## Show Rules

- Must be an active California 4-H Member.
- 4-H Horse project is *not* a requirement.
- Certified (ASTM & SEI) helmets, with chin straps, are required.
- 4-H uniform or show attire acceptable.
  - -Long pants, breeches or jodhpurs are required
  - -Proper riding boots.
  - -Belt
  - -Collared shirt that tucks in.
- All members are to bring their own buckets for watering their horses. It is unsafe to share buckets or watering troughs with unknown horses.

## Western & Ranch

- Split reins or romel reins permitted in Western classes.
- Horses must show in a halter for Showmanship classes. Chains permitted.
- No Sport boots, bell boots, splint boots or polos. Bell boots will be permitted for Ranch Classes.
- No gag bits or training devices are allowed
- Horses ridden with a snaffle bit must be ridden two handed\*. Horses ridden with a shank bit must be ridden one-handed. \*Note that State show will require one handed riding with shank bit for horses 5 years and older.
- All tack should be clean and in working order.

## **English**

- Whips or crops may be used with discretion.
- Horses may be shown in Bridle or Halter for Showmanship Classes.
- Breastplates are permitted.
- Jumping classes will allow the use of protective leg ware and boots. Leg protection and training devices are not permitted in any other English Classes.
- All tack should be clean and in working order.

## **Safety Policy**

- At the Judges discretion, any rider and horse may be excused from a class if deemed "out of control" or unsafe. This will result in disqualification from that class.
- Any horse showing signs of lameness may be excused from a class. Head bobbing, limping or signs of discomfort will not be acceptable in classes. This will result in disqualification.
- Any rider that needs to dismount during a class, gets bucked off or falls off during a class is disqualified from that individual class.