406)256-2441.

ADVERTISING: Under no circumstances will any person or firm be allowed to place any advertising matter upon buildings, fences, trees or any place on the grounds, nor will it be permitted to distribute any advertising or sell articles outside the space assigned. No political advertising, petition solicitors, subscription or sheet writers.

INTERPRETATIONS & LIABILITY: MontanaFair Management reserves the right to interpret all rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, arising out of and not covered by them.

Any person who violates any of the rules as published on the MontanaFair website www.montanafair.com will forfeit all privileges and premiums and may be subject to such penalty as ordered by MontanaFair management. Submission of written or online entry serves as agreement from exhibitor to comply with this statement.

In the event of General and Department Special Rules, the Department Special Rules will govern.

MontanaFair, MetraPark and Yellowstone County, MT, their employees, agents or board members thereof will assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, death or theft, sustained by person, property or livestock of any exhibitor, exhibitor's family or employees, concessionaire or spectator. Every animal and article upon the grounds shall be under the control of MontanaFair management.

Management will put forth every effort to ensure the safety of articles after their arrival, but in no case will it be responsible for loss, theft, damages, livestock injury or death which may occur while in transit or during the time of exhibition.

DOGS: No dogs, except certified service dogs and dogs entered into competition will be allowed in any exhibit building, arenas or on the carnival midway. All dogs on the grounds must have proof of current vaccinations and health requirements as per Yellowstone County. All dogs must be on a leash at all times. Dogs, small and large animals shall not be left in vehicles or trailers or be unattended in the any parking lot or other area of the MontanaFair grounds. Unleashed dogs or dogs left unattended will be reported to the Yellowstone County Animal Control Department.

SERVICE VEHICLES: The use of private motorized service vehicles (golf carts, all-terrain vehicles, etc.), **ARE NOT ALLOWED** on MontanaFair grounds.

DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENTS: Each Superintendent will have charge of the department assigned and listed on the departmental information materials. The Superintendent will have charge of the building display spaces, stalls and equipment within the department. Rearrangement of stalls and spaces will be done only with supervision and as agreed by the Superintendent.

ENTRY INFORMATION ALL DEPARTMENTS & EXHIBITORS

1. Online entry at www.montanafair.com.
2. Entries are not considered complete until all applicable fees have been paid.
3. Should an individual enter either an animal or article in the name of another than that of the bonafide owner, or attempt to perpetrate a fraud by misrepresentation of any fact, the entry thus made must be removed from exhibition and all fees paid and premiums or awards must be forfeited.
4. Any entry which may have been inadvertently or erroneously entered may, at the discretion of the Department Superintendent or Judge, be transferred to the proper class prior to judging.
5. Exhibitors will cooperate at all times to conduct the best possible fair.
6. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated and the offending exhibitor will forfeit all premiums due and may be immediately dismissed from the fairgrounds.
7. MontanaFair is not responsible for errors in website information.

CHECKS RETURNED/DENIED CREDIT CARDS: Any exhibitor issuing a check for payment of entries, stalling or gate admissions which does not clear their account for any reason, will have five days to make payment to keep entries eligible to participate in competition. This applies to credit card transactions that are denied. A \$30.00 fee will be assessed to the exhibitor. This fee must be paid in cash, money order or cashier's check prior to competition. If MontanaFair has not been notified of transaction denial or returned check prior to judging, any premiums earned will be withheld.

REFUNDS: MontanaFair has a firm no refund policy. While recognizing that illness or injury of an exhibitor or livestock occurs, no refunds of any fees or ticket fees will be permitted. Submission of online entry acknowledges the

NO REFUND POLICY.



CODE OF ETHICS: MontanaFair is a member of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) and will abide by the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics when conducting MontanaFair 2024 as printed at www.fairsandexpos.com/pdf/ShowRingCodeofEthics.pdf

EXHIBIT RULES & REGULATIONS

JUDGES: Every effort is expended to provide competent judges. No exhibitor or spectator will be allowed to interfere with a judge in the performance of his/her duties. Exhibitor(s), owners, agents or representatives should not converse with judge until all judging of applicable exhibits has been completed. Under no circumstances should anyone converse during class judging.

DELAY OF JUDGING: Exhibitors must arrange for the prompt showing of all exhibits at the call of the judge. At the judge's discretion, any exhibit not presented promptly when called may be disqualified. Call for "closing of the gate" is at the Department Superintendent's discretion.

UNWORTHY EXHIBITS: Judges must not award a prize to an unworthy exhibit. No premiums will be awarded to undeserving exhibits where there is competition or not. Judges are allowed to award premiums as they feel worthy. The decision of the judge shall be final and no appeal will be considered except in cases of formal protest. The judge's placing in the official judge's book designates the premium paid.

PROTESTS:

1. Protests (whether formal or informal) must be submitted in writing, signed and accompanied by \$50.00 cash or certified check (refundable if the protest is sustained). The protest must plainly state the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Department Superintendent immediately after the occasion for the protest. A protest pertaining to eligibility is most suitable when submitted prior to judging.
2. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation.
3. Depending on the basis of the protest, interested parties may be notified and given the opportunity to submit evidence. A decision may be withheld until a complete investigation can be made.
4. No complaint or appeal that a judge overlooked an entry will be considered.
5. Consult 4-H Livestock (A) & Non-Livestock (N) departments for 4-H grievance policy.

PREMIUMS:

- All premiums are paid to the exhibitor as stated on the official entry form or online entry submission.
- Provided there are judged exhibit(s) in a class, all placings and premiums may be awarded except as otherwise provided in rules in any department.

Premiums will not be paid according to tags or ribbons, but by the awards as recorded in the judge's book. The judge's record is final.

Fair Management does not guarantee the payment of special premiums offered by merchants or private parties. These special premiums are accepted in good faith by MontanaFair.

Combined or cancelled classes are at the discretion of the Department Superintendent. Combined classes will receive only one premium for placings.

Ties for placing will result in split premium. Exhibitors are limited to two premiums per class.

Exhibitors receiving premiums in excess of \$600.00 must provide a completed, signed and dated W-9 with the personal social security number or federal taxpayer identification number. Name on W-9 must match name on entry.

Premium checks not cashed within 90 days from date of issue will become stale-dated & void.

LIVESTOCK & SMALL ANIMALS

1. All livestock and small animals entered and exhibited may be subject to being inspected for health condition before entrance to exhibit building or stalling. All animals found inferior must be removed from the fairgrounds immediately.

2. Any person who violates any of the rules as published on the MontanaFair website www.montanafair.com will forfeit all privileges and premiums and may be subject to such penalty as ordered by MontanaFair management. Submission of online entry serves as agreement from exhibitor to comply with this statement.

3. Competition is open to the world unless specified in department, (except in 4-H/FFA Junior Livestock Exhibitors must be residents of Montana).

4. On-line pre-entry is required for all livestock entries. Late entries will not be accepted.

5. In all cases where registration is required, all animals exhibited must be registered on the records of the various breed associations of classes listed herein. Partnership owned animals must be entered in the name of the owner appearing on the herd books of registry. Original registration or copies must accompany livestock and be available for presentation upon request of Fair management.

6. Animals shown in all group classes must be entered and shown in their respective individual classes.

7. Exhibitors will be required to keep their stalls, pens and alleys in a clean and attractive condition. Bedding and litter shall be disposed of in designated areas. First bedding will be provided by MontanaFair. Additional or replacement bedding must be furnished by exhibitor and be of the type specified by Fair management. MontanaFair does not provide bedding in tie-out areas.

8. Exhibitors are not allowed to block other exhibits or stalling alleys with equipment or blocking chutes.



ANIMAL HEALTH BRAND & IMPORT REGULATIONS

Direct Inquiries to:

Montana Department of Livestock - Animal Health Division
Helena, MT 59601

Phone: 406.444.2043 Fax: 406.444.1929 www.mt.gov/liv
(Do not call the entry office for health information)

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to comply with all current health, brand and import rules and regulations as stated upon the Montana Department of Livestock website www.mt.gov/liv on entry and arrival at the MontanaFair grounds. Regulations and requirements can change daily. Please make sure you have the proper requirements.

Out of County Exhibitors: Exhibitors crossing county lines with cattle, horses and sheep must obtain a brand inspection certificate or travel permit before leaving home and turn them in at check-in of the animal or be subject to a heavy fine according to Montana law.

