

# PENDLETON ROUND-UP®

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## MEN'S INDIAN RELAY RACE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Entries may be paid to the Pendleton Round-Up grandstand office between 8-9am the day of the race and no later. NO EXCEPTIONS. To ensure your registry please enter ahead of time by calling 541-276-2553 ext. 402.

Team owner or designated representative are required to sign off on the rules at the mandatory pre-race meeting (TBA).

### I. Team Members

1. There will be five members to a team.
  - A. 2 holders
  - B. 1 mugger
  - C. 1 rider
  - D. 1 alternate (rider, mugger or holder)
2. Team members must be Federally recognized Indians. All team members are subject to show proof of tribal enrollment.
3. All team members must wear matching shirts that clearly identify them as a team. No t-shirts or shirts depicting any gang affiliation.

### II. Rider

1. Starting positions are on the ground at a designated area. Team holders will be required to assist on all starts.
2. No other team member may touch or assist the rider in mounting the horses during starts and exchanges.
3. Rider must dismount having both feet on the ground before mounting the next horse.
4. Rider must ride all three horses. No changing of riders after the race has started.
5. Rider must ride all three horses bareback, neck ropes are allowable.
6. Riders must have at a minimum, a hider and moccasins or athletic shoes. Rider must be clearly identifiable to race judges and timers.



### III. Horses

1. Horses must be Indian owned.
2. Limit of four (4) horses for the relay races.
3. No replacement on horses.
4. In the case of extreme emergencies, a team may borrow extra horses only with the consensus of the race officials and the Indian Relay teams that paid the relay entry fees for the current relay races. The team asking for the exceptions must comply with all other rules in this section (Section III Horses).

### IV. Disqualification (Disqualification will occur in the following cases.)

1. Entry fee is not paid before the race starts or by the designated deadline!
2. If the team is not on the starting line when starting the race.
3. No team will be allowed more than one false start. Holders, riders and horses must enter the track on the west end, then turn left (toward the bucking chutes), then turn and walk up to the starting line. All starting horses must be behind the white chalk line when the gun goes off. **THE RACE IS STARTED WHEN THE GUN IS SHOT**, if you start before the gun is shot; this is considered a false start.
4. If the team loses any horse or the horses leave the track.
5. If any team member is intoxicated or under the influence of intoxicating substances on the racetrack.
6. Rider does not dismount in his own team area. (That is, rider must dismount in his own team area.)
7. Any team not completing a race.
8. Striking another team's horse or rider.
9. Using your horse to shield another rider from entering his exchange area.
10. Running through another team's exchange area.
11. If a rider does not dismount in his own team area. Rider must dismount in his lined off team area. For instance, if a rider runs through another team intentionally in the process of changing, either coming or going out, that is grounds for disqualifications.

### V. Non Disqualification

If rider falls from their horse, but does not release the horse and is able to remount the horse and complete the race, this is not considered a disqualification.

### VI. Judges Decisions

1. ALL JUDGES DECISIONS WILL BE FINAL.

2. *Video recordings will not be allowed to be viewed by the judges*

VII. Conflicts

1. Harassing, fighting, intimidating or arguing with the judges, the starters, timers, association members or other participating team members will not be allowed.
2. No intoxicated team members

VIII. Penalty

1. If the rules are not strictly adhered to, teams may be disqualified from remaining races and possibly the following year.

VIII. Accidents and Injuries

All team members will be required to sign a release form stating the following:  
"For and in consideration of being permitted to enter and participate in the contests of the Pendleton Round-Up held September 12 thru 15, 2018, I hereby release the Pendleton Round-Up Association from any and all claims for damages on account of injury either to persons or my stock. I further agree to conform to rules designated by the management governing contests, cruelties to animals and others. I further agree to compete when called regardless of existing weather conditions."

IX. Refunds

Absolutely no entry fee refunds to any team after the draw is completed.

X. Qualification for the Championship

Entry in the championship races on Saturday will be determined by the four teams with the fastest accumulated times in the Wednesday, Thursday heats, the remaining eight teams will run for consolation in the two heats on Friday.

XI. Use of Non-Traditional Devices

The use of twitches is prohibited. The use of these devices at any time during the Pendleton Round-Up will result in immediate disqualification.  
"Earing" a horse down is not against the rules, but good judgment should be used.

XII. Prize payout

Total Prize Money - Total prize money paid out will be the sum of all entry fees plus that amount of added prize money approved by the Pendleton Round-Up Board of Directors.

Qualifying Heats - Of the total sum of prize money \$1,000 will be paid as prize money for each Qualifying Heat held during the Wednesday and Thursday Round-Up performances. Example – if 3 heats are held each day a total of \$6,000 will be paid out as prize money for Qualifying Heats.

The Qualifying Heat prize money will be paid for placings in each heat as follows. Should a team(s) be disqualified in a Qualifying Heat the prize money for the placing that is disqualified will be equally divided among the teams that placed in the heat (not disqualified).

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Heat = 40% (\$400)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Heat = 30% (\$300)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Heat = 20% (\$200)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place in Heat – 10% (\$100)

Consolation Race(s) - Of the total sum of prize money \$2,000 will be paid as prize money for each Consolation Heat held during the Friday Round-Up performances. Example – if two Consolation Heats are held a total of \$4,000 will be paid out as prize money for heats.

The Consolation Heat prize money will be paid for placings in each heat as follows. Should a team(s) be disqualified in a Consolation Heat the prize money for the placing that is disqualified will be equally divided among the teams that placed in the heat (not disqualified).

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Heat = 40% (\$800)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Heat = 30% (\$600)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Heat = 20% (\$400)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place in Heat – 10% (\$200)

Finals Race – The Finals Race prize money will be the total sum of all prize money (entries and added money) less that paid out in the Qualifying and Consolation Heats. Example – if total prize money is \$21,800 and there were 6 Qualifying Heats (\$1,000 X 6 = \$6,000) and two Consolation Heats (\$2000 X 2 = \$4,000) the total prize money for the finals would be \$11,800 (\$21,800-\$6000-\$4000).

The Finals prize money will be paid for placings as follows. Should a team(s) be disqualified in the Finals the prize money for the placing that is disqualified will be equally divided among the teams that placed in the Finals (not disqualified).

1<sup>st</sup> Place in Heat = 40%

2<sup>nd</sup> Place in Heat = 30%

3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Heat = 20%

4<sup>th</sup> Place in Heat – 10%

XIII. Other

In the event a paid team withdraws from competition during the qualifying heats (Wednesday/Thursday), the remaining teams may be allowed to form a team to replace the withdrawn team; this will ensure four teams per heat.

ABSOLUTELY NO PRIZE CHECKS WILL BE CASHED BY THE ROUND-UP ASSOCIATION.