

MASSACHUSETTS 4-H HORSE PROGRAM

Eastern States Exposition

June 2019

To: 4-H horse leaders and members

Although the fall seems a long way off, it is time to begin the selection process for 4-H members who will be attending the New England 4-H Horse Show during the Big E, September 18th thru the 22nd, 2019 at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield.

We no longer require counties to select delegates or limit delegates. In order to encourage more members to apply, all applications must be filled out and sent directly to Meagan by July 20th, 2019.

The **entire** application is required to be filled out and in the event we receive more applicants than we have slots for, the application will be used to filter delegates. **All applications must be accompanied by a check for \$50 made payable to 4-H Horse Program of MA.**

Attached to this email please find the application for the New England 4-H Horse Show. The application should be copied and sent out or emailed to all enrolled horse and horse-lover project members in your club. This application will also be available on the Massachusetts 4-H Horse Program website under Horse Show Resources.

Sincerely,
Meagan Welch Coyne
Massachusetts 4-H Equine Program Coordinator



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New England 4-H Horse Show Application 2019

Please check off which part of the show you are applying to participate in.

New England 4-H Horse Show Exhibitor – September 18 - 22, 2019

New England 4-H Horse Show horses entered must be used as the delegate's 4-H horse management project since at least April 1st of the year of application. Exhibitors at the New England 4-H Horse Show must be showing at a Walk/Trot/Canter level since at least April 1st of the year of application or participate in the In- Hand Division. Horses must be sound, manageable in crowds, and may not be stallions, mares heavy with foal or nursing. All Applicants must be at least 13 years of age or older as of January 1st. All delegates must attend a mandatory orientation meeting.

New England 4-H Horse Teen Leader - September 18 - 22, 2019

Teen Leaders will act as horse show assistants at the New England 4-H Horse Show and play a vital role in the daily functioning of the show. Teen Leader may serve as ring stewards, announcers, ribbon and trophy runners, or helpers for delegates preparing for classes. While teen leaders do not bring their horse, they do participate in all the other activities that horse show delegates participate in. All Applicants must be 12 years of age or older as of January 1st. All delegates must attend a mandatory orientation meeting.

New England 4-H Horse Activity Track - September 18 - 22, 2019

Delegates will take part in diverse activities, and competitions as well as the General Knowledge, Horse Judging, and Team Challenge offered to all other delegates. The Horse Activity track is an opportunity for 4-Hers to take part in The Eastern States New England 4-H Horse Program in a new and different way. They will be learning new skills indirectly and directly related to the equine profession, as well as sharing their equine knowledge with the fairgoers and provide the fairgoers with hands-on activities. Two delegates from each state will be chosen to become part of their state 4-H Horse Activity Team, all Applicants must be 12 years of age or older as of January 1st. All delegates must attend a mandatory orientation meeting.



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New England 4-H Horse Show Application 2019

Name of Exhibitor _____

Name of Horse (if Show Exhibitor) _____

Age as of January 1, 2019 _____ Birth Date _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Town _____

Zip _____ State _____ County _____

E-mail address _____

How many years have you been in the 4-H horse or horse lover project? _____

Name of 4-H Club _____

Division you will be competing in at the show _____

We the undersigned find this applicant is a member in good standing, as defined at the beginning of this application. To the best of our knowledge, we find this application to be accurate and complete, and the delegate and his/her horse to be qualified and eligible for the New England 4-H Horse Show.

We acknowledge all riders must read and understand the New England 4-H Horse Show Rules. We acknowledge as 4-H members, parents/guardians, and volunteers that we will practice good sportsmanship and follow the Massachusetts 4-H Code of Conduct at all times.

Signature of 4-H Member

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Signature of 4-H Leader



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This application may be used by the Equine Coordinator for the selection process to attend the New England 4-H Horse Show. All members must submit page 1 or they will not be eligible for consideration.

The New England 4-H Horse Show is held in conjunction with the Big E Fair at the Eastern States Exposition grounds every year. It is a unique opportunity for 4-H members to exhibit their horse to the public. In addition to exhibiting in several horse show classes, delegates to the New England 4-H Horse Show will also participate in horse judging, horse bowl, and a written test; as well as marching in the parade and meeting delegates from the other New England States.

All applicants must be at least 13 years of age as of January 1st of the current 4-H year and not have reached their 19th birthday as of January 1st of the current 4-H year. Applicants must have completed at least one year in the 4-H horse or horse lover project. All delegates must attend a mandatory orientation meeting. Applicant must be a member in good standing, or they will not be considered for review.

Members in good standing **MUST** have completed the following:

- Attended at least 75% of their club meetings since October of 2018.
- Horse exhibitors must participate in 4-H Fitting and Showmanship at least once since July 2018. This may be accomplished at the club level, a clinic, or a horse show.

Check off every activity completed. Activities 1-9 and 12-13 are highly encouraged but not required.

_____ 1. Completed 4-H records for the previous 4-H year

_____ 2. Offices held in 4-H Horse Club

_____ President _____ Vice President _____ Secretary
_____ Treasurer _____ Photographer _____ Reporter _____ Other

_____ 2b. Current enrollment in a 4-H leadership activity (other than horse)

_____ 3. Current enrollment in a 4-H project areas (other than horse)

_____ 4. Performed community service work in the current 4-H year

_____ 5. 4-H Visual Presentation given at the

_____ Club level

_____ County/Regional level

_____ State level

_____ National level



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- ___ 6. Horse Bowl Contestant at the
 ___ County/Regional level ___ State level ___ National level
- ___ 7. Hippology Contestant at the
 ___ County/Regional level ___ State level ___ National level
- ___ 8. Horse Judging Contestant at the
 ___ County/Regional level ___ State level ___ National level
- ___ 9. 4-H Public Presentations
 ___ drill team performance
 ___ parade
 ___ presentation on a 4-H topic (Big E or Equine Affair)
 ___ other (please specify)

Question 10 is for horse exhibitor applicants only. If you are applying as a teen leader please skip ahead to questions 12.

- ___ 10. Participated with your horse in a Fitting and Showmanship contest/clinic since July 2018 or demonstrated their competency with their horse to a county 4-H horse volunteer.
- ___ 11. Your horse has successfully been stalled for 4 consecutive days and will be able to handle minimal exercise.

Questions 12 and 13 are for teen leader applicants only. If you are a horse exhibitor applicant please skip to the writing prompt.

- ___ 12. Participated in a horse lover class/activity since July 2018
- ___ 13. Completed at least 1 Ring Master Verification form

All applications for the New England 4-H Horse Show must be returned to Meagan Welch Coyne by July 20, 2019 accompanied by a check for \$50 made payable to the 4-H Horse program of MA

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or mail:

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 Shirley, MA 01464**



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