Exhibitor Information
2013 Southern Regional 4-H Horse Show Championships
Ike Hamilton EXPO Center
West Monroe, Louisiana
July 39-August 3, 2013

1. Health Regulations:
All equine must enter the state of Louisiana on an official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection within 30 days of the event showing the name, breed, registration number (if any), tattoo, brand, or microchip (if any), sex, age, color, and markings of each horse listed on the certificate. All equine moving into the state of Louisiana to fairs, livestock shows, breeders association sales, rodeos, racetracks or any other concentration point, shall be accompanied by a record of a negative official test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA), conducted in the past 12 months. The official test shall be tested for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) in an approved laboratory and the name of the laboratory, the case number, and the date of the official test shall appear on the record. You must enclose a copy of your horse’s coggins with your entry form. Further questions should be directed to Dr. Brent Robbins, Louisiana State Veterinarian at StateVeterinarian@ldaf.state.la.us or by phone at (225)-925-3980.

2. Stalls and Check-In:
For directions to the Ike Hamilton EXPO Center please go to http://www.westmonroe.com/ike-hamilton-expo-center/ike-hamilton-expo-center and click on mapquest directions.

All horses being shown in the 2013 Southern Regional 4-H Horse Championships must be in a stall. Any horse found tied to warm up arena, trees, or in the cow barn will be locked up and charged $35.00 to retrieve. Stalls at the Ike Hamilton Expo Center should be checked for safety before stabling of your horse. Stalls will be available beginning 5:00 pm Monday, July 29th, 2013. All stalls must be vacated by noon, Sunday, August 4th, 2013. State delegations will be stabled together. Stall assignments will be posted at the stall office in the stabling area. All stall assignments must be arranged by your State Extension Horse Specialist.

The Show office will be located in the lobby of the Ike Hamilton Expo Center. The office will be open at 5pm on Monday, July 29th, 2013, and will be open one hour before the show begins until either 6pm or one hour after the last class ends, whichever is latest on show days.

3. Stall Decorations:
Staples, pins, nails, stickers, masking tape and duct tape are NOT allowed on walls, floors, doors, stall doors, posts, drapes, or railing. Nylon tie straps, bungee cords, and zip ties are approved for use. All decorations must conform to the regulations of the West Monroe Fire Department and all applicable ordinances of the City of West Monroe and the State of Louisiana.

4. Bedding:
All stalls at the Ike Hamilton Expo Center have asphalt floors. Exhibitors may bring mats to place under shavings. Stalls for the Southern Regional Horse Show will NOT be pre-bedded. Exhibitors must purchase shavings from the Ike Hamilton Expo Center. The Ike Hamilton will only accept cash.
5. **Hotel Reservations:**
   A list of hotels has been made available to your Extension Horse Specialist providing leadership to this event. When reserving your hotel rooms, please make sure to mention “4-H Southern Regional Horse Championship” to receive the 4-H blocked room rate. Also be sure to check the “blocked room drop date”. Drop dates will vary depending on hotel. Not all hotels in the area will be blocked for this event. A complete list of hotels can be found at [http://www.monroe-westmonroe.org/index.cfm?p=lodging&type=Hotels](http://www.monroe-westmonroe.org/index.cfm?p=lodging&type=Hotels).

6. **Camper and RV Hookups:**
   For Camper and RV information and reservation please contact the Ike Hamilton EXPO center at 318-325-9160. ALL payment and reservation of rv spaces MUST go through the IKE Hamilton EXPO Center.

7. **Veterinarians:**
   A local veterinarian will be on call during the show. Contact information will be located in the show office as well as posted at the stall office in the barn area.

8. **Farrier:**
   A local farrier will be on call during the show. Contact information will be located in the show office as well as posted in the stall office in the barn area.

9. **Riding in the Arena(s):**
   Outdoor arenas will be available for riding when not being used to conduct the show. The indoor arena will be available (dates and times to be determined). Schooling supervisors will coordinate practice times when schooling over fences in the main arena on Saturday morning. Exhibitors are required to sign up for schooling times in the show office on Friday, August 2nd for over fences schooling on Saturday morning, August 3rd.

10. **Feed/Hay:**
    There will NOT be a vendor on the grounds. There is a Tractor Supply located across the parking lot.

11. **Photographer:**
    Mr. Harold Campton will serve as the official photographer for the 2013 Southern Regional Horse Championships. Mrs. Brenda Fuquay will be the official arena photographer for all equine arena action photography.

12. **Emergency Telephone numbers:**
    The Ike Hamilton Expo Center phone number is 318-325-9150. Contact Dr. Neely Walker at 225-200-6321 for any information or emergencies during the show.

13. **Educational Contests:**
    All educational contests except for the horse judging will be located at the West Monroe Convention Center (901 Ridge Avenue, West Monroe). These events will take place on Tuesday July 30th and Wednesday July 31st, 2013. Check in for Hippology will begin on July 30th at 7:30 am. Check in for Horse Bowl will begin at 1:30pm. The judging phase of the Hippology will held on July 31st at the Ike Hamilton EXPO Center. Check in will begin at 8:30 am. Oral presentations contest check in will be held at the West Monroe Convention Center at will begin at 7:00 am.
Snacks will not be provided during these contests, but contestants may bring snacks with them. Lunch will be provided for those contestants competing in the Horse Judging Contest.

14. Opening Ceremony:
The opening ceremony will be held in the Indoor Arena at 7 pm on Wednesday July 31st. State Delegations are requested to check in with the paddock crew by 6:30 pm. No animals are permitted in the Indoor Arena during the opening ceremony.

15. Exhibitor Party:
An exhibitor Party will be held at the West Monroe Convention Center on Wednesday evening, July 31st starting at 9 pm. Adult volunteer chaperones from each state delegation are expected.

16. Show Judges:
Western: Doug Householder
Hunt Seat: Michelle (Misty) Morgan-Hannold
Non-Trotting: Linda McCarley
Saddleseat (Trotting): Linda McCarley
Speed: Cleve Wisegerber
Dressage: Richard Howard
DQP: Brad Coleman

17. Rule Changes:
There have been a number of rule changes for 2013. Please refer to your rulebook for the complete rules or for any questions. The basics have been highlighted below.

   a. Ranch Division:
      i. Tie-Down Roping has been added back to the show this year. Each show host will decide if this class will be held.
      ii. Ranch Roping- multiple rule adjustments have been made to the ranch roping class. An exhibitor will have a 2 minute time limit with a 30 second warning, they can throw unlimited number of loops. No credit will be given for additional loops after a successful catch of any part of the animal. The arena will also be shortened with the use of additional panels. The exhibitors cattle number will be announced once the contestant enters the arena gate.
      iii. Working Cow Horse Class- an exhibitor upon receiving a cow in the arena, will hold that cow on the prescribed end of the arena for 50 seconds. Time will begin when the gate closes behind the cow. The announcer or judge will signal the completion of 50 seconds. There will be no schooling between the completion of the rein work and the cow work, or between cows if a new cow is awarded.

   b. Showmanship:
      i. The rulebook now states under the method of showing “The excess lead shank/bridle reins must be carried in the left hand at all times and the lead shank/bridle reins must not be wrapped around either hand. It is acceptable to either figure-8 or loose coil the excess lead shank/bridle reins in the left hand.”

   c. Speed Division:
i. Stirrup, Stirrup leathers or any part of the fender should not be attached by any means to the cinch, breastplate, saddle, horse, or anywhere other than where it is normally attached to the saddle.

d. **Non-Trotting Division:**
   i. Rider may ride one handed or two handed, but must not switch from one to the other during the class.