

2021 Horsemanship Skills Qualifying Rules for State 4-H Horse Show

For 2021 ONLY, the following two options are available for Horsemanship Skills.

1. It is preferred and encouraged that if at all possible, Horsemanship Skills should happen in-person at a scheduled event. Please check with your District Horse Council for dates available and check the [Horse Program PDF Calendar](#) regularly. See the [Horsemanship Skills Evaluation Forms](#) and [FAQs](#) for more information.
2. [Video submissions](#) will also be accepted. The deadline for video submission is July 12, 2021.

Please note all other [State Show requirements](#) remain in place.

VIDEO SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

This video submission is only valid for the 2021 State 4-H Horse Show and does not mean a Horse/Rider pair has passed Horsemanship Skills for future shows. Horse/Rider combinations will still be required to take and pass Horsemanship Skills for future shows.

To submit a video, please follow these requirements:

1. At the beginning of each video, please introduce yourself and state the following:
 - a. Name
 - b. Unit/County
 - c. 4-H Club name
 - d. Horse Name (show and barn or nick name)
2. If submitting for Level 1, demonstrate basic safety skills required without making a lengthy video. Minor video breaks will be allowed. [Use the Level 1 Evaluation Form](#) to check off skills demonstrated in your video.
3. Level 2 video – once mounted, the video must be continuous, no editing, no breaks. If the evaluator suspects your video has been edited, you will be asked to submit the video again.
 - a. Use the [Level 2 Evaluation Form](#) to check off ALL OF THESE skills demonstrated in your video.
 - b. Be sure to demonstrate **ALL in Level 2** including:
 - mounting safely
 - all gaits in both directions
 - halt from trot and a halt from canter
 - figure 8 at both trot and canter
 - simple lead change shown in both directions
 - dismount

Who needs to be tested?

A. Junior Members: All junior youth must take and pass Levels 1 and 2 with any new horse that they have not previously taken or passed Horsemanship Skills with.

B. Senior Members: Seniors who have previously taken and passed Levels 1 and 2 must now test and pass only Level 2 (with proficiency shown in the Level 1 Skills) with ANY new horse that has not been shown with THAT RIDER at the State Horse Show or State Fair. Horse/Rider combinations that have previously shown at the State Show or State fair do not have to re-test if that horse/rider combination is not changing.

[See the additional FAQs for more Horsemanship Skills information.](#)

Submit video(s) to this Google Drive link -
<http://bit.ly/HORSEMANSHIP-SKILLS>

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