

## Lease/Loan Program for 4-H Project Horses

The following criteria apply to Lease/Loan horses:

1. All Lease/Loan horses that are intended for exhibit at the State 4-H Horse Show must be declared on the 4-H Horse Project Intent to Show Form by the deadline of March 16 in the year to be used.
2. Indicate on the current 4-H Horse Intent to Show Form ownership type: Owned or Lease/Loan.
3. The 4-Her, 4-Hers Parents or Legal Guardians and the owner of the horse must complete the Lease/Loan Declaration Form by the deadline of March 16.
4. Once a Lease/Loan horse has been declared as the 4-H Project Horse then all 4-H Project Horse rules apply.
5. Lease term should be at least nine months.
6. **Both the 4-H Horse Project Intent to Show Form and the Lease/Loan Declaration must be submitted to the 4-H Horse Program Coordinator by *March 16*. 4-Hers not declaring their Lease/Loan Horse by the date specified will be ineligible to exhibit their horse at the State 4-H Horse Show.**
7. The 4-H Volunteer Leader and/or County Extension Agent should to keep a copy on file in the county. A copy should be attached to the Intent to Show Form.
8. Lease/Loan Form should be filled out for any horse not owned by 4-H member or their immediate family - including school/lesson horses.

### Lease/Loan Considerations:

The South Carolina 4-H Horse Program strongly recommends that individuals leasing horses should enter into a written leasing agreement with the owner of the horse. A lease protects the rights of both the owner and the lessor and prevents misunderstandings.

Before entering into a leasing agreement the lessee and lessor should determine who will be responsible for the items listed below. This list is not all inclusive and other factors may need to be considered:

- Daily Horse Care
- Horse Stabling/Boarding
- Routine Veterinary Care
- Emergency Veterinary Care
- Farrier Care
- Training
- Special Horse Needs
- Transportation
- Tack and Equipment
- Leasing Payment Schedule
- Equine Insurance

