

# 2025 BVX LIGHT HORSE SHOW AUGUST 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>

Welcome everyone to the BVX Light Horse show which has been going on since the Fall Fair began in 1919. Amazing isn't it? This show has always had light horses included as one of the divisions and has evolved into what it is today. We continue to grow and change. People want to see what horses are still being used for in the 21st century, so, as the Light Horse Show committee, we attempt to provide classes for you, the exhibitor, to show your horses in the best light possible. We also hope to educate the public about light horses as you showcase your animals, and your skills. With that in mind we want to thank you, the exhibitor, our ground crew, volunteers and sponsors for supporting this endeavor and hope your experience at the 2025 Bulkley Valley Exhibition Light Horse show will be one to remember. (BVX Light Horse Show Committee)

## DIVISION Y: LIGHT HORSE SHOW RULES (LHS)

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Entries may be mailed, dropped off at the Smithers Fall Fair Office, online entries available at [www.bvfair.ca](http://www.bvfair.ca) or mail entries to **BV Exhibition Attn: Light Horse Show, Box 2281, Smithers BC V0J 2N0. BVX office email:** [bvfair@telus.net](mailto:bvfair@telus.net)

**All Light Horse Entries Close:** August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
Post entry fees apply after that.

- 1) **EARLY BIRD ENTRY DRAW close: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025.** Correct entry and full payment is required. One horse/rider combination will be drawn. The prize is the refunded class entry fee for ONE horse/rider combination up to a maximum of \$100.
- 2) This show will be governed by official HCBC rules except where otherwise stated. Each exhibitor is responsible for knowing the rules applicable for their classes. For more information visit [www.hcbc.ca/Competition-Documents.html](http://www.hcbc.ca/Competition-Documents.html)
- 3) NO riding on the grounds with a horse in halter only, doubling on a horse, and/or trotting/jogging, canter/loping outside the warm up and show rings. The rider will be disqualified from the show for non-compliance.
- 4) As per HCBC rules, all juniors, whether English, Breed, Western or Driving, must wear an approved equestrian safety helmet while riding/driving on the show grounds. This includes children being transported on horseback or buggy. The person responsible will be disqualified from the show for non-compliance. It is highly recommended that all adults wear a helmet as well.
- 5) **REFUNDS:**
  - a) Only CLASS Entry fees will be refunded. Administration fees are non-refundable.
  - b) No refunds will be made unless a certificate from a farrier, veterinarian, certified therapist or doctor is supplied to the show manager or designate before the completion of the show.
  - c) Refunds will be mailed out within 45 days after the show. The final date for queries regarding refunds and payouts is 30 days after the mailing of the cheques.

### 6) ENTRY FORM

- a) We require ONE ENTRY per HORSE/EXHIBITOR combination.
- b) If entering a registered breed class, the owner must include a copy of the horse's registration papers.
- c) Horse Council B.C. Membership is mandatory for all classes. [www.hcbc.ca](http://www.hcbc.ca)
- d) Entries are not considered valid unless the appropriate funds are paid in full.
- e) Halter, Driving, Performance Classes, Gymkhana: \$15/class
- f) Best Yearling: \$25/class
- g) Dressage: \$15/class
- h) Dressage au concours: \$15 / class space permitting
- i) Jumpers & Hunters: \$15/class
- j) Stake Classes: \$25/class
- k) Ride-a-Buck: \$5 paid at gate, no money submitted with entry form.
- l) Each horse and rider combination pays entry fee in pairs/team classes.
- m) Hunter/Jumper Crew Setup fees. A \$10 setup crew fee per horse/rider must be included with the entry fees. If you enter both Hunter & Jumper, you must pay 2 fees per entry.
- n) Post Entry fees for a New Exhibitor: \$50 Admin fee plus \$5 per class Post entry fee. For an existing exhibitor who entered prior to deadline of August 9<sup>th</sup> a \$5 post entry charge added to regular class fee.
- o) All class/horse changes and post entries must be made at the LHS office window. Whipper-in gate entries/changes will NOT be accepted into any ring.
- p) All monies owing to the LHS must be cleared before prize money is paid out, regardless of the 30 day rule for payouts.

### 7) EXHIBITOR'S PACKAGES (horse/exhibitor numbers, passes, etc)

- a) Your pre-paid passes will be ready for pickup when you arrive at Gate #1- Light Horse Show entrance-exit. (Please refer to the site map in the BV Fair prize book) starting Wednesday afternoon, 3 pm No early arrivals will be permitted.
- b) **Please be aware that entry to the grounds will be denied unless you have the appropriate passes. If there is a problem at the gate, purchase a gate pass, come to the Light Horse office and let us help you sort it out.**
- c) All horse/exhibitor numbers which are incomplete will be held at the LHS office. They will only be handed out after ALL security deposits, stabling deposits, entry fees and/or documentation are paid/submitted in full.

### 8) STABLING:

- a) Payment for all applicable stabling fees MUST BE received before the horse will be allowed in the barn or panel pen.
- b) Properly made out entries, complete with all applicable fees will receive priority over incomplete ones in allotting stalls.
- c) We require a cleaning deposit, \$50 per stall or panel space. PLEASE ADD THIS PAYMENT TO YOUR ENTRY FORM. ALL STALLS AND PANEL SPACES MUST BE STRIPPED OR THE DEPOSIT WILL BE KEPT.
- d) Complaints about dirty stalls or panels may be lodged with the Barn Manager who will charge the cleaning deposit if the complaint is upheld. IN ORDER TO GET YOUR

DEPOSIT REFUNDED YOU MUST SHOW THE STRIPPED STALL TO THE BARN MANAGER.

- e) Only 2 horses allowed per panel pen. **Competitors provide their own panels. BV Exhibition does not supply panels.**
- f) **If you take a stall you weren't assigned or do not vacate your stall on time, a \$50 penalty will be charged against your payouts.**
- g) All stalls and alley ways must be KEPT CLEAN

### 9) STALL DECORATING CONTEST

Those who participate will be judged for a chance to win one of 2 prizes of \$50 per day plus rosettes. That's a total of \$400 in prizes for stall decorations all weekend.

#### Rules for decorating contest

- a) Full coverage of available space (min. 75%)
- b) Use 2025 Fall Fair Theme
- c) Educational display (size 22"x28") of horse related subject. The following is NOT considered educational content: breeder, sale advertisement, business information, and or show records. These may be displayed in addition to the educational content.
- d) Stalls will be judged by Show Committee and prize added to payout at end of show.

### 10) PANELS:

- a) **Panel space is limited and will be awarded on a first-come/first-serve basis.** Panel space passes must be clearly visible on the panels.
- b) Panel pens will be only allowed around the perimeter of the camping area. This will allow the users of those pens to camp close to their horses. We organize camping/panel space accordingly, in marked & numbered sites.
- c) A minimum 3 ft gap between panel pens is needed for horse safety reasons. Horse trailers may be located between pens so riders may saddle up without taking horses into the camping area.

### 11) AGE SPECIFICATIONS:

- a) **Junior Horse:** 5 years & under, Horse age is calculated as of January 1<sup>st</sup> the year the horse was born. In Western classes, may be shown one or two-handed with a snaffle or bosal, or one-handed in a leverage bit.
- b) **First Year Horse:** A horse that (regardless of age) is in its first year under saddle in such a class as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year
- c) **First Year Rider:** A rider who (regardless of age) is in the first year competing under saddle.
- d) **Senior Rider:** 18 & over as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- e) **Junior:** 17 AND UNDER as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year
- f) **Youth Rider:** 7 to 17 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year
- g) **Tiny Tot:** 6 & under as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- h) **Amateur/Non-Pro:** 19 years and over as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- i) **Walk/Trot Jog Classes:** A rider who (regardless of age) is competing in walk/trot classes (no cross entries)

### 12) PRIZES:

- a) Payouts except where noted: 1<sup>st</sup> \$50, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$25, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$10, 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> place, ribbons
- b) Classes with 3 or fewer entrants: 1<sup>st</sup> \$25, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$15, 3<sup>rd</sup> ribbons