NEW MEXICO 4-H HORSE SHOW

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

Judge: Ron Morris





Indoor Horse Arena:
Showmanship at Halter • Western Pleasure • Western Horsemanship • Ranch Riding • Hunter Under Saddle • Hunt Seat Equitation • English Disciplined Rail • Futurity • Versatility • Reining

HI-POINT BUCKLES
NOVICE • JUNIOR • SENIOR

CLOSING DATE SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

POST ENTRIES WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED ON SITE OR ONLINE AFTER CLOSING DATE.

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NM State Fair 2026 General Horse Show Rules

Horse Department Manager: Mariah Wilson
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Show Secretary: Lisa Benavidez JBella67@outlook.com
Stall Manager/Horse Hospitality: Tammy Eldred 505-274-4774
Show Location: 300 San Pedro, Albuquerque, NM 87108 Gate 6

Entries: Pre-entry closing date is September 1, 2026. All entries will be online at NMStateFair.Horsespot.net. There are no post entry fees for online entries. Payment by check or credit card will not be required until check-in. Pre-entries are encouraged for expedited gate admissions and preferred stabling assignments. Cattle, Dressage, and Western Dressage will require entries by Closing date of August 25, 2026. All Entries pay Office fee per Exhibitor/Horse as designated by each show's specified rules and entry requirements. Pre-ordered shavings by closing date will be at your stalls on arrival. PRE-ENTRIES online are ENCOURAGED! No need to print entry form. Any signature pages can be completed at check-in or with online signature. All entry requirements can be done with the new online platform! Coggins and health certificates can also be uploaded on Horsespot.

Payment: Checks payable to EXPO NM or valid credit card required upon arrival to receive back number. You may send entry by email without payment to the secretary or go completely through the online entry platform with Horse Spot. You do not need to use a credit card to confirm your online entry! To obtain back number, each horse will need to submit health certificate (dated within 30 days), leave an open check or credit card form, and liability waiver for all participants. Adult signature is required for minors. Bad checks and declined credit cards incur $50/occurrence fee.

Check-In: All entries will be assigned stall or designated parking for trailer-in when they enter Gate 6. There is a Horse Hut office attendant that will greet you and guide you to your stall area. When your horses are settled, the south office in the indoor horse complex will check you in. Please refer to the NMLB website for further requirements by State. On Site/post entries are accepted for all shows EXCEPT Cattle, Dressage, and Western Dressage.

Check-Out: Health papers (if not uploaded) will be returned upon departure and proper payment form verified at the end of the show. Checks must be signed and open to participate or complete credit card authorization form on file. You will be emailed a full statement with results within 5 days of your event with completed charges. CLOSED CHECKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Your check will be filled out only after results and full event financial review has been completed, within 5 days.

Office: Will be open 1 hour before the start of the competition daily and stay open at least 1 hour after final class. Check-in for groups of 6 or more are advised to contact the secretary for a time slot. Please call Lisa Benavidez 505-916-6634.

Scratched/Added classes: Entries will only be charged for classes they participate in and may add or scratch during the show through the HorseSpot.net platform with no penalty. Exception: Dressage, Western Dressage and Cattle classes.

Feed & Bedding: Shavings and feed may be pre-ordered on entry form/online entry for $12/bag. Orders for shavings can be added to your pre-entry or purchased through the show office or HorseSpot. No outside shavings are allowed without veterinary certification of medical need.

Arenas: Indoor arena 117' x 250'. Outdoor arenas 125; x 264'. Footing is sandy loam in all arenas.

Stall Assignments: Pre-entered horses may request stall areas. We cannot guarantee those stalls will be available. Groups of horses or trainers contact Tammy Eldred for group stabling 505-274-4774. Stalls may be accessed after 5pm the night before the event and must be vacated at the end of the day of show entered (considered 1 stall). Only one animal per stall. Tack rooms must be added to a horse's entry to reserve at the rate of $25/night or day and not included with $30 base office fee. The stall chart will be available at the Gate 6 entry Horse Hut. All horses must pay for a stall or Trailer-In fee. Day tripper parking in East outdoor Roping pen on limited basis and not guaranteed. No parking in front of stalls is allowed unless actively loading or unloading. NO UNHOOKED trailers in front of stalls. ***NEW MEXICO STATE FAIRGROUNDS IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ITEMS LEFT UNATTENDED.***

Parking: Designated unloading zones have a 45-minute limit. There is no parking in barn aisles or leaving trailers unhooked for any reason. Vehicle parking for exhibitors will be available, on a limited basis, in the Gate 6 area with parking pass. Each Horse entered will include 1 parking pass and 2 admission tickets. Any additional parking passes and/or admissions passes will need to be purchased at the horse show office during check-in. Support vehicles during set up will need to purchase additional passes for show days. The entry for horse trailers and exhibitors is Gate 6 at the northwest corner of the grounds. This is south of Lomas on the east side on San Pedro (across from McDonald's). Gate 6 is open from 6am to 9pm daily. After hours arrivals/departures use Gate 3, which is further south on San Pedro at the Copper stop light. Only right-hand turns are possible during the State Fair (traveling north on San Pedro. The only exception is Saturday September 12th during the parade on Central.

Trailer Parking: There is no on-site (unhooked) trailer parking. The armory located at 600 Wyoming Blvd., Albuquerque, NM 87123 is a secure site for trailers to be unhooked while you show. Parking in the lot at gate 6 is for passenger vehicles only. You may obtain parking passes for the off-site parking at the horse show office. Maps are available at show office. Limited parking is available for day trip haul-in for shows in the far East Roping arena for fully-hitched exhibitors only.

Prize List Corrections/Changes: The NM state Fair reserves to itself the final and absolute right to interpret these Competition Requirements, to fairly and impartially settle, determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the Show, and the right to amend or add to these Competition Requirements as its judgments may determine. The NM State Fair reserves the right to cancel events or change scheduling if determined necessary. See each division for any specific or special Competition Requirements.

Dogs: No dogs are allowed in competition arenas or warm-up areas.

Motorized Vehicles: No golf carts or private motorized vehicles are allowed.

Protective Headgear: Any Exhibitor may wear protective headgear in any division or class without penalty from the judge. USEF strongly encourages all Exhibitors to wear protective headgear. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor, parent, guardian, or trainer of the junior exhibitor to see that the headgear worn complies with safety standards and is properly fitted and in good condition.

Prize Money & Awards: Payouts will be issued to the exhibitor of the class within 30 days. W-9 and full account payment required for all entries. Buckles/Awards will be awarded onsite at the conclusion of each show. **Winners must pick up all awards, or they will be forfeited and awarded to the next eligible winner. We will not ship awards.** Ribbons will be awarded through 6th place. HorseSpot will be tracking results and rankings as the shows take place!

Photographers: Lauren Aston Photography will be covering arenas for competition photos. Online galleries are available to view and purchase your winning moments.

Sponsorships: Expanded Awards in this division are all thanks to local support and sponsorships. Sponsor forms are available on the NM State Fair website. Arena Banner sponsorships are also available to show your support for this great event and get your business in front of a major public audience! Contact NMHorseshows@gmail.com for additional forms.

Gate Calls: The two-minute gate will be enforced. The gate will close two minutes after the first horse enters the ring or in cases with large classes taking more than two minutes, after the entry of the final horse in a continuous string of horses. If tack changes are necessary, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to notify the gate person and request a three-minute gate hold. Note: Due to unforeseeable problems with the mechanical devices, the paddock and barn calls over the PA system are considered COURTESY. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be sure that his/her horse is at the gate at the prescribed time.

Refusal of Entry/Protest: All decisions made by the Judge and/or Show Management are final and cannot be protested. Show Management reserves the right to ask any exhibitor to leave the show grounds for any reason including but not limited to unsportsmanlike like conduct, intoxication, and animal cruelty.

Enter Online/Signature Pages/Upload Horse Papers/Health Certs

NMStateFair.Horsespot.net

Check your results, rankings, entry info, updates, add/scratch classes, and more!

NM State Fair 2026 4-H Rules

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Eligibility:
Determination of eligibility and appropriate age divisions. All contestants must be bona fide 4-H members in New Mexico, enrolled in a 4-H horse project for the current show year, and in good standing. Each contestant must enter their appropriate age group as follows:

Novice: Ages 9 through 11. A 4-H member must have passed his/her 9th birthday or be 8 years old and in third grade but cannot be in the 6th grade and have passed his/her 12th birthday prior to January 1 of the current 4-H program year.

Junior: Ages 12 through 13. A 4-H member must have passed his/her 12th birthday or be 11 years old and in the 6th grade but cannot be in 8th grade and have passed his/her 14th birthday prior to January 1 of the current 4-H program year.

Senior: Ages 14 through 18. A 4-H member must have passed his/her 14th birthday or be 13 years old and in the 8th grade but cannot have passed his/her 19th birthday by January 1 of the current 4-H program year.

A horse may be ridden in only one age division in each class, either Novice, Junior, or Senior, and the same horse cannot be shown in the other two age divisions. Horses entered in the show must be the project of the 4-H member. The 4-H member may own or lease a horse in which the 4-H'er must manage at least 50% of the time. For project purposes, management is considered to include feeding, grooming, exercising, training, and stall maintenance. The 4-H member is not allowed under any circumstances to exhibit stallions at any 4-H horse event.

The 4-H member must file an identification certificate (aka "4-H Horse Certificate") for his/her horse with the State 4-H Office by May 1st of the current 4-H program year. By filing the horse certificate, the 4-H member, parent and/or guardian, and county Extension Agent, agree that members have read, understood, and agree to abide by the rules stated herein. Upon receipt of a properly executed 4-H Horse Certificate, the State 4-H Office will issue a 4-H Horse Show Exhibitor Number for that horse/exhibitor combination for the 4-H Horse Show year. On the reverse side of that number, identifying information from the 4-H Horse Certificate will be printed as an aid to horse show management when verifying 4-H eligibility. Youth are responsible for their back number, and there will be a $5 charge to replace any lost numbers.

Although horses are not required to be registered with any breed association, it is recommended that the 4-H member has documentation verifying the identity and ownership of the horse (e.g., registration certificate, New Mexico brand inspection transport permit, etc.)

Class Procedure/Rules:
All Classes will be conducted and judged according to the rules printed in the most current handbook of the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA). The handbook is available online at www.aqha.com.The only exception is for English Disciplined Rail which will be governed by the current rulebook of the Pinto Horse Association of America (PtHA) available at www.pinto.org.

Conduct and Safety: (supersede any AQHA/PtHA rules):
Safety is the foundation of good horsemanship. If the judge or show manager deems an exhibitor and/or horse is displaying unsafe behavior or lack of control, the judge or show manager shall notify the exhibitor to refrain from such behavior. If this behavior occurs in the show ring, the judge may "whistle off" the exhibitor to conclude the

performance at that point, and the exhibitor will exit the arena. If this behavior occurs outside the arena, the judge or show manager shall issue a warning to the exhibitor. If repeated occurrences of unsafe behavior continue, the judge or show manager may excuse them from the show.

Positive youth development requires a fair and level playing field and show management should make this a primary consideration for each 4-H Horse Show. Exhibitors expect fair and honest competition when they enter a contest, and all should strive to attain that at each event. If an exhibitor receives external aid (calling out specific maneuvers for a class, yelling out to correct a missed lead, etc. from a parent/guardian, trainer, coach, etc.) while in the competition arena, the judge and/or show manager shall issue a warning to those involved in the unfair behavior. If the external aid does not cease, the judge shall disqualify entry in the class. If the external aid continues beyond one class, the show manager may disqualify the exhibitor/horse combination from the show.

Any disqualification due to unsafe or unfair behavior forfeits any fees paid for participation in the show. However, any points gained prior to disqualification shall stand.

Show Attire and Equipment Rules:
Exhibitor attire requirements will follow AQHA SHW 320. Exhibitors and judges are reminded that extra accoutrements shall not enhance class placing beyond a neat, clean, and functional presentation of exhibitor and horse that meets the class requirements.

Equipment for all classes shall conform to AQHA SHW 300, 305, 306, 307, 310, 311, and 312 for the respective class. Class specific rules mentioned in Section 2 above also apply. Equipment rules for English Disciplined Rail shall also follow these AQHA rules.

Determination of All Around Awards:
The number of approved 4-H Horse Shows that comprise the series will be posted on the State 4-H Office website by April 1 each year. To be eligible for series awards, a youth must compete in a minimum of 50%. of the approved shows listed by April 1. For determination of overall 4-H Horse Show Series awards, the exhibitor may only count points from their best (highest point value) shows that represent, in whole show increments, a simple majority (i.e., 2 of 4, 4 of 8, 4 of 7, 3 of 5, etc.) of the entire number of shows offered in the series. For example, if there are a total of 8 shows scheduled for the series, an exhibitor must participate in at least 4 different shows to be eligible for series awards, and the exhibitor can only count points from their "4 best (highest point value) shows" of the entire series. If an exhibitor chooses to participate in all 8 shows, they may count the points from their "4 best" shows towards the series award point tabulation. In the case of only 3 shows being offered in the series, an exhibitor would need to participate in at least 2 shows, and only the points from the 2 best shows would count towards the series award point tabulation.

Points toward high point and series awards are as follows. For classes with 6 or more entries, 1st place receives 6 points, 2nd place receives 5 points, 3rd place receives 4 points, 4th place receives 3 points, 5th place receives 2 points, and 6th place receives 1 point. For classes with less than 6 entries, each placed exhibitor will receive a point for each exhibitor they place above plus 1 additional point. For example, in a class of 4, 1st place receives 4 points, 2nd place receives 3 points, 3rd place receives 2 points, and 4th place receives 1 point. Points are compiled on a one-horse, one 4-H member basis.

In case of a tie, the order of tie breakers will be: (1) earned points in the greatest number of different classes, (2) earned the most points in the riding classes, (3) greatest # of first places, (4) coin toss.

Two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity and Showmanship Classic:
4-H'ers (Juniors and Seniors) with advanced skills in horsemanship are eligible to nominate a two-year-old horse for the Western Pleasure Futurity and Showmanship Classic held each year during the State 4-H Horse Show.

Nominations are due in the State 4-H Office by May 1st of the current 4-H program year.

Horses eligible for the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity must be totally green, that is, having never received any riding by ANYONE other than the member who nominates the horse to the futurity.

Basic Rules for the Western Pleasure Futurity:
The 4-H member, brother or sister, parent or guardian must own the horses. Horses eligible for the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity must be totally green, having never received any riding by anyone other than the 4-H member who nominates the horse.

Horses must be in the 4-H member's possession and under his or her complete management (100%) and care by May 1st of the current year.

4-H members may nominate more than one horse, but they may only show one horse in the class.

4-H members nominate horses for the futurity by completing the nomination form available from the State 4-H Office. The nomination form must be certified (signed) by the county extension agent. A $20.00 nomination fee must accompany the form. Futurity nominations must be in the State 4-H Office postmarked no later than May 1st. No late entries will be accepted. A list of nominated horses will be published by June 1 on the State 4-H Office website. Nomination does not constitute an entry to the State 4-H Horse Show or Western Pleasure Futurity Class.

4-H members, with a properly nominated horse, may enter their futurity project in the State 4-H Horse Show. Members must submit the appropriate entry forms and fees to show management.

As soon as the horse becomes a futurity project, it can only be ridden and shown by the 4-H'er.

Advice and counsel on training techniques may come from outside sources; however, the 4-H member must do all the riding and work on his/her own futurity horse. Horses for the futurity do not have to be registered.

Procedures - Western Pleasure Futurity:
Three go-rounds will be held during the State 4-H Horse Show. Each round will be judged independently, by a different judge, according to AQHA rules for two-year-old Western Pleasure as described in rules SHW402 to 414. The point system for each go-round will follow rules above.
The winner of the champion award will be the horse with the greatest number of points after all three go-rounds. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided by a coin toss.

Procedures - Showmanship Classic:
An additional dimension to the Western Pleasure Futurity is the Showmanship Classic. It is only open to those horses nominated to the Western Pleasure Futurity. This will enable 4-H'ers who do not feel their futurity prospect is sufficiently trained for the Western Pleasure Futurity to participate in the State 4-H Horse Show, and it will assure their futurity prospect's eligibility for the three-year-old versatility class the following year. The Showmanship Classic is also open to those horses that are going to be shown in the Western Pleasure Futurity. If the 4-H member has nominated (2) two or more horses to the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity, he or she may only show one horse in the Western Pleasure Futurity, but they may show a different eligible horse in the Showmanship Classic.

Basic Rules for Showmanship Classic:
Only those horses properly nominated to the Western Pleasure Futurity are eligible for the Showmanship Classic.

Members must submit the appropriate entry forms and entry fee to show management.

The Showmanship Classic will be handled in the same manner as the regular showmanship class. Exhibitors may be asked oral questions from the NM 4-H Horse Project Manual by the judge. The exhibitor's final score will be the score on showmanship and the score on the questions.

Note: Only those horses that are nominated as two-year-olds for the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity, whether shown or not, will be eligible for the three-year-old Versatility Class the following year.

4-H Three-year-old Versatility:
The horses properly nominated as two-year-olds to the futurity are eligible the following year to enter the three-year-old versatility classes. The versatility class is held during the State 4-H Horse Show. **Nominations for the versatility class are due to the State 4-H Office by May 1st of the current year.**

Basic Rules for the Versatility Class:
1. Only those horses properly nominated as two-year-olds to the two-year-old Western Pleasure Futurity, whether shown or not, are eligible for the three-year-old versatility classes. Horses must be in the 4-H member's possession and under his or her complete management (100%).

2. Advice and counsel on training techniques may come from outside sources; however, the 4-H member must do all the riding and work on his/her own versatility horse. Horses for the versatility class do not have to be registered.

3. 4-H members may nominate more than one horse to the three-year-old Versatility Classes. However, only one horse may be shown.

4. 4-H members may nominate their horses for the three-year-old Versatility Class by completing the nomination form. A $20 nomination is due in the State 4-H Office on or before May 1st.

5. AQHA class and equipment rules (see Section 2) for the three-year-old Versatility Classes (Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, and Ranch Trail) will be used.

6. It is suggested that each 4-H show offer classes for versatility prospects.

Procedures for the 3-year-old Versatility Classes:

1. Class procedure will consist of three separate classes: western pleasure, western horsemanship, and ranch trail. These classes will be their own separate classes for versatility entries.

2. Points will be kept in the places of all three classes. The winner of the versatility champion award will be the horse with the greatest number of points. In the case of a tie, the winner will be decided by a coin toss.

3. The point system for each go-round will follow Section 4 above.

State Fair Show Schedule
4-H Horse Show
Saturday September 12, 2026

Indoor Horse Arena 9:00am

565. Showmanship Senior
566. Showmanship Junior
567. Showmanship Novice
568. Showmanship Classic Futurity

15 Minute Break

569. Hunter Under Saddle Senior
570. Hunter Under Saddle Junior
571. Hunter Under Saddle Novice
572. Hunt Seat Equitation Senior
573. Hunt Seat Equitation Junior
574. Hunt Seat Equitation Novice
575. English Disciplined Rail Senior
576. English Disciplined Rail Junior
577. English Disciplined Rail Novice
578. Western Pleasure Futurity Round I

Lunch Break

Ranch Trail set-up/Warm-up

Indoor Horse Arena Not Before 1:00pm

579. Western Pleasure Futurity Round II
580. Ranch Trail Senior
581. Ranch Trail Junior
582. Ranch Trail Novice
583. Versatility Ranch Trail

15 Minute Break

584. Western Pleasure Senior
585. Western Pleasure Junior
586. Western Pleasure Novice
587.Versatility Western Pleasure
588. Western Horsemanship Senior
589. Western Horsemanship Junior
590. Western Horsemanship Novice
591. Versatility Horsemanship
592. Western Pleasure Futurity Round III
593. Ranch Riding Senior
594. Ranch Riding Junior
595. Ranch Riding Novice
596. Reining Senior
597. Reining Junior
598. Reining Novice

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PHOTOGRAPHY

2026 NM State Fair Horse Show Entry Form

One Horse Per Form/One Form Per Breed Show

4-H BACK	Horse's Name		Reg. No.	DOB MM/DD/YY
	Breed	Color	Sex	

Rider 1	Classes									TOTAL FEES
										$

Name			DOB MM/DD/YY	Amateur Certificate Yes No	Youth Yes No	Relationship to Owner	
AQHA#	PtHA#	APHA#	PHBA#	ABRA#	ApHC#	SS#	
Address			City	State	Zip		

Rider 2	Classes									TOTAL FEES
										$

Name			DOB MM/DD/YY	Amateur Certificate Yes No	Youth Yes No	Relationship to Owner	
AQHA#	PtHA #	APHA#	PHBA#	ABRA#	ApHC#	SS#	
Address			City	State	Zip		

Rider 3	Classes									TOTAL FEES
										$

Name			DOB MM/DD/YY	Amateur Certificate Yes No	Youth Yes No	Relationship to Owner	
AQHA#	PtHA#	APHA#	PHBA#	ABRA#	ApHC#	SS#	
Address			City	State	Zip		

OWNER INFORMATION **Owner name as it appears on registration papers/purchase contract**

Name _____

AQHA# _____ PtHA#_____ABRA#_____

PHBA#_____ APHA#_____ApHC#_____

Current Address_____ Phone_____

City _____ ST_____Zip_____

Email_____

TRAINER INFORMATION **(must be filled out, if there is no trainer, the ADULT responsible for the horse at the sh**

Name _____

Address_____ Phone _____

City _____ST _____Zip_____

Email_____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION \\\Confirmation.Email.for.Expedited.Gate.Entry\\\

Send Acknowledgement to **Owner** _____ **OR** **Trainer**_____

Signatures and documents to bring to check-in:

○ 4-H ID Certificate ○ Liability Signed

ENTRIES CLOSE – September 1, 2026

Post Entries Accepted: *On-Site or Submitted AFTER Closing Date MUST BE EMAILED/ONLINE.*

Make Checks payable to: EXPO NM upon check-in or CC

Save the paper! ENTER ONLINE!

NMStateFair.Horsespot.net

EMAIL: NMHorseshows@gmail.com

Show Class Fees

Classes $10/class $ _____

Total Class Fees $ _____

Stall Fees

____ Box Stalls $25/Night $ _____

____ Haul-In (no stall use)/$25/Day $ _____

____ Tack Stalls @ $25/Night $ _____

____ Bags of shavings @$12/Bag $ _____

Mandatory Fees

____Office Fee $30 $ _____

Other Fees

____ Sponsorship $ $_____

TOTAL FEES DUE $_____

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

For and in consideration of New Mexico State Fair, dba Expo NM (**"Expo"**) allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a Exhibitor, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, official, trainer or volunteer) in both sanctioned/non-sanctioned, licensed or approved event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities of the Equine Events (**"Events"**); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors,, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (**"Agreement"**):

A. **RULES AND REGULATIONS**: I hereby agree to be bound and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies of Expo as published in the Premium Book and on the website at www.statefair.exponm.com, as amended from time to time.

B. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK**: I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property (including my mount & equipment) arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the Event organizers and competition management; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers **("Risks")**.

EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT WARNING:

CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.

Under the laws of most States, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

C. **ASSUMPTION OF RISK**: I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any Event.

D. **WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY**: In conjunction with my participation in any Event, I hereby release, waive and covenant not to sue, and further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the following parties: New Mexico State Fair, Expo NM, Recognized Affiliate Associations, Members, Event participants (including athletes/Exhibitors, coaches, trainers, judges/officials, and other personnel), the Event owner, licensee, and competition managers; the promoters, sponsors, or advertisers of any Event; any charity or other beneficiary which may benefit from the Event; the owners, managers, or lessors of any facilities or premises where an Event may be held; and all directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and volunteers of any of the aforementioned parties **(Individually and Collectively, the "Released Parties" or "Event Organizers")**, with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss, or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorney fees) of any kind or nature **("Liability")** which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.

E. **COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE:** This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY, UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND KNOW IT CONTAINS AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER FROM LIABILITY, AS WELL AS A HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS.

By signing below, I (as the participant or as the Parent/Legal Guardian of the minor identified below) hereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement in connection with my (or the minor's) participation in any Event. If, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf or the minor's behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities as the result of such claim.

The parties agree that this agreement may be electronically signed. The parties agree that the electronic signatures appearing on this agreement are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.

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