

4-H Horse Certificates are DUE March 1st

**2015 + NEW FORM +$1= SUCCESS**

**Did you know:**

* Horse certificates have to be submitted as a club.
* Each horse certificate is required to have $1.
* Use the new form we developed last year(2014). NO ADDENDUMS NEEDED.
  + If you have the same horse from last year use that form.
* All signatures are required.
* If you turn your certificate in by March 1st you qualify for WA State Fair or Year End Awards. ☺
* Immediate family members may certify same horse, but not use it in the same age group on the same day.
* Mentor member: Great for horseless members.
  + An Intermediate or Senior who wishes to mentor one horseless member may share participation of their certified horse with the mentored member. The mentored member would certify the shared horse using the certificate date and lease as date of possession and depending on the date of certification—per the 90 day rule the horse could be designated either as an activity or project horse. The mentored member may not compete in the same age group as the mentor. They must complete a mentor contract and submit it with their horse certificate and addendum. A mentored member cannot qualify for state fair participation.

**Tips to horse certificates:**

* Suggestion: Help your club leader and volunteers by getting them your forms well before March 1st.
* Suggestion: Compile all certificates into a binder.
* Suggestion: Submit one check for all monies. Please no coins!
* Suggestion: Certify all possible horses. Horses go lame, get sold, pass away. ☹

**Questions Please call or email Sharon West 688-3820 or** [**westsawest@aol.com**](mailto:westsawest@aol.com)

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