**RULE BOOK**

***SIS Series &***

***Jackpot Ranch Show Series***

***Produced by Hohmann Performance Horses***

***HORSE AND RIDER ELIGIBILITY, DIVISIONS, RULES, REQUIREMENTS AND CLASS SESCRIPTIONS: (11/2022)***

**\*A copy of a negative coggins test and rabies vaccination MUST accompany your horse’s entry form.**

**\*$50 charge for any returned checks No refunds for scratched classes. Judges’ decisions are final.**

**Any Rider may ride two handed in a smooth snaffle bit or a Bosal in any class.**

**Riders using a shank bit must ride one handed. *With the exception of* Green Riders, Novice Horses, Limited Novice Horse, EWD, Walk Trot Riders. \*See eligibility requirements.**

**\*ARHA Rules will be used as a scoring guideline, *there are variations in rules in regard to legal bits and the use of one or two hands on the reins for specific divisions.***

**\*Riders are not permitted to hold the saddle horn in *any dry class*. Holding the saddle horn during cattle work *is* permitted.**

**ARHA Rule Book: Section M-1 Ranch Riding G) Disqualifications 1) Grabbing the saddle horn or any other part of the saddle.**

**\*Working tack and attire is expected in all classes. Excessive silver or “show” tack and clothing are not permitted. Attire should be traditional western wear, button or snap shirts, western hat (helmets are permitted) jeans and western boots. Excessive glitter, stones, or crystals will be disqualified. Halters for conformation and showmanship must be plain leather, rope, or nylon. Tack and clothing should be well kept, clean, and properly fitted to horse and exhibitor. No tail extensions, braids, bands, hoof polish permitted. Clipping horses is not necessary. Horses should be fit and clean.**

**Youth =** 18 and under **Lead Line** = 7 and under **Adult =** 19 and over

**Open Rider Class Eligibility =** open to any rider not entered in Walk Trot or EWD Division

**Non Pro Rider Class Eligibility =** open to any rider not entered in Walk Trot or EWD Division. Riders must not receive compensation for riding horses owned by others or giving riding instruction in any discipline with the exception of Therapeutic Riding Instruction.

**Youth Rider Class Eligibility =** open to any rider under the age of 18 who is not entered in Walk Trot, Lead Line or EWD Division

**Equestrians With Disabilities =** open to any age rider who has a physical or mental impairment which requires the assistance of a leader and side aides. Adaptive equipment is permitted. A note from the rider’s doctor stating that horseback riding is not a contraindication to their impairment MUST be provided when making your entries. Riders must be assisted while in the arena.

**Lead Line=** open to riders age 7 and under who are not showing in any other riding class. Riders must be lead. Lead Line exhibitors may show in ranch conformation and ranch showmanship.

**Green Rider Class Eligibility =**

**Green Rider Ranch Reining** – Riders must not have completed any other Green Reiner Program, or have NRHA, or breed association or sanctioned association points in Reining**.**

**All Green Rider Classes** – Open to Non-Pro **Adult and Youth** Riders who are in their first or second year of showing in ranch events. Youth who are eligible for Green Rider Classes/ Green Reiner Class may not cross enter into other youth division classes. Green Riders may not enter Walk Trot or EWD Division. Green Riders may ride two handed in *any legal western* bit excluding gag action bits and mechanical hackamores. Exhibitors must advance from the Green Rider division after two years, or upon winning a year end championship in a Green Rider Class (may not show the next year in that class) or win the Green Rider Division (may not show the next year in that division).

**Walk Trot Eligibility =** Riders may NOT show in any canter class. Riders may ride two handed in *any legal western* bit excluding gag action bits and mechanical hackamores. Riders may show in Green Rider Boxing and Green Rider Ranch Roping.

**Novice Horse Eligibility =** Horses who are in their first or second year of showing in ranch horse competition. May not have been awarded points or money in Breed Association, NSBA, or sanctioned competition (with the exception of OTT race horses). Riders may ride two handed in *any legal western* bit excluding gag action bits and mechanical hackamores. Horse or rider may not be entered in Walk Trot or EWD Division. Horses must advance from the Novice Horse division after two years, or upon winning a year end championship in a Novice Horse Class (may not show the next year in that class) or win the Novice Horse Division (may not show the next year in that division).

***Limited* Novice Horse Eligibility =**This is a Walk Trot Division forhorses who are in their first or second year of showing, ***and are not yet being shown at the canter****.*  May not have been awarded points or money in Breed Association, NSBA, or sanctioned competition (with the exception of OTT race horses). Riders may ride two handed in *any legal western* bit excluding gag action bits and mechanical hackamores. Horses may ONLY CROSS ENTER into in hand classes, Novice Horse Boxing & Novice Horse Ranch Roping. Horses must advance from the Limited Novice Horse division after two years, or upon winning a year end championship in a Limited Novice Horse Class (may not show the next year in that class).

*RIDERS MAY* cross enter into any canter class on a *different horse*.

***Dry Class Descriptions:***

**Ranch Reining:** This class denotes the ability of the ranch horse to be reined willfully through all maneuvers of the patterns. There are ten ARHA approved patterns that can be selected from to use. Contestant should not be penalized for reining their horse through the pattern in a reasonable manner. Stops should be hard and deep as if needed to stop and go in the other direction. Stop should be square and done without resistance (it should be at the judge’s discretion on what he/she considers an excessive slide. Excessive stops beyond 10 feet should be minus in ½ point increments. Turn arounds should be those of a working horse, they should be correct and job efficient.

**Ranch Trail:** This class will be judged on the performance of the horse over obstacles with emphasis on manners, response to the rider and quality of movement. Credit will be given to horses negotiating the obstacles with style and some degree of speed, providing correctness is not sacrificed. Horses should receive credit for showing attentiveness to the obstacles and the capability of picking their own way through the course when obstacles warrant it, and willingly responding to the rider’s cues on more difficult obstacles. Patterns which include a roping obstacle – exhibitors must carry a rope thought the entirety of the pattern. They may carry their own rope or one provided by the ring steward prior to starting their pattern. A get down rope may be used with romel reins only.

**Ranchmanship:** The purpose of this class is to bring forth the versatility in both the ranch horse and exhibitor, in the task of performing patterns, constructed of both Ranch Trail obstacles and Ranch Reining maneuvers. Obstacle and maneuvers are to be judged to the standards written in Ranch Trail, Ranch Riding, and Ranch Reining in each part of the patterns that pertains to these classes. Each horse will work individually.

**Ranch Riding:**  A superior ranch riding horse has a free-flowing stride of reasonable length in keeping with his conformation and covering a reasonable amount of ground as if he was going across the pasture to do a task on the ranch in a timely fashion. Horse should not be a runaway but move like “we have a lot to do today”. Ideally, he should have a balanced, flowing motion, while exhibiting correct gaits with proper cadence and rhythm. The quality of the movement and consistency of the gaits is a major consideration. Exhibitor should not be penalized for picking up reins or moving horses’ body as long as the horse is soft, willing and free of resistance and should receive credit. Horse should be credited for softness when picking up through transitions, departures, stops, and back-ups. (This should not be confused with constant pulling and jerking around the arena as this shall be faulted according to severity). A willing horse will not ring their tail, or be blatantly disobedient to the rider’s cues or demands. The horse should drive off his hind quarters using it as a driving force for his body. The horse should not carry his head behind the vertical, giving the appearance of intimidation, or be excessively nosed out, giving the appearance of resistance. He should have a bright expression with his ears alert, he should be mannerly without the appearance of a dull, sullen lethargic drawn or overly tired attitude. He should be shown on a reasonable loose rein, but with light contact and control. He should be responsive, yet smooth, in transitions when called for. When asked to extend, he should extend out with the same flowing motion. Maximum credit should be to given to the horse that has a flowing stride, is balanced, and that gives the appearance of being willing, fit, alert and a pleasure to ride while possessing great athletic ability and agility.

**Ranch Showmanship:** Showmanship is designed to evaluate the exhibitor’s ability to execute a pattern prescribed by the judge. Exhibitors’ movements should be workmanlike and efficient and the horse should be obedient and cooperative. This class is judged on 0-100 score scale with 70 denoting average with 1/2-point increment scoring. Showmanship class shall be judged strictly on the exhibitor’s ability to communicate with the horse from the ground and show a horse as if he was in a conformation class. The horse is merely a prop to demonstrate the ability and preparation of the exhibitor. The ideal showmanship performance consists of a poised, confident exhibitor leading a well-groomed and conditioned horse that quickly and efficiently performs the requested pattern with promptness, smoothness and precision. The showmanship class is not another conformation class and should not be judged as such. Horses are to be presented in a plain leather or nylon halter, or a rope halter. Use of chains under or over the nose in allowed.

**Ranch Conformation:** The horse will be judged on type, conformation correctness, and athletic ability with the all-around equine in mind. Ranch Horse Conformation is defined as the physical attributes necessary to perform under saddle in multiple ranch events. The ideal standard in evaluating horses in conformation should include but not limited to soundness and correctness in conformation, particularly feet and legs with emphasis on correct manner of travel including athletic ability and the “appearance of” agility. The horse should possess eye appeal with an attractive head; refined throat-latch; well-proportioned trim neck; long sloping shoulder; deep heart girth; short back; strong loin and coupling; long hip and croup. The horse should show balance and uniform muscling with enough athletic ability to perform different tasks on the ranch. Horses should be strong boned and have an appearance of durability. Horses are not penalized for scars or brands. Horses are to be presented in a plain leather or nylon halter, or a rope halter. Use of chains under or over the nose in allowed.

***Cattle Class Descriptions* – (**the following information is intended to give basic information and time limits of each class. For a more in-depth description of each class please consult the ARHA Rule Book.)

\*Two handed riders may switch to one hand during cow work to hold the horn during the class with no penalty.

\*Use of Romels in all cattle classes: Exhibitors are permitted to hold romels and tail in one hand while holding horn with other hand. If exhibitor chooses to show this way, they must enter the arena with reins in one hand and are not allowed to touch rein with off hand at any time during the class. If exhibitor comes in with both hands on the romel they are required to keep both hands on the reins, the way they entered the pen

**\* Ranch Roping -** *MUST* use a breakaway honda. Exhibitors *may* be assigned a cow to rope in the *Open Ranch Roping* (as they are per ARHA Ranch Roping rules). Exhibitors in Green Rider, Novice Horse, Non Pro, and Youth divisions *will not* be assigned a specific cow, but will be allowed to choose any cow from the herd. Exhibitors will be judged and scored on their herd work, you are permitted two attempts to rope with a 5-point penalty for each missed throw, and +5 credit given for a qualified catch. The run will be complete when either the rider has fulfilled all of the requirements within the allotted time, or time has expired. Riders will be given a warning when they have 1 minute left on the clock. Judge will signal the end of the run or time up with one long whistle.

Joined reins are permitted.

Time limit: 90 sec.

**\*Boxing-** Riders will demonstrate control over one cow along the short side of the arena. Judge will signal the end of the run or time up with one long whistle.

Time limit: .50 sec

**\*Box Drive Box ­-** Riders will demonstrate control over one cow along the short side of the arena, drive the cow along either long side of the arena, and continue to box the cow in the opposite short side of the arena. Once the rider has boxed the cow with a minimum of three turns in the short end of the arena, driven the cow down the long side of the arena, and boxed the cow again with a minimum of three turns in the short end of the arena, they must drive the cow back up the long side of the arena past the half way point marker before the allotted time limit. Riders will be given a warning when they have 30 seconds left on the clock. The run will be complete when either the rider has fulfilled all of the requirements within the allotted time, or time has expired. Judge will signal the end of the run or time up with one long whistle.

Time limit: 1:45

**\*Working Cow Horse** –Rider will demonstrate control over a single cow by boxing the cow along the short side of the arena, with a minimum of three turns, then drive the cow along either long side of the arena, turning the cow against the fence, one turn in each direction, then demonstrating their ability to circle the cow in each direction. Riders will be given a warning when they have 30 seconds left on the clock. The run will be complete when either the rider has fulfilled all of the requirements within the allotted time, or time has expired. Judge will signal the end of the run or time up with one long whistle.

Time limit: 3 min (box – fence – circle only, no rein work)

**\*Ranch Boxing**- Rein work, then Boxing (see description of “Boxing”)

time limit for cow work: 50 sec

**\*Herd Work** - This class will be judged on the Horse’s natural cutting ability, *BUT* the Exhibitor *can handle the horse in a ranch type atmosphere*. Credit will be given to a horse that can perform his job on a loose rein.

1. Judging will start when the contestant crosses the time line. Horse should approach herd with no hesitation, weaving or resistance. Contestant may enter either side of herd.

2. The horse should show a great deal of expression but no ill will towards the animal. The degree of difficulty, eye appeal, and amount of courage in staying on a tough cow will be taken into consideration.

3. The amount of time actually spent working cattle in 2½ minutes will have a positive effect on the total score. Entry must cut a minimum of 2 use no more than three (3) head of cattle before the 2½ minute time limit. Riders will be given a warning when they have 30 seconds left on the clock. Judge will signal the end of the run or time up with one long whistle.

Time Limit: 2:30

***Timing Requirements for Cattle Classes***

Time is up – one long whistle

New Cow – two short whistles

Scribe or timer will time.

Scribe or timer will blow the “time” whistle

Judge will either blow the “new cow” whistle or advise the timer or scribe to do so.

\* Boxing class and the boxing portion or Ranch Boxing will have a 0:50 sec time limit that will be terminated with one long whistle.

\*Box drive box class will have a 30 second call. Scribe/Timer will call using the loud speaker.

The box drive box run will be terminated with one long whistle when either the cow is driven back past the center marker OR at the end of 1:45 time limit.

\*Working Cow Horse will have a 1 min call. Scribe/Timer will call using the loud speaker.

The WCH run will be terminated with one long whistle when all of the required maneuvers are completed. OR at the end of 3 min time limit.

\*Ranch Roping class will have a 1 min call. Scribe/Timer will call using the loud speaker.

The Ranch Roping run will be terminated with one long whistle at either the end of the 90 sec OR when a cow is caught.

**Freestyle Reining Divisonis and Rules**

1. EWD

2. Youth Walk Trot division

3. Adult Walk Trot division

4. Youth division

5. Adult division

\*Entry Fee - $10

\*Prizes - %50 of entries to top 3 places in each class.

**Freestyle Reining Rules:**

-Must have shown at a minimum of two shows this season.

-All riders may be one or two handed in any legal bit in all divisions.

**\*EWD Rules**

-Music 4 min max

-May have one or more assistants in the arena with them

-May use any necessary adaptive equipment

-May walk only or walk & trot at no penalty to the rider.

**\*Walk Trot Rules-**

Music 4 min max

Required maneuvers (minimum) :

Two Stops

One Roll Back

One spin each direction

Two Circles each direction

One Back up.

**\*Adult & Youth Division Rules-**

Music 5 min max

Required maneuvers ( minimum):

Lead change right to left

Lead change left to right

Two Stops

One Roll Back

Four spins each direction

One Large and One Small Circle each direction

One Back up.

*Spring Into Summer Ranch Horse Series Year End Awards and Highpoint Buckle Divisions*

Year End prizes will be awarded to the Champion and Reserve Champion *in each class* with enough eligible entries.

There will also be a Year End High Point BUCKLE awarded in the following divisions:

The Classes listed under each division count towards that High Point Division.

(you do not have to show in every class to be eligible.)

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| Open Cow Horse  1/O  Boxing  3/0  Ranch Boxing  5/0  Box Drive Box  7/0  working Cow Horse  9/0  Ranch Roping | Non Pro Cow Horse  1/NP  Boxing  3/NP  Ranch Boxing  5/NP Box Drive Box  7/NP  working Cow Horse  9/NP Ranch Roping |
| Youth Cow Horse  1/Y  Boxing  3/Y  Ranch Boxing  5/Y  Box Drive Box  7/Y  working Cow Horse  9/Y  Ranch Roping | Green Rider Cow Horse  2/G  Boxing  4/G Ranch Boxing  6/G Box Drive Box  8/G working Cow Horse  10/G Ranch Roping |
| Novice Cow Horse  2/NH  Boxing  4/NH Ranch Boxing  6/NH Box Drive Box  8/NH working Cow Horse  10/NH  Ranch Roping | Open Ranch Horse  11 open Ranch reining  15 open trail  23 open ranchmanship  29 open ranch riding |
| Non Pro Ranch Horse  12 np ranch reining  16 np trail  24 np ranchmanship  30 np Ranch Riding | Youth Ranch Horse  14 y Ranch reining  18 y ranch trail  26 y ranchmanship  33 y ranch riding |
| Green Rider Ranch Horse  13/G   Ranch Reining  17/G Ranch Trail  25/G Ranchmanship  31  Green Ranch riding | Novice Ranch Horse  13/ NH Ranch Reining  17/ NH Ranch Trail  25/ NH Ranchmanship  32 NH Ranch Riding |
| Adult Walk Trot Ranch Horse  19 Ranch Trail  27 Ranchmanship  34 Ranch Riding | Youth Walk Trot Ranch Horse  20 Ranch Trail  28 Ranchmanship  35 Ranch Riding |
| EWD  21 Trail  22 Ranchmanship  38 Showmanship  \*Must show in at least 3 / 4 shows, no minimum number of exhibitors required  in EWD classes for those classes to qualify for year end class awards or year-end high point awards | Thoroughbreds  Cow Horse Ranch Horse  2/TIP TB Boxing 17/TIP TB Ranch Trail  4/TIP TB Ranch Boxing 26/TIP TB Ranchmanship  6/TIP TB Box Drive Box 34/TIP TB Ranch Riding  8/TIP TB Working Cow Horse  10/ TIP Ranch Roping |

*Spring Into Summer Ranch Horse Series Year End Awards and Highpoint Registration*

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Exhibitor Number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Horses Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Year End Highpoint is $40 per horse and rider combination*

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Exhibitors Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Eligibility:

For a class to be eligible for a Year End Award the class must have three or more exhibitors in the class at all four shows.

You must show in the same class at least three times to be eligible to qualify for a year end award in that class.

You must be registered for Year End Class Awards and High Point Divisions prior to showing in your first class. Any placings awarded prior to signing up for Year End Awards will not count towards your standings.

Each horse and rider combination must be registered separately to be eligible.

Each horse and rider combination must have a separate exhibitor number.

You must enter your horse under the same name that you used on this registration form at every show.

The exhibitor number assigned to each horse and rider combination is the number you are required to show under for all four shows. (Once you receive your number at the first show, you are responsible for having that number at each show. The show office will not provide additional numbers throughout the show season.)

***Ranch Horse Show Stall, Shavings, and Camping Reservation Form***

**Show Date: (circle the show you are attending)**

**SPRING START UP CLINIC / RANCH SORT/ JACKPOT SHOW: May 6-7**

**SIS Series Shows: May 20-21 June 17-18 August 12-13 September 16-17**

*\*Reservations must be received AND PAID IN FULL by the first of the month to receive the discounted rate. Stalls are not “reserved” until they are paid for.*

*\*\*If multiple stalls are reserved under one name (family, trainer, barn) they must be paid for with one check. Show office will not split individual stalls up among multiple exhibitors who are sharing a horse. One name per stall reservation form and accompanying check.*

***Shavings may not be available with stalls reserved after the first of the month! NO STRAW BEDDING PERMITTED***

***\*\*$50 FEE ON ALL RETURNED CHECKS!!***

***NO TRAILERS WILL BE PERMITTED ON THE GROUNDS BEFORE 1PM THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE SHOW***.

Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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\*\*Please note if would like your stalls with another exhibitor. We will do our best to accommodate requests.

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|  | Number of stalls |  | |  | |
| **DISCOUNTED stall rate if paid by 1st of the month (must be received by the 1st !)** |  | X$35= | | $ | |
| **Regular stall rate if paid after the 1st of the month** |  | X$55= | | $ | |
| **Shavings** |  | X $8= | | $ | |
|  |  | Total Stalls/Shavings | | $ | |
|  | Number of Hookups |  |  | |
| Camping Hook ups (electric and water) |  | X $40= | $ | |
| Dry Camping (no electric) |  | X $10= | $ | |
|  |  | Total Camping | $ | |
|  |  | Total Check | $ | |

***YOU MUST CHECK IN AT THE SHOW OFFICE TO GET A CAMPING PASS BEFORE YOU PARK YOUR TAILER!***

Type and length of your trailer or camper (so we can make sure you have the best and easiest to access camping space.)

Gooseneck /fifth wheel - Length:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ OR Bumper Pull - Length:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
\*Make checks payable to - Hohmann Performance Horses

***Return completed forms and checks to: \*No Refunds for cancellations***

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