

DEPARTMENT T (01) - HORSE AND PONY PULLING CONTEST

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Object

The value of draft animals depends upon their ability to pull and capacity to endure sustained effort. The object of this test is to determine the sustained maximum pulling capacity and pace of each pair. These tests will afford valuable scientific data on the relation between form and function in draft animals and will stimulate general interest in the breeding and use of good draft horses and in particular it is desired:

- (a) To demonstrate the value of type, soundness and proper breeding in the selection of horses intended for long and arduous draft work.
- (b) To ascertain and to demonstrate the proper method of training and conditioning horses intended for long and severe draft work.
- (c) To encourage horsemanship in fitting harness and in driving.
- (d) To demonstrate the maximum pulling capacity of the horses.

Rules

1. Six foot draw. Three (3) tries to complete the draw.
2. Only one teamster per team, each teamster is allowed two helpers.
3. No striking ponies with lines or hands.
4. Lines may be used on horses but not misused.
5. Horse and ponies will be weighed at the fairgrounds scale from 8 AM to 10 AM pull day.
6. **Coggins (EIA) papers showing a negative test required.**
7. Teams that do not place will receive \$5.00 for ponies and \$10.00 for horses but must hitch at least once.
8. There will be a five minute time limit per hitch.
9. There will be no entry fee. Driver and 1 Helper get free admission to the grounds
10. All teamsters must stay behind the evener while driving.
11. **PROOF OF CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION REQUIRED. 30 DAY HEALTH CERTIFICATE REQUIRED FOR OUT OF STATE HORSES.** Please refer to NYS Ag & Markets "Animal Health Requirements for Admission to NYS and County Fairs" located on the "Handbook" page.
12. **Entries must be in by August 1 in order to plan for the attendance of a veterinarian on pull day.**

Classes

1. Mini Horses
2. 50 inch Ponies
3. Horses Under 3200 pounds
4. Horses Free For All

Prizes

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Class 1 & 2	\$ 70.00	\$53.00	\$36.00	\$27.00	\$17.00	\$ 8.00
Class 3 & 4	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$15.00