



COWBOY STATES REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION

Class Descriptions

CSRHA Reining classes will be conducted, judged, and scored according to the rules and regulations of the National Reining Horse Association. (NRHA). Contestants should refer to the current NRHA Handbook to answer specific questions of eligibility, conduct, and scoring. The following descriptions are a brief summary of some of the more common and frequently asked questions.

Green Reiner L2: Any non pro rider with lifetime NRHA earnings of under \$350 on January 1 of the current year. Horse ownership is not required. Horse may be shown one or two handed at any time in any legal bit or hackamore. Rider will not be penalized for breaking gait on the lead change.

ROOKIE L2: Any non pro rider with lifetime NRHA earnings of under \$1,500 on January 1 of the current year. Horse ownership is not required. Horse is to be shown one handed in a legal bit.

SHORT STIRRUP 10 & UNDER: Open to youth riders who are 10 or under on January 1 of the current year. Horse ownership is not required. No penalty for holding on to the saddle with either hand. Horse may be shown one or two handed at any time in any legal bit. Riders will run either NRHA Pattern A or B.

YOUTH 13 AND UNDER: Open to youth riders who are 13 or under on January 1 of the current year. Horse is to be shown one handed in a legal bit.

YOUTH 14-18: Open to youth riders who are between the ages of 14 and 18 inclusive on January 1 of the current year. Horse is to be shown one handed in a legal bit.

NON PRO: Open to non pro riders as described in the NRHA Handbook. Horse is to be shown one handed in a legal bit.

OPEN: Open to all riders. Horse is to be shown one handed in a legal bit.

PRIME TIME: Open to riders who are 50 years or older on January 1 of the current year. Classes to run concurrent with the Non Pro and Open classes.

GREEN HORSE: (non NRHA class) Open to any horse with lifetime NRHA or breed association earnings of less than \$200 on January 1 of the current year. Horse ownership is not required. Horse may be shown one or two handed at any time in any legal bit or hackamore.

CSRHA Ranch Riding and Ranch Trail classes will be conducted, judged, and scored according to the rules and regulations of the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) except as noted. Contestants should refer to the current AQHA Handbook to answer specific questions of eligibility, conduct, and scoring. AQHA patterns will be used in the Ranch Riding. A trail

pattern selected by the show management and the judge will be used in the Ranch Trail classes.

NOVICE RANCH RIDING: Open to amateur and youth riders who have never won a Ranch Riding class in a breed show or a year end Ranch Riding championship in any association as of January 1 or the current year. Horse may be shown one handed in any legal bit or two handed in a snaffle bit or a hackamore per AQHA Level 1 requirements.

AMATEUR RANCH RIDING: Open to amateurs age 19 or over on January 1 of the current year and all horses. Horse must be shown one handed in any legal bit. Junior horses (age 5 or under) may be shown two handed in a snaffle bit or a hackamore.

OPEN RANCH RIDING: Open to all ages and horses. Horse must be shown one handed in any legal bit. Junior horses (age 5 or under) may be shown two handed in a snaffle bit or a hackamore.

YOUTH RANCH RIDING: Open to youth riders who are 18 or under on January 1 of the current year. Horse must be shown one handed in any legal bit. Junior horses (age 5 or under) may be shown two handed in a snaffle bit or a hackamore.

AMATEUR RANCH TRAIL: Open to amateurs age 19 or over on January 1 of the current year and all horses. Horse must be shown one handed in any legal bit. Junior horses (age 5 or under) may be shown two handed in a snaffle bit or a hackamore.

OPEN RANCH TRAIL: Open to all ages and horses. Horse must be shown one handed in any legal bit. Junior horses (age 5 or under) may be shown two handed in a snaffle bit or a hackamore.

YOUTH RANCH TRAIL: Open to youth riders who are 18 or under on January 1 of the current year. Horse must be shown one handed in any legal bit. Junior horses (age 5 or under) may be shown two handed in a snaffle bit or a hackamore.

ALL CLASSES: A CSRHA membership is required to enter all classes and to receive class prizes and awards.

NRHA CLASSES: NRHA approved classes are held in accordance with NRHA rules as published in the NRHA Handbook. Both rider and horse owner must be current NRHA members, and the horse must have an NRHA Competition License.

CSRHA YEAR-END AWARDS: Year-end Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded in all classes. Points will be awarded and accumulated based on class placing for each horse/rider combination. In order to qualify, each horse/rider combination must compete in all four shows. Points earned at the best three shows will count for year-end awards.