



NORTHWEST
WASHINGTON

FAIR

Open Light Horse

FAIR DATES: August 13-22, 2026

EXHIBIT DATES: August 18-22, 2026



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OPEN CLASS SHOW SPONSOR

OPEN LIGHT HORSE

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Entries must be placed online by July 8th.

Late entries will be charged a fee of \$25.00 per head through July 12th.
Late entries may not be accepted. After July 12 late entries will not be accepted.

OPEN CLASS LIGHT HORSE EXHIBITORS:	
REGISTRATION FEE \$12.00 (must enter Light Horse Registration Class for each horse you will be showing and pay online)	
No entry fee or complimentary passes for heavy horse, poultry, or rabbits	
LIGHT HORSE OPEN CLASS GATE ADMISSION:	
1-2 Animals Entered	1 Complimentary Season Pass Wristband
3-4 Animals Entered	2 Complimentary Season Pass Wristbands
5 Animals Entered	3 Complimentary Season Pass Wristbands

Open Light Horse Schedule <i>Subject to change, classes may be combined, split, or canceled</i>	
Tuesday Aug. 18	3:00 PM Working Western
Wednesday Aug. 19	8:00 AM Halter & Showmanship
	3:00 PM English
	6:00 PM Driving
Thursday Aug. 20	3:00 PM Western, Leadline, & Bareback
	7:00 PM Gaming
Friday Aug. 21	8-10 AM
	3:30 PM Trail
	7:30 PM Gaming
Saturday Aug. 22	9:00 AM Working Pairs, Discipline Rail, & Versatility
	3:00 PM Costume & Gaming
	10:00 PM Take down and haul out

1. **Exhibitors must be part of a Club or barn.** Local groups will be given priority for stall assignments. The number of stalls per club or barn will be allocated by the Superintendent. Group will earn one herdsmanship premium, please only have group leader register for herdsmanship.
2. Haul-ins and outs are only at specified time unless authorized by Fair officials. Horses are expected to stall at the fairgrounds the last 5 days of Fair during the Open Light Horse Show.
3. Each horse/exhibitor combination must submit their own entry and have a number assigned to them. Each combination must enter their own Light Horse Registration online and pay the \$12 entry fee. Exhibitor numbers cannot be shared. Premiums go to the number used.
4. **All exhibitors are required to enter at least two (2) classes.**
5. Limited to 5 animals per exhibitor.
6. The Superintendent has the right to accept or refuse any entry.
7. 4H and FFA entries may cross-enter in Open.
8. Exhibitors must follow all NWWF Rules including those specific to the Open Light Horse Show.

9. Any interaction or interference with the judge by an exhibitor or an exhibitor's supporters or assistants will result in immediate disqualification of the exhibitor from further competition. **Do not approach the judge at any time without first contacting the Superintendent about any issue or question you may have.** Any interference with the Superintendent in the performance of her duties, in any manner, shall result in disqualification from further competition. Refusal to accept the awards made shall result in disqualification from further competition. Disqualification shall result in forfeiture of any premiums or ribbons already awarded.
10. Animals will be excused after 10 p.m. Saturday. Exhibitors may haul out Saturday night or wait until Sunday. All animals must be removed from the fairgrounds by 1 p.m. Sunday.

Northwest Washington Fair 2026 Open Light Horse Performance Show Rules

General Rules:

The Northwest Washington Fair (NWWF) refers to the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) and/or Washington State Horsemen (WSH) rules and, where possible, conforms to WSH on class specifications. Judge may modify or adjust rules to accommodate competitor needs or skill levels, at their sole discretion.

Horse Welfare – Vet Check

- **Have the Equine Health Declaration and Equine Veterinary Checklist filled out and ready to present at vet check.**
- The fair vet must and will reject any animal with an infectious disease or ectoparasites. The veterinarian will determine the animal's soundness and fitness to compete at the Fair and decide whether to admit or reject any animal at his or her discretion. The decision of the Fair vet is final.
- Horses that do not receive a Body Condition Score of 4 at vet check will not be permitted to enter the barn. If the BCS is in question, it must be confirmed by two vets or vet and vet assistant.
- Horses that show signs of lameness or another condition that may interfere with their ability to compete will be issued a provisional entry to the barn but will be prohibited from competition until cleared by a vet for participation.
- **Vet and Superintendent must co-sign any document indicating restrictions on animals or rejection of entry.**

Barn Safety

- No tying to stall fronts. Exhibitors will receive one warning regarding a horse tied to a stall front. Subsequent violations may result in forfeiture of premiums and/or being excused from the fairgrounds.
- Do not use the main aisleway or aisleway gate to enter the warmup arena unless completely unavoidable or during inclement weather (when approved by Superintendent). The safety of the public is the primary concern and responsibility for all exhibitors. If walking horses down the center aisle, provide ample warning to the public by announcing "horse coming through." Exhibitors are expected to clean up after their horses, so please plan accordingly.
- One horse per stall at all times while on the fairgrounds, including during haul-in and haul-out, with the exception of minis, ponies, and mares with foals at side.

Each horse/exhibitor combination must submit their own entry and have a number assigned to them. Exhibitor numbers cannot be shared. Premiums go to the number used.

All livestock eligible to compete in purebred classes must submit a copy of registration papers. Registration papers must be received or the horse, pony, or mini will be put in the open class. Registration papers can be dropped off at the Fair Office or emailed to entries@nwwafair.com.

Any exhibitor under the age of 18 is not allowed to show a stallion of any breed.

All open class exhibitors in performance classes under the age of 18 are required to wear a helmet.

An Amateur is qualified as one who, after his/her 18th birthday, has not engaged in any of the following activities which would make him/her a professional:

- a. Accepts remuneration for riding, driving, showing in halter/in hand, training, schooling, or conducting clinics or seminars.
- b. Accepts remuneration for giving instruction in equitation or horse training. Persons acting as counselors at summer camps or giving training to the handicapped are excluded.
- c. Rides, drives, or shows in halter/in hand competitions, any horse for which he/she or a member of his/her family or a corporation which a member of his/her family controls, receives remuneration for boarding, training, riding, driving, or showing.
- d. Gives instruction to any person or rides, drives, or shows in competitions any horse, for which activity another person in his/her family or corporation which a member of his/her family controls will receive remuneration for the activity.

Receiving monies from classes that offer scholarship bonds or premium monies from local fairs is exempt from consideration of Amateur status. See the USEF Rulebook for a complete listing of activities that do not affect the amateur status of a person. **If you do not have an amateur card from a state, national, or international organization, amateur affidavits will be available for signature in the show office.**

Classes with fewer than three entries may be canceled or combined. Large classes may be split at the discretion of the Superintendent.

Competitors may be dismissed from a class by the judge for failure to follow directions, creating a hazard, or going off-course. The class may be suspended or canceled by the judge or superintendent due to safety concerns. These decisions are at the sole discretion of the judge and/or superintendent (or designee) and may not be contested.

Tack inspections: Competitors are subject to tack and equipment inspections at any time in or out of the show arena. If equipment is not in compliance with USEF or WSH rules and regulations, exhibitor may be asked to retire until such time as they have the correct equipment. Emphasis in this regard will be on safety and horse welfare.

Any interaction or interference with the judge by an exhibitor or an exhibitor's supporters or assistants will result in immediate disqualification of the exhibitor from further competition. Do not approach the judge at any time without first contacting the Superintendent about any issue or question you may have. Any interference with the Superintendent in the performance of her duties, in any manner, shall result in disqualification from further competition. Refusal to accept the awards made shall result in disqualification from further competition. ***Disqualification shall result in forfeiture of any premiums or ribbons already awarded.***

Light Horse In-Hand

Division A: Showmanship

1. Horses to be fitted and shown in one of the following ways:
 - a. Western – appropriate halter and Western attire to be used.
 - b. English – Hunter type: Hunter type bridle or plain leather halter and hunter attire to be used. Saddle type: Appropriate bridle or show halter and saddleseat or other appropriate attire to be used.
2. Horses may be shown according to breed type, and whips will be allowed.
3. Exhibitors will be asked to lead, turn, set up, and move the animal as directed by the judge. To be judged 60% on showmanship and handling, 30% on fitting and grooming, and 10% on neatness and handling.
4. The following principles shall always apply:
 - a. The exhibitor shall always lead, back, or move the horse from the left (near) side, unless otherwise specified in the pattern.
 - b. All turns of 180 degrees or more shall be to the right, with the exhibitor walking to the right around the horse.
 - c. Forehand turns of any degree to either direction are permissible.
 - d. Quarter system of showing will be used.

Division B & C: Halter

1. Halter Mares – To be judged 100% on conformation according to breed type. Judge shall make individual examinations and check the action of each horse brought into the halter class, whether or not competition indicates that it is necessary.
2. Halter Geldings – To be judged 100% on conformation according to breed type. Judge shall make individual examinations and check the action of each horse brought into the halter class, whether or not competition indicates that it is necessary.

Division D: In-Hand Obstacle Relay

1. Each team to be comprised of four (4) members.
2. No more than one team member on course at a time; the nose of the horse on course must cross the start cone before the next team member may begin the course.
3. Class to include no fewer than five (5) and no more than eight (8) obstacles. They should be interesting, inviting, and safe for both horse and handler. Obstacles may include, but are not limited to: back through, side pass, walk over plastic, walk through water, jump (not to exceed one foot in height), and serpentine through obstacles.
4. Fastest team time wins the class. Penalties may be assessed by the judge.

Division E: Pony/Mini In-Hand Classes

1. American Miniature Horse Association (AMHA) rules shall apply unless noted otherwise. The rules may be modified at the discretion of the judge or Superintendent.

Light Horse Performance

General information:

1. A Junior Class is open to horses aged five (5) years and younger.
2. A Senior Class is open to horses aged six (6) years and over.
3. A Novice Rider/Handler Class is open to riders in their first or second year of showing at the fair or in a given division.
4. A Green Horse Class is open to horses in their first or second year of showing at the fair or in a given division.
5. No cross-entry is allowed between walk/jog and walk/jog/lope classes in the same division, with the exception of green horse or novice classes. Green horses may enter walk/jog **OR** walk/jog/lope classes in addition to the green horse classes, but not both.
6. Breeds are to be shown according to their breed type.
7. English: Tack shall be suitable to horse's type. Unless specified otherwise, some acceptable bits for hunter type horses include the following: regulation snaffles (including twisted wire snaffles), pelhams (including kimberwicks), and full bridles. A judge may penalize for non-conventional types of bits or nosebands. The following are prohibited: gag bits, mechanical hackamores, and flat polo mouthpieces. Judges must disqualify for a prohibited bit. A full bridle, pelham bridle, or breed-appropriate English headstall and bit are equally acceptable for saddleseat type horses. Bits may be latex wrapped. Per USEF Rules, peacock stirrups are banned as of December 1, 2025.
8. Western: Saddle must fit the rider and be a standard Western saddle. Unless specified otherwise, acceptable bits for Western classes include standard Western bits (see WSH Rule Book, Rule 19). NWWF also allows for the use of snaffles and bosals, with riders using two hands. Riders using two hands on a shanked bit may not be considered for placement in the class, with the exception of reining, trail, and ranch classes.
9. Appointments: Exhibitors and the judge should bear in mind that at all times entries are being judged on ability rather than on personal attire.
 - a. Hunt seat: Riders should wear coats of any tweed or Melton for hunting (conservative wash jackets in season), breeches or jodhpurs and boots. Half chaps may be penalized. All riders 17 and under must wear an approved ASTM/SEI protective headgear properly fastened while mounted. Spurs, crops, or bats are optional. Judges may penalize those who do not conform. When the judge permits hunter type riders to ride without jackets, riders must wear traditional, short, or long-sleeved riding shirts; chokers or ties are strongly recommended.
 - b. Saddleseat: Neatness is the first requisite regarding a rider's attire. A judge may not penalize for unconventional jacket colors. Day coats are allowed. Spurs of the unrowelled type, whips, or crops are optional.
 - c. Western Seat: Attire includes pants (slacks, trousers, jeans), long sleeve shirt with collar, Western hat or ASTM/SEI approved helmets, and riding boots with a heel. Neckwear (tie, pin, necklace, or decorated collar, etc.) is recommended. Appropriate Western Tack - saddle must fit the rider and be a standard Western Saddle. **Spurs and chaps are optional.**

Division F: Horse and Pony Driving

1. Classes open to any suitable two- or four-wheeled vehicle (except racing sulkies); to single animals, pairs, or tandems; to horses or ponies unless otherwise stated.
2. Entrants are to be shown at a flat-footed, brisk, and ground-covering walk; trot/intermediate gait; and trot on/increased intermediate gait, which must be faster and well-balanced with an extension of stride.
3. Reverse will be done on the diagonal at the walk or trot as directed by the ring steward.
4. Headers will be optional (at exhibitor's choice) and may ride with the whip.
5. Refer to WSH Show Division Rule Book or appropriate USEF Rule Book for appointment recommendations.

Pleasure Driving: To be shown according to breed type. To enter the ring at a trot or intermediate gait unless otherwise directed. To be shown at a flat-footed walk, show trot or intermediate gait, and an extended trot or intermediate gait (extreme speed to be penalized) both ways of the ring, with emphasis on the walk. To stand quietly and back readily. Light harness is recommended, with a snaffle or Liverpool bit, with or without checks; collar and harness are acceptable. To be judged 70% on manners, performance, condition, and style; 20% on fit condition and appropriateness of harness and vehicle; 10% on conformation.

Reinsmanship: This class is designed to test the knowledge and ability of the driver. To be conducted in the manner of an open pleasure driving class. To be judged as an equitation class, on hands, proper harness and hitching, and correct driving techniques. Reinsmanship test must include the following elements:

- Back
- Drive a large circle
- Drive a figure eight
- Extended trot/intermediate gait
- Negotiate simple obstacles (i.e. drive between two obstacles)
- Pivot ninety (90), one-hundred-eighty (180), and/or three-hundred-sixty (360) degrees with inside wheel in place, left or right
- Back between two markers
- Extended walk

Precision Driving: Precision Driving Pattern 1 or 2 may be offered (see WSH Rule Book, Rule 17), and may be modified to accommodate minis/ponies. The purpose of this class is to test the skills of the driver and the obedience and hardiness of the animal. Entries are required to drive over a course consisting of at least six (6) to eight (8) obstacles. The tract of the course will be irregular, necessitating change of direction. Markers indicating obstacles must be at least twelve (12) inches wider than the outside of each vehicle. Judged 80% on the fault system, 20% on manners and performance.

Division G: Western Seat Equitation

1. Riders will be judged on seat, hands, performance of horse, appointment of horse and rider, and suitability of horse to rider.

Western Seat Equitation (unless otherwise specified): Riders will enter the ring at a walk or jog/intermediate gait at the direction of the ring steward and are judged at a flat-footed four-beat walk, two-beat jog/intermediate gait, and a three-beat lope both ways of the ring. The order to reverse may be executed by turning toward or away from the rail. All competitors are required to back in a straight line during the line up or on the rail. Judges may require additional tests or a workout.

Western Seat Equitation, Walk/Jog: A horsemanship class with rail work, as well as pattern work at the judge's discretion. To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk and jog/intermediate gait. Not to lope. To be judged on seat, hands, and general horsemanship. Suitability of horse to rider to be considered.

Division H: Western Pleasure

Western Pleasure (unless otherwise specified): Entrants to enter at a walk or jog/intermediate gait at the direction of the ring steward. Horses will be shown at the walk, jog/intermediate gait, and lope both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. To be judged 60% on performance, 30% on conformation, and 10% on appointments.

Western Pleasure, Walk/Jog: To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk and jog/intermediate gait. Not to lope. To be judged 60% on performance, 30% on conformation, and 10% on appointments.

Western Pleasure, Color: Open to color horses, including Albino, Appaloosa, Buckskin, Dun, Grulla, Palomino, Paint, and Pinto horses. Horses must show a recognizable coat and/or color pattern. To be shown at a walk, jog/intermediate gait, and lope both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. To be judged 40% on colorful qualities, 40% on performance and manners, and 20% on conformation.

Western Pleasure, Non-Color: Open to horses of any breed or combination of breeds not eligible for Western Pleasure Color. To be shown at a walk, jog/intermediate gait, and lope both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. To be judged 80% on manners and performance, with emphasis on a pleasurable ride, and 20% on conformation.

AQHA Western Pleasure: To be shown at a walk, jog, and lope on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. Horses must lope with forward motion. Entries will be penalized for excessive speed or being on the wrong lead. Horses must back easily and stand quietly. Judged on performance and conformation at the discretion of the judge; however, a minimum of 20% of the judging shall be based on condition and conformation.

APHA Western Pleasure: Horses are to be shown at a walk, jog, and lope on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. It is mandatory that a moderate extension of the jog be asked for in at least one direct. Horses must work both ways of the ring at all gaits to demonstrate their ability with different leads. The judge shall have the right to ask for additional work from any horse. Judge may, at his/her discretion, back only the finalists.

Arabian/Half-Arabian Western Pleasure: To be judged according to the Arabian division of the USEF Rule Book. To be shown on a light rein at a walk, jog-trot, lope, and hand gallop; extreme speed to be penalized. To be judged on manners, performance, substance, quality, conformation and attitude. In the lineup, horses may be asked to back in a straight line with no additional testing, returning to the lineup at a walk. Horses may be asked to back on the rail.

All Other Breeds Western Pleasure: Horses are to be shown at a flat-footed four-beat walk, free-moving easy-riding two-beat jog, and three-beat lope both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. Extended gaits may be called for by the judge. Horses may be asked to back at the judge's discretion. To be judged on performance 60%, conformation 30%, and appointments 10%.

Division I: Working Western

Reining: All classes will be conducted under National Reining Horse Association rules, except that riders will be allowed to use two hands on the reins. Riders may not change hands from one- to two-handed or two- to one-handed during the class. Changing hand placement will result in a zero score.

Ranch Horse: The purpose of Ranch is to reflect the versatility, attitude, and movement of a working horse. The horse's performance should simulate a horse riding outside the confines of an arena and that of a working ranch horse. This class should show the horse's ability to work at a forward and working speed while under control by the rider.

Light contact should be rewarded and the horse shall not be shown on a full drape of reins. At the NWWF, riders will be allowed to use two hands on the reins, but may not change hands from one- to two-handed or vice versa during the class. Changing hand placement will result in a zero score or disqualification. Allow posting and holding the saddle horn. The horse's head position should be elevated and above level at all gaits. The overall manners and responsiveness of the horse while performing class requirements and the quality of movement are the primary consideration. See WSH rulebook for further class specifications and patterns.

Tack and appointments should be consistent with those delineated by AQHA for stock type horses and AHA for non-stock type horses.

Division J: Miscellaneous

Discipline Rail: Discipline Rail is an advanced pleasure class which tests the skills of both horse and rider, as they execute specific gaits, transitions, and movements as requested by the judge. In this class, competitors may be asked to side pass, hand gallop, pivot, back up, roll back, lead change, extend trot, counter canter(lope), and more. The class is judged on performance and manners. Competitors in this class can be dressed in either English or Western attire.

Working Pairs: Contestants compete as a pair. This is a rail class, but judge may call for a test or pattern. Pairs are judged on quality, conformation, soundness, uniformity, manners, and ability to work together happily as a pair.

Bareback: English or Western. Riders will enter the ring at a walk and are judged at a flat-footed four-beat walk, two-beat jog/trot/intermediate gait, and a three-beat lope/canter both ways of the ring. All competitors are required to back in a straight line during the line up or on the rail. Riders are to be judged on hands, seat, and suitability of horse to rider. Riders may be asked for any additional tests the judge deems necessary.

Bareback, Walk/Jog/Trot: English or Western. Riders will enter the ring at a walk and are judged at a flat-footed four-beat walk and two-beat jog/trot/intermediate gait. Riders will be asked to back. Riders are to be judged on hands, seat, and suitability of horse to rider.

Versatility: The Western section shows first, and riders shall enter the ring in western tack and appointments. Horses to be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, jog/intermediate gait, and lope without undue restraint. Following the first section, entries shall line up in the center of the ring and tack appointments shall be changed for the second section. All changes

must be made in the ring, and entries are allowed the assistance of one (1) groom, and safety will be judged. Speed in tack change at the sacrifice of safety will be penalized. Riders shall remount when tack change is complete and return to the rail in saddleseat or hunt seat tack and appointments. Horses to be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, trot/intermediate gait, and canter. Extended gaits may be requested by the judge. Horses must stand quietly and back readily. Judged 70% on performance, 20% on conformation, and 10% on appointments. Each section to count equally. The same horse/rider combination shall perform both sections.

Trail: English or Western. Shall be shown in English or Western tack and appointments. To be shown over and through obstacles at a walk, jog/trot/intermediate gait, and canter/lope without undue restraint. To be judged 70% on performance and way of going, with emphasis on manners; 20% on appointment, equipment, and neatness; and 10% on conformation.

Trail - Walk/Jog/Trot, Green Horse, Novice Rider: English or Western. Shall be shown in English or Western tack and appointments. To be shown over and through obstacles at a walk and jog/trot/intermediate gait. To be judged 70% on performance and way of going, with emphasis on manners; 20% on appointment, equipment, and neatness; and 10% on conformation.

Division K – English Equitation

Riders will be judged on seat, hands, performance of horse, appointment of horse and rider, and suitability of horse to rider. English equitation riders may compete in Hunt seat or Saddleseat tack and appointments, but may not mix them (i.e. saddleseat riders may not ride in hunt saddles).

English Equitation (unless otherwise specified): Riders will enter the ring at a walk or trot/intermediate gait at the direction of the ring steward and are judged at a four-beat walk, two-beat trot/intermediate gait, and a three-beat canter both ways of the ring. Entries shall line up at the direction of the ring steward and any or all riders may be required to execute additional tests or a pattern.

English Equitation, Walk/Trot: A horsemanship class with rail work, as well as pattern work at the judge's discretion. To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk and trot/intermediate gait. Not to canter. To be judged on seat, hands, and general horsemanship. Suitability of horse to rider to be considered.

Division L – English Pleasure

English Pleasure (unless otherwise specified): Entrants to enter at a walk or trot/intermediate gait at the direction of the ring steward. Horses will be shown at the walk, trot/intermediate gait, and canter both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. To be judged 60% on performance and manners, 30% on quality and conformation, and 10% on suitability of horse to rider. These classes will be open to both hunter type and other than hunter type horses.

English Pleasure, Walk/Trot: To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk and trot/intermediate gait. Not to lope. To be judged 60% on performance, 30% on conformation, and 10% on appointments.

English Pleasure, Color: Open to color horses, including Albino, Appaloosa, Buckskin, Dun, Grulla, Palomino, Paint, and Pinto horses. Horses must show a recognizable coat and/or color pattern. To be shown at a walk, trot/intermediate gait, and canter both ways of the ring. Light contact shall be maintained. To be judged 40% on colorful qualities, 40% on performance, way of going, and manners, and 20% on conformation.

English Pleasure, Non-Color: Open to horses of any breed or combination of breeds not eligible for English Pleasure Color. To be shown at a flat walk, trot/intermediate gait, and canter both ways of the ring. Light contact shall be maintained. To be judged 80% on manners and performance, with emphasis on a pleasurable ride, and 20% on conformation.

AQHA Hunter Under Saddle: Horses are to be shown at a walk, trot/intermediate gait, and canter both ways of the ring. Hunters under saddle should be suitable to purpose. At the option of the judge, horses may be required to hand gallop one or both ways of the ring. At the hand gallop, the judge may ask the group to halt and stand quietly on a free rein. Judged on performance, condition, and conformation of the horse, however a minimum of 20% of the judging shall be based on condition and conformation.

APHA Hunter Under Saddle: Horses are to be shown at a walk, trot, and canter both ways of the ring. Hunters under saddle should be suitable to purpose. Horses may change gaits at the flat-footed walk or trot at the Judge's discretion. Light contact with horse's mouth recommended. Horses should back easily and stand quietly. At the option of the judge, horses may be required to hand gallop one or both ways of the ring. At the hand gallop, the judge may ask the group to halt and stand quietly on a free rein.

Arabian/Half-Arabian English Pleasure: To be shown at a walk, normal trot, strong trot, canter, and hand gallop. To be judged on manners, performance, attitude, quality, and conformation. In the lineup, horses may be asked to back in a straight line with no additional testing, returning to the lineup at a walk. Horses may be asked to back on the rail.

All Other Breeds English Pleasure: Tack and attire shall be suitable to horse's type. To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, trot/intermediate gait, and canter. Extended gaits may be called for by the judge. Horses may be asked to back at the judge's discretion. To be judged on performance 60%, quality and conformation 30%, and suitability of horse to rider 10%.

Hunter Hack: To be shown at a walk, trot/intermediate gait, and canter both ways of the ring. Competitors are required to jump two (2) fences, 2' to 2'6", and gallop one way of the ring. Martingales are prohibited. It is mandatory that ALL riders (junior and senior exhibitors) wear properly fastened protective headgear which meets or exceeds ASTM and SEI standards.

Road Hack: Tack and attire shall be suitable to horse's type, martingale prohibited. To be shown both ways of the ring at a flat-footed walk, trot/intermediate gait, extended trot/intermediate gait, canter, and hand gallop with ability to move on. Light contact shall be maintained. Must stand quietly and back readily. Judged 60% on performance, 20% on manners, and 20% on substance.

Division M – Costume

1. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to assess their own horse's capacity for tolerating a costume. However, Superintendent may excuse a competitor whose costume is clearly leading to a safety concern.
2. Costumes and underlying tack and horse handling equipment may be inspected at any time.
3. Exhibitors may ride or lead their entry.

Division N – Gaming (Gymkhana) Events

1. Washington State Horsemen rules will apply. At the discretion of the gaming judge/management, these rules may be modified.

Division O – Herdsmanship

1. Group will earn one herdsmanship premium, please only have group leader register for herdsmanship.
2. Stalls and aisleways must be clean and tidied by 10 a.m. each day. Clubs/barns are responsible for cleaning the main aisle closest to them. A rotation may be established to clean high traffic common areas.
3. Stall doors may be removed with permission from Superintendent. Exhibitor must reinstall doors.
4. Decorations, drapes, and any other items attached to stalls are to remain up until 10 p.m. on Saturday or clubs/barns and exhibitors will forfeit all premiums.
5. After the Horse Barn closes on Saturday exhibitors are responsible for cleaning their own stall(s) to the floor. This includes removing all duct tape, etc., that you have used in your stall area. Stalls must be pitched to the aisle or taken to the manure pile. Failure to clean up your stall area completely will result in a cleaning fee.

DIVISION 53 – Light Horse Registration

All exhibitors in this department must enter this division. Exhibitors will need to register each animal they are showing and pay the fee of \$12.00 for each animal entered.

Limit of one \$35 exhibitor parent/guardian season pass wristband per Open Class Horse Exhibitor 18 or younger. The deadline for both these fees is July 8. Light Horse Registration will come out of premium check if not paid. Light Horse exhibitor parent/guardian wristband must be ordered and paid online through exhibitor.

Class Number

- 1. Light Horse Registration - \$12 Fee**
- 2. Exhibitor Parent/Guardian Season Pass Wristband - \$35 Fee**

LIGHT HORSE IN-HAND

DIVISION A – SHOWMANSHIP

Horses may be used by multiple exhibitors in Division A.

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Number

1. Age 13 & Under
2. Age 14-17
3. Age 18-39 Amateur
4. Age 40 & Over Amateur

DIVISION B – LIGHT HORSE HALTER

No cross-entry between any Division B classes.

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Number

1. ApHC Mares
2. ApHC Geldings
3. Arabian (AHA) Mares
4. Arabian (AHA) Geldings
5. Half-Arabian (AHA) Mares
6. Half-Arabian (AHA) Geldings
7. APHA Mares
8. APHA Geldings
9. Pinto Mares
10. Pinto Geldings
11. AQHA Mares
12. AQHA Geldings
13. All Other Breeds Mares
14. All Other Breeds Geldings

1st & 2nd places will compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Mare and Gelding.

DIVISION C – PONY & MINIATURE HORSE HALTER

No cross-entry between any Division C classes.

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Classes

1. Shetland (ASPR) 46" & Under Mares
2. Shetland (ASPR) 46" & Under Geldings
3. Open Ponies 46" & Under Mares
4. Open Ponies 46" & Under Geldings
5. Open Ponies 46-58" Mares
6. Open Ponies 46-58" Geldings
7. Miniature Horse (AMHR) Mares
8. Miniature Horse (AMHR) Geldings

1st & 2nd places will compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Mare and Gelding.

DIVISION D – IN-HAND OBSTACLE RELAY

4 exhibitors per team, premium will be given to one team member.

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Number

1. In-Hand Obstacle Relay, 46" & under
2. In-Hand Obstacle Relay, 46" & over

DIVISION E – PONY/MINI IN-HAND CLASSES

Ponies 46" and under

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Number

1. In Hand Jumping, Ponies 46" and under, 17 & Under
2. In Hand Jumping, Ponies 46" and under, 18 & Over
3. In Hand Cowboy Challenge, Ponies 46" and under, 17 & Under
4. In Hand Cowboy Challenge, Ponies 46" and under, 18 & Over
5. In Hand Pole Bending, Ponies 46" and under, 17 & Under
6. In Hand Pole Bending, Ponies 46" and under, 18 & Over
7. In Hand Flag Race, Ponies 46" and under, 17 & Under
8. In Hand Flag Race, Ponies 46" and under, 18 & Over

LIGHT HORSE PERFORMANCE

DIVISION F – HORSE AND PONY DRIVING

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Classes

1. Pleasure Driving – Single Pony or Miniature Horse, 46” & Under
2. Pleasure Driving – Single Pony, 46-58”
3. Pleasure Driving – Single Horse
4. Reinsmanship Open
5. Precision Driving Open

DIVISION G – WESTERN SEAT EQUITATION

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. Western Seat Equitation, Walk/Jog, 13 & Under
2. Western Seat Equitation, Walk/Jog, 14-17
3. Western Seat Equitation, Walk/Jog, 18-39 Amateur
4. Western Seat Equitation, Walk/Jog, 40 & Over Amateur
5. Western Seat Equitation, Novice Rider 17 & Under
6. Western Seat Equitation, Novice Rider 18 & Over Amateur
7. Western Seat Equitation, 13 & Under
8. Western Seat Equitation, 14-17
9. Western Seat Equitation, 18-39 Amateur
10. Western Seat Equitation, 40 & Over Amateur

DIVISION H – WESTERN PLEASURE

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. Western Pleasure, Walk/Jog, 17 & Under
2. Western Pleasure, Walk/Jog, 18 & Over
3. Western Pleasure, Green Horse Open (cross-entry with walk/jog okay)
4. Western Pleasure, Junior Horse (5 & Under)
5. Western Pleasure, Senior Horse (6 & Over)
6. Western Pleasure, 13 & Under
7. Western Pleasure, 14-17
8. Western Pleasure, 18-39
9. Western Pleasure, 40 & Over
10. Western Pleasure Color
11. Western Pleasure Non-Color
12. AQHA Western Pleasure
13. APHA Western Pleasure
14. Arabian/Half-Arabian (AHA) Western Pleasure
15. All Other Breeds Western Pleasure

DIVISION I – WORKING WESTERN

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. Reining, 13 & Under
2. Reining, 14-17
3. Reining, 18 & Over Amateur
4. Reining, Open
5. Reining, Novice
6. Ranch Rail, Youth
7. Ranch Rail, Amateur
8. Ranch Rail, Open
9. Ranch Riding, Youth
10. Ranch Riding, Amateur
11. Ranch Riding, Open

DIVISION J – MISCELLANEOUS

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. Discipline Rail, 17 & Under
2. Discipline Rail, 18 & Over
3. Working Pairs Open (premium will go to one rider)
4. Bareback, Walk/Jog-Trot
5. Bareback, 17 & Under
6. Bareback, 18 & Over
7. Versatility, 17 & Under
8. Versatility, 18 & Over
9. Trail, 13 & Under
10. Trail, 14-17
11. Trail, 18-39
12. Trail, 40 & Over
13. Trail, Green Horse
14. Trail, Novice Rider
15. Trail In-Hand, 17 & Under
16. Trail In-Hand, 18 & Over

DIVISION K – ENGLISH EQUITATION

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. English Equitation, Walk/Trot, 13 & Under
2. English Equitation, Walk/Trot, 14-17
3. English Equitation, Walk/Trot, 18-39 Amateur
4. English Equitation, Walk/Trot, 40 & Over Amateur
5. English Equitation, Novice Rider 17 & Under
6. English Equitation, Novice Rider 18 & Over Amateur
7. English Equitation, 13 & Under
8. English Equitation, 14-17
9. English Equitation, 18-39 Amateur
10. English Equitation, 40 & Over Amateur

DIVISION L – ENGLISH PLEASURE

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. English Pleasure, Walk/Trot, 17 & Under
2. English Pleasure, Walk/Trot, 18 & Over
3. English Pleasure, Green Horse Open (cross-entry with walk/trot okay)
4. English Pleasure, Junior Horse (5 & Under)
5. English Pleasure, Senior Horse (6 & Over)
6. English Pleasure, 13 & Under
7. English Pleasure, 14-17
8. English Pleasure, 18-39
9. English Pleasure, 40 & Over
10. English Pleasure Color
11. English Pleasure Non-Color
12. AQHA Hunter Under Saddle
13. APHA Hunter Under Saddle
14. Arabian/Half-Arabian (AHA) English Pleasure
15. All Other Breeds English Pleasure
16. Road Hack Open

DIVISION M – COSTUME

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. Costume, pony/mini, 17 & under
2. Costume, horse, 17 & under
3. Costume, pony/mini, 18 & over
4. Costume, horse, 18 & Over

DIVISION N – GAMING (GYMKHANA) EVENTS

Premiums: 25.00 20.00 15.00 15.00 10.00 5.00

Class Numbers

1. Pole Bending, 17 & Under
2. Pole Bending, 18 & Over
3. Barrel Racing, 17 & Under
4. Barrel Racing, 18 & Over
5. Figure 8 Stake, 17 & Under
6. Figure 8 Stake, 18 & Over
7. Key Race, 17 & Under
8. Key Race, 18 & Over
9. 2-Barrel Flags, 17 & Under
10. 2-Barrel Flags, 18 & Over
11. Cal Stake, 17 & Under
12. Cal Stake, 18 & Over
13. Birangle, 17 & Under
14. Birangle, 18 & Over

DIVISION O – HERDSMANSHIP

To be entered by Club or barn leader only. Premium will go to the group.

PREMIUMS: 45.00 35.00 30.00 25.00 20.00 15.00 10.00

CLASS NUMBERS

1. Herdsmanship

DEPARTMENT ROSETTES- NORTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR ASSOCIATION



Show Arena Sponsor



Warm Up Arena Sponsor



Barn Sponsor



Northwest Washington Fair Equine Veterinary Checklist (& Suggested Health Records)

Owner's Name: _____

Animal ID/Name: _____

Age: _____ Breed: _____ Color: _____ Sex: _____

BE PREPARED TO KNOW THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOR YOUR VET

Weight in Pounds: _____

Date of Last Deworming: _____ Product Used: _____

Date of Last Fecal Exam: _____ Results: _____

Recommended Vaccinations:

- Tetanus
- West Nile
- Flu/Rhino

Product names and dates of administration of all vaccines:

Optional Vaccinations:

- EEE/WEE
- Rabies
- Other: _____

Product names and dates of administration of all vaccines:

FOR VETERINARIAN USE ONLY – CHECKLIST TO BE MET FOR THE NORTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR

The goal of the Veterinary Inspection is to minimize the potential for contagious and infectious diseases (including parasites). Examples of Infectious Disease and Parasites include:

- Strangles
- Respiratory Disease
- Ring Worm
- Warts
- High Fever

No Visible External Parasite Burden (or related clinical signs):

- Mange
- Lice
- Gastro-Intestinal (i.e. Evidence of Diarrhea)

Adequate Body Condition – Minimum BCS of 4 – Henneke Scale **Score given:** _____

- 1-2: Severe Emaciation
- 3-4: Thin
- 5-6: Healthy
- 7-8: Overweight
- 9: Sever Obesity

- Feed and water must be available at the Fair at all times

Lameness/Prescription Drug Use

- Horses on any prescription meds, especially *Bute*, *Banamine*, *Equioxx* or *Surpass* SHOULD bring a letter of explanation from their Veterinarian.
- No horses with significant lameness, arthritis or chronic laminitis will be admitted.

Horse is: Cleared for all events Restricted: _____

Veterinarian Name: _____

REQUIRED FOR ALL 2026 HORSE ENTRIES

Northwest Washington Fair EQUINE Health Declaration

Exhibitor information:

Exhibitor name: _____ **Phone number** _____

Animal(s) origin address: _____

Animal information:

Name or number	Age	Sex	Breed	Species

Declaration:

I declare that the animal(s) listed above, during the three days leading up to the fair, has/have:

- *been in good health, active and normal energy levels*
- *normal appetite and has/have been eating normally*
- *had normal stool and has/have not had diarrhea*
- *had normal temperatures and have not had a fever*
- *not had nasal discharge or coughing*

I agree to notify appropriate personnel if any of the above listed animals shows any of these symptoms or any other symptoms of illness during the course of the fair.

Printed name

Signature

Date