

1. All exhibitors and parents, as well as spectators, will conduct themselves in a manner as to set a good example for other 4H youth and other spectators at any and all events. Impolite behavior, poor sportsmanship, disruptive actions, may cause disqualification and/or removal from the grounds. Behavior Code of Conduct MUST be followed.
2. Facebook, Twitter, or any other social internet communication including email will be reviewed for inappropriate statements, accusations, or any other negative communication. This is not tolerated in Indy Riders, 4H or with the Marion County Fairgrounds. Any form of bullying, attacking, or defacing someone will go before the board for disqualification for all awards and points up to and including removal from membership. We take this very seriously as do others. This is a Zero Tolerance Policy.
3. No cell phones during any meeting. This includes texting on horseback.
4. No profanity.
5. Helmets and boots are to be worn at all times while riding. It is strongly suggested to always have boots on while handling your horse on the ground.
6. Parents, non 4H friends, and any other family are not to ride, or lunge any 4H animal during the 4H year. This especially includes at any 4H event. If you are having an issue with your horse please see a Leader first to see what can be done.
7. Helmets must have a rating of ASTM – F1163 / SEI to be an approved helmet. You will find this rating in a sticker typically under the liner if there is one.
8. All decisions by the judge are FINAL. NO EXCEPTIONS.
9. All disagreements, disputes, or any other complaints in regards to a show, class, event, or workshop will be required to file a Dispute Resolution and pay \$100.00. This will go before the Indy Riders 4H Board and committee to be reviewed. If the review is in favor of your complaint the monies will be returned. If the decision is not in your favor, the monies will be applied to the General Fund for the Club.
10. All classes will follow the Indiana State 4H Rulebook. It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with this book.
11. All members of Indy Riders are required to meet sponsorship/fundraising requirement in order to be eligible for year-end High Point awards.
12. Each youth and/or parent is required to work at the fairgrounds a minimum of five (5) hours to be eligible for year-end awards.
13. Members are required to bring their 4H Binders to every meeting. Points can be awarded for this.
14. ABSOLUTELY NO FREE LUNGING IN THE BIG ARENA OR MAKE UP ARENA. All horses must be kept on lead rope or lunge line and be in control by their youth handler. Lunging only in the round pen.
15. No one is to be mounted during the meeting portion of the workshop. Please leave your horse with your parent or at the trailer.
16. Horses are only to be ridden on the arena side of the road. You must be leading your horse on the barn side of the road.
17. For events that call for use of the stalls you are required to receive a sign in/out sheet for your stalls. You are required to clean your own stall completely when leaving the event. Anyone found not cleaning their stalls after an event will be charge \$25.00 per stall payable to the Indy Riders 4H.
18. No locks will be permitted on any horse stall during the event. This is for the safety of your animal and others.
19. No horses in the bleacher area.
20. All campsites will be paid for in advance. Do not show up expecting a site if you did not make arrangements. You will be asked to move your rig.

21. The Equestrian Stable, during County Fair, will close promptly at 11 p.m. each night and will re-open at 6:00 a.m.
22. No more than three(3) horses can be shown per member.

## **Dress Code:**

### **Acceptable:**

- Jeans
- Shorts that reach within 4" of your knee while standing
- Tank tops with at least a 2 inch straps
- Tennis shoes when on the ground but would prefer everyone to be in boots
- T-Shirts (no profanity, questionable meanings or sayings)

### **Not Acceptable:**

- Spaghetti strap tank tops, or cami's
- No low rise jeans that reveal your underwear or skin
- Strapless tops
- Shorts shorter than 4" from the knees
- sandals of any type
- No midriff shirts.

Anyone not meeting the dress code at any Indy Riders event or meeting will be asked to leave and no points will be awarded. We ask parents to please provide an example for all youth by following the dress code. This includes sandals as our environment is considered high risk for injury or sickness.

Indy Riders is a youth club and is a means of teaching and learning about horses. It is also a means of learning cooperation, respect for others and how to handle themselves in public situations. Any and all discrepancies, feelings, disagreements that are outside of this club will not be tolerated inside this club. Please keep these situations outside of the club. If you have a problem that deals directly with the club you need to talk to the board or to a leader for guidance. Often these issues are due to the fact of not knowing the rules. Many of the issues would resolve themselves if everyone would read the State Rule book. Volunteers are the center of our club and they are working to achieve a fun, positive, and learning environment for all youth.