CHANGES FOR 2012

(For edited rules, bold = added .... strikeout = removed.)

Pg. 3 Edited Eligibility #6, second sentence: “A notarized lease form 4H-514 or 4H HSF 01 must be on file at the County Extension Office by January 1 for the horse to be eligible to participate in area or state shows in the Florida 4-H Horse Program.”

Pg. 4 Edited “Current State 4-H Age Requirement” to reflect revised Florida 4-H Age Policy: “Each contestant must be eight years of age by September 1 of the current 4-H year and must not have passed his or her nineteenth birthday prior to September 1 of the current 4-H year or have graduated from High School, whichever comes first.”

Pg. 10 Added #27 to General Rules: “For any judged class in which a pattern or course is utilized, the judge or show management shall post any pattern(s) to be worked at least on one hour prior to the commencement of the class. If pattern books are distributed to contestants, the responsibility of posting patterns has been met. If the judge requires additional work of exhibitors for consideration of final placing, the pattern will not be posted.”

All references to posting patterns/courses were removed from individual class descriptions.

Pg. 13, 14 Added Conformation Classes #5 … and … Showmanship Classes #2B(4), same statement:

“Lead shank/bridle reins must be carried in both hands at all times and the lead shank/bridle reins must not be wrapped around the right hand. It is acceptable to either figure-8 or loose coil the excess lead shank/bridle reins in the left hand.”

Pg. 38, 47 Edited Western Trail disqualifications #7G(3) … and… Ranch Trail disqualifications #12H(2): “Performing the obstacle or an essential element of the pattern incorrectly or other than in specified order.”

Pg. 40 Edited Ranch Riding #6: “There will be one pattern which will be used for all shows. The judge or show management will select which Ranch Riding pattern will be used.”

Pg. 41 Edited Ranch Riding #9H: “Reverse – A horse should turn briskly and flat with front feet close to the ground and holding an inside rear pivot foot.”

Added #9I: “Turn on the forehand – Hind end should move around with minimal movement of the front feet.”

Added #10G: “Penalties – passing on the wrong side of a cone is a 4 (four) point penalty for each occurrence.”

Pg. 43, 44 Added Ranch Riding Pattern #2 and Ranch Riding Pattern #3.

Pg. 45 Changed class name from “Ranch Versatility Trail” to “Ranch Trail”.
Pg. 57  Edited Hunter Hack #5: “Three cumulative disobediences, a fall of horse and/or rider, or going off course disqualifies the entry from the entire class.”

Pg. 61  Changed Dressage classes to “Class 46, Dressage, Training Level” and “Class 47, Dressage, First Level.

Pg. 62  Added #2: “An exhibitor may enter only one Dressage class.”

Pg. 64  Edited Speed Events #2: “Horses must be started and stopped inside the arena unless an enclosed boxed area is available adjacent to the arena where the horse can be safely stopped. The exit gate of the arena or stopping area will not be opened until the horse is stopped and under control.”