

# Open Class Horse Show

## Class List, Rules & Information

### HORSE SHOW PHILOSOPHY

The purpose of the Teton County Fair Horse Show is to provide an opportunity for all equine enthusiasts to come and compete in these unique Fair events. The show will provide a fun and safe learning environment that supports healthy competition and sportsmanship amongst all ages of competitors.

Sportsmanship and fun are the key emphasis in this show and all respective events.

### THANK YOU – TCF HORSE SHOW COMMITTEE

Marybeth Hansen	Tim Oakley	Melissa Cassutt
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### ENTRY FEE INFORMATION

ENGLISH, NON-PRO WESTERN PERFORMANCE, TRAIL - Enter & pay online: \$7 per class (unless otherwise noted)

ENGLISH & NON-PRO WESTERN PERFORMANCE, TRAIL - Enter & pay in-person at the Fair Office: \$10 per class (unless otherwise noted)

**WESTERN DRESSAGE – Enter & pay online: \$15 per class**

**WESTERN DRESSAGE – Enter & pay in-person: \$18 per class**

TEAM SORTING & TEAM BRANDING: these are jackpotted events and entry fees are specific to each event

JACKPOT TRAIL CLASS - \$35 per person

### HOW TO ENTER

Online: [www.tetoncountyfair.com](http://www.tetoncountyfair.com)

By Mail: Teton County Fair PO Box 3075 Jackson, WY 83001

In-Person: Teton County Fair Office 305 W. Snow King Ave. Jackson, WY 83001

Team Sorting: Entries by phone only, call (307) 733-5289

Team Branding: Entries by phone only, call (307) 733-5289

Teton County Fair (TCF) Horse Show rules are based on American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) rules. Not all TCF Horse Show events are recognized by AQHA. These events have their own rules, which are outlined in the event's respective information or available through a source provided. Please be familiar with AQHA rules prior to competing in some events. The AQHA rulebook can be found at this link <https://www.aqha.com/aqha-rulebook> It is your responsibility, as a competitor, to read and understand these rules. Any contests during a show are at the discretion of the TCF Horse Show Committee.

Competitor age is determined as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

### Entry Deadlines

OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	EVENT (S)
June 1	Thursday July 20 @ 5:00PM	English, Western Dressage
June 1	Friday July 21 @ 5:00PM	Team Sorting
June 1	Sunday July 23 @ 5:00PM	Team Branding
June 1	Thursday July 27 @ 5:00PM	Western Performance, Trail

### HORSE SHOW POLICIES & RULES

All horses must be sound in showable condition.

The TCF Horse Show Committee reserves the right to cancel or combine any class, as well as split classes into smaller groups if safety becomes an issue, to best serve the interest of the show.

Four (4) or more competitors must participate in a class for a buckle to be awarded.

There are three (3) calls per class; late entry into a class will not be permitted.

The same horse MAY NOT be ridden again by the same person or by a different person in the same type class. This rule does not apply to Team Sorting & Team Branding.

Horses must be shown by the competitor whose name the horse is entered by upon entry, otherwise the entry will be disqualified.

Competitors must maintain control of their animals at all times, and must conduct themselves in a manner that ensures the safety of others. Otherwise, the competitor may be excused or disqualified.

Unauthorized coaching from the sidelines may result in disqualification of a competitor and will be at the judge's discretion.

Any competitor who uses disrespectful or vulgar language, abuses a judge, an official, a committee member, or an animal will be disqualified.

Competitors who have overindulged in alcohol while competing will be excused immediately.

Competitors must wear their assigned number for all horse show events in which they are entered. If the number is not clearly visible, the competitor may be disqualified.

Competitors must enter the ring through the correct gate. If the wrong gate is used, the competitor may be disqualified.

All western classes require western attire to be worn by the competitor, and a western saddle and bridle worn on the horse.

Horses over the age of five (5) must be ridden one-handed with a curb bit; gags or hackamores are not permitted. Horses five (5) and under may be ridden two-handed with a bosal or snaffle bit.

Any infraction of these rules may result in disqualification.

At the discretion of a TCF Horse Show Committee member, or a judge, any competitor observed abusing any animal will be excused and disqualified immediately.

#### **MARY WIGG MEMORIAL "SPIRIT OF SPORTSMANSHIP" AWARD**

For years, Mary Wigg was a competitor at the Teton County Fair. She successfully showed her horse each year, always exhibiting grace and commitment. In 1999, Mary was the winner of the Teton County Fair High Point Champion. She passed away only two (2) months later, following a lengthy battle with cancer. The TCF Horse Show Committee annually commemorates Mary's spirit, strength and sportsmanship by presenting the travelling trophy to a competitor who exhibits these same qualities. Each competitor who participates in all the Western Performance classes on Sunday July 30, 2023 will be judged on their sportsmanship. Both competitors, and anyone who knew Mary, are welcome to attend the presentation of the trophy at approximately 1:00PM.

#### **SHOW SCHEDULE**

English Horse Show Saturday July 22 8:30AM Rodeo Arena

Western Dressage Show Sunday July 23 9:00AM Rodeo Arena

Turn N Burn 5D Barrel Race Sunday July 23 11:00AM Heritage Arena

SLJ "Babe" Fest Fun Night Sunday July 23 5:00PM Heritage Arena

Team Sorting Monday July 24 5:00PM Rodeo Arena

Team Branding Tuesday July 25 5:00PM Rodeo Arena

Non-Professional Western Performance Show Sunday July 30 8:30AM Rodeo Arena

Trail/Obstacle Course Show Sunday July 30 8:30AM Mateosky Ball Field

Mary Wigg Sportsmanship Award Presentation Sunday July 30 1:00PM Rodeo Arena

“Ride for the Brand” Award Presentation Sunday July 30 1:10PM Rodeo Arena

**DIVISION 1: ENGLISH**

Saturday July 22 @ 8:30AM, Rodeo Arena

Enter June 1 – July 20, \$7 per class online, \$10 per class by mail or in-person

Class	Division
1 Sr. Hunter Under Saddle Warmup.....	18 & over
2 Jr. Hunter Under Saddle Warmup.....	17 & under
3 Sr. Hunter Under Saddle.....	18 & over
4 Jr. Hunter Under Saddle.....	17 & under
5 Sr. Equitation on the Flat.....	18 & over
6 Jr. Equitation on the Flat.....	17 & under
7 JHTRA Lead Line: Class A.....	JHTRA
8 Short-Stirrup Under Saddle Walk-Trot.....	12 & under
9 JHTRA Lead Line: Class B.....	JHTRA
10 Short Stirrup Equitation on the Flat, Walk-Trot.....	12 & under
11 JHTRA Lead Line: Class C.....	JHTRA

**BREAK: Setup X-Rail Course**

12 Short Stirrup Walk-Trot Hunter Over X-Rails.....	12 & under
13 Short Stirrup Walk-Trot Equitation Over X-Rails.....	12 & under
14 Sr. X-Rail Hunter.....	18 & over
15 Jr. X-Rail Hunter.....	17 & under
16 Lead Line.....	10 & under
17 English Showmanship.....	10 & under

**BREAK: 1-Hour Lunch**

18 Sr. Low Hunter.....	18 & over
19 Jr. Low Hunter.....	17 & under
20 Open Jumper 2'.....	All ages
21 Sr. Hunter Over Fences, 2'3".....	18 & over
22 Jr. Hunter Over Fences, 2'3".....	17 & under
23 Sr. Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences, 2'3".....	18 & over
24 Jr. Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences, 2' 3".....	17 & under
25 Open Jumper 2'3".....	All ages
26 Sr. Hunter Over Fences, 2'6".....	18 & over
27 Jr. Hunter Over Fences, 2'6".....	17 & under
28 Sr. Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences, 2'6'.....	18 & over
29 Jr. Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences, 2'6".....	17 & under
30 Open Jumper 2'8".....	All ages
31 Open Jumper 2'9".....	All ages

**Rules & Regulations:** This portion of the TCF Horse Show will be run in accordance with the current USEF Rulebook. The TCF Horse Show Committee reserves the right to cancel, combine, or change the classes to best serve the needs of the show and its competitors. Fences will be set relative to the skill level of the competitors in attendance. Class

cancellations and/or changes may be made due to weather and/or arena condition. All decisions of the judge are final. A safety helmet with attached chin strap is required of all competitors.

**Attire:** Formal Hunt attire is encouraged i.e. Hunt coats, field boots, approved helmet etc. However, informal attire is permitted i.e. approved helmet, polo shirt, breeches and boots.

**Tack & Equipment:** A forward seat or all-purpose English saddle is required for all classes. Dropped nosebands or martingales of any type are not permitted in Hunter or Hunt Seat Equitation on the Flat classes. Standing martingales are permitted in Hunter and Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences classes. Dropped nosebands and running martingales are permitted in Open Jumper classes. Protective boots and/or polo wraps are permitted for horses in all classes.

**Awards:** 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> place ribbons will be awarded in each class. Belt buckles and travelling trophies will be awarded to Grand Champion High Point Jr. & Sr. winners. Ribbons will be awarded to Reserve Champion High Point Jr. & Sr. winners. A travelling trophy will be awarded to the individual who achieves combining horsemanship and sportsmanship. Jr. High Point classes include: 2, 4, 6, 15, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 27, 29, 30, 31. Sr. High Point classes include: 1, 3, 5, 14, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30, 31. If there is a tie for the High Point awards, the winner will go to the competitor with the most 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbons.

**Sr./Jr. X-Rail Hunter:** Trot or canter, course is twice around outside. Fences: small-x-rails; competitor may NOT enter other jumping classes. Open Jumper: horses with clean rounds or equal faults are classified according to time taken to complete course without exceeding time given. Jackson Hole Therapeutic Riding Association (JHTRA) will determine class age restrictions.

## **DIVISION 2: WESTERN DRESSAGE**

Sunday July 23 @ 9:00AM, Rodeo Arena

Enter June 1 – July 20, **WDAA Recognized Show ID #23-309**, USEF-Licensed “r” Western Dressage Judge: Silja Knoll, \$15 per class online, \$18 per class by mail or in-person

Western Dressage integrates the historically validated principles of dressage with the best of western stock horse tradition. It is a systematic and progressive system of training for the western horse and rider in traditional stock and tack attire, with the purpose of enjoying a safe, pleasurable, versatile, healthy, and balanced working horse. Riders will be asked to ride a specific test which can be downloaded by going to <https://www.westerndressageassociation.org/wdaa-tests>

Each test has specific guidelines of the requirements at the specified level and shows each movement and the way it is scored. All tests, the show, judge, and each participant adhere to the rules in accordance with USEF/WDAA guidelines. Ribbons will be awarded to the top 6 placings in each division of each class. Belt buckles will be awarded to the high score champion in each division (Junior, Adult Amateur, and Open).

Class	Division
1	WD: Intro Level Test 1 (Jr/Young Rider and Adult Amateur)
2	WD: Basic Level Test 1 (Jr/Young Rider and Adult Amateur)
3	WD: Level 1 Test 1 (Jr/Young Rider and Adult Amateur)
4	WD: Open Test of Choice (Intro, Basic, or Level 1 Tests Only)

## **DIVISION 3: Team Sorting**

Monday July 24 @ 5:00PM, Rodeo Arena

Enter June 1 – July 21, \$25pp/entry, Phone entries only, Call the Fair Office (307) 733-5289  
50% of the entry fee will be jackpotted, 50% is a stock charge

Team Sorting teams are all open. A team of two (2) riders must move cattle, one at a time, from one pen to another in numerical order, starting with the number called by the announcer. Time will start when the first horse crosses through the opening between the pens. If already sorted cattle cross back into the original pen or if the wrong numbered cow goes through, the team will be disqualified. There will be a top ten call-back. The team with the most cattle sorted in the fastest time on the combined two runs, wins. There is a 60-second clock. The draw will be pick two (2), draw one (1) or

all rides can be drawn. If a contestant wishes to ride only one (1) time, their partner will be drawn. The number of places to be paid out is dependent upon the number of total entries collected, plus any added money. If contestants are number by any association, the cap for any team is eight (8). Team organization or any rule changes are at the discretion of the Teton County Fair Horse Show Committee. This event will be capped at 100 total teams.

#### **DIVISION 4: Team Branding**

Tuesday July 25 @ 5:00PM, Rodeo Arena

Enter June 1 – July 23, \$90/Open Team, \$60/Mixed Nut Team, Phone entries only, Call the Fair Office (307) 733-5289 \$60 of Open entry fee will be jackpotted, \$30 is a stock charge; \$30 of Mixed Nut entry fee will be jackpotted, \$30 is a stock charge.

Team Branding OPEN: Any team

Team Branding MIXED NUTS: 2 of 3 team members must be one of the following: over 50, 14 & under, or female

The length of the Rodeo Arena will be split in half so two (2) teams may run safely and at the same time. There will be a four (4)-minute time limit for each team. If a team member is a no-show, the whole team will scratch. The event will be capped at 80 teams. Any team member may enter each division four (4) times. The same team may enter each division one time.

Each team consists of three (3) members. All three (3) team members will start on horseback and at one end of their assigned arena. The cattle will be at the other end of the same arena. The judge will decide the placement of the brand. No belly catches.

When time is signaled, one teammate will rope a cow around the head or horns, another teammate will then heel the cow around the hind leg (s). Before the cow may be branded, it must be stretched – two (2) hind feet, two (2) front feet, and horses facing. Once the horses are faced, the third teammate may get off their horse and transfer the head rope to the front feet. There is no penalty if the cow kicks out of the rope, as long as the feet are replaced prior to branding. The third teammate may then brand the cow, in the location as specified by the judge, run back to their horse and get on. Time is signaled upon the branding iron being placed back in the bucket. Any roughing of the cattle, as determined by the judges i.e. high-hocking or choking, may result in disqualification.

### **“Ride for the Brand” Team Competition**

Team up with your family or friends and come on down to the Teton County Fair Non-Professional Western Performance classes on Sunday July 30, 2023. Teams are made up of four (4) members. Team members will compete in the Western Pleasure, Ranch Pleasure & Western Equitation classes as individuals. If an individual team member places 1-6 in these classes, the points as assigned below by placing, will accrue toward the whole teams’ total points. The team with the most points at the end of the show will be awarded the “Ride for the Brand” travelling cup/trophy and their Team Name will be engraved on the cup/trophy.

1<sup>st</sup> Place: 12 points

4<sup>th</sup> Place: 6 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 10 points

5<sup>th</sup> Place: 4 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 8 points

6<sup>th</sup> Place: 2 points

#### **DIVISION 5: NON-PROFESSIONAL WESTERN PERFORMANCE**

Sunday July 30 @ 8:30AM, Rodeo Arena

Enter June 1 – July 27, \$7 per class online, \$10 per class by mail or in-person

**Ranch Pleasure: \*NOT an AQHA-recognized event.** Rules are at the discretion of the Teton County Fair Horse Show Committee. Horses to be shown at a ground covering walk, long, free-swinging, posting trot, and a lope on a loose rein.

**Jr. Western Pleasure:** Horses ridden with a snaffle or bosal; two (2) hands allowed; a shank bit is allowed if only one (1) hand is used. Mark the age of the horse on the entry form. **Lead Line Classes:** Competitors who enter this class may not also enter the Walk/Trot. **Walk/Trot Classes:** Competitors who enter this class may not also enter the Lead Line classes. **Reining:** The pattern will be posted before the show starts at 8:30AM. Western tack and attire is required. Helmets and chaps are optional.

Class	Division
1	Western Pleasure, Ages 18 & over
2	Western Pleasure, Ages 13-17
3	Western Pleasure, Ages 12 & under
4	Jr. Western Pleasure: Riders of all ages, horses 5 & under
5	Ranch Pleasure, Ages 18 & over
6	Ranch Pleasure, Ages 13-17
7	Ranch Pleasure, Ages 12 & under
8	Western Equitation, Ages 18 & over
9	Western Equitation, Ages 13-17
10	Western Equitation, Ages 12 & under
11	Western Horsemanship, Ages 40 & over
12	Western Horsemanship, Ages 18-39
13	Western Horsemanship, Ages 13-17
14	Western Horsemanship, Ages 12 & under
15	Lead Line, Ages 6 & under
16	Walk-Trot, Ages 6 & under
17	Walk-Trot, Ages 7-10

#### **BREAK TO DRAG ARENA & SETUP COURSE**

18	Reining, Ages 18 & over
19	Reining, Ages 17 & under

#### **DIVISION 6: TRAIL/OBSTACLE COURSE**

Sunday July 30 @ 8:30AM, Mateosky Ball Field

Enter June 1 – July 27, \$7 per class online, \$10 per class by mail or in-person, \$35pp for jackpot

**Description:** A class requiring the horse and rider to navigate through a variety of obstacles, demonstrating the rider's ability to communicate with the horse. **The Set-up:** An exact drawing of the course with a legend will be provided. The course will remain the same for each division with variations in the instructions. The drawings will include all obstacles and props within the course. **Disqualification:** Use of equipment (bits) as indicated in the Horse Show rules for all horse show riding class will apply to the Trail Class. The competitor will be responsible for truthfully indicating a horse's age when using a snaffle bit or bosal. The mechanical hackamore is inappropriate for all competitors. Three (3) refusals at any obstacle and the rider will proceed to the next obstacle.

Class	Division
1	Trail/Obstacle Course, Ages 40 & over
2	Trail/Obstacle Course, Ages 18-39
3	Trail/Obstacle Course, Ages 13-17
4	Trail/Obstacle Course, Ages 12 & under
5	Jackpot Trail: All Ages, \$35 entry fee