

## VDR JACKPOT SERIES RULES & REGULATIONS- 2025

- Sign In:** Required for ALL riders PRIOR to mounting. Every rider must sign a release, including those not competing.
- Entries:** Cash only day of event. Registration opens 4:30pm.
- Exhibitions:** 60 second rule. Show up early, we will not run exhibitions over time. Walk up exhibitions are welcome.
- Age categories:** Based on your age as of January 1st. Youth 18 and under. Peewee 8 and under.
- Novice Requirements:** 25 seconds or slower for Barrels on Standard Pattern. 22.5 Seconds or slower on Medium Pattern. 30 Seconds or slower for Poles. Experienced riders purposely holding a horse back will result in disqualification. Horse & Rider combo may not enter Novice Division more than 2 consecutive seasons.
- Grounds Fee:** Required for ALL riders, including those just hauling in or doing exhibitions only.
- Helmets:** Strongly encouraged. Mandatory for anyone under 18 years, whether competing or not.
- Dress Code:** Proper western attire strongly enforced. Cowboy hat or helmet, LONG sleeve button up western shirt, proper jeans without rips, Cowboy boots or certified riding boots.
- Payout-** Straight Pay. 10 riders pay to 3rd, 11-20 riders, pay to 5th, 21+ riders, pay to 8th
- Buckles:** Open Barrel Champion, Novice Barrel Champion, Youth Barrel Champion.
- Jackets / Vest:** Reserve Barrel Champion, Reserve Novice Barrel Champion, Reserve Youth Barrel Champion.
- All Around & Pole Bending Awards:** TBD pending sponsorship
- Points & Awards:** Must attend 3 of 5 to qualify
- Cattle events (ranch roping, sorting):** Run as an open class (all ages).
- Cattle Conduct:** Disqualification for horse stepping on cow, biting cow (touching with nose is a warning only), rider running cow into a corner or fence, or excessive running. Judges call is final.
- Cattle Sorting:** You may enter up to 2 times. Teams of 2. Sorting will be in round pen, you will get 2 goes, capped at 2 minutes and 30 seconds each.
- General Conduct:** Zero tolerance for any disrespectful behaviour towards fellow competitors, staff, volunteers, etc. from ANYONE. You will be asked to leave with no refund given for any misconduct. We promote a professional, fun environment for all.
- Animal Welfare:** ZERO tolerance for mistreated horses. Whipping rule (3+ whips in a row = disqualification). No long whips. (Crops and over and unders are permitted)
- Bio Security:** VDR reserves the right to turn you out of the show if your horse is coughing, has a snotty nose or shows any signs of illness. Horses may be temped upon arrival if there are any disease outbreaks within Ontario.
- Dogs:** Must be on leash at all times and at your trailer. NO EXCEPTION. **\$100** fine for loose dog.
- Water:** Please bring as much water as you can for your horses. We will have water tanks. Water from the taps, hosing horses etc. will NOT be available *\*we are on a well\**
- Toilets:** Please use outhouses, not the Saloon Toilets to help us save water.
- Secretary:** Questions only taken during a drag or between classes. DO NOT disturb our secretaries while riders are running. They must have their eyes on the riders & timers!
- Spectators / Admission:** All competitors may bring up to TWO guests. VDR members are FREE. All other spectators there is a \$5 admission fee per person. Under 5 is free. Bring your own lawn chair.
- Grounds:** Please stay in the parking field ONLY and warmup area only. Riding around the yard, trails etc. is NOT permitted. Manure may be SPREAD on field. Please do not dump shaving on the grass! Do not leave cigarettes, gum, or trash in our fields! NO GLASS. Take your trash with you or place it in the trash bins! \$100 fine if your rig left a mess.
- Questions:** Questions taken by phone only (call or text) 705-477-6655.

*Thank you for your understanding & cooperation, we look forward to an awesome season!*