

Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association

Region A Information Packet

September 27, 28 & 29, 2024



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Congratulations District Winners!

Coaches, congratulations on your district win and good luck to you at Regionals!

You will be attending Region A, held at the Berrien County Youth Fairgrounds (bcyf.org) in Berrien Springs, MI on September 27th-29th.

Attending Region A will be Districts 3, 5, 15, 16, and 19. Teams will compete over three days; the top three scoring teams in each division will advance to the State competition in Midland, MI October 9th to the 13th.

Once you have read the following information, you will need to register online via the QR code by September 24th, 2024 5:00pm.

<https://forms.gle/Gi3opzZzbCDDpSEDA>

Registration forms can be submitted to miha.region.a@gmail.com if you are not able to access it with the QR code.



Slot sheets must be sent mihadc3@gmail.com by Tuesday, September 24, 2024

Completed Slot Sheets must be PDF form only - No pictures, No google Docs!!!!

When you arrive, you will need to pay Candice (D5) for all registration, camping and stall fees. Candice will have a copy of what you have reserved, T-Shirts you have pre-ordered, back numbers, camper passes and give you a receipt in the office Friday afternoon. Please complete this prior to the Coaches meeting at 3:45p.m.

Each rider will get 2 back numbers.

Patterns for Showmanship, Equitation, and Trail can be located on the website www.MIHA.org no sooner than Monday September 23rd. Remember all riding classes (including bareback) will have a pattern.

In addition, on MIHA.org under the Regionals Section you will find the Region's registration/information packet, as well as helpful maps to the fairgrounds, camping assignments, stall assignments and back numbers.

You will find all the information you need within the next few pages. If you need any help or have questions along the way, contact your DC or the DCs at miha.region.a@gmail.com

The Regional committee will hold a **Mandatory** coach meeting at 3:45pm Friday evening (at the top of the grandstand) to help get questions answered for coaches/teams.

Region A Registration Information

- All stalls must be cleaned completely to the ground before leaving, confirm with DC before departure.
- All horses spending the night must be stalled.
- Please do not bring horses that are not showing
- Camping includes 1 electric hook up and access to water
- Dump station is available
- Shavings - limited supply available at the meet; no guarantee shavings will be available if not ordered.
- T-shirts: Can be pre-ordered on your registration form or purchased during the meet (while supplies last - limited availability).

Gates Open: 12:00 pm (noon), Friday, September 27, 2024

Enter at Gate #1 - Please do not try to enter early; if you do, you will be charged a penalty fee. Once inside the gate you will turn left before the barns then right after the barns.

Registration/show office will be open 12-7:00p.m(Friday) and 8:30am-7:00p.m(Saturday and Sunday).

Coaches should check in at the office to pay fees, receive back numbers, T-shirts, and camping permits.

Stall assignments will be posted by Thursday at 6:00p.m.

Only coaches and assistant coaches are allowed to come to the office for information or make changes during the meet.

Stalls will be assigned in barns 46-52 and posted by 6:00pm Thursday and when you arrive. Districts may or may not be stalled together, depending on team sizes and number of horses being stalled.

- Campers may park behind/east of the horse barns or south of the committee campers(see map).
- **Locations will be assigned by the District** and a camping permit must be displayed in window by 10a.m. on Saturday.
- Please be considerate of your neighbors.

- Do not block in other campers.
- Fair employees will do a count! Please do not park in emergency/fire lanes or fair employees will move you. **If you are unsure, please ask. Be courteous to your neighbors.**

Mandatory Judges/Coaches Meetings (at the top of the grandstands):

- Friday, September 27th at 3:45pm
- Saturday, September 28th at 8:00a.m
- Sunday, September 29th at 8:00am

Trail walk-through 3:00pm-3:59pm, Trail will be open from 4:00-8:00PM

8:45 a.m. Saturday – Presentation of teams in Ring 1, Jack Dean Ring.

- Bring your team banner if you have one. Teams will be announced in this order:
- D teams: D3, D5, D15, D16, D19
- C teams: D3, D5, D15, D16, D19
- B teams: D3, D5, D15, D16, D19
- A teams: D3, D5, D15, D16, D19
- Please line up outside the indoor show arena in that order. This is a good opportunity for a team picture.

We will have time for judge's questions at the end of the meet on **Sunday** if you need something clarified.

Camping Rules for Region A

- Each campsite is required to have a responsible adult (18 or older) staying with the group each night.
- All who stay the night will be charged as a camper. (no tents) No sleeping in the barns or outbuildings.
- No alcoholic beverages or non-prescription drugs will be allowed. Violators will be removed and prosecuted.
- Any camper, member, or camping group, who violates any rule, will have their camping permit revoked. They will be required to remove their camper from the grounds immediately, or it will be removed at the owner's expense. Camping fees will be forfeited, and camping parties will not be allowed back without approval from the Show committee.
- Once horses are unloaded, they should not be in the Camping area or tied to horse trailers.
- Ground Fires are not allowed. Fires must be contained and controlled.
- NO SMOKING except in designated parking areas or within camp site.
- Please keep your area picked up and free of trash. The premises must be left clean and orderly.
- Dump station is available.

Pet Policy

- Pets must be inside campers, restrained on their own camp lot or always leashed with leash in hand.
- Pets MUST stay in camper village, NO Exceptions.
- Pets are NOT to be in or around the horse barns, arenas, bathrooms or showers.
- Pets MUST be cleaned up after and waste properly disposed of.
- Any violations - no warnings are given and you will be asked to remove your pet from the fairgrounds.

MIHA Region A – Job Assignments

Show office – District 3 & 5

Ring 1 – District 15

- Parade of Teams
- Announcer & Aid/Runner
- Ringmaster
- In and Out Gate
- Person to run laptop for scoring gymkhana classes
- T-shirts

Ring 2 – District 19

- Announcer & Aid/Runner
- Ringmaster
- In and Out Gate
- Person to run laptop for scoring gymkhana classes

Ring 3 – District 16

- Announcer & Aid/Runner
- Ringmaster & Scribes & Timer
- In and Out Gate

Pattern Set-Up, maintain, and take down

- Jump pattern – District 5 & 19
- Western Reining – District 3 & 15
- Trail – District 16

Gymkhana Set-Up and maintain, and take down

- Ring 1 Saturday – District 15
- Ring 2 Saturday – District 3
- Ring 1 Sunday – District 16
- Ring 2 Sunday – District 19

Equipment

- Laptop for Gymkhana scoring – District 3 & 5
- Water/Drinks – District 5
- 2 Way Radios – District 3
- Jumps – BCYF
- Timers – District 5 & 19 (need 4 total)
- Timer for Trail class – District 16
- Sand – District 3
- Rakes – District 3
- Flour – District 16
- Flags & Buckets – District 3
- Batons – District 3

Lunch will be served for all Judges, Ringmasters, Announcers, and office workers in the show office. Dinner will also be served on Saturday.

MIHA Region A Meet Rules

- No riding faster than a walk or lunging outside of the Rings.
- There are three large practice rings that can be used plus two round pens.
- Proper footgear (heeled boots); headgear (when jumping) and tack must be worn during all riding.
- No tank tops, no halter-tops, t-shirt minimum required, or 3 finger rule applies to tank tops, sports bras, and 3” inseam for shorts. No tennis shoes.
- No riding with halters and lead ropes. Proper riding equipment only.
- No riding after dark unless competing.
- If you load or unload in front of the barns, please make it as quick as possible then move the trailer to avoid traffic congestion.
- No parking in front of barns. No loading or unloading in front of barns during competition.
- No cursing in or out of the rings.
- Participants and parents are expected to be courteous to all show volunteers and fairgrounds crew. Any unsportsmanlike conduct will result in loss of points or removal from the grounds.
- Stalls and Tack stalls must be cleaned to the ground before departure. Stalls not cleaned will be charged to your team (\$20). Your DC must check your stalls before leaving.
- NO SMOKING except in designated parking areas or within camp sites.
- Vet on Call-Contact your District Chair before call(Two By Two 269-471-7042)
- Farrier on Call - Evan McKinzie 317-914-3431

Coaches

- All your team members and their parents, trainers or friends are your responsibility.
- If a problem arises during competition only a coach may bring it to the office or directly to your District Chairman.
- Nobody goes to the Judge.
- One warning will be given.
- The next infraction, the person will be asked to leave the grounds for the day of competition.
- If the person does not comply, all points for said team for that day of competition will be forfeited.
- Check your rule book for proper ways to protest.

***Berrien Springs is a small town without hotels.
For your convenience, here are some options in the neighboring towns.***

BENTON HARBOR:	STEVENSVILLE:
Hilton Garden Inn-(269-926-5000)	Hampton Inn-(866-538-9298)
1300 Cinema Way	5050 Red Arrow Hwy.
Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022	Stevensville, Mi. 49127
Staybridge-(269-371-0000)	Comfort Suites-(269-428-4888)
1275 Cinema Way	2633 W. Marquette Woods Rd.
Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022	Stevensville, Mi. 49127
SpringHill Suites by Marriott-(269-338-8300)	Surestay Plus-(269-588-1996)
1255 Cinema Way	5050 Red Arrow Hwy.
Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022	Stevensville, Mi. 49127
Hampton Inn & Suites-(269-927-5878)	Baymont Inn-(269-428-9111)
1921 Pipestone Rd.	2601 W. Marquette Woods Rd
Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022	Stevensville, Mi. 49127
Comfort Suites-(269-925-8800)	Tru by Hilton-(269-429-4444)
1825 Meadowbrook Rd.	2683 W. Marquette Woods Rd.
Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022	Stevensville, Mi. 49127
Best Western-(269-925-3000)	NILES:
1592 Mall Dr.	Hampton Inn-(269-684-1446)
Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022	1446 S. 11th St.
	Niles, Mi. 49120

This is a TENTATIVE schedule - Plan for Changes

Region A Meet Schedule ~ September 27, 28, & 29, 2024

Friday 3:45PM - Coaches Meeting - Top of Grandstand			
4:00pm - 8:00pm	Ring 1- Walk through will be from 3:00p to 3:59p TRAIL - All Division		
Saturday 8:00a - Coaches Meeting - Top of Grandstand 8:45a - Parade of Teams - Jack Dein Ring Warm Up Pen			
9:15 AM	Ring 1 Jack Dean Ring Warm Up Pen	Ring 2 Julie Hein Ring	Ring 3 Harry Kolberg Jump Ring
Lunch Break subject to change	Western Fitting & Showing A	Western Fitting & Showing B	Western Fitting & Showing C/D
	Hunt Seat Fitting & Showing A	Hunt Seat Fitting & Showing B	Hunt Seat Fitting & Showing C/D
	Saddle Seat Fitting & Showing A	Saddle Seat Fitting & Showing B	Saddle Seat Fitting & Showing C/D
	Saddle Seat Equitation A/D	Saddle Seat Equitation B/C	Saddle Seat Pattern #4 All Divisions
	<Lunch Break>	<Lunch Break>	
	Saddle Seat Bareback A/D	Saddle Seat Bareback B/C	Equitation Over Fences Pattern #4 All Division
	Hunt Seat Equitation A/D	Hunt Seat Equitation B/C	
	Western Equitation A/D	Western Equitation B/C	
Stakes Race A/B/C/D	Cloverleaf C/D/A/B		
Sunday - 8:00a Coaches Meeting - Top of Grandstand			
9:00 AM	Hunt Seat Bareback A/D	Hunt Seat Bareback B/C	
Lunch Break subject to change	Western Bareback A/D	Western Bareback B/C	
	<Lunch Break>	<Lunch Break>	
	Western Reining #4 A/D	Western Reining #4 B/C	
	2-Man Relay A/B/C/D	Flag Race C/D/A/B	
Sunday - Closing Ceremonies Immediately after Speed - Jack Dein Ring			
There will be an order of go for all classes EXCEPT: Saddle Seat Pattern, Equitation Over Fences and Trail			

If you are not able to use the QR and Google Form, please email this in PDF form to miha.region.a@gmail.com. Due Tuesday, September 24 by 5pm.

2024 MIHA Region A Team Registration

Team Name					
District	circle one	3	5	15	16 19
Team Division	circle one	A	B	C	D
Number of Riders					
Number of Grooms					
Team Contact Information (Head Coach ONLY)					
Head Coach Name					
Address					
Mobile Phone #					
Email					
Assistant Coaches Names					
Fees					
Total # of riders (includes 1 stall per rider)		\$90.00			
Extra Stall (2nd Horse)		\$50.00			
Tack/Food Stalls		\$50.00			
# of Camping (weekend)		\$60.00			
# of bag shavings (per bag)		\$8.00			
Tshirts - Small		\$15.00			
Tshirts - Medium		\$15.00			
Tshirts - Large		\$15.00			
Tshirts - XLarge		\$15.00			
Tshirts - 2XX		\$15.00			
Tshirts - 3XX		\$18.00			
Total Due One Check payable to: MIHA Region A					

Coach's Signature _____ Date: _____