



## Windham County Agricultural Society Brooklyn Fair – Horse Show Rules

1. A Rabies Certificate and Negative Coggins must be on file at the secretary booth before a horse will be allowed to enter any classes at the show. The horse's name on the Rabies Certificate and Coggins must match the registered name.
2. Show Committee and Property Owners will not be responsible for injury to animals, persons, or damage to the property of exhibitors or spectators.
3. All Post-Entries must be registered prior to the start of the session.
4. The Judge's decision is final.
5. All ages referred to in the class list are as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
6. No horses shall be allowed in the spectator area at any time.
7. No dogs allowed.
8. Management reserves the right to prohibit any persons from attending or showing a horse in the ring and further to remove any person or horse from the show for just cause without being liable for compensation.
9. Exhibitors are notified that any act of discourtesy to the judge or officials on the part of the owner shall forfeit all entry fees.
10. Excessive whipping, spurring, unnecessary yanking on the bit, or any form of cruelty/neglect to a horse will not be tolerated and should be reported to the Show Manager
11. Profanity in or out of the ring will not be tolerated.
12. Management reserves the right not to refund any money other than for lameness, or an injury to a horse defined by the Veterinarian at the owner's expense.
13. All exhibitors riding a horse anywhere on the grounds in an English saddle must wear a helmet. Helmets are allowed in all classes, at the exhibitor's discretion regardless of discipline.
14. Proper shoes with heels are required when riding on the showgrounds.
15. Proper attire is required in all classes.
16. Exhibitor's assigned number must at all times be prominently displayed on the exhibitor's back or both sides of the saddle pad. At no time should the rider's hair obscure any or all of the number. Any exhibitor entering the show ring without their number properly displayed will be automatically disqualified.

17. Admission is to be paid for all entering grounds. One admission rate credit (\$10.00) will be applied to each entry.  
Discounted Admission Tickets can be purchased Prior to the fair by going to <https://brooklynfair.org/tickets>
18. Warmups are permitted 2 hours prior to the show. Half hour before show starts ring will need to be cleared. Warmup will be allowed for 15 minutes during the lunch break.
19. Classes to be placed 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>.  
The following point system will be used: 1st: 10 points 2nd: 8 points 3rd: 7 points 4th: 6 points 5th: 5 points 6th: 4 points 7th: 3 points 8th: 2 points.

Show Managers: Amy Vertefeuille & Jennifer Crossman

Judge: Joshua Noble

Announcer: Jennifer Crossman & TBD

Office Staff: Joanne Johnson, Jennie Kapszukiewicz

## **Class Descriptions**

### **DRIVING:**

To be shown in appropriate attire. To be shown in an appropriate vehicle at a walk, pleasure trot, slow trot, and extended trot. It is imperative that the horse give the distinct appearance of being a pleasure to drive, with emphasis on the walk and smooth transitions. The horse must stand quietly and back readily. To be judged on manners, performance with proper cadence and balance and gait 60%; type and conformation 40%,

No cantering is permitted in Carriage Driving classes. A break to canter is defined as three full strides.

Attendants are encouraged in the lineup.

Cones Order of Go is to be posted at the office.

High Point Awards will be awarded at the end of the afternoon session.

### **DIVISIONS:**

- Pony / VSE: Open to Ponies, miniature horses, and donkeys. Ponies with a height of 14.2 hands and under, Very Small Equine (VSE) with a height of 46" and under.
- Junior: Drivers under the age of 18, drivers under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a knowledgeable adult driver capable of rendering assistance. All junior drivers must wear properly fitted headgear with the chinstrap always fastened. Juniors are not to cross enter into any other division.
- Horse: Horses over 14.2 hands, can be of any breed or discipline.
- Draft: Draft horses and donkeys between 14.2 - 16.2 hands

**Working Class:** To be judged 70% on performance, manners, and way of going; 20% on the condition and fit of harness and vehicle, and 10% on neatness of attire.

Reinsmanship Class: To be judged 75% on the handling of reins and whip, control, posture, and overall appearance of the driver, 25% on the condition of harness and vehicle, and neatness of attire.

Timed Obstacles: Obstacles will be set at a standard width of 200cm and will be timed, with the fastest time winning. Penalties will be judged with a cone or ball down, with a 5 second time penalty added to your final time. Obstacles not to exceed 20.

#### SMALL EQUINE DIVISION

- Open to all small equines of all ages (*miniature horses, miniature donkeys, mules, and ponies*) that do not exceed 14'2". Personal Attire should follow the discipline. Proper show halter and lead required. Chain on the lead is permitted under the chin. Baiting is not allowed.

#### MODEL HORSE

In hand class to be judged on conformation to breed standards. Model horse is a class that stands on it's own and is not part of any division and has no day end prize.

- Open to all equine types.
- Open to all exhibitors.
- Appropriate halter is required, or appropriate bridle/headstall with throat latch.
- Judged at the walk and trot to evaluate movement and way of going.
- This is not a pattern class all exhibitors will be directed by the ring master.
- Baiting is not allowed.

#### Lead Line Division:

Open to riders ages 2-7 as of January 1 of the current year who have never competed in any class other than Lead Line. Open to all disciplines. Riders will be required to direct their own mounts; handler's interference will be penalized. A halter over or under the bridle is mandatory, the handler must be 16 years of age or older. The trail class will consist of no more than four (4) obstacles. Side walkers and grab straps are permitted for ages 2-4.

Walk/Trot 10 & Under: Open to riders ages 10 and under in all disciplines. Open to riders who have never competed in any class at any show requiring a canter. Open to all disciplines.

Walk/Trot 11 - 17: Open to riders ages 11 – 17 in all disciplines. Open to riders who have never competed in any class at any show requiring a canter. Open to all disciplines.

Adult Walk/Trot: Open to riders 18 years & over in all disciplines. Class to be shown at a walk and trot/jog, both directions of the ring. May be asked to halt or back. The same horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any class or division that requires canter at the Brooklyn Fair Horse Show.

#### Open Junior Division:

Open to riders 18 years old and under showing walk, trot, and canter. Showing in English or Western attire.

#### Open Adult Division:

Open to riders ages 18 years & over in all disciplines. The class will require a walk, trot, and canter.

#### Beginner W/T/C DIVISION:

Open to beginner riders in their first or second year of showing at the canter. Open to all disciplines.

#### Senior Division:

Open to horses and ponies ages 18 years and older. Proof of age is mandatory to enter this division. Open to all disciplines.

### Ranch Division

Open to all equines including mules and donkeys. Open to all riders of any age. Riders are to be worked at the walk, trot, and lope both directions of the ring. Attire should be Traditional western attire that reflects the true ranch lifestyle is recommended. Appropriate western attire includes a long sleeve shirt with collar and cuff that has buttons, or snaps that must be fastened at the wrist, a western hat and boots with heels. Adding chinks/chaps, wild rags or western scarves are optional. Shirts that have gems/crystals are discouraged but not penalized. Safety helmets (hard hats) are allowed in all classes. Trimming inside the ears, braided or banded manes and tail extensions are discouraged but not penalized. Equipment with silver should not count over a good working outfit. Silver on bridles and saddles is discouraged but not penalized.

BROOKLYN FAIR OPEN WALK/TROT PLEASURE CLASSIC: Open to all disciplines to be shown at a walk/trot or jog. Additional testing may be required. Open to riders who have not shown at the canter at the Brooklyn Fair Horse Show.

### BROOKLYN FAIR OPEN PLEASURE CLASSIC:

Open to all disciplines to be shown at a walk, trot, and canter. Additional testing may be required.

## **SATURDAY DIVISIONS**

### Pony/VSE

1. Pony / VSE Working
5. Pony / VSE Reinsmanship
9. Pony / VSE Timed Obstacles

### HORSE

2. Horse Working
6. Horse Reinsmanship
10. Horse Timed Obstacles

### DRAFT

3. Draft Working
7. Draft Reinsmanship
11. Draft Timed Obstacles

### JUNIOR

4. Junior Working
8. Junior Reinsmanship
12. Junior Timed Obstacles

## **13. Championship - Brooklyn Fair Driving Championship**

## **SUNDAY DIVISIONS**

### Small Equine

1. Small Equine Halter
3. Small Equine In-Hand Discipline Rail
7. Small Equine Trail In-Hand

### Lead-Line

4. Lead-Line Equitation
5. Lead- Line Pleasure
6. Lead-Line Trail

### Open Adult W/T

8. Open Adult W/T Equitation
12. Open Adult W/T Pleasure
16. Open Adult W/T Discipline Rail

### Senior Horse

9. Senior Horse Equitation
13. Senior Horse Pleasure
17. Senior Horse Discipline Rail

### Walk Trot 10 & Under

10. Walk/Trot 10 & Under Equitation
14. Walk/Trot 10 & Under Pleasure
18. Walk/Trot 10 & Under Discipline Rail

### Walk/Trot 11-17

11. Walk/Trot 11-17 Equitation
15. Walk-Trot 11-17 Pleasure
19. Walk/Trot 11-17 Discipline Rail

### Ranch

20. Ranch Riding
24. Ranch Horse Pleasure
28. Ranch Discipline Rail

### Beginner W/T/C

21. Beginner W/T/C Equitation
25. Beginner W/T/C Pleasure
29. Beginner W/T/C Discipline Rail

Open Adult

22. Open Adult Equitation

26. Open Adult Pleasure

30. Open Adult Discipline Rail

Open Junior

23. Open Junior Equitation

27. Open Junior Pleasure

31. Open Junior Discipline Rail

### **CLASSIC CLASSES**

**32. Brooklyn Fair Open Walk/Trot Pleasure Classic**

**33. Brooklyn Fair Open Pleasure Classic**