

# ***DEPARTMENT 17 – HORSES***

Classes in this department will be evaluated based on videos only. Videos should be no longer than 90 seconds and should be continuous in nature with no narrative. The exhibitors should utilize the camera person as the judge, moving the animal away and around the camera person as they would in a show ring. The video should include all angles of the animal in order for a judge to make an evaluation. Exhibitor should be always in the video. Show clothes typical for industry is recommended (see the Michigan 4-H Horse & Pony Rules & Regulations link below). More information on how to take a good video can be found at the MSU Extension [Virtual Learning Showcase](#) website. All videos must be uploaded to Youtube and link entered into the FairEntry system. Youtube channel should be set to unlisted.

Rules:

1. **Please find patterns below for ALL classes in horse division: fitting & showing, equitation and horsemanship.**
2. All animals must be under the control of the exhibitor and the exhibitor must show awareness of correct procedures to show the animal.
3. Classes will be judged according to the current [Michigan 4-H Horse and Pony Project/Show Rules and Regulations](#).
4. Exhibitors showing in Walk-Trot classes are not allowed to show in the three-gaited classes.
5. Any exhibitor showing in any three-gaited class may not show in any walk-trot class.
6. It is highly recommended that all 4-H members participating in horse shows and practice events wear protective headgear. Please refer to Michigan 4-H rules noted above for specific age/class helmet requirements.

To register for the classes listed below, please go to the [Michigan Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase fairentry site](#).

Department	Division	Class
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	01: Fitting & Showmanship 5-7, non-competitive
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	02: Fitting & Showmanship 8-19
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	03: Hunt Seat Equitation 8-19
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	04: Walk Trot Hunt Seat Equitation 8-19
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	05: Saddle Seat Equitation 8-19
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	06: Walk Trot Saddle Seat Equitation 8-19
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	07: Western Horsemanship 8-19
17:Horses	01: Light Horse	08: Walk Trot Western Horsemanship 8-19