

Instructions for Completing the 4-H Horse Designation Form

On your Designation form, list all 4-H project horses eligible to be shown by you at the Ionia Free Fair 4-H Horse Show(s). Please list your **primary horse** first (the one you are working with the most and the one you plan to show). List your backup horse next. Your **backup** horse is the one you would show if your primary horse is sick or injured on show day. Your backup horse can not be anyone else's primary horse (because two members can not show the same horse). Next, list any other horses owned by you or your family that you that live at your house and that you might show if your primary and back-up horses are both sick or injured on show day.

1. **Horse name:** List the horse's call name and/or registered name. Registered and Grade horses show together in this county, so no registration number is required.
2. **Breed:** Enter the specific breed or breeds of the horse, if known. If not known, list the breed the horse most resembles (if uncertain, ask your 4-H leader).
3. **Gender:** Write a "G" for gelding or "M" for mare. Stallions (over 12 months) not allowed.
4. **Height:** List "H" for horse or "P" for pony. All ponies will need to be measured at the fair.
5. **Age:** List the age of the horse.
6. **Color:** List the color or color pattern of your horse.
7. **Owner:** List the proper owner of the horse. If you own the horse, write "self".
8. **Location:** List where the horse is stabled.
9. **Description:** List any distinguishing characteristics that would help identify this horse, such as brands, tattoos, scars, etc.
10. **Backup Horse:** A horse that is owned by your family and that you have worked with before. The back up horse should be housed at the same location as your primary horse.

Be sure to sign the form yourself, and have your parent/guardian and 4-H (horse) leader also sign.

This form must be turned in on or before May 1 of current year.

Turn in to: Ionia MSU Extension Office, 50 E. Sprague Road Ionia, MI 48846.

Return this form: Ionia MSUE Office, 50 E. Sprague Road Ionia, MI 48846 by **May 1** of current year

4-H Club Name: _____

4-H Member (exhibitor) Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____ Date of birth _____ Age as of January 1 _____
month/day/year

Specific directions for completing this form can be found on the back. Must be filled in completely with pen or typed.

Horse Name	Breed	Gender G or M	Height H or P	Age	Color	Owner's Name	Location of Animal	Description List markings, brands, tattoos, scars, etc.
Primary Horse								
Backup Horse								

This form must list any and all horses to be shown by you in any 4-H classes at the Ionia Free Fair 4-H Horse show(s).

Please remember to list your project horse first, your backup horse second, and any other horses owned/leased by you after that. Your **primary horse** is the one you are working the most with and the one you plan to show. Your **backup horse** is the one you would show if your primary horse is sick or injured on show day. **Your backup horse cannot be anyone else's primary horse** (because two members cannot show the same horse). Next, list any other horses owned by you or your family that you might show if your primary and backup horse are both sick or injured on show day.

4-H Member signature

Parent/guardian signature

4-H Leader signature