

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REINED COW HORSE ASSOCIATION

SHOW RULES

1. General Rules for NCRCHA COW HORSE Show and Contest: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 1.

2. Cow Horse Show Divisions:

- 2.1. Open: Open to any rider.
- 2.2. Limited Open: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 3.5.2 and 3.6.2.
- 2.3. Non-Pro: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 2.7.
- 2.4. Youth: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 2.6.
- 2.5. Non Pro Boxing: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5 and 3.8.
- 2.6. Non Pro Box Drive: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 3.8, 3.12, 3.12.1, 3.12.2, 3.12.3 and 3.12.5.

3. NCRCHA Approved Classes:

- 3.1. NCRCHA Open Bridle: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.5 and 3.5.1.
- 3.2. NCRCHA Limited Open Bridle: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.5 and 3.5.2.
- 3.3. NCRCHA Non Pro Bridle: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.5 and 3.5.3.
- 3.4. NCRCHA Intermediate Non Pro Bridle: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.5 and 3.5.4.
- 3.5. NCRCHA Level 1 Non Pro Bridle: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.5 and 3.5.5, except open to approved non pro riders who have not:
 - 3.5.1. Finished in first place in year-end points standings in NCRCHA non pro bridle, intermediate non pro bridle, limited non pro bridle or level 1 non pro bridle in any previous show year (effective 2023).
- 3.6. NCRCHA Open Hackamore: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.6 and 3.6.1.
- 3.7. NCRCHA Limited Open Hackamore: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.6 and 3.6.2.
- 3.8. NCRCHA Open Junior Horse: Open to any rider satisfying Rule 2.1 and horses 5 years of age and under shown in a snaffle bit or hackamore.
- 3.9. NCRCHA Limited Open Junior Horse: Open to any rider satisfying Rule 2.2 and horses 5 years of age and under shown in a snaffle bit or hackamore.
- 3.10. NCRCHA Non Pro Hackamore: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.6 and 3.6.3.
- 3.11. NCRCHA Non Pro Junior Horse: Open to any rider satisfying Rule 2.3 and horses 5 years of age and under shown in a snaffle bit or hackamore.
- 3.12. NCRCHA Open Two-Rein: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.7 and 3.7.1.
- 3.13. NCRCHA Non Pro Two-Rein: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.7 and 3.7.2.
- 3.14. NCRCHA Youth Cow Horse (Fence): See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, section 3.7.3.
- 3.15. NCRCHA Youth Boxing: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, sections 3.8 and 3.8.4.
- 3.16. NCRCHA Open Boxing: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 3, section 3.8, except open to any rider and there is no earning's limit.
- 3.17. NCRCHA Non Pro Boxing: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 3.8, 3.8.1 and 2.4.
- 3.18. NCRCHA Intermediate Non Pro Boxing: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 3.8 and 3.8.2, except open to approved non pro riders who have not:
 - 3.18.1. Finished in first place in year-end points standings in NCRCHA open boxing, non pro boxing or intermediate non pro boxing in any previous show year.
 - 3.18.2. Earned more than \$5,000 in lifetime earnings (see current year's NRCHA Rule Book rule 3.2).
- 3.19. NCRCHA Limited Non Pro Boxing: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 3.8 and 3.8.3, except open to approved non pro riders who have not:
 - 3.19.1. Finished in the top 5 in year-end points standings in NCRCHA open boxing, non pro boxing, intermediate non pro boxing or limited non pro boxing in any previous show year.
 - 3.19.2. Earned more than \$1,000 in lifetime earnings (see current year's NRCHA Rule Book rule 3.2).
- 3.20. NCRCHA Box Drive: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 3.8, 3.12, 3.12.1, 3.12.2, 3.12.3 and 3.12.5.

4. Appointments and equipment: For all classes listed in Sections 3 see current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 5 and 6.

5. NCRCHA All Around Ranch Horse Classes

5.1 NCRCHA All Around Ranch Horse Divisions:

- 5.1.1 Open: Open to any rider.
- 5.1.2 Non Pro: See current year's AQHA Rule Book Rules Sections SHW220., SHW220.1, SHW220.2, SHW225.1, SHW225.2, SHW225.3, SWH225.3.1, SHW225.3.2, SHW225.3.4, SHW225.3.5, SHW225.3.6
- 5.1.3 Youth: See current year's AQHA Rule Book Rules Sections SHW220., SHW220.1, SHW220.2. Riders that are 18 and under as of January 1 of current year.

5.2 NCRCHA All Around Ranch Horse Classes consist of Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail, Working Western Rail and Reining.

- 5.2.1 Ranch Riding: See Current year's AQHA Rule Book Rules Section SHW416 through SHW419.7 - Including all sections and sub sections.
- 5.2.2 Ranch Trail: See current year's AQHA Rule Book Rules Section SHW420 through SHW422.6 - Including all sections and sub sections.
- 5.2.3 Working Western Rail: See current year's AQHA Rule Book Rules Section SHW425 through SHW429 - Including all sections and sub sections.
- 5.2.4 Reining: See current year's AQHA Rule Book Rules Section SHW480 through SHW489.3 - Including all sections and sub sections.

EXCEPTION: NCRCHA reserves the right to use reining and ranch riding patterns for the "NCRCHA All Around Ranch Horse Classes" from any of the following:

NRCHA Rule Book Section 20 (patterns only)

AQHA VRH and RHC Rule Book Section SHW565 (patterns only)

AQHA Rule Book Section SHW505 (patterns only).

5.3 Appointments and Equipment as are per the referenced sections and sub sections of the current AQHA Rule Book.

PLEASE NOTE: "Appointments and Equipment" for the NCRCHA All Around Ranch Horse Classes may differ from the NCRCHA Club Cow Horse and Herd Work Classes. Please become familiar with the AQHA and NRCHA rules for each section, sub section and class.

6. Payouts: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 7.2.

7. Ties: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 7.3.

8. NCRCHA class points: One point for winning class plus one point for each horse defeated with a maximum of 15 points for each class. No points are awarded if the total score is zero, but the show counts toward meeting requirements to qualify for year-end awards.

9. Rules for Competition: See current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 9.

10. Disciplinary and Ethics: Show participants shall conduct themselves according to current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 14.1.

11. Humane Treatment and Care and Maintenance of Cattle: Cattle shall be humanely treated according to current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 14.2 and 14.2.1.

12. Humane Treatment and Care and Maintenance of Horses: Horses shall be humanely treated according to current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rules 14.2, 14.2.2, 14.2.3, 14.2.4 and 14.2.5.

13. Complaints: Show participants may file complaints according to current year's NRCHA Rule Book Rule 14.3.

ALL COMPLAINTS MUST BE DIRECTED TO THE SHOW MANAGER – NO EXCEPTIONS.