

# 2021 Horse Show Information

## New To Showing? Here's What you need to Know:

### **Dressage Attire:**

#### **Students ages 10+ (generally)**

- White Breeches
- White Show Shirt
- White Stock Tie with stock tie pin (we recommend pre-tied stock ties)
- White Riding Gloves
- Black Belt (some bling OK)
- Black or dark gray Show Helmet (matte, no velvet)
- Black 3 or 4 button show jacket
- Hair Net
- Tall Black Leather Riding boots (they must be riding boots, not fashion boots).

#### **Students Under 10**

- Same as above, but Jodhpurs (light tan is OK if white can't be located in the correct size)
- Garter Straps
- Paddock Boots

### **Clinic Attire: (Also appropriate for most informal shows)**

- Breeches in a conservative color, such as Grey, White, tan, Black, Navy, etc. No Hot pink, zebra stripes, etc.
- Belt
- Collared Shirt such as a polo or button up. In cold weather, a sweater, vest, or light weight jacket (such as the BSR jackets) may be worn over.
- Riding Gloves
- Tall Riding Boots
- Tidy looking Helmet (preferably matte black, dark gray or navy)
- Go for an overall neat and professional appearance with more fitted clothing.

### **Hunters:**

#### **Students Over 10**

- Hunt coat in a conservative color such as tan, navy blue, hunter green
- Show shirt in white or a complimentary color with ratcatcher and pin for ladies, white shirt white tie for men
- light tan breeches
- Black tall riding boots (again, not fashion boots)
- Black riding gloves
- Black show helmet

#### **Students Under 10:**

- Same except jodhpurs, garter straps and paddock boots
- Big pretty hair bows for little girls- pigtail braids, clip at the ends.

# What a Typical Horse Show Day is like:

## The Day Before:

Plan on coming to the barn the day before the horse show or clinic to properly prepare. You will need at least several hours of time. If you are going to ride, make sure you ride before you start preparing your horse for the show ring. Most likely, you will need to bathe your horse, brush out his mane and tail, and let him dry off. While you are waiting for him to dry, you can be cleaning your horse's tack, and packing the trailer with all items that will be needed the following day, or helping someone else with what they still need to do if you have already finished cleaning and packing.

Depending on what kind of show you are doing, most likely you will need to braid your horse's mane. If you are a good braider and have enough time the next day before driving to the show, or once you have arrived before you need to start warming up, you might want to braid the day of the show. Otherwise, plan on braiding the night before so you don't have as much to do the next day. If your horse has a long mane and will be in a running braid, or long mane button braids, that will need to be done on show day. If you are still learning how to braid, a rough estimation of time to allocate for braiding would be about an hour or so for button braids, two or more hours for hunter style braids, and about half an hour to do a hunter tail. Keep in mind, it may not take that long, but it could take longer depending on your horse's mane and tail. (Laura takes about 20 minutes to do a professional button braid job, 60-90 minutes for 30-50 hunter braids, 20 minutes on a tail, 20-30 minutes for a running braid or long mane button braids).

Braiding materials will be available for BSR horses. Riders who own or lease a horse should have their own braiding kit. See the list for useful items to have.

Horse Show Grooming and Braiding Supply List				
Braiding Bands (that match your horse's mane/tail color)	Mane Brush	Scissors	Whitening Shampoo for Grey horses or horses with White legs	
Yarn or Waxed braiding thread that matches your horse's mane/tail color)	Quick Braid/Spray& Braid (or water also works, you will need either a sponge and bucket or spray bottle to apply water)	Seam Ripper for removing braids	Sweat Scraper	
Braiding comb	Braiding needle (blunt, large gauge yarn needle from Walmart or craft store)	Show Sheen or Mane & Tail Detangler for Tails	Fly Spray	
Mane thinning comb (has a razor blade)	Latch hook	Clean Towel	Sponge brush, curry mit, or some other item to scrub during bath time	
Mane pulling comb	Hair clips	Shampoo and Conditioner	Bucket, Braiding Belt, Apron, or similar	

Clean your horse's stall again before you leave, and leave them in it for the night with hay and water, and most likely with a light sheet on to help keep him clean if he should lay down. If you are traveling to an away show, the day before may be traveling first, and some of this done once you have arrived at the show grounds, but for local shows, this is a pretty typical day before schedule. Go to bed early!!!

## Day of Show:

Be prepared to get up before the sun (sorry, not a joke)! Depending on where the show is and what time the classes start, we may need to be leaving the farm to head to the show grounds by 4 or 5AM. Hopefully it's more like 7AM, but it could end up being that early. If we need to leave at 7AM, the horses will be loaded onto

the trailer starting around 6:30AM so we can leave on time as planned. You can leave from your house and meet us at the grounds, or meet us at the farm and follow us there.

Once we arrive, first check in at the horse show office to get your packet that has your numbers, show times, and schedule in it. Make sure you already know your classes and times before you get there. Also take a look at the show grounds and figure out where the warm up rings and show rings are, and which ones you will be riding in. Meet the horse trailer once it arrives and begin unloading horses. They will most likely need to walk around and graze for a bit before settling in. Keep a sharp eye on the time. You want to give yourself plenty of time to groom, tack up, and warm your horse up thoroughly before your classes begin without feeling rushed for time. Some horses need a longer warm up than others. For example, Black will probably drop dead in his class if you take him out and trot him for 45 minutes before his classes start. Whiskey and Lucky love a good 30 minute active warm up before their classes start, so plan accordingly depending on your horse.

If your classes are spread out throughout the day, also keep that in mind to not overtire your horse, who will need to work all day long. A lot of show day is hurry up! And then wait. And wait. And wait. The key to a relaxing fun show day is to be well prepared and very organized. Know what time you need to be doing what, and what time you need to be where (a small watch is useful, or someone with you who has a watch). Keep in mind, if the show officials are running ahead of schedule, you may need to get in the ring sooner than planned. If they are running late, there may be some more waiting around.

Plan appropriately for the waiting around bits. Bring chairs, food and snacks, and lots of water, horse treats etc. A portable cell phone battery charger is also a good idea so your phone doesn't die while filming your 10+ performances in the ring!

## **The Day After:**

You will probably be in a “Horse Show Coma”, will probably be very tired, spell your name wrong multiple times, and have trouble with simple math. Don't worry, this is completely normal.

## **Horse Show Pricing Sheet**

***Association Memberships- Not required, but helps save money on entry fees and allows for year end award eligibility within each association***

### **Central New York Dressage and Combined Training Association (CNYD&CTA):**

Also comes with a USDF group membership. 10 volunteer hours required for year end award eligibility. For most riders, this is the only membership you will need.

Jr./Yr Membership (Under 21 as of 12/1)	1 Year	\$30.00
Individual Membership	1 Year	\$45.00
Individual Membership	3 Year	\$115.00
Family Membership	1 Year	\$55.00
Family Membership	3 Years	\$145.00
Non-Member Fees	Approximately \$20 per show	

**United States Equestrian Federation (USEF)/ United States Dressage Federation (USDF):**  
Required for all Recognized Competitions

Youth Participating Membership: (Under 21 as of 12/1, Full Eligibility for Championships and Year end Awards)	1 Year \$72	N/A	N/A
Participating Membership: (Full Eligibility for Championships and Year end Awards)	1 Year: \$80	3Year: \$335 (through November 30 of 5 <sup>th</sup> year)	Lifetime: \$2500
Group Membership: (Eligible to show USDF/USEF no fees, not Eligible for Year End Awards and Championships)	We are in Region 8, Membership included with CNYD&CT membership		
Fan Membership: (Non Competing, information only)	12 months: \$25		
Non-Member Fee (less than 2 recognized shows per year)	Horse Owner: each show \$35 Rider: each show \$35	Only one \$35 fee if horse owned and ridden by the same person	\$5 fee if non-member Card is not presented.

**Trailer:**

Trips under 100 miles	\$2.00/mile (round trip)
Trips Over 100 miles	\$1.50/mile (round trip)

For students riding the same horse and multiple horses on the trailer, trailering fees may be split between students. Estimated Mileage based on Google Maps.

**Trainer Fees:**

Single Day Shows	\$150.00/student
Multi-Day Shows	\$130/Day per student

**Single Day Shows:** Riders are not responsible for providing meals or any other accommodations for the trainer.

**Multi-day shows:** Riders are responsible for providing accommodations for the trainer including hotel when necessary for overnight trips (not to exceed \$100/night when possible), and meals where applicable. All trainer travel costs may be split between riders when multiple riders attend a show. If possible, pet friendly hotels are preferred so Lucy can come along, but not required (some shows allow dogs, some do not). Camping on the show grounds where available, is also an acceptable and preferred option.

**Show Fees:** Prices vary widely based on the event. Recognized events tend to be more. Approximately \$35-80 per test, stabling fee when needed approximately \$10-100. Entry forms will list all prices for each event.

Most Tanglewood shows are about \$35/test, with a \$20 office fee, each show will have all of the prices listed on their prize sheet, typically available online.

**You are responsible for getting your paperwork submitted on time to the horse show secretary by the closing date for each show!**

Show Options:

06/04/21-6/5/21	Spring Dressage Show USEF/USDF Recognized	Houghton College
06/06/21	Spring Dressage Show	Tanglewood Riding Center
06/27/21	Show and Tell Dressage Show	Baker School of Riding Anne Fowler (L)
07/18/21	Show and Tell Dressage Show	Baker School of Riding Val McCloskey (L)
07/24/21-7/25/21	WNYDA Summer Festival USEF/USDF Recognized	Houghton College
08/01/21	Dressage Schooling Show	Tanglewood Riding Center
08/06/21- 8/8/21	Summer Time Fun	NYS Fairgrounds Coliseum
08/08/21	Dressage & Combined Test Show	Gilbertsville Horse Shows
08/12/21-8/14/21	Lendon Grey Youth Dressage Festival (D4K)	HITS
08/22/21	Dressage at the NYS Fair	Syracuse NY, NYSF
08/28/21-8/29	Cauyga Dressage in Wine Country USEF/USDF Recognized	Chemung Country Fairgrounds Horseheads NY
09/05/21	Show and Tell Dressage Show	Baker School of Riding Katherine Copa-Wood (L)?
09/11/21	Saddle Up for Roswell Horse Trials and Dressage Benefit Show	Chestnut Ridge Equestrian Center East Aurora
09/12/21	Fall Wrap Up Schooling Show	Tanglewood
09/18/21-9/20/21	Anne Gribbons Dressage Clinic	Chestnut Ridge Equestrian Center East Aurora
09/19/21	Dressage & Combined Test Show	Gilbertsville Horse Shows
10/15/21-10/17/21	Stepping Stone	NYS Fairgrounds Coliseum
10/16/21-10/17/21	WNYDA Fall Symposium with Janet Foy (FEI 5* Dressage Judge)	Houghton College
10/28/21-10/31/21	Trick Or Trot	NYS Fairgrounds Coliseum