

**2020 COLORADO STATE FAIR
GENERAL COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS**

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. The following terms, conditions, and requirements are general in nature. They apply to all departments and to all competitions at the Colorado State Fair (“Fair”).
- B. Additional and specific competition requirements are set forth within each individual Department’s competition requirements sections. Both general and specific competition requirements shall apply to all competitions unless specifically noted otherwise.
- C. Every exhibitor entering into any competition at the Fair must comply with the competition requirements as set forth below and must comply with any additional or specific requirements as set forth for each, individual competition.
- D. Submission of an entry to the Fair expressly binds the exhibitor to all terms and conditions contained in any and all parts of the Colorado State Fair Premium Book and the Colorado State Fair Authority Rules as adopted at 8 CCR 1208-1.

II. GENERAL COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Competition is open to the world except where otherwise specified.
- B. The Colorado State Fair Authority (“Authority”) is not responsible for any loss, damage, or injury to any property while on the Fair’s grounds.
- C. An exhibitor acknowledges and agrees to abide by all competition requirements when he/she signs his/her entry form for competition.
- D. Exhibitor hereby indemnifies the Authority, the state of Colorado, the Colorado State Fair Board of Authority (“Board”), and the Colorado Department of Agriculture from any and all legal proceedings in regard to a challenge to any rule, regulation, or competition requirement.
- E. Exhibitor acknowledges and agrees that entry into any exhibit or competition organized and sponsored by the Authority is at the exhibitor’s risk. In the event of any class or division cancelation, program cancelation, or Fair cancelation, exhibitor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Authority, the state of Colorado, the Colorado State Fair Board of Authority (“Board”), and the Colorado Department of Agriculture in any action that may accrue.
- F. Entries and Entry Forms:
 - 1. All entries must be made on regulation forms, properly filled out, and accompanied by all fees whenever required.
 - 2. Entry blanks and instructions for making entries are available upon request or may be found on-line.
 - 3. No animal or article will be entitled to a place on the grounds until proper entry has been made.
 - 4. Colorado State Fair Management (“Management”) assumes no responsibility for errors on the entry forms.

- G. Effect of Entry: Every exhibitor expressly understands and agrees that an exhibitor's completed entry form is his/her acceptance of all Colorado State Fair Competition Requirements whether set forth in a general or a specific rule. The exhibitor further agrees and understands that he/she will abide by the competition requirements throughout the duration of his/her time at the Colorado State Fair. Additionally, the exhibitor agrees and understands that failure to comply with the rules and competition requirements may subject him/her to penalties, including the loss of prize or award money and the return of any other non-monetary awards he/she may receive.
- H. The Management reserves the right to limit entries to facilities available and to cancel any division or class in which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure adequate competition. Management further reserves the right to return entries in the event any competition or class is canceled.
- I. Management reserves the right to vacate as ineligible for competition and order the removal of any entry that has been entered in violation of these general competition requirements or of any specific competition requirements.
- J. Exhibits may not be removed prior to the time listed within each department. No exhibit may be released without a properly executed release form. Release forms may be obtained from the appropriate Program Manager.
- K. Every animal or article shall be entered and exhibited in the name of the bona fide owner.
- L. Management does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, age, or other non-merit factors.
- M. All premium checks for the current year must be cashed within six months of the date of the check's issue. Exhibitors have until December 31 of the year in which they competed at the Fair to claim checks returned to Management. Any checks not cashed will be void. No replacement checks will be issued after December 31 of the current year.

III. **DISPUTES:** Management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret all of Fair's Competition Requirements and Regulations and to settle questions of interpretation.

IV. **DETERMINATION OF VIOLATIONS:**

The General Manager of the Colorado State Fair ("General Manager") or the Program Manager of the Department in which a violation of any competition term, requirement, Authority Rule, or other applicable rule or regulation is reported to have occurred prior to, during, or after judging shall make an initial determination as to whether a violation occurred. At no time will any exhibition, judging event, or other on-going event be delayed, stopped, or interrupted as a result of any allegation of wrong-doing reported to Management or under investigation by Management.

The Program Manager, in consultation with the General Manager shall, upon determining a violation has occurred, make a determination as to any appropriate penalty, or penalties, to impose upon the violating person(s). The penalties available include, but are not limited to, the following:

- A. The exhibitor in question may be disqualified and forfeit all entry and other fees and all premiums, trophies, and awards from the department.

- B. Any or all premiums, trophies, and awards won by exhibitor in any and all Departments may be withdrawn and required to be returned to the Management. All entry and other fees are forfeited.
- C. The exhibitor may be barred from competition at the Fair for a determined period that may include a lifetime suspension from competition upon the concurrence of the Colorado State Fair General Manager (“General Manager”) and the Program Manager.
- D. The exhibit in question will not be sold in any sales at the Fair.
- E. In a case of an exhibit already sold at the Fair, the Program Manager, in consultation with the General Manager, may determine to permit the exhibitor to receive the sale proceeds, minus any amount established by the Program Manager, in consultation with the General Manager,. In the event that the Program Manager, in consultation with the General Manager, determines that no sale proceeds shall be paid to the exhibitor, the Board, after conference with the buyer, will determine whether to donate the money to the Colorado State Fair Foundation or allow the Fair to retain money as deposit for successive year’s Fair’s sales.
- F. The Program Manager or the General Manager may impose any other penalty deemed appropriate.

V. RIGHTS OF APPEAL AND PROCESS OF APPEAL

The following processes and rights of appeal shall be followed for actions pertaining to competitions at the Fair.

- A. Within 15 days of the point when the Program Manager or General Manager determines that a violation has occurred, the General Manager will notify the exhibitor in writing of the violation and the facts that support the violation. Such notification must be mailed to the exhibitor’s address as recorded on his/her entry form.
- B. Such notification must also include a description of any penalty the Program Manager or the General Manager may assess against the exhibitor.
- C. Within 15 days of receipt of written notification, the exhibitor may appeal the decision in writing to the Board. The written appeal must be delivered to the Office of the General Manager within the 15 days.
- D. Any written appeal must include any facts relevant to support the appeal.
- E. Within 15 days of receipt of the written appeal, the Program Manager or the General Manager may rescind his/her or their initial determination. The Program Manager or the General Manager may subsequently make no further determination as to the reported violation. The exhibitor will have no further remedy available upon the rescission of the initial determination.
- F. Should the Program Manager or the General Manager take no action on the appeal within 15 days from the date of receipt in the office of the Management, the appeal must be presented at the next regularly scheduled board meeting for the sole purpose of setting a date for a hearing on the appeal. The exhibitor will be notified in writing after the board meeting of the date of the appeal.
- G. The Board shall appoint a hearing panel which will be comprised of the following:

1. A member of the Board, who shall serve as the presiding officer;
 2. An individual with expertise in the particular competition;
 3. A person from the public;
 4. A Colorado State Fair senior employee other than the Colorado State Fair General Manager.
- H. Within 15 days of the conclusion of the hearing, the presiding officer shall submit to the Board his/her findings and recommended final determination as to the alleged violation(s) and penalties, along with a copy of the exhibitor's appeal.
- I. Upon receiving the recommendation of the presiding officer at the next regularly scheduled board meeting, the Board shall take action upon the recommendation and adopt a final determination at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The exhibitor will receive a copy of the Board's adopted findings and final determination.

VI. **GRIEVANCES/PROTESTS:**

- A. Whenever any person believes that an exhibitor has engaged in any activity that violates the competition requirements of the Fair or engaged in any unethical activity during the course of a competition, such person may provide his or her allegations of wrong-doing to the Management for review. Any person making such a report must do so on a form provided by Management and as set forth in the remainder of this paragraph VI.
- B. Any grievance must be personally presented to the Program Manager and to the State Fair General Manager on a form that may be obtained at the office of Management.
- C. Any grievance so submitted must be accompanied by a \$300 bond. This bond may be returned if the General Manager or the Program Manager, whichever reviews the grievance, determines that the facts described constitute a violation.
- D. Any grievance must be presented within 24 hours of the occurrence of the alleged infraction for all livestock activities and prior to the official closing of the Fair for all other activities. In the event a grievance is presented after judging has begun on the item or activity in question, the judging will proceed, and the grievance will be handled as if the grievance had been presented following the judging.
- E. Any grievance must be presented in writing and sworn to. The grievance must state the name of the exhibitor who has allegedly committed a violation, the exhibit and class in question, the specific allegations giving rise for the grievance, the facts that support the allegations, and the specific terms and conditions from the competition requirements or elsewhere that govern the alleged misconduct.
- F. Within 15 days of receipt of any grievance, Management shall notify in writing the person(s) submitting the grievance as to its determination of the validity of the grievance and any actions taken as a result of upholding the grievance. If the grievance is denied, the notification must state the reason or reasons for the denial.
- G. Upon receipt of a properly presented grievance, the Program Manager will appoint a committee of three disinterested, qualified persons to review the protest and render a decision, which shall be considered final for purposes of appeal under these rules.
- H. The person(s) submitting the grievance will have the right to appeal consistent with the Due Process provisions set forth in Section V of the Colorado State Fair General Competition Requirements.

- VII. **CONCESSIONS AND ADVERTISING PRIVILEGES:** All exhibits, concessions, or commercial privileges are at the sole discretion of Management. Under no circumstances will any advertising matter be allowed to be placed upon buildings, trees, or other places on the grounds, or otherwise distributed, without management permission.
- VIII. **SHIPMENT OF EXHIBITS:** Shipped exhibits should be sent to the exhibitor in care of the Colorado State Fair, 1001 Beulah Avenue, Pueblo, CO 81004. Express charges, as well as freight charges, must be prepaid.
- IX. **MAIL:** Parties wishing to have mail sent to them at the Fairgrounds may have it addressed to the Colorado State Fair in care of the intended recipient: 1001 Beulah Avenue, Pueblo, CO 81004. Parties may retrieve their mail on-grounds at the Butler Supply Building, located on the south wall between Gates 1 and 2.
- X. **IRS AND COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE COMPLIANCE:** In order to comply with the Colorado Department of Revenue and the Internal Revenue Service tax-reporting requirements, a properly completed IRS form W-9 must be submitted with each competitive entry listing the exhibitor's social security number. When completing the IRS Form W-9 that is included in this entry information, please be sure to carefully read and follow the instructions on the form. No entries will be processed without a completed IRS Form W-9. No premium monies won at the Fair will be paid if the IRS Form W-9 form is incorrect.
- XI. **BEDDING:** Exhibitors must be familiar with and comply with the specific competition requirements concerning bedding within each individual Department's competition requirements.
- XII. **CAMPING:** On-ground camping is limited to pre-paid reserved camping spots only. Camping or overnight stays are not allowed in any parking lot or barn areas of the Colorado State Fair.
- XIII. **DOGS:** NO DOGS are allowed on the Colorado State Fairgrounds other than those on leash for direct competition or service animals, as set forth in section 6.2 of the Colorado State Fair Authority Rules, 8 CCR 1208-1.
- XIV. **EXHIBITOR LIABILITY:** Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage done to, occasioned by, or arising from, any animal or article exhibited by him/her. Exhibitor agrees to indemnify, and hold harmless, the State of Colorado, Colorado State Fair Authority and all officers, agents, and employees thereof from all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, or liability costs, suits or actions of every name, kind and description, brought forth from or on account of, injuries or death of any person including but not limited to workers, and the public, or damage to property resulting from the performance of the exhibitor or exhibitor's entries.
- XV. **ENTRY ERRORS:** The Authority accepts entries as presented and does not check those entries for errors. Exhibitors are responsible for any errors in any entry form.
- XVI. **RESTRICTION ON STATE FAIR AUTHORITY EMPLOYEE PARTICIPATION:** No Authority employee may participate as an exhibitor or sign an entry form as an agent of an exhibitor, in any Division or Department in which the exhibitor is a department head, judge, or paid employee.

- XVII. **PROHIBITION ON EXHIBITOR JUDGES:** No person who is an exhibitor, has an immediate family member who is an exhibitor, is in charge of an exhibit or division, is in charge of a group of exhibitors, or is a member of a group of exhibitors.
- XVIII. **PROHIBITION OF FAIR VOLUNTEERS TO BE JUDGES:** No person who is a volunteer within a Fair division may act as a judge in any competition within such division.
- XIX. **PROHIBITION OF INTERFERENCE WITH COMPETITIONS:** Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or show management, other exhibitors, association representatives or show officials before, during or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and show management or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them. If any exhibitor, in any way, whether in person or by agent or representative, interferes with any judge during that judge's adjudication or behaves disrespectfully toward any judge or any show or management, Management may immediately remove said exhibitor from the judging area, may disqualify the exhibitor from further competition, may remove the exhibitor from the Authority's grounds, may withhold any prizes that may have been awarded in any other event at the Fair and may be subject to a possible suspension from exhibiting at the Colorado State Fair for a period of up to three (3) year.
- XX. **SPECIAL AWARDS:** Any special awards that any business or individual contributes for any competition must be collected directly from the business or individual. The Authority is not responsible for the redemption of these awards.
- XXI. **PREMIUM AWARDS:** Awards and ribbons have no cash value. Premiums will be paid only from the records of the judges' sheets. Premium checks will be issued as soon as auditing, drug testing, if applicable, and processing can be completed.
- XXII. **MOTORIZED UTILITY VEHICLES:** Use of any motorized vehicle, including but not limited to, golf cart, motorcycle, moped, and scooter must be pre-approved by the General Manager who will base his determination on the applicant's demonstration of hardship without the ability to use such motorized vehicle prior to coming to the Fair.
- XXIII. **NON-MOTORIZED VEHICLES:** Use of any non-motorized vehicle, including, but not limited to, bicycle, skateboard, or scooters, is not allowed on Fair's Main Street at any time. Non-motorized vehicles are permitted only in posted areas on the grounds.

XXIII. OFFICIAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER

COLORADO STATE FAIR

1001 Beulah Avenue
 Pueblo, CO 81004
 (719) 561-8484
 1-800-876-4567

FACSIMILE NUMBERS

Main Office – 719-560-1953
 Gen. Entry - 719-561-0283
 Livestock (FT) - 719-566-6089
 Horse Show (FT) - 719-560-2035

General Entry – Ext. 2080
 Horse Show – Ext. 2024 or 2025
 Livestock – Ext. 2026 or 2027

XVIII. COLORADO STATE FAIR TICKET INFORMATION - (719) 404-2070

HORSE SHOW COMPETITION AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- I. ENTRIES:** Every entry shall constitute an agreement that the person making it, owner, trainer, lessee, agent, manager, coach, rider, relative, and the horse shall be subject to the 2020 Colorado State Fair General Competition Requirements, the Horse Show Competition and Entry Requirements, and the rules and regulations of each sanctioning association or organization. All entries must be made on official Colorado State Fair ("Fair") entry forms or through the Fair's online entry system. Exhibitors are responsible for their own errors and those of their agents in preparation of entries. All fees must accompany entries for the 4-H horse show only. For all other shows, fees may be paid upon arrival. All 4-H entries must have the following: 4-H Agent Signature Page, 4-H Signature Rule Page, Release Waiver, W-9, and payment. All entries, except for 4-H entries, must have copies of breed registration papers and current owner/exhibitor breed membership cards when submitted to Fair. If any entry received is missing any of the above items, such entry will be considered incomplete and invalid until the exhibitor provides missing information. Entrants may pay their entry fees with check, cash, money order, or credit card (Visa or Master Card).
- A. ENTRY DEADLINES:** All Entries will open on Monday, June 1, 2020, and will close as set forth below:
- 1. 4-H HORSE SHOW:** entries will close Monday, August 3, 2020. Pre-entries must be post marked by the deadline. Post office postmark will be accepted over meter when both are present.
 - 2. 4-H LATE ENTRIES:** Fair will accept 4-H late entries from August 4 - 14, 2020, accompanied by a late fee of \$50 per exhibitor. To be accepted, any late entry must be postmarked by no later than August 14, 2020. Post office postmark will be accepted over meter when both are present.
 - 3. ALL OTHER HORSE SHOWS:** entries and stall reservations will close Friday, August 14, 2020. Pre-entries must be postmarked by the deadline. Post office postmark will be accepted over meter when both are present.
 - 4. ALL OTHER HORSE SHOWS LATE ENTRIES:** Fair will accept late entries from August 15, 2020, through the day before the class entering is being held. A late fee of \$50 per horse will be charged for all new horses entered after the August 14, 2020, deadline. If adding classes to a pre-entered horse no late fee will be charged.
- B. POST CLASS ENTRIES:** Post class entries will be accepted for all horses that are previously entered in other classes within that event. If event has specific deadlines due to draws and an exhibitor enters after those deadlines, then the exhibitor must draw in the office for first or last in draw order. The only exception is for the cutting classes. If an exhibitor enters in a cutting class after the draw, that exhibitor will go last in that draw.
- C. FEES:** Except as set forth elsewhere within the individual Fair Horse Show events, all fees must accompany entries, stalls, and passes. Fees for each show are outlined on the specific event pages and entry forms. Any exhibitor issuing a check for payment of entries, stalls, or passes that does not clear the drafter's account for any reason will have five business days in

which to make payment to remain eligible to participate in the particular event. For any check returned to the Fair marked “NSF” or that does otherwise not clear the drafter’s bank, Fair reserves the right to charge a \$35.00 returned-check fee in addition to the cost of registration and to require that any subsequent payment be made in cash, by money order or cashier’s check, or by credit card.

- D. **SUBSTITUTIONS AND CANCELATIONS:** Substitutions and cancelations must be approved through the Colorado State Fair Horse Show Management (“Show Management”) and, in the case of the 4-H show, the 4-H Superintendents as well. All substitutions or cancelations must be in writing (fax acceptable (719) 561-2035 or email to csf.horseshow@gmail.com).
- E. **VET OUT:** Any vet out, i.e., removal of an animal from a competition because of a veterinary directive, received after August 24, 2020, will have entry fees only returned. Vet outs prior to August 24, 2020, will receive entry fees, stall fees, and cattle fees only returned. Fair does not return payment for office charges, parking passes, or gate passes purchased prior to vet out. Exhibitors cancelling entries without a veterinarian certificate forfeit all fees. Once a horse is on Fair’s fairgrounds, a vet out must come from the official Fair Veterinarian. All vet out certificates must be turned into the Horse Show Office by the last day of the division in which the horse is competing. Riders and handlers may be substituted at any time provided the change has been made in the horse show office prior to the start of the class and the horse and exhibitor must meet all membership and horse eligibility requirements per breed association. Refunds are at the sole discretion of the Horse Show Manager. No refunds will be made on accounts with less than a \$5.00 balance.
- F. **ENTRY NUMBERS:** All entry form data must be completely and accurately completed before each horse will be assigned a competition number. Numbers must always be accurately displayed inside the arena and outside the arena in accordance with 4-H rules for the 4-H State Championship Show. Numbers must always be accurately displayed in the arena in accordance with breed association rules.
- G. **ORDER OF GO:** Orders of go will be computer-generated unless a physical draw is necessary. At any physical draw, the exhibitors must be present. The 4-H, AQHA, NRCHA, and NRHA shows all have specific draw time deadlines. 4-H orders of go are available one per county per day for the 4-H show. All draws for each breed show will be available on our Facebook group page: “Colorado State Fair Horse Show Updates.”
- H. **RESULTS:** All results are subject to verification and review. All Fair Horse Show results are unofficial until Show Management and the sanctioning organization have reviewed and approved those results.
- I. **STALLIONS:** Junior exhibitors will not be allowed to ride, drive, or handle stallions in any class except as provided for in breed division rules.

- J. **PREMIUM MONIES:** All exhibitors and/or horse owners eligible to win premiums must fill out a W-9 prior to receiving their back numbers. The W-9 must have that person's Social Security Number or other tax identification, name, and physical address that the exhibitor lists when filing his personal taxes. If an exhibitor chooses to receive premium monies in a corporate or ranch name all tax information must be correct on the W-9 in order for the Fair Accounting office to accept the W-9 form.
- Every effort will be made to mail premium checks within 30 days after the conclusion of the Fair. If checks are not received by November 1st, please phone or write the Colorado State Fair. Checks must be cashed within six months of the date of issue. Exhibitors have until December 31 of the same year to claim checks returned to Show Management. No replacement checks will be issued after December 31 of the current year.
- K. **REFUNDS:** All refunds will be turned into the Fair Accounting Department for processing after the close of Fair. No refund checks less than \$5.00 will be issued.
- II. **HORSE SHOW OFFICE:** The Fair Horse Show Office will open August 26, 2020, for 4-H check in. Starting August 27, 2020, the Horse Show Office will open one hour prior to the start of the first class and remain open until thirty minutes after the last class of each day. All Horse Show Office business must be conducted during these hours.
- III. **RING PROCEDURES:** The show ring is under complete control of Show Management. Only qualified personnel will be allowed in the show ring during judging. Notice will be served upon all exhibitors as to the time classes will be held, and all horses must be ready and waiting at the show ring gate. A two-minute gate call will be highly enforced. Once gates are closed and the judge has started the class, no exhibitor who is late will be admitted. Barn calls are made as a courtesy. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be aware of the progression of the show and be ready for his or her class when the class enters the arena. There will be no refunds for missed classes.
- IV. **ATTIRE:** It is the tradition of the show ring that an exhibitor be correctly attired for the class in question, that exhibitors be neatly dressed and horses properly groomed. Show Management may, at its discretion, bar an entry or person from entering the ring if not properly presented. There will be no refunds for classes missed due to improper appearance.
- V. **ARENA PROMPTNESS:** Classes will run according to the published schedule. All horses and exhibitors must be ready and waiting to enter the arena promptly. Exhibitors are responsible for informing the gate person of tack changes or conflicts that may cause the exhibitor to be late or miss the class. The gate will be held if the gate person is made aware of exhibitor delay or conflict. Classes may be split or combined at the discretion of Show Management.
- VI. **CLASS SCHEDULE:** Management reserves the right to rearrange classes if necessary, to compensate for excessive entries or time shortages. Classes with drawn order will post the draw at the horse show office and at the back of the announcer booths of each arena. All exhibitors will work in the order drawn. Exhibitors not at the gate to work in their drawn order will not be allowed to work

in that class. Schedule or draw information given over the phone must be considered unofficial. The most recent information can be obtained from our website at www.coloradostatefair.com and our Facebook group page, "Colorado State Fair Horse Show Updates."

VII. STALLING:

- A. **STALL RESERVATIONS:** Stall reservations will not be accepted without full payment by the deadline. Exhibitors may reserve stalls after the deadline by paying a late fee. A separate check, money order, credit card, or cash must be sent with the stall form. Stalls will be assigned by Show Management. Horses must be placed in the assigned stalls. No change will be permitted without permission from Show Management. There is no day hauling allowed; therefore, exhibitors must have a stall for every horse entered. Stall fees **do not** include first bedding. Stall fees are based on a per-day basis. To find stall rates see individual show stall forms. If entering multiple shows, please submit one stall form for all shows. The deadlines to request stalls are as follows:

4-H STALL DEADLINE: August 3, 2020 (postmarked)

ALL OTHER HORSE SHOWS: August 14, 2020 (postmarked) or faxed.

- B. **4-H STALL REQUESTS:** The 4-H Horse Show Exhibitors may request certain stalls, but we will not guarantee those stalls requested. The Show Management will assign all stalls for each County. Each Exhibitor will be stalled within their County Block. No changing of stalls is allowed unless an exhibitor has permission from the Show Management team.
- C. **ALL OTHER HORSE SHOWS STALL REQUESTS:** All exhibitors who need to stall with a specific person, trainer, or agent must signify that on the stall form. Full payment is required for Show Management to assign stalls. No stall will be reserved without full payment.
- D. **TACK STALLS:** Tack stalls are to be reserved just like horse stalls. They are the same price of a horse stall and are charged by the night.
- E. **STALL FORMS and PAYMENTS:** Stall Forms are available online on each event page. Please only submit one stall form for all shows entering. Stall forms must have a separate payment. Exhibitors may pay by cash, money order, check, or credit card (Visa or MasterCard). All stall forms must be mailed or faxed with payment by the deadline.
- F. **STALL ASSIGNMENTS:** Stall assignments will be available at the Horse Show Check-In Station upon arrival at the fairgrounds. The Horse Show Check-In Station will be open 6:00 am to 9:00 pm. Arrival at any other times may result in a delay in receiving stall assignments and bedding. Please call ahead if you plan to arrive after 9:00 pm. Check-In call Debbie Evans at: (719) 241-4608.

VIII. FEED & BEDDING: All Horse show exhibitors must purchase their animal bedding through the Colorado State Fair Feed/Bedding Concessionaire. There is no outside bedding allowed in the horse show complex unless exhibitor has received prior written permission from the Show Management. The Colorado State Fair management will require that any foreign bedding be removed immediately from the Fair's grounds. Any person who fails to remove the outside bedding within one hour of notice will be subject to a fine of \$150, payable to Colorado State Fair.

A. **D&K Supply:** D&K Supply is the official Colorado State Fair Feed & Bedding Concessionaire. They handle all feed and bedding needs as well as stalling for the Colorado State Fair Horse Show Department. Exhibitors are to pay D&K Supply directly for all bedding and feed needs while on grounds. D&K will have all stall assignments at the check in station at gate 6. D&K will be open from 6 am to 9 pm on move-in days only. Please call D&K (Steve) or Deb Evans (Gate 6 check in station) directly if you plan to check in after 9:00 pm. Deb Evans cell: (719) 241-4608; D&K Supply (Steve) cell: (719) 276-4696.

IX. ARRIVAL & RELEASE: Arrival and release times are listed with each show. Exhibitors need to check this schedule carefully, as horses will be admitted on grounds only at these scheduled times. Exhibitors must obtain a release from the Horse Show Office in order to take stock off the grounds. Exhibitors are asked to remove horses after they have finished their show competition. Diseased or injured animals may be removed from grounds upon recommendation of attending veterinarian and release signed by the Show Management.

X. ENTRY OFFICE HOURS: The Colorado State Fair Horse Show Office will be open Monday, June 1, 2020, thru August 26, 2020, daily from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. Beginning August 27, 2020, the entry office will open one hour before the first class of the day and remain open until thirty minutes after the last class of each day. All horse show entry business must be conducted during these hours.

XI. RV and CAMPING RESERVATIONS: All RV and camping reservations must be made through the Facility Management. The Horse Show Office does not accept any RV and Camping reservations. Please contact the Colorado State Fair Facility Management to reserve camping and RV reservations. The number to the Colorado State Fair Facility Management is **(719) 404-2023**.

XII. TRAILER PARKING: Horse trailers will not be permitted in the stall area except for the purpose of unloading and loading. All trucks and trailers must always be attended while inside the horse show complex. All trailers must be parked in the specified trailer parking area, known as the "Southern Colorado Gaming and Events Center, located at 3215 Lake Avenue Pueblo, CO 81004. This is a secured parking lot.

XIII. PARKING PERMITS & EXHIBITOR ADMISSION:

A. **HORSE SHOW EXHIBITOR PARKING PERMITS:** No parking is allowed in the immediate vicinity of the barns or arenas. Exhibitor vehicles with parking permits will be allowed to park in the Horseman's Lot (as space permits) inside gate 6. If the Horseman's Lot is full, overflow

parking is available in the South Lot. A free shuttle service is available for those parking in the South Lot.

HORSEMAN'S LOT PARKING PERMITS: \$45.00 each (good for 11 days of Fair); permit does not include gate admission. Parking permits will be limited to one per family for the 4-H State Championship show. The breed shows starting on Monday, August 31, 2020 will be limited to one per owner with a maximum of 3 per owner. Parking permits can be preordered on the horse entry form and picked up in the Horse Show Office when exhibitor checks in.

- B. EXHIBITOR ADMISSION:** Every exhibitor attending the Fair must purchase a Horse Show Wristband or Daily Gate Admission. The Horse Show Office will be selling exhibitor all age wristbands that are good for the entire 11 days of Fair. Wristbands can be preordered on the horse entry form and picked up in the horse show office when exhibitor checks in.
- 1. All Age Wristbands:** \$35.00 each (good for the 11 days of Fair); wristbands are available to any age person. The 4-H Youth exhibitors entered in the Fair will be able to purchase a discounted 4-H Youth exhibitor wristband for \$10 on the entry form. 4-H family members not entered will not be able to purchase this discounted wristband.
 - 2. Daily General Admission Tickets:** Exhibitors, owners, and or spectators can choose to purchase daily general admission by going to Gate 3, 5, or 9. Prices vary throughout the 11 days please see daily discounts and admission rates on the Colorado State Fair website. Daily admission can be purchased online at www.coloradostatefair.com.

XIV. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: All horses entering onto the Colorado State Fairgrounds must be accompanied by a Health Declaration at the check in-station, which must be completed prior to entering the Horse Show Complex. Horses entering grounds are subject to examination by a representative of the Colorado State Veterinarian's Office. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious, or communicable diseases may be immediately withdrawn from the show and held at owner's expense until release from the hold by a representative from the Colorado State Veterinarian's Office after any necessary treatment and additional hold times. Exhibitors must comply with any direction from the Colorado State Veterinarian's Office regarding removal from Fair's grounds. Health requirements may change prior to the start of Fair if there is a disease outbreak in Colorado or in the neighboring states. Be sure to check the Fair's website prior to coming to see if the health requirements have changed.

A. COLORADO ORIGIN:

1. All horses must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection ("CVI").
2. CVIs must be provided to the Colorado State Fair Officials at time of arrival and:
 - a. Must be dated **no more than 7 days** from the date of arrival: and
 - b. Must identify each animal individually.

B. EQUINE INFECTIOUS ANEMIA: No test required for Colorado-origin horses.

- C. **VESICULAR STOMATITIS (VSV):** Annual notices on vesicular stomatitis will be issued prior to the event as requested by the Colorado State Veterinarian's Office. We appreciate all exhibitors' participating in state-mandated policies.
- D. **EQUINE HERPES VIRUS (EHV):** Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to take the temperatures of all their horses on a regular and daily basis. In the event of a sudden temperature increase, exhibitors should notify the Horse Show Office immediately to arrange for an isolation stall for observation. Annual notices on EHV will be issued prior to the event as requested by the Colorado State Veterinarian's Office. We appreciate all exhibitors' participating in state-mandated policies.
- E. **OUT OF STATE ORIGIN**
 - 1. All horses must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection ("CVI")
 - 2. CVIs must be provided to the Colorado State Fair Officials at time of arrival; and
 - a. Must be dated **no more than 7 days** from the date of arrival; and
 - b. Must identify each animal individually.
 - 3. **Equine Infectious Anemia:** A **NEGATIVE** test for Equine Infectious Anemia (AGID or ELISA) is required and must be provided to the Colorado State Fair Official at time of arrival and must be dated no more than one (1) year from date of arrival.

XIV. **BRAND REQUIREMENT**

A. **COLORADO ORIGIN**

- 1. If your horse(s) is branded with your Colorado registered brand, you must have a brand card identifying you as the brand owner. If your horse(s) is not branded, you must have either (1) the blue copy of a Colorado brand certificate identifying you as the horse's owner, or (2) a permanent travel card identifying you as the horse's owner.
- 2. If you travel over 75 miles to the Fair from a location in Colorado, you must first get a brand inspection.

B. **OUT OF STATE ORIGIN**

- 1. All horses coming from mandatory brand inspection states must have a current brand inspection certificate. The original copy of the inspection certificate must be presented with the health papers at time of arrival. All animals found to be improperly shipped will be held until released by the state of origin.
- 2. All out-of-state exhibitors coming into Colorado for the Colorado State Fair from non-brand inspection states must provide legal proof of ownership by any of the following:
 - a. Legal bill of sale. The requirements of a legal bill of sale are:
 - i. Seller's name and address.
 - ii. Buyer's name and address.
 - iii. Complete description of livestock sold/purchased (the complete description should include the number of head, color, sex, breed markings, registration numbers, and hot brands).
 - iv. Signature of seller.

- v. Signature of buyer; and
- vi. Name, address and signature of witness.
- b. Registration Papers

- **State Veterinarian's Office: Colorado Department of Agriculture**
305 Interlocken Parkway, Broomfield, CO 80021
Contact Number: (303) 869-9130
Website: <https://www.colorado.gov/aganimals>
Equine Disease Communications Center: <http://www.equinediseasecc.org>

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\$17,000 Added plus Prizes in every class

September 2-3, 2020

AQHA Approved

Entry & Stall Deadline – August 14, 2020

Late Entry Fee - \$50/Horse

Office Fee - \$20/Horse

Cow Horse Cattle Fee - \$50/Box Drive Box Class

AQHA RHC Processing Fee - \$5.00/horse

Judges: Fielding Rogers and Jason Hershberger

Show Secretary: Kelsey Coon

Show Manager: Lindsay Wadhams

Event Information: www.coloradostatefair.com

Cow Horse Cattle Fee - \$65/Fence Class

Team Roping Cattle Fee - \$20.00 per run

Ranching Heritage Team Roping & Barrel Race

Team Roping & Barrel classes will run on **September 2nd** in the evening and run concurrently with our AQHA Special Event Team Roping that night. **Cow Horse and Ranch Riding classes** will run on **September 3rd** at 8 a.m. See below for rules, fees, added money, and divisions offered. Entry deadline is also August 14, 2020

General Information: All Colorado State Fair General Competition Requirements & Horse Show Competition and Entry Requirements, and American Quarter Horse Association Ranching Heritage Breeder rules shall apply. Entry must meet AQHA's Ranching Heritage Breeder Rules. To verify eligibility, contact AQHA at (806) 376-4811. See special class rules for more information on the classes offered at this event. All entry and stall forms are available online at the CSF website, www.coloradostatefair.com. Entry forms can be emailed, mailed, or faxed to CSF. Stall forms must be mailed or faxed with payment.

Cow Horse Cattle Fees: When cross entering classes pay one cattle charge.

Ranch Riding Classes: The Ranching Heritage Ranch Riding classes will run concurrently with the triple judged AQHA Special Event Ranch Riding on September 3rd following the RHC Cow Work classes.

Awards: First place will receive awards, and 2nd - 6th will receive ribbons.

Mailing Address/Fax/Email:

Address: Colorado State Fair/Horse Show Dept. 1001 Beulah Ave. Pueblo, CO 81004

Fax: (719) 561-2035

Email: lindsay.wadhams@state.co.us

Health Requirements: 7-day health is required for all in state and out of state horses. Out of state horses will also need a current year coggins. The CSF health requirements are set by the Colorado State Vets and are subject to change as we get closer to Fair; therefore, be sure to check the website often for updates.

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DAILY CLASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 2 (following RHV event)

1. (1794) RHC Open Team Roping 4yr olds and up
2. (4794) RHC Youth Team Roping 4yr olds and up
3. (2794) RHC Amateur Team Roping 4yr olds and up
4. (1793) RHC Open Barrel Race 4yr olds and up
5. (2793) RHC Amateur Barrel Race 4yr olds and up
6. (4793) RHC Youth Barrel Race 4yr olds and up

Thursday, September 3 at 8 a.m.

VRH Ranch Reining Pattern #4 (all working ranch horse classes)

1. (1781) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Open 4 yr. old Class
2. (1782) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Limited Open 4 yr. old Class (runs concurrent with Open)
3. (1785) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Cowboy 4 yr. old & up
4. (1791) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Open 5 & 6 yr. old Class
5. (1792) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Limited Open 5 & 6 yr. old (runs concurrent with Open)
6. (2789) RHC Working Ranch Horse - Amateur 4 yr. old & up
7. (3789) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Amateur Level 1 4 yr. old & up (runs concurrent with Amateur)
8. (4789) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Youth 4 yr. old & up
9. (5789) RHC Working Ranch Horse - Youth Level 1 4 yr. old & up (runs concurrent with Youth)

Limited Working Ranch Horse (Box Drive Box Drive)

10. (2795) RHC Working Ranch Horse – LTD Amateur 4 yr. old & up
11. (3795) RHC Working Ranch Horse – LTD Amateur Level 1 4 yr. old & up (runs concurrent with Ltd Amateur)
12. (4795) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Limited Youth 4 yr. old & up
13. (5795) RHC Working Ranch Horse – Limited Youth Level 1 4 yr. old & up (runs concurrent with Ltd Youth)

Ranch Riding Pattern #8 (this class will run concurrent with the AQHA special event Ranch Riding classes)

14. (1788) RHC Open Ranch Riding 3 yr. olds & up
15. (2788) RHC Amateur Ranch Riding 3 yr. olds & up
16. (4788) Youth Ranch Riding 3 yr. olds & up

RANCHING HERITAGE CHALLENGE CLASS & FEE LIST

RHC Team Roping

- (1794) **Open 4 year old & up** – \$ 500 added
 - \$200 Entry Fee
 - \$100 Jackpotted
- (2794) **Amateur 4 year old & up** – \$500 added
 - \$100 Entry Fee
 - \$50 Jackpotted
- (4794) **Youth 4 year old & up** – Jackpot only
 - \$50 Entry Fee
 - \$25 Jackpotted

RHC Barrel Race

- (1793) **Open 4 year old & up** - \$500
 - \$50 Entry Fee
 - \$25 Jackpotted
- (2793) **Amateur 4 year old & up** - \$500
 - \$50 Entry Fee
 - \$25 Jackpotted
- (4793) **Youth 4 year old & up** – Jackpot only
 - \$35 Entry Fee
 - \$20 Jackpotted

Working Ranch Horse

- (1781) **Open 4 year old** – \$3,500 added
 - \$250 Entry Fee
 - \$150 Jackpotted
 - \$65.00 Cattle Fee
- (1782) **Limited Open 4 year old** – \$1,500 added
 - \$200 Entry Fee
 - \$150 Jackpotted
 - \$65.00 Cattle Fee
- (1791) **Open 5&6 year old** – \$1,500 added
 - \$250 Entry Fee
 - \$150 Jackpotted
 - \$65.00 Cattle Fee
- (1792) **Limited Open 5&6 year old** – \$1,000 added
 - \$200 Entry Fee
 - \$150 Jackpotted
 - \$65.00 Cattle Fee
- (1785) **Cowboy Class** – \$2,000 added
 - \$250 Entry Fee
 - \$150 Jackpotted
 - \$65.00 Cattle Fee
- (2789) **Amateur 4 year old & up** – \$2,500 added
 - \$200 Entry Fee
 - \$100 Jackpotted
 - \$65.00 Cattle Fee

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(3789) Level 1 Amateur 4 year old & up – Jackpot only

\$100 Entry Fee
\$50 Jackpotted
\$65.00 Cattle Fee

(4789) Youth – Jackpot only

\$50 Entry Fee
\$25 Jackpotted
\$50.00 Cattle Fee

(5789) Level 1 Youth – Jackpot only

\$50 Entry Fee
\$25 Jackpotted
\$50.00 Cattle Fee

Limited Working Ranch Horse (Box Drive Box)

(2795) Limited Amateur – \$1,000 added

\$100 Entry Fee
\$50 Jackpotted
\$50.00 Cattle Fee

(3795) Level 1 Limited Amateur – Jackpot only

\$50 Entry Fee
\$25 Jackpotted
\$50.00 Cattle Fee

(4795) Limited Youth – Jackpot only

\$50 Entry Fee
\$25 Jackpotted
\$50.00 Cattle Fee

(5795) Level 1 Limited Youth – Jackpot only

\$50 Entry Fee
\$25 Jackpotted
\$50.00 Cattle Fee

Ranch Riding

(1788) Open – \$1,000 added

\$50 Entry Fee
\$20 Jackpotted

(2788) Amateur – \$1,000 added

\$50 Entry Fee
\$20 Jackpotted

4788) Youth – Jackpot only

\$35 Entry Fee
\$20 Jackpotted

***NOTE:** Cattle Fees are charged once when exhibitors cross enter concurrent classes.

2020 RANCHING HERITAGE CHALLENGE RULES

GENERAL RULES

1. The Zoetis Ranching Heritage Challenge shows may consist of five different classes:

Working Ranch Horse

Limited Working Ranch Horse (Box-Drive-Box-Drive; amateur and youth only)

Ranch Riding

Team Roping (offered at discretion of show management)

Barrel Racing (offered at discretion of show management)

2. Equipment, tack, exhibitor attire and turnout of the horse should reflect the ranching traditions of the working ranch horse classes.

3. These classes should exemplify the reining ability, cow sense and roping ability of the ranch horse.

4. These classes are available exclusively to horses bred by AQHA Ranching Heritage Breeders.

5. All exhibitors must be AQHA (or AQHYA for youth) members in good standing.

6. Ranching Heritage Challenge shows will offer certain divisions for specific levels of riders.

The following criteria are used to determine in which division the rider would qualify:

Open - For any exhibitor with any horse regardless of ownership. Both the owner and the exhibitor must be members of AQHA in good standing.

Limited Open – For any exhibitor with less than 25 AQHA or American Paint Horse Association (APHA) Open Points in Reining, Cutting or Working Cow Horse within the previous 10 years.

4 Year Old Horse Class: For exhibitors with less than \$15,000 lifetime earnings in any of the following: National Reined Cow Horse Association (NRHCA), National Cutting Horse Association (NCHA), National Reining Horse Association (NRHA), American Cutting Horse Association (ACHA), Ranch Horse Association of America (RHAA), American Stock Horse Association (ASHA) or Stock Horse of Texas earnings (SHXT). No exhibitor can have earned more than \$15,000 in any individual association.

5&6 Year Old Horse Class: For exhibitors with less than \$15,000 lifetime earnings in any of the following: NRCHA, NCHA, NRHA, ACHA, RHAA, ASHA or SHXT earnings

Amateur – For any exhibitor meeting AQHA Amateur eligibility and ownership requirements as described in the *AQHA Handbook of Rules and Regulations* and possess or purchase an AQHA amateur card.

Level 1 Amateur – For any amateur member meeting AQHA Level 1 eligibility requirements as described in Rule SHW245 of the *AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations*. A Level 1 amateur must annually file a Level 1 application, available at aqha.com/level1.

Cowboy - For working ranch cowboys who are full-time employees of a working ranch. The horse must be a Ranching Heritage-bred horse and must be owned by a family member or the full-time employee of the ranch. Employees must have been employed for a minimum of 90 days prior to competing in the Ranching Heritage Challenge. The rider must have less than \$15,000 lifetime earnings in any of the following: NRCHA, NCHA, NRHA, ACHA, RHAA, ASHA or SHXT or less than 25 AQHA or American Paint Horse Association Open Points in Reining, Cutting, Working Cow Horse or Versatility Ranch Horse within the previous 10 years. No exhibitor can have earned more than \$15,000 in any individual association.

Youth – For any AQHYA member in good standing.

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Level 1 Youth – For any youth member meeting AQHA Level 1 eligibility requirements as described in Rule SHW245 of the *AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations*. A Level 1 youth must annually file a Level 1 application, available at aqha.com/level1.

RHC WORKING RANCH HORSE CLASS (FENCE CLASS) RULES:

Working Ranch Horse will offer the following classes:

Open – RHC 4-Year-Old Working Ranch Horse

Limited Open - RHC Limited 4-Year-Old Working Ranch Horse

Open – RHC 5 & 6-Year-Old Working Ranch Horse

Limited Open – RHC Limited 5 & 6-Year-Old Working Ranch Horse

Cowboy – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Cowboy Working Ranch Horse

Amateur – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

Level 1 Amateur – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

Youth – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

Level 1 Youth – RHC Level 1 – 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

1. Each contestant will perform individually, first in the reining pattern and then releasing one cow into the arena.
2. The class will be judged in two parts: reining followed by cow work. At the end of the performance, the scores for the two portions will be added together for the final score. Rules for scoring the reining portion are defined in SHW562 of the *AQHA Official Handbook*.
3. The reining portion will be performed first using the prescribed pattern. Each contestant will perform the required pattern individually and separately.
4. **SHW562.VRH RANCH REINING.** The ranch reining class measures the ability of the ranch horse to perform basic handling maneuvers with a natural head carriage in a forward-looking manner. The ideal VRH ranch reining horse should have a natural ranch horse appearance from head to tail in each maneuver. Patterns may be chosen from any of the ranch reining patterns or approved by the show management and judge.

SHW562.1 CREDITS AND PENALTIES. All runs begin upon entering the pen and any infractions are subject to penalty at that time such as two hands on the reins, using either hand to instill fear or praise, etc.

SHW 562.2 To rein a horse is not only to guide him but also to control his every movement. The best reined horse should be willingly guided or controlled with little or no apparent resistance and dictated to completely. Any movement on his own must be considered a lack of control. All deviations from the exact written pattern must be considered a lack of or temporary loss of control and therefore a fault that must be marked down according to severity of deviation. The horse/rider team's overall performance should be credited for smoothness, finesse, attitude, quickness and authority of performing various maneuvers while using controlled speed which raises the degree of difficulty and makes the horse/rider team more exciting a pleasing to watch.

SHW562.3 PENALTIES:

- One-half (1/2) Penalties: Starting a circle or exiting a roll-back at a trot for up to two (2) strides; delayed change of lead by one stride where the lead change is required by the pattern description; failure to remain a minimum of twenty feet from the wall or fence when approaching a stop and/or roll-back; over-spin or under-spin up to 1/8 turn.
- 1 Point Penalties: Out of lead in the circles, figure eights or around the end of the arena (this penalty is cumulative and will be deducted for each quarter of a circle the horse is out of lead); Over or under spinning 1/8 to 1/4 turn. Slip-ping rein.
- 2 Point Penalties: Break of gait; freeze up in spins or roll-backs; failure to stop or walk before executing a lope departure on trot-in patterns; failure to be in a lope prior to the first marker on run-in patterns; failure to completely pass the specified marker before initiating a stop position, trotting beyond strides, but less than 1/2 circle or 1/2 length of the arena.

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- 5 Point Penalties: Spurring in front of cinch; blatant disobedience; use of either hand to instill fear/praise; use of two hands per maneuver; more than one finger between split reins or any fingers between romal reins per maneuver (except two rein).
- Excess rein may be straightened anytime during the pattern, provided the rider's free hand remains behind the rein hand. Any attempt to alter tension or length of the reins from the bridle to the rein hand is considered use of two hands and a penalty score of – 5 will be applied.
- Off-Pattern (OP): breaking pattern; inclusion of maneuver (e.g. over or under-spinning, backing more than two (2) strides, etc.); leaving arena before pattern is complete; repeated blatant disobedience; Exhibitors cannot place above others who complete the pattern correctly.
- Disqualification (DQ): Lameness; abuse; illegal equipment; disrespect or misconduct; improper western attire; fall of horse/rider.
- 10 point: Unnatural ranch horse appearance (Horse's tail is obvious and consistently carried in an unnatural manner in every maneuver)

5. SHW563. VRH RANCH COW WORK. The ideal Ranch horse must also be a cow horse and this class demonstrates and measures the horse's ability to do cow work. In addition, the ideal ranch cow horse should have a natural ranch horse appearance from head to tail in each maneuver. Holding the saddle horn is permitted. There is a time limit per horse/rider team to perform the work depending on the division and the time begins when the cow is turned into the arena. If the time has not elapsed and the judge is satisfied that all requirements of the class have been met, the judge should blow the whistle for the exhibitor to cease work. The judge may blow a whistle at any time for the exhibitor to cease work for safety reasons. Judges will give credit for what they have seen. Only the judge may award a new cow to a contestant to replace a cow that will not honor a horse. If the judge awards a new cow, the exhibitor has the option to refuse the new cow by continuing to work. If the exhibitor accepts the new cow, the time for working the cow will start over. If the exhibitor intends to accept the new cow, the exhibitor must pull up immediately. When multiple judges are scoring, any one of the judges may terminate the work or signal for a new cow.

SHW563.1 CONTENT. Exhibitors in the open, cowboy, amateur and youth divisions are allotted three minutes to complete the work. When there is one-minute left, the announcer will announce, one-minute remaining. At three minutes, the announcer will call for time. There are three parts to the class: boxing, fence work and roping or circling.

- Part One – Boxing the Cow: The rider shall ride into the arena, face the cattle entry gate and signal for their cow to be turned into the arena. The cow shall be controlled on the entry end of the arena for enough time to demonstrate the horse's ability to hold the cow. If the cow does not immediately challenge the horse, the rider shall aggressively move in on the cow to demonstrate his horse's ability to drive and block the cow on the entry fence.

- Part Two – Fence Work: After the cow has been controlled on the entry end of the arena, the rider shall set the cow up and drive it down either side of the arena. The cow should be turned on the fence at least once in each direction. The first run out for a turn shall be past the half-way mark of the arena. All turns down the side shall be completed before reaching the end fence.

- Part Three – Roping or Circling: The amateur and youth exhibitor has the option of circling the cow in the middle of the arena in both directions in lieu of roping. An amateur or youth exhibitor may circle or rope the cow but cannot combine the two to get credit for this portion of the run. Open and cowboy exhibitors must rope the cow. To rope the cow, the exhibitor must be carrying a rope when the run starts. The exhibitor may pull up after the fence work, take down the rope and proceed to rope and stop the cow. The exhibitor must then rope the cow and bring it to a stop. In the roping portion of the class, two throws are permitted, and the horse will be judged on two maneuvers: tracking/rating and stopping the cow. It is not necessary that the exhibitor catch to receive a score in the roping portion. The catch is legal if the cow looks through the loop and the rope pull tight on any part of the animal's body except the tail. The rope may be tied on or dallied. If the exhibitor does not catch, the horse will be given credit for rating and tracking and will be assessed a 2-point penalty. For shows conducted in international countries, the exhibitor has the option of circling the cow each direction instead of roping or breakaway roping and wearing traditional attire of the country.

To circle the cow, the exhibitor will maneuver the cow smoothly at least 360 degrees in each direction without interference from the fence. The circle's size, symmetry, speed and relative balance from right and left show control.

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Tightening the circles down with fast head-to-head speed will be a credit situation. The circles should be completed before the cow is exhausted. Once an exhibitor has committed to circling a cow, if the cow falls no new cow will be awarded. The exhibitor will complete the run by riding around the fallen cow to fulfill circling requirements. In the circling portion of the judging, one whistle will terminate the work and two whistles will award a new cow.

SHW563.2 CREDITS AND PENALTIES. All runs begin upon entering the pen; any infractions (such as two hands on the reins, using either hand to instill fear or praise, etc.) are subject to penalty at that time. During "Boxing", credit will be given for the horse's expression and its 'cow sense' (i.e., making moves with little rider assistance); holding, controlling, and turning the cow; the amount of work actually done; and the degree of difficulty of the work. Credit will be given during "Fence Work" for making the first run past the center of the arena; making turns right on the cow; and controlling a difficult cow. If "Roping," credit will be given for rating and following cow to allow rider the optimal roping position; stopping hard; and staying in the ground during the hold. Credits for each element of roping range from -1 1/2 to +1 1/2 points. If "Circling," credit will be given when the horse works willingly; acknowledges the cow; and gets close enough to the cow to control the circles. Credits for Circling range from -1 1/2 to +1 1/2 points for each direction. Penalties will be assessed as follows:

- **1 Point Penalties:** Loss of working advantage; Using the corner or the end of the arena to turn the cow when going down the fence; changing sides of arena to turn cow; for each length horse runs past cow; working out of position; slipping rein; failure to drive cow past middle marker on first turn; two-loop catch in amateur and youth classes.

- **2 Point Penalties:** Going around the corner of the arena before turning cow; when working an animal in the open field (at least 20' from the side of arena) and the animal gets within 3 feet from the end fence before being turned; failure to catch if roping in amateur and youth classes.

- **3 Point Penalties:** Exhausting or overworking the cow before circling or roping; hanging up on the fence (refusing to turn); knocking down the cow without having a working advantage; two-loop catch when roping in open/ cowboy class.

- **5 Point Penalties:** Failure to turn the cow both directions on the fence; spurring in front of cinch; Blatant disobedience; use of either hand to instill fear/praise; use of two hands (except in snaffle bit or hackamore) per maneuver; more than one finger between split reins or any fingers between romal reins (except two rein) per maneuver; failure to catch when roping, in open/cowboy class.

- 10 point: Unnatural ranch horse appearance (Horse's tail is obvious and consistently

- **Off-Pattern (OP):** Turning tail; failure to attempt any part of the class; leaving arena before run is complete; repeated blatant disobedience; schooling after entering the arena prior to calling for cow; schooling horse between cows, if new cow is awarded, or complete loss of rope in open/cowboy class, cannot place above others who complete pattern correctly.

- **Disqualification (DQ):** lameness, abuse, illegal equipment, disrespect or misconduct, improper western attire; fall of horse/rider

If the open or cowboy rider runs out of time to rope, there will be no credit for the stop/hold maneuver and a 2-point penalty for failure to catch. Riders may still earn credit for tracking/rating/control/position and speed/degree of difficulty.

RHC LIMITED WORKING RANCH HORSE (BOX-DRIVE-BOX-DRIVE) CLASS RULES:

Limited Working Ranch Horse (Box-Drive-Box-Drive; amateur and youth only) will offer the following classes:

Amateur – RHC Limited 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

Level 1 Amateur – RHC Level 1 Limited 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

Youth – RHC Limited 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

Level 1 Youth – RHC Level 1 – Limited 4-Year-Old & Up Working Ranch Horse

SHW564. LIMITED RANCH COW WORK AMATEUR/YOUTH

SHW564.1 Content. Exhibitors in the limited ranch cow work cannot compete in both the ranch cow work and limited cow work class, at the same show with the same horse. Limited ranch cow work exhibitors are allotted one minute and thirty seconds to complete the work. When there is 30 seconds left, the announcer will announce, 30 seconds remaining. At one minute and thirty seconds, the announcer will call for time. Exhibitors are not required to use all of the allotted time but must ride until the judge whistles the end of the run or time expires, whichever occurs first.

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There are four parts to the work: boxing the cow; setting up the cow and driving it down the fence to the opposite end of the arena; and boxing it at the opposite end of the arena, and then driving the cow past the middle marker again. There is no expectation that the exhibitor will make a 'fence turn', rather the drive down the fence demonstrates correct position and control around the corner.

- **Part One – Boxing the Cow** – The rider shall ride into the arena, face the cattle entry gate, and signal for their cow to be turned into the arena. The cow shall be controlled on the entry end of the arena for enough time to demonstrate the horse's ability to "hold" the cow. If the cow does not immediately challenge the horse, the rider shall aggressively move in on the cow to demonstrate his horse's ability to drive and block the cow on the entry fence.

- **Part Two - Set Up Cow and Drive Down Fence to Opposite End of Arena** – After the cow has been controlled on the entry end of the arena, the rider shall set the cow up for driving down the side of the arena. When coming out of the corner, the horse shall be close enough to the cow to demonstrate control with cow against the fence. This distance and control should be maintained for approximately 1/2 to 3/4 the length of the arena. Rider will then stop and release the cow and move horse toward center of arena to set the cow up for boxing.

- **Part Three – Boxing the Cow at Opposite End of Arena** – The exhibitor will again control or "hold" the cow for the remainder of time at end of the arena to demonstrate the horse's ability to "hold" the cow.

- **Part Four – Drive the Cow back down the fence past the middle marker and continue until the judge blows the whistle to show completion.**

SHW564.2 Credits and Penalties. All runs begin upon entering the pen; any infractions (such as two hands on the reins, using either hand to instill fear or praise, etc.) are subject to penalty at that time. During "Boxing," credit will be given for the horse's expression and its 'cow sense' (i.e., making 6 moves with little rider assistance); holding, controlling, and turning the cow; the amount of work actually done; and the degree of difficulty of the work. Credit will be given during "Set Up Cow and Drive Down Fence" for rating the cow; blocking the cow with pressure towards the end of the arena; driving the cow with control down the side of the arena; and controlling a difficult cow. Penalties will be assessed as follows:

- **1 Point Penalties:** Loss of working advantage; working out of position; slipping rein; in limited cow work, failure to drive cow past the middle marker on second drive before time expired.

- **3 Point Penalties:** Knocking down the cow without having a working advantage; losing a cow while boxing.

- **5 Point Penalties:** Spurring in front of cinch; blatant disobedience; use of either hand to instill fear/praise; use of two hands (except in snaffle bit or hackamore) per maneuver; more than one finger between split reins or any fingers between romal reins (except two rein) per maneuver.

- **10 Point:** Unnatural ranch horse appearance (Horse's tail is obvious and consistently carried in an unnatural manner in every maneuver).

- **Off-Pattern (OP):** Turning tail; failure to attempt any part of the class; leaving arena before run is complete; repeated blatant disobedience; schooling after entering the arena prior to calling for cow; schooling horse between cows (if new cow is awarded); cannot place above others who complete pattern correctly.

- **Disqualification (DQ):** lameness, abuse, illegal equipment, disrespect or misconduct, improper western attire, fall of horse/rider.

RANCH RIDING CLASS RULES:

Ranch Riding will offer the following classes with descriptions to follow:

Open – RHC 3-Year-Old & Up Ranch Riding

Amateur – RHC 3-Year-Old & Up Ranch Riding

Youth – RHC 3-Year-Old & Up Ranch Riding

SHW560. RANCH RIDING. The purpose of the ranch riding class is to measure the ability of the horse to be a pleasure to ride while being used as a means of conveyance from performing one ranch task to another. The horse should reflect the versatility, attitude and movement of a working ranch horse riding outside the confines of an arena. The horse should be well-trained, relaxed, quiet, soft and cadenced at all gaits. The ideal ranch horse will travel with forward movement and demonstrate an obvious lengthening of stride at extended gait. The horse can be ridden with light contact or on a relatively loose rein without requiring undue restraint, but not shown on a full drape of reins. The overall manners and responsiveness of the ranch riding horse to make timely transitions in a smooth and correct manner, as well as the quality of the movement are of primary considerations. The ideal VRH ranch riding horse should have a natural ranch horse appearance from head to tail in each maneuver.

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SHW560.1 No horse may cross enter western pleasure and ranch riding at the same show regardless of the division. Show management may run AQHA ranch riding and full versatility ranch horse ranch riding concurrently if held within a versatility ranch horse show. If held concurrently, AQHA ranch riding rules (SHW416- 419.7) will apply.

SHW560.2 Horses shall be shown individually, and the class may be conducted inside or outside of an arena. The pattern may be started either to the right or left direction. Show management has the option to set markers to designate gait changes. If the class is held inside an arena, the course shall be set up to make approximately one pass of the arena in each direction. The optional ranch riding pattern may be used or another pattern may be used as long as all elements of the class are fulfilled as follows:

- Horses will be shown individually at three gaits; walk, trot and lope in each direction of the arena
- Horses will also be asked to reverse, stop and back
- The judge must ask for an extended trot and extended lope at least one direction of the ring.

SHW560.3 CREDITS AND PENALTIES. Part of the evaluation of this class is on smoothness of transitions. A horse may be collected from the extended trot as the horse moves into the lope. The transition from the extended lope down to the trot is a transition to the seated trot not the extended trot. Therefore, an extra cue to achieve this gait is expected. Horses that complete this total transition within three strides calmly and obediently should be rewarded. Horses that attempt to stop or do stop prior to trotting will be penalized. Judges expect to see horses that have been trained to respond to cues. To see these cues applied discretely and the horse responding correctly could be a credit-earning situation. Penalties will be assessed as follows:

- **1 Point:** Over-bridled, out of frame, too slow, gapping mouth, break of gait at walk or trot for two (2) strides or less.

- **3 Point:** Wrong lead or out of lead, draped reins, break of gait at lope, break of gait at walk or trot for more than two (2) strides.

- **5 Point:** Spurring in front of cinch, blatant disobedience, use of either hand to instill fear/praise, use of two hands per maneuver, 1st or 2nd cumulative refusal, more than one finger between split reins or any fingers between reins (except two rein) per maneuver. Cannot place above others who complete pattern correctly.

- **10 Point:** Unnatural ranch horse appearance (Horse's tail is obvious and consistently carried in an unnatural manner in every maneuver).

(OP) Off-Pattern: Breaking pattern, leaving working area before pattern is complete, repeated disobedience. Cannot place above others who complete pattern correctly.

Disqualification (DQ): Lameness, abuse, illegal equipment, disrespect or misconduct, improper western attire. fall of horse/rider.

TEAM ROPING will offer the following classes at the discretion of show management. Rules and regulations will be sent prior to RHC event.

Open – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Team Roping

Amateur – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Team Roping

Youth – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Team Roping

BARREL RACING will offer the following classes at the discretion of show management. Rules and regulations will be sent prior to RHC event.

Open – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Barrel Racing

Amateur – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Barrel Racing

Youth – RHC 4-Year-Old & Up Barrel Racing

AGE OF HORSES

Open for 4-Year-Old Horses

- a) For 4-year-old horses as of January 1 of the competition year
- b) Will follow AQHA equipment rules for junior horses

Limited Open for 4-Year-Old Horses

- a) Runs within the open class and will require separate entry fee
- b) No horse may be exhibited in both the open and limited open classes by different riders

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Open for 5 & 6-Year-Old Horses

- a) For 5 & 6-year old horses as of January 1 of the competition year.
- b) 5-year old horses are considered junior horses and may be shown according to AQHA junior horse equipment rules. Six-year-old and older horses are considered senior horses and must be shown according to senior horse equipment rules.

Limited Open for 5 & 6-Year-Old Horses

- a) Runs within the open 5 & 6 and will require separate entry fee
- b) No horse may be exhibited in both the open and limited open classes by different riders

Amateur Class for 4-Year-Old & Up Horses

- a) 4-and-5-year-old horses are considered junior horses and may be shown according to AQHA junior horse equipment rules. Six-year-old and older horses are considered senior and must be shown according to senior horse equipment rules.
- b) Will follow the Working Ranch Horse Heritage Challenge rules with the option of circling rather than roping the cow.

Level 1 Amateur Class for 4-Year-Old & Up Horses

- a) 4 and 5-year-old horses are considered junior horses and may be shown according to AQHA junior horse equipment rules. Six-year-old and older horses are considered senior horses and must be shown according to senior horse equipment rules.
- b) Will follow the Working Ranch Horse Heritage Challenge rules with the option of circling rather than roping the cow.
- c) Runs within the Amateur Class and requires a separate entry fee.

Cowboy Class for 4-Year-Old & Up Horses

- a) Will run as a separate class and requires its own entry fee
- b) 4-and 5-year old horses are considered junior horses and may be shown according to AQHA junior horse equipment rules. Six-year-old and older horses are considered senior horses and must be shown according to senior horse equipment rules.