

ANCASTER FAIR 2024 CANADIAN SHOW RULES

[Recommendations based on the Canadian Horse Breeders Association Show Rule Book]

Conformation Classes:

Exhibitor can be attired in either English or Western attire.

Horses will be shown with natural mane, tail, forelock and legs/fetlocks. Horses can have their bridle path and long hairs on head clipped. Clipping of ears is optional. Black or clear hoof paint may be used but is not mandatory.

Horses will be shown with a leather halter for weanlings and yearlings. Either leather halter or snaffle bridle may be used for horses two years old and over. It is strongly recommended to show stallions 2 years old and older in a bridle. Handlers must be 18 years old and over to present a stallion. Handler may use a crop or a whip of a maximum of 3 feet. A simple chain over the nose or under the chin is permitted in all halter groups.

The horse may be shown in a pattern as specified by the judge. Horses are to enter the ring at a walk counterclockwise. Handlers will then be asked to trot away from the judge, then walk a clockwise half circle and trot back towards the judge. Horses will then be "set up" while the judge examines conformation. Note: at both the walk and trot, horses should be given the opportunity to move as freely as possible.

Pleasure Driving classes for Single and Pair:

Entries are judged primarily on the suitability of the horse to provide a pleasant drive. To be shown both ways of the arena at a walk, slow trot, working trot or a strong trot as directed by the judge. To stand quietly and while lined up to rein back.

Under Saddle Classes:

Youth exhibitors are prohibited from showing or riding stallions. All exhibitors must wear protective head gear when riding anywhere on the show grounds. If a rider falls off their horse during a class, the rider will be excused.

The mane, tail and forelock can be left natural but may be braided/banded or pulled for English or Western. The bridle path and long hair on the head and legs should be clipped or trimmed. Hooves may be painted with hoof dressing.

Keep at least one-horse length between horses whether behind or beside. Don't crowd other riders. Always leave enough passing room. All exhibitors are considered breed ambassadors and should make every effort to present the breed in its best light. Whether

English or Western dress is used, every rider should be neat and tidy. All tack should be non-abusive and humane.

Insurance Requirement:

Ancaster Fair requires proof of \$2,000,000 LIABILITY INSURANCE (such as that provided with OEF membership) when submitting all livestock entries. Without proof of insurance, livestock will not be allowed to show.