

General

- 1) JR Productions LLC and its representatives have the final say on all rulings.
- 2) Contestants must have a current negative coggins test on-site and available upon request.
- 3) Dress code is Western attire or Dark Horse Classic attire
 - a) Riders may be subject to a \$5 fine for lost hats in the arena.
 - b) Dress code is mandatory during awards presentations. See *Payouts and Awards – #17*.
- 4) Unsportsmanlike conduct, as determined at the sole discretion of the Producer, to horses, other competitors, workers, vendors, sponsors or to production staff may result in immediate dismissal from the event and forfeiture of all entry fees and any winnings.
- 5) Please keep areas around your trailers neat. Clean up any mess that your horse(s) make. No cleaning out trailers onto the event grounds. Anyone caught cleaning out their trailer or leaving a large mess will be subject to a \$50 fine.
- 6) We reserve the right to refuse any entry at our discretion at any time and for any reason.
- 7) Payment is accepted via Cash or Check.
 - a) Checks are only accepted until the pre-entry deadline.
 - b) A \$35 returned check fee will be assessed for any nonsufficient funds or returned check item.
 - c) Any contestant who submits a returned or nonsufficient funds check will be permanently prohibited from paying by check at all future events. Only cash will be accepted from that contestant moving forward. A contestant who is prohibited from paying by check may not use another contestant, family member, or third party in good standing to write checks on their behalf. Any such payment attempt will be rejected.
- 8) A W-9 must be on file for any winnings greater than \$600. Winnings will not be released until all fees are paid and all required documentation is complete. **Monetary winnings will be mailed** in the form of a check, within five business days of the show, after audits and W9 verifications are complete. W9 must be on file by December 31, 2026 or winnings will be forfeited.
- 9) Horse/Rider changes allowed up to 11:30AM CST on the day of the event. New riders who aren't already entered on another horse will be responsible for paying their office fee for the event.

Liability Waiver

JR Productions LLC – North Dakota

This waiver applies to all classes, exhibitions, time-only, and warm-up activities.

By entering this event as a participant (or as the parent/guardian of a minor participant), I understand and agree to the following:

- 1) **Assumption of Risk**
 - a) I understand that horseback riding and barrel racing involve inherent risks, including serious injury or death to myself, my horse, or my child. I voluntarily choose to participate and accept all risks associated with this event.
- 2) **Release of Liability**
 - a) I agree to release and hold harmless **JR Productions LLC**, its owners, agents, contractors, volunteers, and event management ("Company") from any and all claims, demands, causes of action, damages, or expenses arising from my participation, including injury, death, or property damage, whether caused by negligence or otherwise.
- 3) **Indemnification**
 - a) I agree to indemnify and defend the Company against any claim or expense (including attorney fees) arising out of my actions, my horse's actions, or my child's actions during this event.
- 4) **Responsibility for Personal Property**
 - a) I understand that I am responsible for my own equipment, tack, horse, and personal property. The Company is not responsible for loss or damage to my property.
- 5) **Arena Property**
 - a) I understand that the arena facility and its equipment are not owned by the Company. I agree that I am responsible for any damage I, my horse, my animals, or anyone acting on my behalf causes to the arena facility or its equipment, whether accidental or intentional.
- 6) **Photo & Video Release**
 - a) I hereby agree and grant the Company permission to photograph or record me, and to use my image or likeness in any and all promotional or informational materials, including websites and social media. All such media becomes the property of the Company. I waive any right to compensation, approval, or claims related to the use of these images or recordings.
- 7) **Consent to Participate**
 - a) *By signing the event entry form, I acknowledge that I have read and understand this agreement and voluntarily agree to its terms.*
 - b) *The contestant must sign the event entry form, if the rider is 18 years of age or older.*
 - c) *A parent/legal guardian must sign the event entry form, on behalf of a minor child under the age of 18 years old.*

Arena Expectations

- 1) No loitering in the holding pen. No tacking, untacking, or entering the alleyway before/after your run. Be respectful of your fellow competitor's time and space while in the warmup arena and holding pen.
- 2) Only the next 10 riders are permitted in the holding pen at any time.
- 3) Riders must compete in the order of the draw. Riders running out of turn will be disqualified. Horses cannot be ridden by more than one competitor.
- 4) Misidentifying a horse or rider in the class will result in disqualification from the event with no refunds.
- 5) All reruns are at the sole discretion of the Producer, and all Producer decisions are FINAL.
 - a) In the case of a timer malfunction, the rider will be offered a rerun.
 - b) No reruns will be granted for individual equipment or tack malfunctions.

- c) All reruns will be run at the end of the event in which the issue occurred.
- 6) No animals of any kind are permitted inside the event center except horses being used for the competition and ADA defined service animals. Emotional support animals, comfort animals, pets, or any other non-service animals are not allowed.
 - a) Service animals must remain under handler control at all times and must not disrupt event operations.
 - b) The owner of any non-service animal that is found in the holding pen or arena, at any given time, will be disqualified from the event with no refunds.
 - c) Anyone found with a non-service animal inside the event center will be asked to leave the building and subject to disqualification from the event with no refunds.

Barrels

- 1) To be eligible for the Futurity, the horse must be 5 years old or under, and must NEVER have competed in ANY barrel race, including AQHA shows, playdays, novice horse events, derbies, rodeos, etc. prior to November 15th, 2025. To do so means forfeit of any and all fees paid and elimination from the futurity. Horses may have competed anywhere after November 15th, 2025. Horses may have been entered in other events.
 - a) A copy of the horse's registration papers must be submitted with its entry form.
- 2) The Derby is open to any horses that are 8 years old and under.
 - a) A copy of the horse's registration papers must be submitted with its entry form.
- 3) The Dark Horse Sidepot is a producer-special high-stakes sidepot open to all contestants.
 - a) This class follows the payout structure listed under *Payout & Awards – Section 5*.
- 4) The Phill Haugen Sidepot is a producer-special sidepot open to any contestants who have previously paid and attended a Phil Haugen Horsemanship Clinic. Generously donated by Phil Haugen - each rider that enters will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win 50% off of a clinic tuition to one of Phil's upcoming clinics.
- 5) Sidepot results will be posted as soon as they're available, following the Open race.
- 6) The Futurity Showcase is for 2027 eligible futurity horses that have never competed before and are preparing for their season. The showcase is a time-only, unpaid event, to see where the horses will clock and how they perform in an event setting.
 - a) A copy of the horse's registration papers must be submitted with its entry form.
- 7) The PeeWee class is open to anyone aged 10 years of age and under as of January 1, 2026
 - a) PeeWee riders may not compete in any other events.
 - b) The PeeWee class is an unpaid event. Each contestant will receive an award.
- 8) The Youth class is open to anyone aged 18 years of age and under as of January 1, 2026.
- 9) The Open class is open to any riders of any age.
- 10) Exhibition time will be limited to one minute per exhibition bought. Exceeding one minute will forfeit any additional exhibitions.
 - a) 1 exhibition = 1 minute or 1 pass through the pattern, whichever is faster.
 - b) Exhibition time begins when the horse enters the arena. Riders are encouraged to maintain forward motion.
- 11) Time slots will be 25 minutes per slot bought. There will only be up to 10 riders per time slot at times designated by the producer.
- 12) Riders will receive 3 calls at the gate. After 3 calls, the ride will be considered a scratch. Time Limit 2 minutes from first call to enter the arena.
 - a) Gate calls will be made over the PA system. It is the rider's responsibility to be in the holding pen and ready.
- 13) No schooling is allowed in the arena during the jackpot classes. Riders will be fined \$25 for circling a barrel an extra time. We want to ensure the ground is as fair as possible for every rider.
 - a) Schooling fines must be paid before receiving any winnings.
- 14) You may circle once in the arena prior to the start of your run. You will be fined \$10 for additional circling.
- 15) Riders must maintain forward motion after they cross the timeline.
- 16) Tipped barrels result in a no-time.
- 17) We will drag every 5 riders with big drags every 50 riders. There will be a big drag between all classes. PeeWee drags will be determined at the show based on the number of riders. Changes to this plan may be made at producer's discretion at the show.
- 18) The Buy Back Race:
 - a) The Buy Back Race is offered only for the Open class. Riders who receive a no-time in the Open class may purchase an additional Open entry for a second chance to compete for Open payout and awards.
 - i) Example: If a Futurity or Derby rider carried their time into the Open, but received a no-time or slower time (tipped barrel, equipment malfunction, stumble, etc.), their Futurity/Derby result will remain a no-time (or the slower time), and all sidepot classes associated with that run will also remain a no-time (or slower time); however, riders are permitted to purchase one Buy Back entry for another Open attempt, regardless of the circumstances of their original run.
 - b) The Buy Back Race does not alter or replace results in any other class.
 - c) Buy Back entries are the same cost as an open entry, payable by Cash only. To enter, text 701-331-9860 with your name and horse's name or visit the show office. The office will only be open to contestants throughout the Open/Youth event for Buy Back entries.
 - d) Buy Back entries must be submitted prior to the draw being posted. The Buy Back Race draw will be posted within 10 minutes of the completion of the Open/Youth combination race. The Buy Back Race will begin 30 minutes following the completion of the Open/Youth class.
 - e) The Buy Back Race will not have a payout. The times of the Buy Back riders will be entered into the Open race results.
 - f) 100% of the Buy Back entry fee is retained by the producer.

Payout and Awards:

- 1) 80% of entry fees will be paid back to contestants in each class, unless otherwise stated.
- 2) 20% of each entry fee will be retained to be put towards future awards, operation/management, or future events, unless otherwise stated.
- 3) The Futurity Showcase is not a paid event. It is strictly a time-only event.
- 4) The Pee Wee class is not a paid event. Each contestant will receive an award.
- 5) The Dark Horse Sidepot is 100% payback; all entry fees will be paid out.
 - a) \$100 entry fee per horse/rider combination.
 - b) Payout Structure:
 - i) 10 or fewer entries – 1 placing paid
 - ii) 11-20 entries – 2 placings paid
 - iii) 21+ entries – 3 placings paid
- 6) The Phil Haugen Sidepot is 100% payback; all entry fees will be paid out.
 - a) \$25 entry fee per horse/rider combination.
 - b) Payout Structure:
 - i) 10 or fewer entries – 1 placing paid
 - ii) 11-20 entries – 2 placings paid
 - iii) 21+ entries – 3 placings paid
- 7) Open class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
 - b) 2D - Fast Time + 0.5 seconds
 - c) 3D - Fast Time + 1.0 seconds
 - d) 4D - Fast Time + 2.0 seconds
- 8) Youth class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
 - b) 2D - Fast Time + 1.0 seconds
 - c) 3D - Fast Time + 2.0 seconds
- 9) Pee Wee class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
- 10) Futurity class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
 - b) 2D - Fast Time + 1.0 seconds
- 11) Derby class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
 - b) 2D - Fast Time + 1.0 seconds
- 12) Futurity Showcase class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
 - b) 2D - Fast Time + 1.0 seconds
- 13) Dark Horse Sidepot class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
 - b) 2D - Fast Time + 0.75 seconds
 - c) 3D – Fast Time + 1.50 seconds
- 14) Phil Haugen Sidepot class will be as follows:
 - a) 1D - Fast Time
 - b) 2D - Fast Time + 0.5 seconds
 - c) 3D - Fast Time + 1.0 seconds
 - d) 4D - Fast Time + 2.0 seconds
- 15) Awards not claimed within 30 days of the event become property of JR Productions LLC.
- 16) Awards may be received by someone other than the actual winner. The winner must inform the producer of their appointed person that will pick up their award. Awards will not be released unless the producer is notified by the actual winner. The producer can be notified via text to 701-331-9860.
- 17) Western attire is required for the awards ceremony, as a professional photographer will be present and these images will be shared on our website and with our sponsors.

Schedule of Fines:

Lost hat in arena	\$5
Circling a barrel an additional time during competition run	\$25
Additional circling in the arena prior to running	\$10
NSF or Returned Check	\$35
Failure to clean up around trailer or event grounds	\$50