

Hastings Lake Pleasure Horse Association



Open Horse Show Rules

- 1) All classes open to sound horses, ponies, donkeys, and mules.
- 2) Un-sportsman like behavior, foul language and/or animal abuse will not be tolerated in the arena or on the show grounds. Failure to comply could lead to disqualification from a class or ejection from the entire show at the discretion of the judge, ringmaster and/or show committee.
- 3) Stallions must be handled by persons 18 years or older and must be double tied and at no time left unattended.
- 4) Dress Code: long pants, shirts and boots with heel are mandatory for all classes. No shorts or tank tops, for either part of the day.
- 5) **Equine helmets are always mandatory for ages under 18 when mounted or unmounted and strongly recommended for all riders.**
- 6) All tack must be safe and serviceably sound.
- 7) The judge's decision is final.
- 8) Dogs must always be on a leash. Do not leave dogs unattended at any time. No aggressive dogs allowed.
- 9) In the event of rain or severe weather the show may be postponed or cancelled at the discretion of the show committee.
- 10) Cross entries are not allowed in Halter or Lead Line.
- 11) The gatekeeper must be advised of tack changes prior to class. **TEN MINUTES ONLY** will be allowed for tack changes.
- 12) Martingales and tie downs allowed in gymkhana events only.
- 13) Kickers are to be flagged. Ribbon markers will be provided if necessary
- 14) The show committee reserves the right to postpone, combine, or cancel classes as circumstances dictate.
- 15) In Hand, the handler must be able to independently guide the equine safely.
- 16) Ribbons will be awarded to sixth place for all classes except for obstacles.

Concession (cash only) starts with breakfast and will be open throughout the day.

Lunch break will be announced and will be approximately one half-hour long.

Clean up after yourself and your horse, including hay, manure and holes.

Your continued co-operation, consideration and support will help maintain the ongoing success of this show.