

**NEW HORSE AND PONY AND GENERAL 4-H RULES**  
**PLEASE PRINT, SIGN AND RETURN**

**Livestock Late Arrivals/Early Release:** Late arrivals animals **must be approved** by the superintendent(s) on an individual basis. All livestock must enter and leave the Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds as designated by the fair schedule. No animals are to leave unless examined by a veterinarian for medical reasons, and then the family must consult with the species' superintendent, Exhibit Association President (or appointee) and a 4-H Youth Extension Educator. The group will meet with the veterinarian and discuss if an animal needs to leave the grounds early due to medical reasons. A 4-H member, without approval, who chooses to take their animal(s) home prior to the release time will incur the following penalty: 4-H'er will not be allowed to participate in the 4-H livestock auction of the current fair and will not be allowed to exhibit in the project area at the next year's fair.

**All projects**, including livestock must remain on exhibit until the stated release time.

**Medication/Supplement Usage: All beef, dairy steers, sheep, swine, goats, llamas and horse and pony exhibitors** will list any medication/supplements given to an animal on a regimented schedule on an Animal Affidavit form. This form will be turned in upon unloading of animal(s) at fair.

4-H exhibitors are expected to follow the federally-approved label when using drugs and feed additives. 4-H market animals shall not contain any foreign substance both on day of show and at harvest. This includes drugs, steroids, or chemicals greater than standards established by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) or the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as permissible for sale for consumption as human food. Administration of these compounds must follow these guidelines:

- a. Feed additives must be used according to the label. Administration in excess of the label is prohibited by law. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to adhere to prescribed withdrawal times prior to harvest. If the withdrawal time is not met by the time the animal would normally be harvested by the Tippecanoe County Fair, the exhibitor is expected to make other arrangements for harvest.
- b. Exhibitors are expected to use federally-approved drugs to treat sick animals. Drugs may not be administered to 4-H animal exhibits at the Tippecanoe County Fair except those administered by a veterinarian. All treatments performed must be reported to the superintendent and 4-H Extension Educator immediately.
- c. Administration of drugs to enhance gait or reduce lameness disqualifies the exhibit from participation in the Tippecanoe County Fair. Animals too lame to show will be withdrawn.

**Behavioral Expectations of 4-H Members:** 4-H members, leaders, parents, and the public, when participating or acting on behalf of the 4-H program, are expected to conduct themselves according to the accepted standards of social behavior, to respect the rights of the others, and to refrain from any conduct that may be injurious to the 4-H program. The following actions constitute misconduct for which persons may be subject to disciplinary penalties:

1. Dishonesty connected with any 4-H activity by cheating or knowingly furnishing false information.
2. Alteration or the unauthorized use of 4-H records.
3. Obstruction or disruption of any 4-H activity or aiding and encouraging other persons to engage in such conduct.

4. Failure to comply or aiding or encouraging other persons not to comply with specific rules of a project, contest, or activity.
5. Failure to comply with directions of 4-H officials acting in the proper performance of their duties.
6. Inhumane treatment of 4-H animal projects.

**4-H HORSE AND PONY MEDICATION RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The following rules have been put in place for the protection of the horse/pony being shown, the 4-H member, the owner of the animal, leaser and the person leasing the horse. The Tippecanoe County 4-H Horse and Pony Club has established these guidelines to ensure the fairness of competition amongst 4-H members and to help the promotion of 4-H values. All 4-H members, family members, trainers, leasers are to in good faith follow these rules and to show good sportsmanship within the club.

Any medication/supplements given to an animal on a regimented schedule shall be listed on an ANIMAL AFFIDAVIT available from 4-H Horse and Pony Board or the Extension website. **This form will be turned in before unloading of animal at fair.** This form will list any medications that are given daily prior to fair, or any medication that may be given on an “as needed” basis during the week of the Tippecanoe County 4-H fair. Any and all medications must be listed with dosage amounts, reason for use and the prescribing veterinarian. If an animal is given a medication from the “banned or forbidden substance list” the animal will be disqualified from showing. Refer to the [www.USEF.org](http://www.USEF.org) website for list.

If one of the medications is given from the permitted medications list, it is recommended that the participant use dosages that will not prevent the animal from being shown. If the animal is given a higher dosage than listed; it is now forbidden to show until the “latest administration hour” prior to competition time frame for showing is met. This time line will be strictly adhered to.

Any medication given for illness/injury that occurs at fair will require notification of the superintendent, or their designee, if off the grounds, immediately and must be given by a veterinarian. The veterinarian will be provided a list of the forbidden and allowed medications with dosing at the fair in order to make an informed decision. The medication rules will be taken from the United States Equestrian Federation, Equine Drug and Medication program. Refer to the [www.USEF.org](http://www.USEF.org) website for list. An illness/injury that occurs during the fair, and requires treatment, the 4-H member, parents/guardians, leaser and trainers, all shall be made known of the treatment and the results of the treatment prior to giving the medications. This is to ensure that no unnecessary treatment is given that may disqualify the 4-H participant from showing without their knowledge. Anyone not following the medication rules will be immediately dismissed from the county fair and will not be allowed to show horses the following year in the Tippecanoe 4-H program. This includes youth, trainers and leasers, and all involved parties.

All 4-H members and parents will sign a form stating that they have read the Tippecanoe County 4-H Horse and Pony rules prior to participating in any activity.

I have read and understand all of the Tippecanoe County 4-H Horse and Pony rules that are in the Tippecanoe County 4-H manual.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
4-H Member