

# Horse Show / Gymkhana Rules

All State, Local & Health Rules apply to ALL exhibitors.

Please Review "State Rules for California Fairs".

## 1. General Rules

Unless otherwise specified, rules & definitions for conducting classes are contained in the rules for horse show management. At USA Equestrian (formerly AHSA) and/or breed association approved horse shows, association rules shall apply. At non-USA equestrian approved horse shows, USA equestrian rules will be used as a guideline unless otherwise specified in the State or Local rules. For more information visit [cdfa.ca.gov](http://cdfa.ca.gov) or [californiastatehorsemen.com](http://californiastatehorsemen.com)

## 2. Gymkhana Rules:

Unless otherwise specified, rules and definitions for conducting classes as contained in the rule book of the California State Horsemen's Association Inc., will apply to gymkhana classes held at this horse show, provided they do not conflict with any of the rules & regulations provided by the Division of Fairs & Expositions of the California Department of Food and Agriculture or rules set forth by the Lassen County Fair. Course patterns will be available on show days.

## 3. Horse Show Office:

The horse show office will be located at the North Arena. The horse show office will be open Wednesday of the Lassen County Fair from 1PM to end of show. The office will also be open Friday of the Lassen County Fair from 7AM to the end of show. If the horse show office is not open, please contact the main office at the Lassen County Fair or email [lcfair@co.lassen.ca.us](mailto:lcfair@co.lassen.ca.us)

## 4. Post Entries:

Entries must be received or postmarked by July 7<sup>th</sup> of the calendar year to avoid any late penalties. Post entries will be accepted up until one hour before the show starts and will be penalized \$25 per horse entered.

## 5. Ranch & Performance Horse Classes:

Ranch horse & performance classes are limited to the first 25 horses entered.

## 6. Refunds:

All requests for refunds must have a veterinary statement explaining the condition and limitations for showing. They also must be accompanied by a written request for a refund.

## 7. Out of State Horses:

All out of state horses must present current original health certificate & Coggins certificate to horse show management upon entry to the fairgrounds.

## 8. Junior Exhibitors:

Junior exhibitors must be 9 years of age and under 18 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup> of show year. All riders under the age of 18 must wear an ASTI approved riding helmet.

## 9. Junior Exhibitor Ownership:

State rules require that all horses & ponies must be owned or leased by the junior exhibitor or immediate family for 120 days prior to show date. See state rules for complete details. An original written lease must be presented to horse show management if requested. This rule does not apply to halter classes.

## 10. 4-H Members:

4-H members who win regular junior classes not offered by any 4-H show affiliated with the Lassen County Fair may qualify for the California State Fair Best of Show Horse Show.

## 11. Western Bits:

All horses six years of age and older shown in western classes must be shown in a standard full bit.

## 12. Command Classes:

Judged on performance at various gaits with additional maneuvers required at the direction of the judge.

### 13. **Championship Awards:**

High point awards will be given for horse & rider combinations in the following categories: Western, Gymkhana, & Versatility. Placing will be determined by points earned in all events except the gymkhana. Points are awarded as follows: 1<sup>st</sup>-10pts, 2<sup>nd</sup>-9pts, 3<sup>rd</sup>-8pts, 4<sup>th</sup>-7pts, 5<sup>th</sup>-6pts, 6<sup>th</sup>-5pts, 7<sup>th</sup>-4pts, 8<sup>th</sup>-3pts, 9<sup>th</sup>-2pts, 10<sup>th</sup>-1pt. Gymkhana placings will be determined by times.

### 14. **Age Groups:**

Age groups are as follows:

**Leadline** - 8 years old & under

**Youth** - 9 to 12 years old

**Teen** – 13 to 17 years old

**Adult** – 18 to 59 years old

**Select** - 60 years old & over

### 15. **Tie Breaker:**

All ties will be settled by determining the most first places, followed by second places and so on. If a tie cannot be determined by this method the winner will be determined by a runoff class.

### 16. **Trailer Parking:**

All horse trailers must be parked in the designated areas only. Any trailer who cleans out their trailer into the parking areas will be fined.

### 17. **Premium Checks:**

All premium checks will be available 10 days after the fair concludes.

### 18. **Passes & Armbands:**

Vehicle passes, exhibitor passes, and additional admission passes must be purchased with entry form. Passes will be distributed at time of entry form submission. If you are arriving the day of the show, please pick up these passes at the horse show office.

### 19. **Same Horse:**

The same horse cannot be ridden in different age groups in the same class but may be ridden by different riders if ridden in a different class. This does not affect Leadline groups.

### 20. **Show Calls:**

A two-minute call will be given. If the contestant does not appear they will be disqualified from the class.

### 21. **Stalls:**

Stalls will be available for \$15 per day or \$25 for the week. Stalls must be paid for with your entry form. No bedding is provided. Stalls are first come first serve for selection.

### 22. **Camping:**

Hook ups are limited and must be booked through the Lassen County Fair office prior to arrival. Dry camping is available for \$15 per night or \$75 for the week.

### 23. **Fees:**

**Drug Fee:** \$14 per horse

**Late Fees:** \$25 per horse

**Cattle Fee:** \$45 (included in class entry fee)

All other class fees and premiums will be in the class section of the premium book.