

Michigan 4-H Horse Judges List 2025

A suggested listing of
horse judges for
Michigan 4-H horse shows

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****All of those listed have met the minimum requirements noted in the enclosed information. The information provided was furnished by the judges themselves indicating the types of horses and classes they feel qualified to judge.**

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GUIDELINES FOR MICHIGAN 4-H HORSE SHOW JUDGES

1. Persons interested in being included on the List of Horse Judges for Michigan 4-H Horse Shows for the first time must submit a completed application form, along with not less than three completed recommendation forms, to the Equine Extension Youth Specialist by **September 1** of the year prior to the publishing of the list. Supporting documents, including show evaluations are also encouraged.
2. Prospective conditional judges have their applications and recommendation forms reviewed and may be personally interviewed by the 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee. Those who are approved are placed on a Conditional Judges List. These conditional judges are assigned 5 to 7 approved 4-H horse judges to work with and be evaluated by at shows the following show season. *A minimum of three to five evaluations must be completed by assigned judges and rated positively* to be considered for the Regular 4-H Horse Judges List. In rare circumstances, the judge's advisory committee may require fewer than 3 conditional judging assignments.
3. After the conditional judge's first year, the 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee reviews the complete file of each conditional judge and determines if they will be advanced to the Regular 4-H Horse Judges List or remain on the 4-H Conditional Judges List to gain additional experience. *Those who remain on the Conditional list may be asked to work with and be evaluated by additional judges during the time they remain on the list, in addition to those originally assigned. Conditional judges will be evaluated annually and considered for advancement to the Regular 4-H Horse Judges List.* There is a maximum time limit of two years on the Conditional List. Conditional judges who are removed after two years must wait at least one year before re-applying.
4. Persons already on the Regular 4-H Horse Judges List must complete a renewal form annually to be on the next year's list. This application indicates that the judge is still active and interested in being a Michigan 4-H Horse Judge. To remain in good standing, judges must attend the 4-H Horse Judges and Superintendents Conference at least once every three years. Judges also must annually attend one approved judges clinic (the 4-H Horse Judges and Superintendents Conference is considered one of the approved annual clinics). These continuing education requirements must be met in order for judges to remain in good standing.
5. The Equine Extension Youth Specialist and the 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee sets an annual listing fee that is used to provide services to both regular and conditional judges.
6. All judges on the list are given an annual, open-book, written test on the information given in 4-H Horse and Pony Project Show Rules and Regulations. This annual test is sent directly to the judges for completion and returned to the Equine Extension Youth Specialist or collected at the 4-H Horse Judges and Superintendents Conference. Judges must obtain at least 80% on this test to remain in good standing.
7. An evaluation system explained in the following paragraph is used to indicate to those operating 4-H Shows the level of acceptance and activity of judges on the Michigan 4-H Horse Judges List. This system allows judges who are interested and active to remain in good standing.

Evaluation System:

1. For each show judged, every judge is responsible to ensure that a show official receives a judge's evaluation form. Show officials should involve a committee in the evaluation. These evaluation forms are to be used primarily at shows that follow 4-H guidelines.
2. The form used for judge's evaluations is the confidential Michigan 4-H Horse Show Judges Evaluation form. This form is available from the Equine Extension staff or online.
3. Each judge who judges a total of three or more shows which follow Michigan 4-H guidelines during the current and immediate past show season is evaluated annually on their performance. Judges with consistently unsatisfactory judging performances are removed from the list. To remain in good standing, each judge is required to have a *minimum of three good or excellent show evaluations covering a two-year period on file with the Equine Extension Youth Specialist.*
4. All judges are subject to an annual review by the State 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee. Judges who do not meet the above criteria are placed on probation for one year. If they remove the deficiencies during this probation year they are reinstated in good standing the following year after approval from the 4-H Horse

Judges Advisory Committee. If not, they are removed from the list for a period of one year. Judges may also be placed on probation or be removed from the list for **consistently poor performance, lack of interest, not keeping up to date with current rules, lack of cooperation, reasons of personal character or conduct, or other similar serious reasons**. Judges placed on probation more than two times in 7 years will be considered grounds for suspension. If removed or suspended from the list, after a minimum of one year, a judge must re-apply to the list if he or she wants to be reinstated by completing an application form and being interviewed by the State 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee.

5. Judges who ask to be removed from the list can re-apply by filling out an application form. This form would be reviewed by the 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee and an interview may be required.

QUALITIES DESIRED IN A 4-H HORSE SHOW JUDGE

Knowledge Of Horses And Rules: Good judging is based on a basic understanding of what to select for the class being judged. This requires a mental image of the ideal for the class. In addition to having complete and up-to-date information, judges need keen powers of observation and comparison and must be able to make accurate decisions within a reasonable length of time. A 4-H judge is obligated to use the rules in 4-H Horse and Pony Project Show Rules and Regulations, or the rules of the show (if they are different from this bulletin) in the judging of all classes. They are expected to have a thorough knowledge of these state 4-H rules.

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4-H Philosophy: Judges who judge 4-H shows should have a thorough understanding of the objectives of the Michigan 4-H Horse and Pony Project. The major emphasis of the project should be on the member, not on the horse. The knowledge the member has gained through the training and care given their animal during the year, as indicated by its appearance and response in the show ring, should be emphasized. The 4-H horse show should assist in evaluating the member's progress rather than the major emphasis of the project.

General Character: Those judging 4-H horse shows are a guiding influence on the lives of the youth they work with, and as such, must always be careful to set a good example. This is important both in and out of the show ring. To be an effective teacher, a judge must have the understanding and respect of 4-H members. A horse show judge has a special influence on those they work with the day of the show. Honesty and sincerity are extremely important. Also, care must be exercised in such things as use of liquor, excessive smoking, and improper language before, during and after the show. Judges must satisfy themselves, the exhibitors, and the spectators.

Giving Oral Reasons: Open show judges are seldom asked to give oral reasons but in the 4-H show the judge is often asked to comment briefly on the classes over a PA system. These reasons are helpful to the exhibitors, parents, and leaders. They inform them of what they are doing correctly and what can be improved. It is important that these reasons be accurate and brief. Judges' oral reasons should emphasize the important points, and contain good terms. The delivery should be sincere, the enunciation clear, and correct grammar should be used. The organization of the reasons should be easy for the listener to follow.

Working With Youth: The 4-H horse judge should be business-like but friendly. Working with youth requires a special skill and the needs of each member must be considered. These include the need to belong, to be successful, to be recognized, to have responsibility, and to be liked. A judge may be able to work successfully with adults, but may lack the special traits and patience necessary to work with youth. Special consideration should be given to the younger, less experienced members.

Working With Show Officials And Other Adults: Judges should, at all times, cooperate with the ringmaster, stewards, clerks, show committees, and County Extension Staff.

General Conduct: Judges need to avoid putting themselves in certain situations that might prove uncomfortable to themselves, exhibitors, or show officials. Promptness is very important. Always be at the show before it is scheduled to start. Report to show officials after arriving at the show. Judges should be well rested and mentally ready for judging. Judges should be neat, clean, and appropriately dressed for the show they are judging. Judges should refrain as much as possible from conversation with exhibitors. Judges should not judge entries of relatives, members of their own 4-H horse club, people they have recently sold horses to, trained for, or given lessons to. Judges should be enthusiastic about their job. Exhibitors can soon tell whether a judge enjoys judging or not. The most successful 4-H judges have a sincere interest in helping youth.

SUGGESTIONS FOR SELECTING JUDGES

1. Adequate wages must be paid to obtain a qualified judge. When setting the fee, consideration should be given to such things as: number of entries, total number of classes, type of show, etc. A good guideline for mileage is using the same rate as your local County Extension Office.
2. Select your judge as early as possible.
3. If you select several prospective judges use a preference list and go down the list until you confirm a judge.
4. Call judges to confirm judging dates and other details. Follow-up the telephone contact as soon as possible with a letter of confirmation. This letter should include the show date, location (map is helpful), fee (including expense guidelines, if any), type of show, number of classes, etc. If the show is a County/4-H Show, have the County Extension staff also send a letter of confirmation to your judge.
5. The judge should also write a letter as soon as possible confirming the date, fee, etc.
6. As soon as possible, send the judge rules that your show will be using. Send your judge a showbill or premium book as soon as it is available.
7. A week or so before the show, you should either call or write the judge reconfirming all show details.
8. It is the responsibility of the judge to follow-up on all commitments. If for any reason they find it impossible to judge the show, they should contact the show early. If it is a last-minute situation, they should be responsible for acquiring a replacement judge, *and should contact the show to let them know.*
9. After judging a show, judges should submit their expenses to the show manager as soon as possible. A complete itemized statement should be prepared.
10. At the conclusion of the show, the judge and show manager should exchange evaluation forms to be sent to the Equine Extension Youth Specialist. Both parties are responsible for completing these forms carefully and honestly and returning them promptly. Anyone not adhering to these guidelines should be noted on the evaluation forms sent to the Equine Extension Youth Specialist.

JUDGES APPEARING ON THE LIST HAVE MET THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITMENTS AND REQUIREMENTS:

Conditional Judges:

1. Have completed and returned an approved application form.
2. Have had three approved recommendation forms from evaluating judges or other equine professionals completed and returned - more are recommended.
3. Have been invited and participated in a personal interview before the 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee.
4. Have completed an application to appear on the list, returned it with the annual listing fee set by the Equine Extension Youth Specialist and the 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee.
5. Have attended the Horse Judges and Superintendents Conference in Michigan at least once during their Conditional status

Regular Judges:

1. Have completed an application to appear on the list and returned it with an annual listing fee set by the Equine Extension Youth Specialist and the 4-H Horse Judges Advisory Committee.
2. Have achieved a minimum grade of 80% on a written test given annually on 4-H Horse and Pony Project Show Rules and Regulations.
3. Have attended the 4-H Horse Judges and Superintendents Conference in Michigan at least once every three years and annually attended one approved judges' clinic (The Horse Judges and Superintendents Conference is an approved 4-H Horse Judges clinic.)
4. Have a minimum of three *good or excellent* evaluations returned from shows they have judged during the current and immediate past show season.

****Note:** An asterisk (**) near the judges' name indicates that the judge is listed for the first time.

SIZE OF SHOW JUDGE'S FEEL THEY ARE QUALIFIED TO JUDGE:

SM	Small Shows (classes of 15 horses or less)
MD	Medium Shows (classes of 35 horses or less)
LG	Large Shows (classes of 36 horses or more)

ABBREVIATIONS

All Michigan 4-H Horse Judges are willing to judge light horses, ponies, western classes, english classes (hunt seat and saddle seat), showmanship, halter and performance classes. Judges have listed some or all of the following types of classes that they are willing to judge in addition to those stated above.

DRAFT	Draft Horses
DRSG	Dressage
DRIVE	Driving
GYM	Gymkhana
JUMP	Over Fences/Jumping
HRH/PEP	Proud Equestrians Program, formerly HRH
MIHA	Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association

Note: The information provided was furnished by the judges themselves indicating the size of shows and types of horses and classes they feel qualified to judge.

Other judges cards

ABRA - American Buckskin Registry Assoc
ADS - American Driving Society
AHA - Arabian Horse Association
AHJA - Am. Hunter-Jumper Association
AMHA - American Miniature Horse Assoc
APHA - American Paint Horse Association
ApHC - Appaloosa Horse Club
ApHCC -Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada
ARHA – American Ranch Horse Assoc.
ASHA - American Stock Horse Assoc.
ASPCA - American Shetland Pony Club
AQHA - American Quarter Horse Assoc
CHRI - Certified Handicapped Riding Instr
CTRI - Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor
FQHR – Foundation Quarter Horse Registry
IBHA - International Buckskin Horse Assoc
INSHA - Indiana Saddle Horse Assoc

IPWHA - International Plantation Walking Horse Association
ISSO - International Side-Saddle Org.
MDA - Midwest Dressage Association
NFHR - Norwegian Fjord Horse Registry
NRCHA – National Reined Cow Horse Assoc.
NRHA - National Reining Horse Assoc
NSBA - National Snaffle Bit Association
NQPA - National Quarter Pony Association
OH - Ohio 4-H
PHBA - Palomino Horse Breeders of Am.
POAC - Pony of the Americas Club
PtHA - Pinto Horse Association
USE – United State Equestrian (formerly USEF)
USEq - USA Equestrian (formerly AHSA)
WI - Wisconsin 4-H

Judges & Leaders Resources:

Please visit the 4-H Horse & Ponies web site to find many helpful resources including:

https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/

Choose the Leaders & Judges tab

- MI 4-H Horse Judges List
- Evaluations for judges – a pdf version to print and send in and NEW – an online form to complete and submit.
- Application to become a MI 4-H Horse Judge

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Michigan State University 4-H Horses & Ponies website. The browser's address bar shows the URL https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/leaders-judges. The website header includes the Michigan State University logo and the text "MSU Extension 4-H Horses & Ponies". A navigation menu is visible with tabs for "Registration Information", "Events", "Leaders & Judges" (which is selected), "Results", "News", and "Resources". Below the navigation menu is a large banner image showing people riding horses. The main content area is titled "Leaders & Judges" and "Useful for 4-H Horse Judges". It lists several resources, including "MI 4-H Horse Judges Evaluation (Online form)", "Michigan 4-H Horse Judges Evaluation", "Link to D2L Login- for Michigan 4-H Horse Judges", "Application to Michigan 4-H Horse Judges list", "Evaluation for Applicants to the MI 4-H Horse Judges List (Online form)", "Dodge Miner Friend of 4-H Judges Nomination Form", "MI 4-H Trail Scorecard", and "Judges Adv Comm New Member Process.pdf". There is also a section titled "Useful for 4-H Horse Leaders" with links to "Michigan 4-H Miniature Horse Show Guidelines 2019 edition", "Michigan 4-H Horse & Pony Show Rules & Regulations (2016 updated version)", "MI 4-H Horse Show Judges List", "Knapp 4-H Horse Leaders Award: Nomination Form", "Good Management Practices for Transporting Livestock to the Fair.pdf", and "4H ANIMAL SCIENCE PRINTED RESOURCES November.pdf". A sidebar on the right side of the page contains a search bar and a list of navigation links: "Registration Information", "Events", "Leaders & Judges" (selected), "Results", "News", and "Resources". The bottom of the page features a Windows taskbar with various application icons.

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Additional qualifications:

Draft	Gym	Drsg	Jump	Drive	PEP	MIHA
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Class Size

Small	Med	Lg
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Additional Judging Cards:

ABRA, APHA, ApHC, AQHA, NSBA, PHBA, POAC, PtHA, USEF

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Class Size

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Additional Judging Cards:

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Additional Judging Cards:



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Additional Judging Cards:

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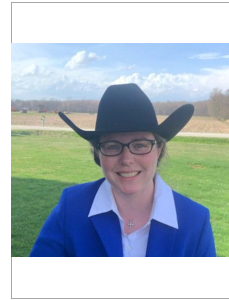
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Additional Judging Cards:

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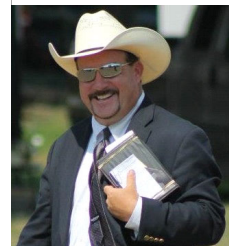
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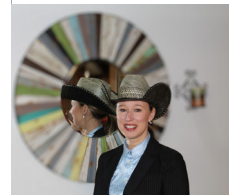
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Additional Judging Cards:

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Additional Judging Cards:

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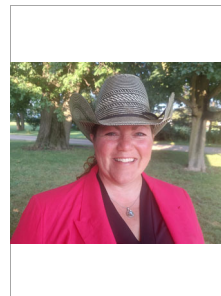
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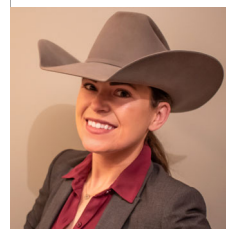
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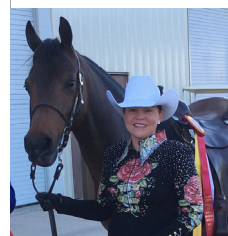
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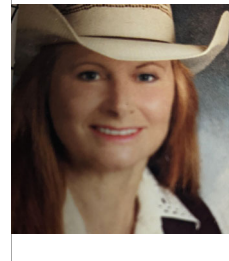
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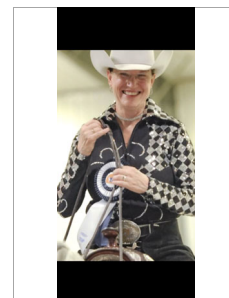
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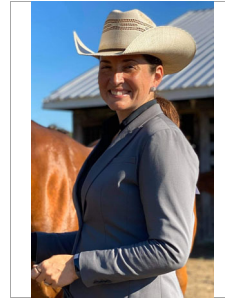
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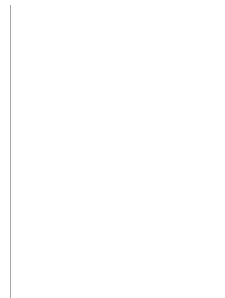
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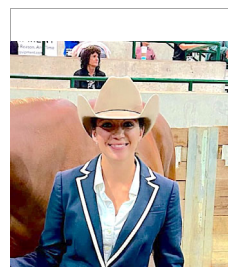
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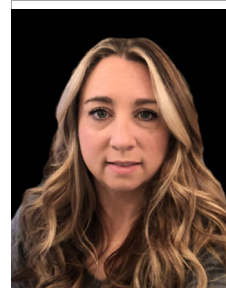
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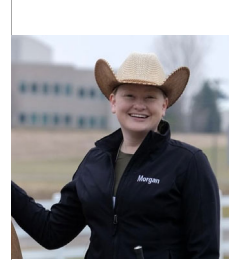
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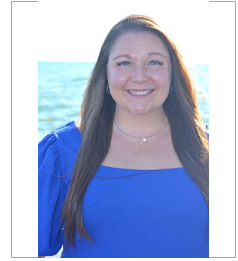


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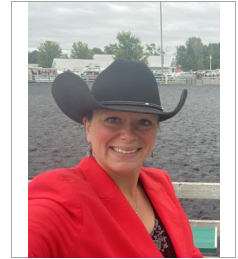


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