

## DEPARTMENT 2 - DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT PONY

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All drafts **MUST** be in place by Saturday @ 8:00 pm & will be released @ 6:00 am on the following Sunday.

Premiums will not be given to anyone arriving late or leaving early without permission from the Superintendents prior to the start of the fair.

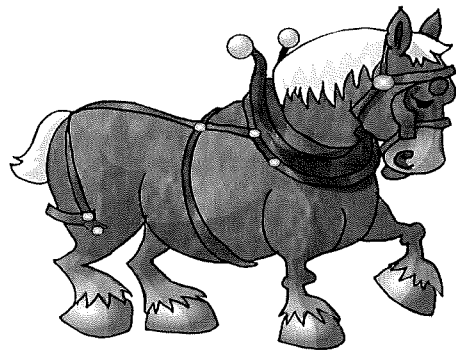
### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**MONDAY:** 10:00 A.M.: Draft Hitches

**WEDNESDAY:** 10:00 A.M.: SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES  
Draft Pony Halter Classes  
Draft Horse Halter Classes

**THURSDAY:** 10:00 A.M.: Farm Fun Classes  
2:30 P.M.: Kids Day activities (Open to ALL kids)  
6:00 P.M.: Under Saddle/Fun Show

**FRIDAY:** 6:30 P.M.: Draft Horse & Draft Pony Pull



The Draft Hitch classes, the Farm Day classes, Under Saddle & the Pull will be held in Draft Horse Arena near the North Gate. The Draft Halter classes will be held in the west end of the feeder calf barn. Showmanship classes will either be the arena or feeder calf barn.

The show is subject to change due to weather or surface conditions in the arena.

## DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT PONY GENERAL RULES

County Fair Board and /or draft horse/The Richland e/draft pony committee will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries or losses. **\*\*NOTE\*\*** any open classes that you wish to participate in must be listed on your entry blank (hitch, halter, saddle, farms & pull). Do not enter 4-H classes on your entry form. 4-H classes are to be entered on your 4-H fair entry. To participate in the pull, you must show in either a halter or a hitch class.

Each exhibitor is to furnish a rope behind each draft horse & for the duration of the fair. All draft equines must be owned by the exhibitor. Age of the animal recorded as of January 1st. **\*\*NOTE\*\*** for all halter, hitch and farm classes, the exhibitor's age should be as of January 1st also to be in line with Jr. Fair guidelines.

Exhibitors must specify the number of stalls needed: including a tack stall; on the entry form. Please specify if a box stall is needed for a mare and foal or for your horse. Draft equine may borrow only in get of sire & produce of mare halter classes and in the unicorn, four & six horse hitch classes.

Draft equines are permitted to wear their ribbon won in their respective class for the Champion and Grand Champion classes. Do not enter champion classes on the entry form as the winners will be entered automatically. Each exhibitor must display a suitable placard giving information on the animal (name, age, weight, etc.)

Draft equines are not permitted to enter the barn from the midway circle. They must enter & exit from the back or side of the barn. They are not permitted on the paved circle during the fair.

All animals must be fed & watered by 9:00 a.m. each day. Their stall must stay clean throughout the day. All stalls must be cleaned once your animals are released.

All animals must be exhibited for the duration of the fair to be eligible for any class. No truck-ins will be permitted. There is no coloring of hooves on the concrete or pavement.

Registration papers will be checked regarding classes entered & ownership if necessary by the superintendents.

Draft ponies entered in the Draft Horse/Draft Pony Department halter classes cannot enter light pony halter.

The Draft H & P Committee will make decisions on any questions or issues that arise.

*All youth 18 & under driving/riding in an equine hitch must wear an ASTM/SEI standards helmet.*

*All youth under 18 must have an adult riding in the cart/wagon with them.*

*All youth 18 & under riding under saddle must have a helmet on.*

*No bareback riding.*

**\*\*Waiver forms are available through the superintendents or the Sr. Fair office but must be notarized & turned in to the Superintendents at the start of the fair.**

# DEPARTMENT 2 - DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT PONY

## DEPARTMENT 2 - SECTION 1

### DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT PONY HITCH CLASS

Monday @ 10:00 a.m. in the Draft Arena near North Gate

**Entry Fee:** \$5.00 on all classes except 4-H The hitch classes are open to those entered in open class & must have entered on your fair entry form. Farm harness & show harness will be shown separately for draft horses. Show harness will be show/farm harness classes must be shown with a fifth wheel wagon for team through 6 horse/pony hitches. **Class 14 is a Farm class** where farm equipment must be used. Exhibitors in the farm team can only show in Class 14 or Class 15— CANNOT show in both. Anyone trying to show in both will be dismissed from the show. Exhibitors are not allowed to use the same horse/pony in men's & lady's cart. Junior classes are open to all youth 18 years & under as of January 1st. The Fair Board & Draft Equine Committee will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries or losses. Do not sign up for 4-H classes - these classes are signed up through Jr. Fair only.

#### CLASSES:

1. Draft Horse Cart Class, man to drive, farm harness
2. Draft Horse Cart Class, man to drive, show harness
3. Draft Pony Cart Class, man to drive
4. Draft Horse Cart Class, lady to drive, farm harness
5. Draft Horse Cart Class, lady to drive, show harness
6. Draft Pony Cart Class, lady to drive
7. Draft Horse 4-H Cart Class
8. Draft Pony 4-H Cart Class
9. Draft Horse Junior Cart Class, 18 yrs. & under
10. Draft Pony Junior Cart Class, 18 years & under
11. JimBob DH Tandem Hitch Class, farm harness
12. JimBob DH Tandem Hitch Class, show harness
13. Draft Pony Tandem Hitch Team
14. Farm Team Class, DH/DP w/farm equipment
15. DH George Myers Team Hitch, farm harness, wagon only
16. Draft Horse Team Hitch, show harness
17. Draft Pony Team Hitch
18. Draft Horse 4-H Team Class
19. Draft Pony 4-H Team Class
20. Draft Horse Team Hitch, Junior Driver, 18 yrs. And under

#### PREMIUMS:

\$25, \$20, \$17, \$14, \$12, \$10  
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#### AWARD & Ribbons

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DEPARTMENT 2  
SECTION 2

DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT PONY HALTER SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES  
Wednesday @ 10:00 am

All required manes and tails will be rolled & /or braided for halter classes. If they are not done, the judge will be asked to place that animal/animals at the end of their class/classes. Do not sign up for 4-H classes, these classes are signed up through Jr. Fair only.

ENTRY FEE: Free per Fair Board Policy

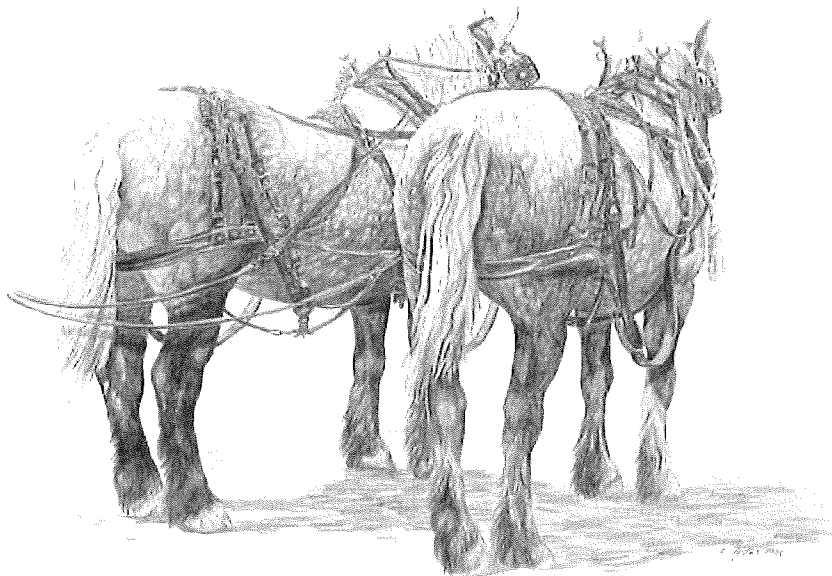
CLASSES:

1. 4-H Draft Horse Showmanship
2. 4-H Draft Pony Showmanship
3. Draft Horse Showmanship 19 years & over
4. Draft Pony Showmanship 19 years & over
5. Draft Horse Showmanship 13 years to 18 years
6. Draft Pony Showmanship 13 years to 18 years
7. Draft Horse Showmanship 8 years to 12 years
8. Draft Pony Showmanship 8 years to 12 years
9. Draft Horse Pee Wee Showmanship (under 8 years)
10. Draft Pony Pee Wee Showmanship ( under 8 years)
11. Showmanship Sweepstakes Championship

PREMIUMS:

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Gift card & Ribbons  
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(winners of Class 3 thru 8) Ribbon



## DEPARTMENT 2

### SECTION 3

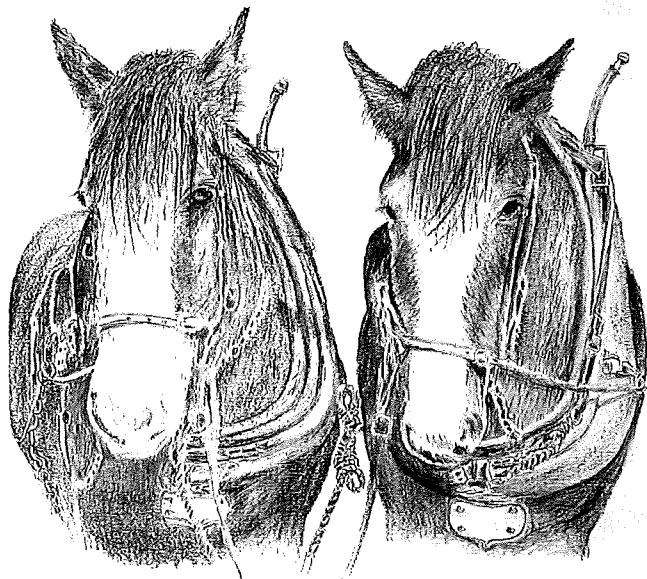
#### DRAFT PONY HALTER CLASSES

Immediately following showmanship classes in Feeder Calf Barn

ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 per class

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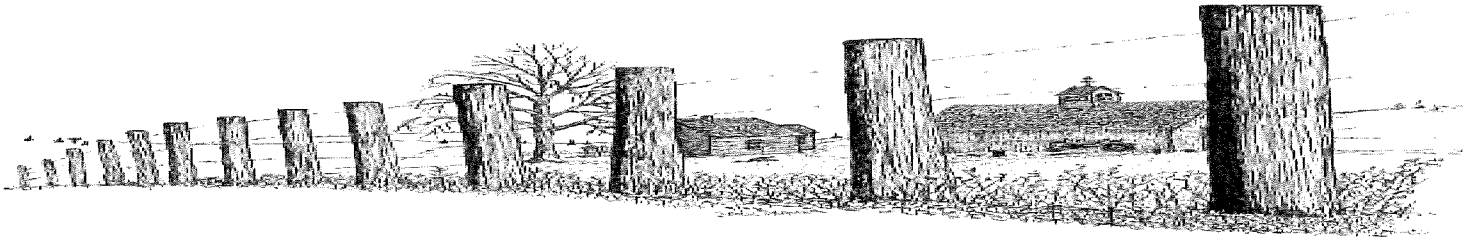
1. Gelding 3 years & under	20 18 15 12 10
2. Gelding 4 - 8 years old	20 18 15 12 10
3. Gelding over 9	20 18 15 12 10
4. Champion Gelding (1st & 2nd place in classes 1, 2, 3)	Rosette
5. Reserve Gelding (1st & 2nd place in classes 1, 2, 3)	Rosette
6. Stallions All Ages	20 18 15
7. Champion Stallion (1st & 2nd place of class 6)	Rosette
8. Reserve Stallion (1st & 2nd place of class 6)	Rosette
9. Mare 4 years & over	20 18 15 12 10
10. Mare 3 years & under	20 18 15 12 10
11. Champion Mare (1st & 2nd place in class 9, 10)	Rosette
12. Reserve Mare (1st & 2nd place in class 9, 10)	Rosette
13. Mare & Foal	20 18 15
14. Produce of Mare (2 animals)	20 18 15
15. Get of Sire (2 animals)	20 18 15
16. Best 3 animals (3 animals)	20 18 15 12 10
17. Matched Pair	20 18 15 12 10
18. Sweepstakes Champion-Grand Champion (Breed Champion class Winners)	Award



**DEPARTMENT 2**  
**SECTIONS 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8**

**DRAFT HORSE HALTER CLASSES**  
**Wednesday @ 10:00 a.m. in Feeder Calf Barn**  
**ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 per entry**

All required manes & tails will be rolled &/or braided for halter classes. If they are not, the judge will be asked to place that horse/horses at the end of their class/classes. Ages based on the age as of January 1st. The dates in parenthesis dictate the breed that shows first that year & will rotate in order listed. The Fair Board will pay premiums listed below for each class unless there are fewer than 8 animals of a certain breed exhibited at the fair. In that case, the Board will pay up to four places.



Classes 1 thru 21 will be shown in the following sequence:

SECTION 4: PERCHERONS (2029)

SECTION 5: BELGIANS (2030)

**SECTION 6: SPOTTED (2026)**

SECTION 7: OTHER RECOGNIZED BREEDS (2027)

SECTION 8: CLYDESDALES (2028)

**CLASSES:**

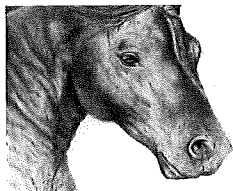
1. Grade Mare any age		20	18			
2. Gelding 3 years & under		20	18	15	12	10
3. Gelding 4 years & under 8		20	18	15	12	10 10
4. Gelding 8 years & over		20	18	15	12	10 10
5. Champion Gelding	(1st & 2nd in classes 2, 3 & 4)					Rosette
6. Reserve Champion Gelding	(1st & 2nd in classes 2, 3 & 4)					Rosette
7. Stallions all ages		20	18			
8. Champion Stallion	(1st & 2nd in class 7)					Rosette
9. Reserve Champion Stallion	(1st & 2nd in class 7)					Rosette
10. Mare 4 years & over/dry		20	18	15	12	10

**DEPARTMENT 2 - SECTIONS 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8**  
**DRAFT HORSE HALTER CLASSES**

Classes 1 thru 21 con't.

11. Registered Mare 4 years & over/wet	20 18 15 12 10
12. Registered Mare 3 years & under	20 18 15 12 10
13. Champion Mare (1st & 2nd in classes 10, 11 & 12)	Rosette
14. Reserve Champion Mare (1st & 2nd in classes 10, 11 & 12)	Rosette
15. Grand Champion of Breed (class winners in 5, 8 & 13)	Banner & Gift Card
16. Mare & foal	20 18 15 12 10
17. Produce of Mare two horses	20 18 15 12
18. Get of Sire two horses	20 18 15 12
19. Matched Pair	20 18 15 12 10
20. Best three animals one owner	20 18 15 12
21. Sweepstakes Champion Winner All Breeds	Trophy





DEPARTMENT 2  
SECTION 9




DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT PONY FARM CLASSES

Draft Horse Arena Thursday @ 10:00 a.m.

ENTRY FEE: None

All participants must have shown in the hitch or halter show. These classes are for fun. The obstacle course is not a timed event. The hay & feed race /carry the mail are timed & must be a two person team.

CLASSES:

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|--|---|-----------|----|
| 1. Obstacle Course: 18 years & under                     |  | Award     | 2. |
| 2. Obstacle Course: over 18 years                        |   | Gift Card |    |
| 3. Hay & Feed Race/Carry the Mail Race: 18 years & under |   | Award     |    |
| 4. Hay & Feed Race/carry the Mail Race: over 18 years    |   | Gift Card |    |

SECTION 10

DRAFT HORSE/DRAFT PONY

SADDLE & FUN UNDER SADDLE CLASSES

Draft Horse Arena Thursday @ 6:00 p.m.

ENTRY FEE: \$2.00 for Class 4 only - others are free

Those wishing to enter the saddle classes must indicate it on the fair entry blank. Anyone under 18 can show in both classes 4 & 5. Fun classes are all walk/trot, NO canter unless noted. To be eligible for riding classes you must either show in a halter class or hitch class in the Draft Horse/Draft Pony sections.

CLASSES:

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|--|---|
| 1. Stick Horse - 10 & under - open to public         | Ice Cream Token from Dairy Belle          |
| 2. Lead Line Rider Class:<br>rider under 8 years old | Ice Cream Tokens from Dairy Belle/Ribbons |
| 3. Draft Horse/Pony/under Saddle-18yrs & under       | Award & Ribbons 1st-6th                   |
| 4. Draft Horse/Pony under Saddle—any age             | 25 20 17 13 12 10 10 10 10 10             |

Immediately following the Saddle classes will be several fun classes (barrel, egg and spoon, trotting pursuit, cracker race) that all Draft Horse and Pony exhibitors are invited to participate in.

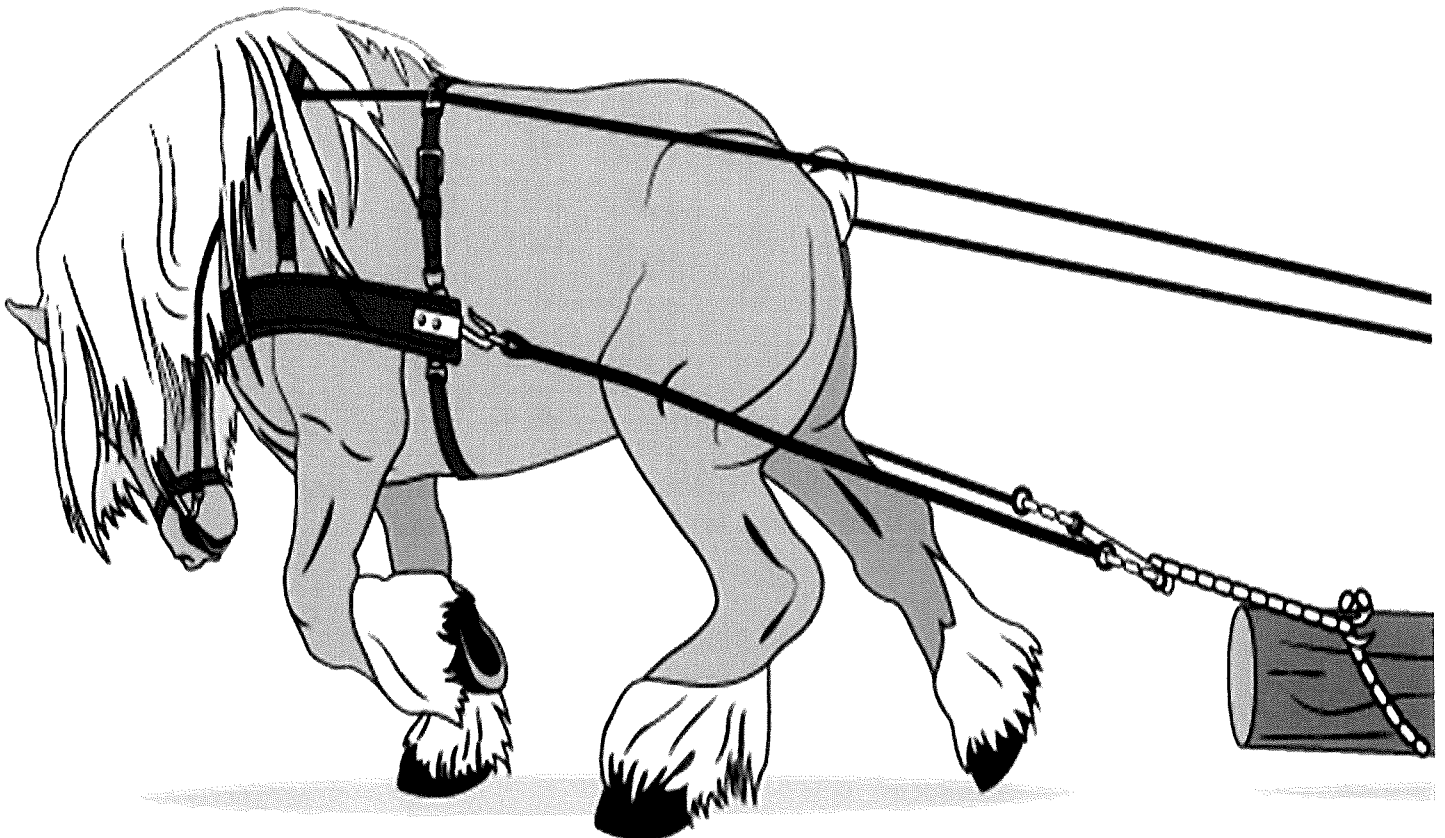
DEPARTMENT 2  
DRAFT HORSE/PONY PULL  
SECTION 11

Draft Horse Arena Friday @ 6:30 p.m.

(This may be moved to different day or time if inclement weather is an issue)

ENTRY FEE: \$10.00

Draft Horse/Pony Rules: The Draft Horse/Pony Pull is intended as good fun & sport for the exhibitors & spectators. The Fair Board & the Draft Horse/Pony Committee will not be responsible for any accidents, injuries or losses. To be eligible for the draft horse/pony pull, the animals must be stabled in the barn during the week & show in either the halter or the hitch classes. The Fair Board has allotted \$400 in premiums to be divided equally among the contestants. Gift cards will be awarded to the class winners & the Best Teamster. The Teamster Award will be decided upon by the ground judges.



**DEPARTMENT 2**  
**DRAFT HORSE AND PONY PULL**  
**SECTION 11**

Only the participants will be allowed in the arena. Pullers need to inspect their equipment and only use equipment that is safe and in good condition. Steel doubletrees must be used-**NO** wooden ones! Weigh in will be at the discretion of the committee. Horses/ponies may take first, second, and third pulls. The animals must be harnessed properly with no loose straps. Light weight team is considered #3400 and under.

No open bridles will be permitted. No pulling shoes are permitted-plates with borium or 3/8 tacks are allowed. No headers will be allowed. Drivers are allowed one person to help hook the sled. The helper is not allowed to touch or whip the animals. Violations of any of the above will disqualify the team and driver from the pull. Drivers and horses must be ready to pull in order. Distance for the pull will be 21'. The distance between boundaries is 16'. Any forward movement of the sled after the driver gives command will be counted as a pull.

If space permits, second and third pulls may continue in the same direction; otherwise, they will reverse. A whistle signal will indicate that the pull is completed or the sled coming to a stop indicates the end of the pull. In case of a breakage of harness, the team will be entitled to another pull. The committee will decide any other questions or issues.



**CLASS:**

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|---|-----------|
| 1. Draft Pony                             | Gift card |
| 2. Light Weight Draft Horse (under #3400) | Gift card |
| 3. Heavy Weight Draft Horse (over #3400)  | Gift card |

\*\*\*Teamster Award\*\*\*      Gift Card

Thank you Larry Banks and CBR Equipment LLC of Mt. Gilead for their sponsorship!

# ENTRY FORM

## ENTRY FEES DRAFT HORSES & DRAFT PONIES

### OPEN CLASS

DEPARTMENT 2 - DRAFT HORSES & PONIES

\*\*\*DEADLINE IS JULY 24th\*\*\*

\*\*\*ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT & LEGIBLE\*\*\*

HALTER	\$2.00 per entry
HITCH	\$5.00 per entry/per class
UNDER SADDLE	\$2.00 for classes 2 & 4 only
PULLS	\$10.00



RICHLAND COUNTY FAIR  
750 North Home Rd., Mansfield 44906  
Phone 419-747-3717

EXHIBITOR  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE - OHIO ZIPCODE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

If 18 years of age or younger, please enter age \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY. If not Richland \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT	SECTION	CLASS #	ENTRY FEE
1.	2		\$
2.	2		\$
3.	2		\$
4.	2		\$
5.	2		\$
6.	2		\$
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27. 2			\$
28. 2			\$
29. 2			\$
30. 2			\$

<b>TOTAL</b>
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NUMBER OF HORSES/PONIES: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF TIE STALLS: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF TACK STALLS: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF BOX STALLS NEEDED: \_\_\_\_\_

*All entries must either purchase a season pass or membership pass.*

**For office use only**

Total Entry Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ X \$40.00

(Richland County residents only-gives voting rights/7passes-must be 18 or older)

Season Pass \$ \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ X \$40.00

(All entries must purchase either a season or membership pass/7passes)

Total Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ (Payable to RCAS) CASH \_\_\_\_\_ CREDIT \_\_\_\_\_

RECEIPT # \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 2026

The Richland County Fair Board will take every precaution in its power for the preservation of livestock, livestock articles and still projects on exhibition, after their arrival and arrangement on the grounds, but is hereby agreed and understood by the undersigned owner/exhibitor that all livestock, livestock articles and still projects are brought onto the fairgrounds at the owner's/exhibitors risk. The Richland County Agriculture Society, its employees, officers, director's and agents will not be held liable nor responsible for any damage to livestock, livestock articles, still projects by fire, water, disease, windstorm and act of God, or any other cause, whatever its nature. Nor will the Society be held liable for any loss by thefts or accidents to person or property, nor for any errors or omissions in the Premium Book. Further, I agree not to have any contact with judges. I acknowledge that any other behavior and/or actions that is deemed inappropriate by the Richland County Board of Directors may result in disqualification, loss of premiums, expulsion from the fairgrounds, and/or being barred from future open class shows. I have read and understand this and I agree to abide by this waiver of responsibility and the Constitutions and By-Laws of the Richland County Agriculture Society and rules of the Department(s) I wish to enter, as printed in the premium book.

EXHIBITOR'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*2026\*\*

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*2026\*\*