

# The 2018 IOWA HORSE FAIR



## EXTREME TRAIL RIDER CHALLENGE

A course designed to challenge your horsemanship skills.

Open to all riders, breeds and disciplines.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 8 - 8:00AM - EAST ARENA

Check-in: 7:30 - 8:00 am    Walk-thru: 8:00am sharp. No Horses.    Begin: 8:20am sharp

Awards presentation 30 minutes after Competition

PRIZES: OPEN – TROPHY BELT BUCKLE 1<sup>st</sup> place. Ribbons and other prizes 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>

NOVICE – First place award TBA, Ribbons and other prizes 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>

JUDGES: Double Judged. Judges TBA

ENTRY FEE: \$45

STALL FEE: \$40 – Pay once for the entire fair. Each horse **MUST** have a stall **AND** Health Papers.

TO ENTER: Complete entry form included in packet and follow instructions.

Packet available at: [www.iowahorsecouncil.org](http://www.iowahorsecouncil.org) or [www.TrailRiderChallenge.com](http://www.TrailRiderChallenge.com)

## RIDER DIVISIONS

1. **Novice (Amateur) Division:** For beginner riders. Novices have never won a TRC, a Trail Class or a similar event. Some beginning riders may be given permission by TRC to remain in this class. Novices have never been paid to ride, train or give lessons.

2. **Open Division:** Open to all horses and riders.

YOUTH are encouraged to ride in the Novice or Open division. They should select the appropriate division for their abilities.

## THE COURSE

Extreme Trail Challenge Course: Course is scored and timed. 10-15 obstacles worth 10 points each. Time is worth 10 points. Includes loping and any of the obstacles listed below. Time Limit.

## RULES

**Exhibitor Order will be determined by show management by drawing and posted Saturday night at 7:00pm on the barn office bulletin board.** Accommodations are made for exhibitors with multiple horses.

**TYPICAL OBSTACLES:** Most obstacles will come from this list. Show management has the right to be creative as long as safety considerations are kept.

1. GATE - Opening, passing through and closing
2. CROSSING OBSTACLE – logs, bridge, tetter- totter, water, ditch, or tarp
3. DRAGGING OBSTACLE – log, tire, pallet
4. ROPE A STATIONARY STEER
5. LOADING INTO A TRAILER
6. REMOVE, CARRY AND REPLACE AN ITEM
7. BACK thru &/or around obstacles or up/down hill
8. SIDEPASS over a single pole or poles.
9. JUMP – Lope or trot over a jump
10. MAILBOX
11. THROUGH – Cowboy curtains, tunnels

12. NATURAL TERRAIN - brush, ravines, hills
13. MOUNTING – From fence, block, log, windmill
14. CIRCLES or Straight Lines, lead changes
15. MAZE or tight fit
16. PICKING UP HORSES FEET
17. PONY A HORSE (Extreme division)
18. HORSEMANSHIP ELEMENTS - circles, straight lines, lead changes, pivots, rollbacks, stops  
(see below)
19. WATER – crossing, sprinkler, carry, creek
20. DEBRIS

HORSEMANSHIP ELEMENTS: These items can be an obstacle of their own or incorporated into other obstacles.

1. Pivots on hindquarters, forehand, or in combination.
2. Circles, straight lines, serpentines or other patterns in the line of travel.
3. Lead changes: may be simple or flying, in a designated location.
4. Gaits: walk, trot, extended trot, lope both directions
5. Stops
6. Backing: straight, in a circle or in a pattern

A **course walk through** for competitors will be 15 minutes before competition begins. It is the competitor's responsibility to fully understand the course and rules at this time. Obstacles must be completed in the designated order.

#### SAFETY

Obstacles are designed with safety in mind. However, if you feel an obstacle is beyond the abilities of you and/or your horse you may skip that obstacle. You will receive a zero for that

obstacle and a 30 second time penalty but will still receive a score for the course. Helmets are encouraged but not required.

## **RULES**

1. Open to any discipline and breed(s) of horse.
2. Horse may go through each course only once.
3. All riders must sign a release form. Riders 17 years or age and under must have parent/guardian signature on release form. Competitors and parents/legal guardians of youth assume all responsibility when on the grounds and participating in the event.
4. Riders must pay a non-refundable entry fee.
5. Equines must be serviceably sound and in good condition as determined by the judge.
6. It is expected that each horse shall be treated humanely with kindness and respect at all times.
7. The judge always has the option of disqualifying an exhibitor for safety reasons, disrespect or misconduct.
8. No whining, moaning, or complaining. The object is to have fun and to better our horsemanship. Suggestions are welcome.
9. No horses on the course before their turn.
10. If you choose to lead your horse through an obstacle you must remount before moving toward the next obstacle.
11. If you happen to fall off your horse and you can regain control without assistance and remount you may do so.
12. The judge will blow whistle and ask contestant to move on to next obstacle upon the third refusal or after 30 seconds of not completing an obstacle. The rider **MUST** move to the next obstacle. Riders who do not move on will be disqualified!
13. Failure to complete an obstacle - results in a zero for that obstacle. Rider will still receive a score for the course.
14. It is permissible to change rein hand to work with an obstacle.
15. Show management has the right to add additional rules if necessary. Rule additions will be posted at registration table.

## **TACK & ATTIRE**

\*Attire: Boots with a heel are mandatory. Long sleeve western or English shirt or jacket. Pants or jeans without holes. Show clothing not required. Cowboy hat or helmet mandatory.

\*Tack: must be safe, humane and in good working condition.

\*Snaffle Bits and Bosals: Any horse may be shown 2 handed using a snaffle or bosal. Horses that are shown in bit with a shank should be ridden one-handed. Use of two-hands on reins when using a shank bit are penalized 1 point per occurrence.

\*NO: Mechanical hackamores, tie-downs, draw reins, martingales, or wire chinstraps.

\*Equipment must work through entire course.

## **JUDGING**

Each contestant will perform the required trail pattern individually. The best trail horse will be willfully guided with no apparent resistance. Any movement made by the horse on it's own or deviation from the pattern must be considered a lack of control. Credit will be given for horsemanship, smoothness, calmness, finesse, forward motion, control, attitude, quickness and authority in performing the various obstacles while using controlled speed. This event is intended to display the versatile working ability of a solid trail horse.

A good horseman will never endanger themselves or their horse. A good working relationship between horse and rider should be rewarded. Riders will abide by the ruling of the judge. All judges' decisions are final.

The judge should walk the course and make any adjustments necessary for safety.

## **SCORING**

Each obstacle will be worth 10 points. Points can be given in .5 increments.

Obstacles not completed will receive a zero. Riders will still receive a score for the course.

Scoring system;

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0– Not Attempted

1– Obstacle not Completed. Attempt made, uncooperative horse, 3 refusals.

Obstacle is not at least half completed.

2 - Bad. Attempt made, uncooperative horse, 2 refusals. Obstacle mostly completed.

3 – Poor. Attempt made, uncooperative horse, 1 refusal. Obstacle completed.

Significant issues with basics.

4– Not Satisfactory. Obstacle completed with hesitation, rough but done

5– Completed. Obstacle completed w/ slight deviation or hesitation

6 - Satisfactory. Obstacle completed as expected.

7–Good. Obstacle completed smoothly and willingly

8 – Very Good. Obstacle completed willingly and with finesse

9-Excellent. Obstacle completed willingly w/ a higher quality.

10 - Obstacle completed willingly w/ a higher degree of quality and extreme finesse  
6 – Obstacle completed as expected

## TIME

The official timer will have the final time decision and may not be challenged.

A time limit, usually 4 or 5 minutes, for each course will be announced at walk through.

When time ends, the rider must leave the arena immediately. Points will be given for obstacles completed.

In the event of a tie score, the fastest time will win.

**Extreme Trail Rider Challenge:** Time points are given in 15-second increments.

Time points are given in addition to the exhibitors score for obstacles.

The fastest time is awarded 10 pts

Exhibitors within 15 seconds of the fastest time receive 9pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 8pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 7pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 6pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 5pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 4pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 3pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 2pts.

Exhibitors within the next 15 seconds will receive 1pts.

GOOD LUCK!

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## ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

**Preferred Entry Deadline: March 25.** All paid entries received by March 25 accepted.

After March 25, entries accepted if there is room. 30 entries maximum.

HEALTH PAPERS ARE REQUIRED TO CHECKIN WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT THE IOWA HORSE FAIR!

### COMPLETE ENTRY FORM.

1. **Enclose entry form & \$45 Entry Fee**
2. **Enclose stall reservation and fee. If you sent in stall reservation with another entry form please indicate on entry form.**

Stall reservations must be made thru the Barn Manager prior to entering or included with entry.

Stalls are \$40 for the weekend and include a 3-day pass.

You may NOT show out of your trailer. If you need a stall for only Sunday it is still \$40.

A release of liability form will be signed at check-in.

Payment MUST accompany registration

**MAIL ENTRIES TO: Iowa Horse Fair, C/O Marlys Derscheid, 61196 280<sup>th</sup>, Nevada, IA 50201**

**QUESTIONS: Contact Marlys Derscheid – cheifydazzle@gmail.com, 515-231-8635**

# 2018 IOWA SPRING TRAIL RIDER CHALLENGE SERIES!!!



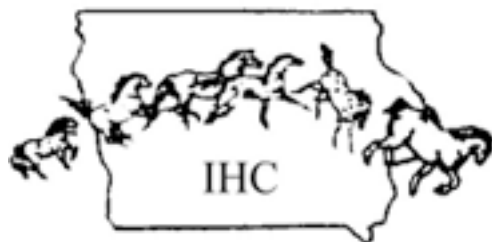
EVENT 1: APRIL 8 – IOWA HORSE FAIR, Extreme Trail Rider Challenge

EVENT 2: APRIL 28/29 – CLINIC (Saturday) and Extreme Trail Rider Challenge (Sunday), Animal Rescue League, Des Moines, IA

EVENT 3: JUNE 9 - CLINIC and Extreme Trail Rider Challenge, Prairie Rose Arena, Elkhart, IA

Details at: [www.TrailRiderChallenge.com](http://www.TrailRiderChallenge.com)

**In cooperation with:**



Iowa Horse Council



## 2018 Iowa Horse Fair HORSE BARN INFORMATION

1. Horse or tack stalls are available for \$40 each, payable in advance. This fee must be paid before stalls are occupied. Bedding is not furnished with the stalls but will be available for purchase at the Horse Barn Office. **NO PAPER BEDDING IS ALLOWED.**
2. Breed organizations or representatives will receive one complimentary stall in the Avenue of Breeds. If there is more than one representative for the same breed, the groups must determine whose horse is exhibited in the Avenue of Breeds. Separate forms are available and need to be completed for this Avenue of Breeds stall.
3. **A STALL DECORATING CONTEST WILL BE HELD!** Please see the enclosed forms for additional information. Because we are using the Jacobson Exhibition Center for our trade show, we expect heavy traffic through the barn and we encourage you to decorate your stall(s).
4. Stall areas are to be kept neat and clean at all times! You may put promotional materials designated for your breed group on any stall, however, **NO CARD TABLES OR ROPED OFF AREAS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE BARN AISLES FOR SAFETY REASONS.** An extra stall can be purchased to use for promotional materials.
5. Horses may arrive anytime after 9:00 AM on Friday. The barn office will close at 8:00 PM on Friday and will re-open approximately 7:00 a.m. on Saturday. We ask that you make arrangements for liability form submittal, and bedding delivery in advance if you must arrive outside of the Friday barn hours. Horses must be in their stalls by the start of the Horse Fair on Saturday (8:00 a.m.). Please have stall decorations and horses ready for viewing by this time. Stall judging will take place sometime on Saturday during the Horse Fair. **Horses in the Avenue of Breeds may not depart until the horse fair hours are over.** We suggest you have a person with your horses during the Horse Fair open hours so any questions may be answered.
6. **Horses must be checked in at the Horse Barn Office BEFORE stalling occurs.** Health papers (within 30 days) for all horses and a negative Coggins test (within 12 months) for out-of-state horses must be provided. **Proof of recent vaccinations must be presented along with the Health papers.** Please check at the horse barn office for locations to park horse trailers. Trailers cannot be parked or unhitched around the barn area except for loading and unloading.
7. Each stall owner will receive **one wrist band** (good for the entire weekend) for entry to the Pavilion and Tradeshow. This wrist band must be picked up at the Horse Barn Office and each stall owner must sign for their own wrist band.
8. Each breed representative must have all persons bringing horses to the Fair sign a liability/disclaimer form, releasing the IHC/IHF from all liability. These forms are enclosed – please copy as needed for multiple members of breed groups. We request that you get the required signatures and either return the forms in advance or present the completed forms at the Horse Barn Office when you arrive.

**THERE WILL BE AN ALL BARN MEETING ON FRIDAY EVENING AT 5:30 IN THE HORSE BARN OFFICE. THE TIME WILL BE ANNOUNCED. PLEASE ATTEND! THIS IS THE TIME TO HAVE YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED AND YOUR CONCERNS ADDRESSED.**

9. Security will be furnished in the Horse Barn. Security will begin at 12 noon on Friday and end at 5:30 pm on Sunday. We will have a veterinarian on call at all times. **The IHC/IHF will not be responsible for any loss or damage to horses or property.**
10. A stall card will be provided for placement on your stall - we encourage you to complete this with a contact person's name and phone number so that they can be reached at night in case of an emergency. Veterinarians are legally unable to treat a horse without the permission of the owner or their representative.
11. Please leave dogs at home, but if you must bring one, they must be kept in a stall or on a leash. **NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED IN THE TRADESHOW OR PAVILION** unless it is a service dog.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE BARN RULES – Fairgrounds Security will enforce them.**  
**NO SMOKING IN THE BARN --- NO ALCOHOL IN THE BARN --- NO RIDING IN THE BARN**  
**NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES IN THE BARN – Except for those needed by the handicapped.**  
**NO SLEEPING IN THE BARN – Please call if you have concerns about the safety of your horse.**

**2018 IOWA HORSE FAIR****EXTREME TRAIL RIDER CHALLENGE – ENTRY FORM****SUNDAY, APRIL 8**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Choose one:    \_\_\_ Open            \_\_\_ Novice

INCLUDE:    \_\_\_ Stall Reservation (Separate form/required)

\_\_\_ Waiver (Separate form/required)

\_\_\_ \$45 entry fee

             \_\_\_ Please write a few interesting things for the announcer on  
a separate piece of paper and attach it.

**34th Annual  
Iowa Horse Fair**



*Where Dreams Are Born!*

**April 6-8, 2018**

**Horse Barn Stall Reservations &  
Contract**

(Please include this form with your Extreme Trail Challenge entry form)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Required of all horses:** Current health certificate (within 30 days) & Proof of Recent Vaccinations

**Required of all out-of-state horses:** Negative Coggins (within 12 months)

**Due to Iowa State Fairgrounds rules all horses must be stalled, working out of the trailer is not allowed!**

☐ Extreme Trail Challenge Horse Stalls \_\_\_\_\_ stall(s) x \$40 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a request for specific stalls or neighbors, please list below:

Requested Stall Locations: Aisle: \_\_\_\_\_ Stall Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Stall Neighbors (name or organization): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am with a group that will already be at the Iowa Horse Fair and will have a stall through them –

Group name: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **Iowa Horse Council**

TOTAL DUE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT IS DUE IN FULL WITH YOUR ENTRY; NO STALLS WILL BE ASSIGNED WITHOUT FULL PAYMENT.**

**AGREEMENT – PLEASE READ TERMS OF CONTRACT ON BACK**

I hereby authorize the Iowa Horse Fair to reserve space for me and understand that requested stalls or stalling neighbors may not be guaranteed. I hereby agree to the terms and provisions contained in the "Terms of Contract" on the reverse side, which is part of this contract. I hereby agree that my participation is at my own risk, and release the Iowa Horse Fair from any claim or liability whatsoever.

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

***There will be a \$25 charge on all returned checks.***

For OFFICE USE ONLY: Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Iowa Horse Council ~ Iowa Horse Fair

## Liability Release

*Please read carefully*

I wish to participate in the Iowa Horse Fair to be held April 6-8, 2018, with my horse or another person's horse which I will be responsible for during the course of the Iowa Horse Fair. I hereby participate at the Iowa Horse Fair at my own risk and subject to all the rules and regulations of The Iowa Horse Fair and the Iowa State Fairgrounds. I further agree that if any damage is occasioned, or loss occurs to the horse exhibited, to any vehicle, or other article with I may send with such horses that I will make no claim against the Iowa Horse Council or any of its officials. I have read the information regarding the event and agree to follow the guidelines as set forth by the Iowa Horse Council.

1. It is the responsibility of the Rider (Parent or Guardian if a Minor) to carry full and complete insurance coverage on said horse, personal property, and himself/herself.
2. Rider (Parent or Guardian if a Minor) agrees to assume all risks involved in or rising from Rider's use or presence upon the Iowa State Fairgrounds property and facilities during the Iowa Horse Fair including but not limited to, risk of death, bodily injury, property damage, falls, kicks, bites, collisions with vehicles, horses or stationary objects, fire or explosion, the unavailability of emergency medical care, or the negligence or deliberate act of another person.
3. Rider (Parent or Guardian if a Minor) agrees to hold the Iowa Horse Council, its directors and all individual members thereof, the Iowa State Fair management or employees or any other persons involved in the Iowa Horse Fair management completely harmless and not liable, and release them from all liability whatsoever, and agree not to sue them on account of/or in connection with any claims, caused of action, injuries, damages, costs or expenses arising out of Rider's use and/or presence upon the Iowa State Fairgrounds property and facilities during the Iowa Horse Fair, including and without limitation to those based on death, bodily injury, property damage, including consequential damages.
4. Rider (Parent or Guardian if a Minor) agrees to indemnify and defend the Iowa Horse Council against and hold harmless from any and all claims, causes of action, damages, judgments, cost of expenses, including attorney fees, which in any way arise from the Riders use of/or presence upon the Iowa State Fairgrounds property and facilities during the Iowa Horse Fair.
5. Rider agrees to abide by all of the Iowa Horse Fair and Iowa State Fair Rules and Regulations.
6. The horses shall be free from infection, contagious or transmissible disease(s). The Iowa Horse Council reserves the right to refuse the horse if not in proper health or is deemed dangerous or undesirable.
7. The Iowa Horse Council reserves the right to reject any applicant for space at any time, and reserves the right to retake possession of any space by refunding to the Exhibitor the amount of paid space. Violations of Section 5 will result in immediate ejection of Exhibitors without refund.
8. This contract is non-assignable and non-transferable and is made and entered into the State of Iowa, and shall be enforced and interpreted under the laws of the state. When the Rider (Parent or Guardian if a Minor) signed this contract, it will then be binding on all parties, subject to the above terms and conditions.
9. By signing this contract, I agree that I am responsible for my own safety. I understand that horses can be excitable, unpredictable and difficult to control at times, and that accidents may happen when working with horses.

**Signature(s) below constitutes acceptance of the above terms and conditions.**

*I have read and understood this liability release.*

**Rider/Driver/Handler Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Required if rider, driver, handler is a minor)*

**Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Office Use Only:                      Signature for Passes \_\_\_\_\_

Horses Name \_\_\_\_\_ Health Papers # \_\_\_\_\_

Horse Barn Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Coggins # (if needed) \_\_\_\_\_