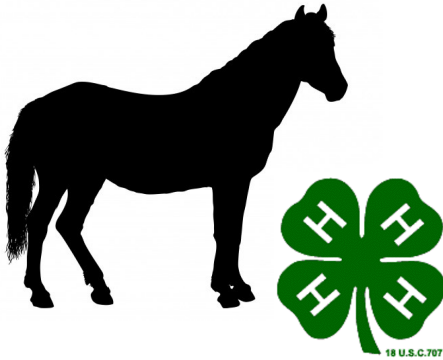


OWYHEE COUNTY 4-H GREEN HORSE PROJECT RECORD BOOK

Year: _____

You may attach a photo of your horse here.



Name _____

Grade in School _____ Age _____ Birthday _____ / _____ / _____ Years in 4-H _____

Name of Club _____

Member's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Leader's Signature: _____

(Signature denotes approval of member's project book)

GREEN HORSE

All of the kids will be scored and judged together as a group – no age separations. You have the option to show your horse either mounted or in hand. The four attached sheets help you go through this program with four levels of skills. Each child, whether riding or showing in-hand can choose from any of the skills, or a combination of them. In terms of scoring, the child with the highest degree of difficulty, who can accurately do their chosen skills, will be rewarded the most. On the other hand, if a child comes in and attempts harder skills, but can't do them correctly, he or she will be scored lower than a child who correctly does easier skills.

There are a total of 28 skills. Each child will choose ten of them to demonstrate to the judge. When entering the arena, they need to have the skills numbered 1-10 in their preference so the judge can follow along in order. Each skill is worth 10 points, for a total score of 100. There will also be the option of one bonus maneuver. This can be any skill not listed on the attached sheets that the child would like to show off (i.e., crack a bull ship, flying lead change, swing a rope off a horse, pick up a slicker, etc). This is really all about what the child has learned and what they have accomplished and would like to show off. This optional bonus maneuver will be worth another maximum of 10 points.

The second half of the green horse show will be a mini trail pattern. This can be done either in hand or ridden under saddle.

No kid will be excluded. Therefore, a child can choose to only do one portion of the show. However, they will be ineligible to win overall.

Skills competition should be placed 1st – 6th
Trail course will be placed 1st – 6th

The overall high combined score wins champion green horse.

OWYHEE COUNTY 4-H GREEN HORSE PROJECT PLAN

Name _____

Age _____ Birthdate _____ Year in school _____

Year in green horse project _____ Years completed project _____ Years in 4-H _____

Name of club _____

[use additional pages as needed]

What are your goals in the horse project this year? _____

What arrangements do you have with parents or others for expenses in the horse project?

Date you began working with your horse in a halter _____ Did you have help? _____

Who? _____

Date you started your horse under saddle _____ Did you have help? _____

Who? _____

List any funny or scary happenings to you or your horse since working together. _____

The most favorite thing you've taught your horse to do is: _____

Are you happy with the way you and your horse get along? _____ Why? _____

Why is it important to you, to participate in the Green Horse Program? _____

What are your plans and interests right now? _____

List three goals in life for you:

1. _____

2. _____

What are your future plans for your horse? _____

My 4-H Green Horse Story

What were some of the new things you learned this year? _____

What provided the greatest challenge for you this year? How did you solve it? _____

What did you like best about your project this year? _____

If your horse could talk, what tales would it tell about your 4-H project this year?

GREEN HORSE - Level 1 Unmounted Skills (suitable for any age horse)	Date Passed	Leader Approval	Comments
Safely approach and halter your horse.			
Brush and touch the entire body on your horse.			
Pick up and clean out all four feet.			
Demonstrate how to safely tie your horse using a slip knot.			
Show that your horse can move its forehead and hindquarters away from pressure when asked.			
Demonstrate that your horse can lead by having it walk, trot, stop and back up. Horses should back a minimum of one horse length.			
Have your horse stand quietly for inspection (Stand square or other breed-appropriate stance while the assessor walks around the horse).			

GREEN HORSE - Level 2 Unmounted Skills (suitable for yearlings and older)	Date Passed	Leader Approval	Comments
Demonstrate a showmanship pattern including a pivot (minimum of 180 degrees).			
Use a halter display that your horse can flex its neck both directions and also give to pressure on the poll.			
Lunge your horse in both directions at all gaits (walk, trot, canter).			
Show that you can halt your horse on the lunge line.			
Demonstrate your horse's ability to remain calm while being sacked out (desensitized) with various items (plastic bag, blanket, tarp, etc.)			
Saddle your horse.			
Bridle your horse.			

GREEN HORSE - Level 3 Mounted Skills (suitable for horses age 2 years and older; horses should be ridden with a snaffle bit (or bosal) with two hands on the reins)	Date Passed	Leader Approval	Comments
Demonstrate that your horse will stand still and quietly while you mount and dismount.			
While mounted, flex your horse's neck both directions.			
Exhibit that you can ride your horse at the walk, jog and lope. Horses must be able to pick up the correct leads for the direction they are going (clock-wise — right lead; counterclockwise — left lead).			
Show the ability to turn horse utilizing direct rein contact (using two hands on the reins, pull with right rein — horse turns right; pull with left rein — horse turns left) at all gaits.			
Back your horse at least one horse length.			
Exhibit both upward and downward transitions between gaits (move from a walk to a jog to a lope; move from a lope to a jog to a walk).			
Demonstrate the ability to stop your horse from all gaits and have it stand quietly.			

GREEN HORSE - Level 4 Mounted Skills (suitable for horses age 2 years and older; horses should be ridden with a snaffle bit (or bosal) with two hands on the reins)	Date Passed	Leader Approval	Comments
Side-pass your horse both directions.			
Perform a pivot on the haunches (move your horse's forehand around its hindquarters—minimum of 180 degrees) in both directions.			
Perform a pivot on the forehand (move your horse's haunches around its forehand—minimum of 90 degrees) in both directions.			
Demonstrate upward transition from the walk to the lope and downward transitions from the lope to the walk and stop.			
Ride a figure eight with a simple lead change (drop to a jog and switch leads).			
Be able to extend all gaits (show a lengthening of stride, not an increase in speed).			
Perform a simple pattern that includes demonstrating all three gaits, at least one circle in each direction, a pivot and backing.			

In addition to the Horse Identification Certificate, please include a photo of your horse from four views.

FRONT

BACK

LEFT

RIGHT