



# Eastern Hudson Valley Horse Council

A Chapter of

## New York State Horse Council

### 2023 Horse Show Series

#### Horse Show Committee

Stephanie Fitzpatrick  
Stephanie Bader  
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#### Judges

The committee reserves the right to substitute judges as needed.

#### Day of Show

Horse show will start **PROMPTLY** at 8:00am

Each horse show will have a food truck from approximately 8:00am to 3:00pm.

#### Entry Fees

##### **Entry fee per class (unless otherwise noted):**

\$15 per class for EHVHC members

\$20 for non-members

Riders may join EHVHC at the show to receive the discounted entry fee. Applications will be available at the secretary's stand. A separate check must be made payable directly to NYSHC.

Each rider will have a \$10 EMT fee added on to the class fees.

Pre-entries close the Tuesday before each show

Please email entries to [EHVHorseCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:EHVHorseCouncil@gmail.com)

Entries must include a copy of negative Coggins and Rabies Certificate for each horse

Post-entries will incur a \$10 fee per rider

T.I.P. Number Card & USHJA Outreach Card (if applicable) will be needed with each entry.

Riders may pay by cash, check or Venmo.

Checks payable to Eastern Hudson Valley Horse Council.

Riders leave cash or a signed, open check with the horse show secretary at registration.

## **Policies and Procedures**

1. Eastern Hudson Valley Horse Council (EHVHC), all EHVHC officers, event managers, and volunteers are not responsible for any accident/injury which may occur or be caused by any person or animal on the showgrounds.
2. All entries must be in writing, on the official entry form, and signed by the rider; a parent or guardian must sign for any rider under 18 years of age. ALL fields must be completed. Signature shall constitute acceptance of all policies and procedures.
3. Current proof of negative Coggins and a Rabies Vaccination certificate are required for all horses, dated within one year of the show date.
4. Returned checks will be charged a fee of \$45.00. Non-payment of a past-due show bill or bounced check must be settled before the next show or the rider will not be allowed to compete and the points for that show will be deleted.
5. Any horse or dog deemed unsafe for riders, spectators, or other horses, will be asked to leave the showgrounds. Anyone behaving in an unsportsmanlike manner will be asked to leave the showgrounds.
6. All dogs must be leashed and under control at all times. There is a \$75.00 fine for loose dogs.
7. Alcoholic beverages as well as controlled and illicit substances are not permitted on the premises. Anyone found consuming them will be asked to leave the showgrounds.
8. All decisions made by the Show Committee and/or judges are final. Show Committee and/or judges reserve the right to combine, split, or cancel classes/divisions.
9. The rider's age will be as of January 1 of the current year. Junior riders are 17 and under.
10. Any rider who enters a walk/jog-trot only division may not enter into any division that has a lope/canter class.
11. All riders must be properly attired for all classes. All riders under 18 years of age are required to wear an ASTM/SEI certified helmet. Those not in compliance will be excused by the Show Committee.  
**English Riders:** certified ASTM/SEI helmet, boots, breeches, Polo shirt or shirt and jacket, ratcatcher, jacket and choker/tie. Half chaps and paddock boots are permitted.  
**Western Riders:** Western hat or ASTM/SEI certified helmet, collared long-sleeve shirt, long pants/jeans and riding boots.
12. Equipment standards will parallel AQHA and USEF rulebook standards. Any rule not specifically addressed under each discipline will revert back to AQHA and USEF rules.  
**English Equipment:** Martingales are only permitted in over fences classes. Polo wraps or boots are not permitted in Hunter and Pleasure classes.  
**Western Equipment:** Chaps are permitted in all classes. Gag bits, martingales/tie-downs, and sport boots are prohibited. Riding with two hands in a shank bit is cause for disqualification.
13. There will be a two-minute gate call for all classes. Failure to enter the ring within two minutes of the gate call will result in rider disqualification and will not be eligible for a class refund.
14. Schooling is permitted in the ring prior to the start of the show and there will be brief schooling breaks before each division.
15. Patterns/course diagrams will be posted day of the show.
16. Divisions/classes may be split by age or randomly, as needed.
17. At the judge's discretion, no more than four horses to canter/lope at the same time in a class.

18. At the judge's discretion, English Equitation may include tests (at the rider's appropriate ability level) such as; answering a horsemanship, tack, equipment, or anatomy question, halting for a specific number of seconds and/or halting and backing a specific number of steps, riding at a sitting trot, at a two-point position at the walk and/or trot, trotting a jump, or riding without stirrups at the trot, or completing a figure eight at the trot/canter, demonstrating change of diagonals, with the figure eight to commence in the center of the two circles.
19. Classes of four or more riders are considered full, and will receive full points (7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1). Classes with fewer than four riders will receive half points (3 ½, 2 ½, 2, 1 ½, 1, ½). Divisions may be split by age with a minimum of four riders per split. If only one rider is entered in a division, the division will be canceled. The rider/handler will accumulate points in classes judged on the rider/handler and the horse will accumulate points in classes judged on the horse.
20. To be eligible for a year-end award, a rider/handler or horse must accumulate a minimum of 12 points per division. Points will be posted on the EHVHC website within 15 days of the show. Points will become FINAL 30 days after posting. Any discrepancies must be reported within that time. Year-end awards will be awarded Champion through eighth place. Points will be posted on the EHVHC website.
21. A day-end Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded in all divisions except Fitting and Showmanship. In the event of a tie for Champion, each rider will receive a Champion ribbon.
22. Riders who are part of the T.I.P. (Thoroughbred Incentive Program) will earn points in specific classes. Any ties for the T.I.P. high point will be broken as follows:
  - Hunters:** The horse with the most points in their first Over Fences class. In the event of a tie, the horse with the highest numerical score.
  - Jumpers:** The horse with the most points in their Time First Round class. In the event of a tie, the horse with the fastest round.
  - Fitting & Showmanship:** The horse with the highest numerical score
  - Junior Rider:** The horse with the most points in their first Over Fences class. In the event of a tie, the horse with the highest numerical score.
23. Horses and riders who are Outreach members of the USHJA will accumulate points in all English only classes (excepting Fitting and Showmanship), to qualify for USHJA bronze, silver, and gold level awards.