

# HORSE SHOW RULES

## Minis, Draft and Light Horses General Rules

1. Registration for any class or event is considered acceptance of the rules.
2. NOTICE: The Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society and/or any person connected with this or officiating at this show, is not responsible for any loss, damage, or injury, resulting from participation in this show or related events.
3. For safety purposes stallions may only be shown by exhibitors 18 years and over.
4. All participants under 13 years are required to wear a CSA approved riding helmet (mandatory). Participants between 14 and 18 years must have a parent or legal guardian sign a waiver to be allowed to ride without a helmet. If you do not have a signed waiver, you will not ride without a helmet. We strongly recommend protective head gear for all riders. No one will be penalized for wearing a helmet in any class.
5. Exhibitors are encouraged to wear appropriate attire (see general livestock rule #10). Footwear with a proper heel ( $\frac{3}{4}$  inch minimum) is mandatory, no sneakers or running shoes allowed. Clothing must be a short or long sleeved shirt with long pants. Tack must be appropriate, safe and in good working order.
6. All participants 18 years and under must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or trainer.
7. Classes with a large number of entries may be split to provide a safe riding environment and allow exhibitors to show at their best.
8. Generally accepted and appropriate tie downs will be permitted. No running martingales or other training devices will be allowed in classes. No bats or whips allowed with the exception of teamstering where they are allowed to be displayed on the wagon or buggy. No whipping horses with any item of tack, such as reins. Humane spurs (blunt) are allowed, but cannot be used excessively.
9. Horses found to be unsound or lame will be excused by the judge or show committee.
10. Riders or horses that are considered unsafe and/or dangerous will be excused from the show grounds at the sole discretion of the judge and/or show committee.
11. Any mistreatment, abuse, or misconduct towards any person(s) or any animal(s) on the show grounds will not be tolerated. People found to be doing so will be removed from the show grounds. Horses that exhibit signs of having been abused (i.e. cuts, bleeding, welts, etc.) will be excused from further participation.
12. For safety purposes, riders and spectators must stay out of the gate area (runoff area) and horses must stop in the arena. Barn door will be closed during classes.
13. No one is allowed to ride their horses inside the barns, through the Midway, or among the crowd. Riding is restricted to the horse show area.
14. In the case of a judged or timed event, the judges or timer's decision is final.
15. According to RRVAS rule #2, "ALL LIVESTOCK must be on the grounds by 9:00 a.m. on Friday." For safety purposes, late arrivals will unload in designated areas outside the gates and lead/walk in.
16. Horse owners are responsible for their own horses' safety and welfare while at the grounds. Adequate feed and water is the exhibitors' and owners' responsibility, NOT the show committee.
17. All horses should have current vaccinations to participate in this event.
18. Show starts at 9 a.m. on Friday and 8 a.m. on Saturday **SHARP!**

19. Show will end at 6:00 p.m. each day regardless if the events are finished.
20. All complaints or concerns should be brought to the horse show committee immediately. The committee will do their best to rectify the problem. Show committee will be posted at the show.

## **SCHEDULE**

Classes 1-4 will be on Friday morning in the horse show arena starting at 9 a.m.

Classes 5 and 7 will be on Saturday morning in the horse show arena at 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. The show will break at 11 a.m. to prepare for the parade. Classes will resume following the parade. Class 6 will be judged in the show ring at 11 a.m. prior to the parade.

Parade participants will leave together at 11:30 a.m. to go to Front Street. Parade of breeds will be in front of the Grandstand at the end of the parade.

## **ENTRIES**

A current Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society (RRVAS) membership is required to participate. The annual membership fee is \$10.00. The next year's membership is automatically taken from your winnings. If you do not wish to have the membership taken from your winnings, you must notify the RRVAS when you enter. No replacement cheques will be issued.

Do not enter other exhibits (crafts, photography, etc) on your horse show form!!!

The exhibitor will be assigned an exhibitor number for the show for each horse, or team, exhibited. This number will be different from your RRVAS membership number. You will be required to complete an entry form for the horse show as well as one for RRVAS exhibition. You will need to record your RRVAS membership number on your horse show entry form so that prizes will be recorded accurately.

Exhibitors entered in the lead line classes are not permitted to ride in any other classes. All lead line participants must wear a helmet.

Novice classes are intended for exhibitors that are BEGINNER RIDERS and will perform at walk-trot speeds. Novice/beginners have the choice whether to participate in Novice or other age group but cannot show in both. You cannot switch over to another category in any class. You will indicate this on your entry form. There is no age division in this class; it is your skill level that determines your division. Show committee reserves the right to move an exhibitor from novice to another category if the exhibitor's standings are sufficient to place them consistently in the top four of the youth or senior standings, whichever is appropriate.

Riding categories are determined by your age as of July 1st.

You will have a set time to finish for each gymkhana event. If you are not finished within the allotted time, you will be excused from the class and will be asked to leave the ring. Novice riders will be given double the time for each event. Time limit will be posted with the class list.

Entry forms are included and will be used by all horse participants including minis, drafts & light horses.

According to RRVAS rule #1, "ALL LIVESTOCK (Beef, Dairy, and Horse) ENTRY FORMS must be received in the Fair Office between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. of the **FRIDAY BEFORE THE FAIR**. LATE ENTRIES WILL BE charged \$5.00 per animal."

The Show Committee will be available during the fair and will be in the show office Thursday and Friday evenings for **LATE REGISTRATION**. All entries must be received no later than 8 p.m. on Thursday.

Advance entries can be sent to:        Jan Halvorsen  
   RR #1, RMB 240, Fort Frances, ON P9A 3M2  
   jdhalvor@jam21.net (email)  
   807-274-9002 (phone/fax)

If you need to scratch a class, let the office or gate person know as soon as possible.

Patterns are attached and will be posted in the barn and on the show office.

Entry forms will be available on the RRVAS website at [twspemo.on.ca/rrvas/horse.html](http://twspemo.on.ca/rrvas/horse.html)

## **GROUPS & STALLS**

You must reserve your stall by calling Jan Halvorsen at 807-274-9002. A \$25.00 deposit will be charged when booking your stall, which will be returned if you clean your stall before leaving. Deposit will also be refunded in the event of cancellation prior to August 10th.

**PLEASE CLEAN UP YOUR AREA BEFORE LEAVING!** You are required to clean your own stall. Before leaving, contact a show committee member to check your stall. The deposit will be refunded once your stall has been inspected by a show committee member and it is agreed that it is satisfactorily cleaned.

A wheel barrow and shovel will be provided. Manure is to be discarded in the designated spot south of small barn. All debris is to be removed from the stall down to the sand.

Stalls are first-come first-serve. Depending on demand, tack stalls may not be available. Let Jan know when booking stalls how many horse and how many tack stalls are required. We encourage you to share a tack stall if possible and if available.

Shavings are complimentary and can be found outside the new barn on the south end.

Horse trailer parking will be posted. Priority will be given to the draft horses due to the size and weight of the equipment. In most cases trailers will be allowed on the grounds to unload and then removed and parked north of the fairgrounds.

Barns will be closed at 11 p.m. each night. We are looking for volunteers to stay in the barn at night. If you wish to volunteer even for a short time contact Bev Hasiuk at 482-2745.

Camping: For those that wish to camp on the grounds, priority will be given to out of town participants. You must notify Jan Halvorsen when you book your stalls prior to your arrival. Camping will be in designated spots. There are limited spots available. Additional camping will be available north of the fairgrounds.

All exhibitors must pay gate admission of \$2.00 per person per day.

## **ATTENTION PARADE PARTICIPANTS:**

This year we will be celebrating the vast array of breeds that are in the Rainy River District and surrounding area. This Parade of Breeds will be held at the end of the parade when the horses will be crossing in front of the Grand Stand. We want to set up in groups according to horse breeds. Everyone is invited to participate and if you chose not to ride in the parade, you can still get set up for the walk in front of the grandstand. We ask that you put together a short description of your breed and the history of it. The announcer will read the description of your breed as you cross in front of the Grand Stand.

In accordance with Bill C-12, for those under the age of 18 and that participate in the parade are required to wear a CSA approved riding (it's the law). You can sign up for the parade on your entry form.

All those participating in the parade will meet at the new barn at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday.

We have mapped out the route to get the horses to the end of the parade without having to pass all the other floats. Map will be posted prior to the parade.

Please respect the other riders and we will all go to the parade as a group.

## **PRIZES & SPONSORS**

Prize ribbons will be awarded to 1st to 5th places in all classes.

Prize money is awarded in accordance to class listing.

High Point prizes are awarded on points accumulated for exhibitor & horse combinations and are calculated on showmanship, performance classes and gymkana. Points are determined by the number of entries shown in the class to a maximum of 6 points for first place. If 6 or more horses are shown 1st place will receive 6 points, 2nd will receive 5 points, 3rd will receive 4 points, 4th will receive 3 points, and 5th will receive 2 points, and 6th place will receive 1 point. Similarly, if there are only 3 entries, 1st place will receive 3 points, 2nd will get 2 points, etc. etc.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be the horse and exhibitor combination who:

1. participated in the greatest number of events,
2. beat the greatest number of horses,
3. earned most points in performance classes.

### **Trophies & Sponsors are as follows:**

High Point Permanent Trophies (to be displayed at the Fair annually)

Gymkhana 13 yrs & under – TBA

Gymkhana ~ West End Motors & Aurora Wind Feeds

Gymkhana Novice ~ Pizza Hut

Performance 13 yrs. & Under ~ Nor-West Animal Clinic

Performance 14-18 yrs ~ West End Motors & Aurora Wind Feeds

Performance 19 yrs & over ~ DeGagne Equipment

Performance Novice ~ Rainy River Federation of Agriculture

Miniature Horse ~ Emo Dental Centre

Registered Draft Horse Mare ~ George Meyers Memorial

Draft Horse Best Dressed, Groomed, Mannered Team ~ Cecil & Lillian Kellar Memorial Trophy

Four Hitch Draft Horse ~ Sunset Country Ford

High Point Prizes (winners to keep prizes)

Gymkhana 13 yrs & under – Bev & Brent Strachan - \$50.00 Gift Certificate

Gymkhana Open - Emo Forest Products

Gymkhana Novice - \$100.00 Gift Certificate

Performance 13 yrs & Under ~ K&K Tack Shop

Performance 14-18 yrs ~ Village Variety & NorFab

Performance Senior ~ Emo Inn

Performance Novice ~ Emo Feeds & Norlund Oil

Miniature Horse ~ Emo Borderland Snowmobile Club

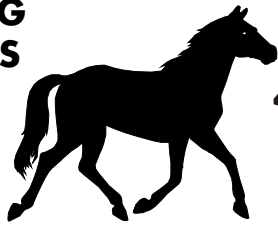
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**CLASS 1 REGISTERED DRAFT HORSES AT HALTER**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
1. Stallion - 3 years or over . . . . .	18.00	14.00	10.00
2. Stallion – 2 year. . . . .	18.00	14.00	8.00
3. Stallion –1 year . . . . .	18.00	14.00	8.00
Champion and Reserve Champion Stallion . . . . .		Ribbons	
4. Mare and Foal of Calendar year . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
5. Foal of Calendar year (either sex). . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
6. Mare- 3 year or over . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
7. Mare – 2 years. . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
8. Mare – 1 year. . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
Champion and Reserve Champion Mare . . . . .		George Meyers Memorial Trophy	

**MINIATURE HORSES AT HALTER**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
9. Stallion, any age . . . . .	16.00	14.00	10.00
10. Mare and Foal of calendar year. . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
11. Foal of calendar year (either sex) . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
12. Mare, any age . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
13. Gelding, any age . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
Grand and Reserve Champion Miniature . . . . .		Ribbons	

**LIGHT HORSES AT HALTER**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
14. Stallion, any age . . . . .	18.00	14.00	12.00
15. Weanling and Yearling . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
16. Mare 2 years & over . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
17. Mare & Foal . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
18. Geldings 2 & Over . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
Champion and Reserve Light Horse . . . . .		Ribbons	

**GRADE DRAFT HORSES AT HALTER**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
22. Mare and Foal (of calendar year) . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
23. Foal of Calendar year (either sex). . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
24. Mare or Gelding – 2 years. . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
25. Mare or Gelding – 1 year . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
26. Mare or Gelding – 3yrs or over 1700 lbs . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
27. Mare or Gelding – 3 yrs or over 1400-1700 lbs . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
28. General Purpose Mare or Gelding – 3 yrs or over, under 1400 lbs. . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
Champion and Reserve Grade Draft . . . . .		Ribbons	

**CLASS 2 ALL BREEDS SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
1. Miniature horse shown by Youth 13 yrs or under . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
2. Miniature horse shown by Youth 14 – 18 yrs . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
3. Miniature horse shown by person 19 yrs & over . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
4. Light horse mare or gelding shown by Youth 18 yrs or > . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
5. Light Horse mare or gelding by 19 & over . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00



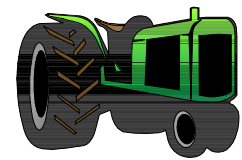
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6.	Light Horse Shown by Novice . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
7.	Draft mare or gelding shown by 13 & under . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
8.	Draft mare or gelding shown by Youth 14 – 18 yrs . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00
9.	Draft horse shown by exhibitor age 19 & over . . . . .	14.00	10.00	8.00

**CLASS 3 MINIATURE HORSE HITCHES and/or TEAM IN HARNESS**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
1. Team in Harness . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
2. Junior Driving, youth 16 years & under . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
3. Ladies Driving. . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
4. Senior Driving, 60 years & over . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
5. Single Cart. . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
6. Team Driving Competition over pre-determined course. . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00
7. Unicorn Hitch (owned by one or more competitors) . . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00
Champion Hitch/Team – first place from Sections 1 - 6. . . . .		Ribbons	

**LIGHT HORSE HITCHES and/or TEAM IN HARNESS**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
8. Team in Harness . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
9. Junior Driving, youth 16 years & under . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
10. Ladies Driving. . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
11. Senior Driving, 60 years & over . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
12. Single Cart. . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
13. Team Driving Competition over pre-determined course. . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00
Champion Hitch/Team – first place from Section 8 – 13 . . . . .		Ribbons	

**DRAFT HORSE HITCHES and/or TEAM IN HARNESS**

**Registered and Grade horses shown together**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
14. Team in Harness – Heavy Draft - 1700 lbs & over . . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00
15. Team in Harness – Light Draft - 1400 – 1700 lbs. . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00
16. Team in Harness – Under 1400 lbs . . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00
17. Team in Harness – driven by youth 16yrs or under . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
18. Team in Harness – driven by senior 60 yrs & over . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
19. Ladies’ Driving Competition. . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
20. Team Driving Competition over a pre-determined course . . . . .	22.00	20.00	14.00
Champion Team in Harness-first place teams from Sections 2, 3, 4. . . . .		Ribbons	
21. Single Cart. . . . .	16.00	14.00	12.00
22. Unicorn Hitch-owned by one or more competitors. . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00
23. Four Horse Hitch-owned by one or more competitors . . . . .	Sunset Country Ford Trophy		
24. Six Horse Hitch-owned by one or more competitors . . . . .	30.00	24.00	18.00

**CLASS 4 OPEN TRAIL CLASS**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
1. Trail -Youth 18 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
2. Trail - Youth 19 yrs & over . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
3. Trail – Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00

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**CLASS 5 OPEN PERFORMANCE / PLEASURE CLASS**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
1. English Equitation 18 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
2. English Equitation 19 yrs & over . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
3. English Equitation Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
4. English Pleasure 18 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
5. English Pleasure 19 yrs & over . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
6. English Pleasure Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
7. Walk Trot – 7 – 11 yrs (no points) . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
8. Lead Line – 6 yrs & under (no points) . . . . .		Ribbons	
(Child cannot ride in any other event, all red ribbon prizes, helmets must be worn)			
9. Western Pleasure 18 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
10. Western Pleasure 19 yrs . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
11. Western Pleasure Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
12. Western Horsemanship 18 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
13. Western Horsemanship 19 yrs & over . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
14. Western Horsemanship Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00

**CLASS 6 BEST DRESSED, GROOMED AND MANNERED TEAM**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
1. Miniature Horses . . . . .		Ribbon	
2. Light Horses . . . . .		Ribbon	
3. Grade and/or Registered Draft Horse . . . . .	Cecil & Lillian Kellar Memorial Trophy Harold & Karen Kellar & family		

**CLASS 7 LIGHT / SADDLE HORSE OPEN GYMKHANA**

<b>SECTION:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
1. Keyhole 13 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
2. Keyhole Open . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
3. Keyhole Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
4. Flag 13 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
5. Flag Open . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
6. Flag Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
7. Barrels 13 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
8. Barrels Open . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
9. Barrels Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
10. Egg & Spoon – all ages (no points) . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
11. Pole Bending 13 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
12. Pole Bending Open . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
13. Pole Bending Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
14. Bat Race 13 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
15. Bat Race Open . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
16. Bat Race Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
17. Mystery Race 13 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
18. Mystery Race Open . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
19. Mystery Race Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
20. Quad Poles Dash 13 yrs & under . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
21. Quad Poles Dash Open . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00
22. Quad Poles Dash Novice . . . . .	12.00	10.00	8.00

**TIME PENALTIES:** Five (5) seconds each added on to final time for section. Time will be called if you exceed the time allotment for the section to keep the class on schedule. (Times were determined by doubling the average times for these events from shows in the past, for the youth and open. Novice times are doubled again.)

Pattern diagrams can be viewed on the website : [www.twspemo.on.ca/rivas](http://www.twspemo.on.ca/rivas)

**KEYHOLE:** Enter the keyhole, turn in either direction and exit the front. There will be NO TIME if your horse's hoof touches the ground on or outside any portion of the Keyhole (circle or wings).  
Youth / Open time: 15 seconds or less. Novice time: 30 seconds or less

**FLAG RACE:** Pick up the flag in the first barrel, run to the far end, circle the far barrel, return on the opposite site of the first barrel, and place the flag back in! There will be NO TIME if you drop the flag, unless you can recover it with out touching the ground.  
Youth / Open time: 30 seconds or less. Novice time: 1 minute or less.

**BARRELS (CLOVERLEAF):** Enter ring heading to either first barrel. Follow pattern posted. There will be NO TIME if you touch a barrel with your hand, penalty in time for dropping a barrel.  
Youth / Open time: 35 seconds or less. Novice time: 60 seconds or less.

**MYSTERY RACES:** MAY involve a dismount and MAY involve a remount in the ring; you must be able to do this unassisted! Your horse may be held by a spotter that MUST be able to manage your horse safely, if your horse will not stand reasonably for an assistant, you will not achieve a time for safety reasons only. We appreciate everyone's confidence in knowing their own horse's abilities. The spotter will be an experienced horse person. Time will be assessed for this section at show.

**POLE BENDING:** You will enter ring and begin pole bending at first pole! There will be NO TIME if you touch a pole with your hand. You will have a penalty assessed if you drop a pole.  
Youth / Open time: 18 seconds or less. Novice 40 seconds or less.

**BAT RACE:** You will run to far end of arena, dismount and place your fore head on end of bat, turn around the bat (fore head still attached, other end of bat on ground) 10 times, mount your horse and ride out! There will be no time requirement for this race.

**QUAD POLES DASH:** You will enter arena and turn to left or right, dash the entire arena on the outside of 4 corner poles and back out. (This is a simple race, done in a complete rectangle "on the rail"). There will be NO TIME if you touch one of the poles with your hand. There will be a time penalty for dropping a pole.  
Open time: 30 seconds or less. Novice 60 seconds or less.

# Horse Show Participant Election to Not Wear Helmet

## RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society permission, release and assumption of risk for participation in the Fall Fair Horse Show and Gymkhana while riding without a helmet.

Participant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR PARTICIPANT:** I hereby request that I be allowed to participate in the Horse Show and Gymkhana while not wearing a helmet. I and/or my parent(s)/legal guardian object to the requirement to wear a helmet in order to participate in the Fall Fair Horse Show and Gymkhana. I agree that I will abide by all other rules and regulations. I further agree that I will abide by all the directions and requirements that are specified in the Rainy River Valley Agricultural Fair Exhibitor Book/Horse Show Rules.

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR PARENT(S) AND LEGAL GUARDIAN(S):** As parent(s) and legal guardian(s) of the above named child, I/we agree to have my/our child abide by the directions and requirements specified in the Rainy River Valley Agricultural Fair Exhibitor Book/Horse Show Rules provided for the Horse Show. I/we understand the program and activities that are involved and consent to have my/our child participate in this program without wearing a helmet. I/we are fully aware that there can be dangerous activities and there are many risks inherent with, but not limited to, the handling of horses, and participation in Horse Show activities. These risks are increased with the absence of a helmet.

In consideration of my/our child being permitted to participate in the Horse Show and Gymkhana without being required to wear a helmet, I/we hereby assume all the risks associated with participation and necessary travel. I/we agree to hold Rainy River Valley Agricultural Society, its trustees, officers, employees, agents, representatives, volunteers and/or any property or arena owner allowing Horse Show activities upon his/her property harmless from any and all liability, actions, causes of action, debts, claims or demands of any kind and nature whatsoever which may arise in connection with my/our child's participation in the Rainy River Valley Agricultural Fair. The terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for myself/ourselves, my/our estate, executor(s), administrator(s), assignees, and for all members of my/our family.

I/we hereby attest that I/we have carefully read the foregoing release, consent, and assumption of risk and sign this release, consent and assumption of risk of my/our own free will and accord. I/we also certify that I/we are lawfully empowered to enter into this release, consent and assumption of risk.

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Horse Show Rule #4: All participants under 13 years are required to wear a CSA approved riding helmet (mandatory). Participants between 14 and 18 years must have a parent or legal guardian sign a waiver to be allowed to ride without a helmet. If you do not have a signed waiver, you will not ride without a helmet. We strongly recommend protective head gear for all riders. No one will be penalized for wearing a helmet in any class.

Age divisions are as of July 1st.

