## Horse Owner

## Managerial Horse Project Member

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the managerial project is to make available to Horse Project Members horses which they do not own for the purpose of the project. A managerial animal is defined by the Wisconsin State 4-H Horse Association as one that is "under the care of, but not owned by the exhibitor." The member is expected to assume responsibility for the animal's care and well-being during the project year. **Rights and Responsibilities of the Horse Owner** 

- 1. The horse owner may interview and request interaction of thee member with the horse to determine if they are suitable for each other.
- The horse owner may require a lease agreement or other contract outside of this one for use and care of the horse. If so, the outside contract controls with regard to use and care of the horse. However, this contract controls with regard to participation with the horse in 4-H project activities. It is the responsibility of the 4-H member to make sure that he or she is compliant with this contract.
- 3. If upon evaluation of the member's abilities, the horse owner does not feel that the member is able to handle the horse in a safe manner, the owner may deny the member the opportunity to use the horse in any public exhibition or activity, including the County Fair.
- 4. The horse owner may terminate the contract at any time if the terms of the agreement are not met.

## **Rights and Responsibilities of the Member**

- The member is responsible for initiating contact with the horse owner to establish a schedule to meet, discuss arrangements for participating in clinics (i.e., horse camp) or public exhibition (i.e. County Fair).
- 2. This agreement is for the project year stated, and is not automatically renewable. The member is responsible for finding a horse to work with each project year if desired.
- 3. The member shall follow all rules established by the horse owner for the use of the horse. If there is a separate contract or lease, a copy should be attached to this agreement.
- 4. The member is responsible for an agreed upon portion of the costs of horse care and tack during the contract period. This should include a predetermined amount of hay, grain, bedding, veterinary, farrier and transportation costs. The 4-H Horse Association recommends the member be responsible for ½ costs. If a specific cost is due to an activity by the member, the horse owner has the right to expect the member to assume full financial responsibility for that cost.
- 5. The member may terminate the contract at any time if the terms of the agreement are not met.

## **Requirements of the Program**

- 1. Between February 1 and August 25 of the project year, the member should have responsibility for the care of the horse.
- 2. It is NOT necessary for the member to exhibit the horse in the County Fair for successful completion of the program.

 Member Signature
 Date

 Parent/Guardian Signature
 Date

Horse Owner Signature