

NCRC 2026 Show Rules & Regulations

ALL EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR ANIMALS

ENTRIES:

- All entry forms must be signed by owner/trainer/handler, & rider/driver/handler for each entry form for each show. If the rider/driver/handler is under 18 years of age, the entry form must be signed by a parent or legal guardian over 18. Such signature, the individual assumes responsibility & risk as stated above signature.
- No MINORS are permitted on show grounds without parent/legal guardian. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!!!
- Spectators are to stay in designated spectator's area.
- Pre-Entries close the Saturday prior to the show and/or event date.
- ** Please use a separate registration form for each horse/rider combination
- Points will be accumulated on per horse/rider and per division for day-end awards.
- To qualify for day-end or year-end awards for either English or Western Division, you must participate in one (1) in-hand class and three (3) riding classes per show in each division.
- Holds must be called for at least one class prior to the class needing the hold. We always TRY to keep a hold to a maximum of 5 minutes.
- You must be 18 yrs. of age to handle/enter a stallion in a class/event. A "Stallion" is considered a 'stallion' from two (2) and up and includes all equus. Stallions WILL BE allowed to enter OPEN classes.
- Lead line entries WILL BE allowed to ENTER the 12 & under halter/grooming class and the costume class.
- You may only enter **ONE** jumping class per horse/rider combination. Please be sure to register for only **ONE** jumping class on your registration form. In the event that you do register for more than one jumping class, you may be excused from the second jumping class and no points for either class will be counted for day end/year end awards.
- Anyone who is under 18 must wear a helmet when riding a horse in or outside of the arena.

FEES:

- All initial fees must be paid with entries. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Fees are based on one horse/rider combination.
- There will be no charge for Groom's Class.
- There will be a \$30 handling fee charged for any returned checks.

REFUNDS:

- Entry fees WILL BE refunded upon written request before pre-registrations close.
- There will be no refund due to weather cancellations.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

- All entries must be sound, sane and of good overall health including weight.
- For the safety of exhibitors and horses, we suggest that if you newly required a horse or horses, please consider quarantining your horse/s for 30 days.
- Under the discretion of the officers and/or the judge, NCRC reserves the right to disallow any unfit horse to show on show date.
- **All Horses are required to have proof of NEGATIVE Coggins test dated within 3 yrs. for in-state horses, within 6 months for out-of-state horses of the SHOW/Event DATE.**
- ORIGINAL/COPY Coggins tests are required & subject to be viewed, along with the horse, by the show/event committee.
- All horses also must have a veterinarian administered rabies vaccination within 1 year of the SHOW/Event DATE.
- In the event you do not have a Coggins test & ORIGINAL/COPY rabies certificate on the horses brought onto the show grounds/event, you will be asked to leave immediately.

- STRANGLES AND WEST NILE ARE STRONGLY SUGGESTED!!
- Please be sure to bring these documents to avoid delay and heartache for those wanting to participate.
- To ensure the safety of all our horses THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS to these requirements!
- If a horse is injured during a show, another horse may be used. .

DRESS CODE:

- Dress Code will be enforced. Proper equine approved riding hats, riding helmets, boots, and attire must be worn in all halter & riding classes. Only English attire is accepted for English classes.
- Boots with a heel are required in all classes.
- During an equitation show, proper-sized riding helmets are **MANDATORY** for anyone under the age of 18, including Lead liners.
- **Under the age of 18, the rider must wear a proper-sized riding helmet for both equitation and game shows.**

GENERAL:

- Morning registrations will close 15 min. prior to start of the show/event.
- Equitation Shows will start at 9 AM and Game Shows start at 9 AM.
- In the event of less than 3 entries in a class, the class may be combined at the judge's or officer's discretion.
- In the event there are over 8 riders in a class, the class MAY be split at the judge's or officer's discretion.
- All EXHIBITORS must be able to independently control horses while on the grounds.
- FOOD SERVICE & TACK SHOP If possible, will be on the grounds during show.
- DOGS: Must be leashed/tied and must be cleaned up after. DOGS must be kept away from the arena.

SHOW RING:

- 100 x 170 triple boarded post, ring. Footing is packed base with sand cover..
- **NO CANTERING OUTSIDE THE RING..** No Exceptions~ After one warning, a \$5 penalty for each infraction thereafter.
- The Ring may be used up to 10 minutes before the show starts
- **You must walk in and walk out of the ring at all times. No Canter out. A \$5.00 penalty will be applied after first warning.**
- NCRC offers designated spectator area. You are welcome to bring your own chairs.
- Spectators are not to be by the in gate.
- **No parking in front of the emergency gate.**
- Horses in training horses ARE welcome. Please announce schooling horses at registration. Please attach your number upside down or no number at all.
- NO alcoholic beverages or drugs will be allowed on the grounds. **ANYONE IN VIOLATION WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE, IMMEDIATELY!**
- The officers or Board of Directors have the right to ask anyone who is displaying disrupting conduct in nature during a NCRC activity to leave the grounds of that show. If this person refuses, the officers or Board of Directors have the right to call the appropriate authorities to escort this person off the grounds.
- Hackamores and Bit less bridles will be allowed.
- Horses ages 5 and under are considered Junior. Junior horses may be ridden two handed, with a snaffle bit or bosal in English and/or Western.
- Horses age 6 and above are considered senior horses. Senior horses must be ridden one handed in a shanked bit for all western classes.
- NO whips during Western equitation classes.
- If officials see excessive use of a whip or spurs, the rider will be warned once. If it occurs again, the rider will be expelled from that show.
- Martingales and flashes can only be used during jumping classes.
- All horses must wear halters and be tethered at all times when not in the show ring. NO makeshift halters or makeshift rings are allowed during the show.

- NO Bicycles, Hoover boards, or Skateboards on show grounds.
- Pop up canopies are permitted 20' back from the arena. NO parking within 20' of the arena unless handicapped.
- Please DO NOT attempt to enter a class once the class is in session.
- PLEASE remember to make your number visible on the RIDER or your horse on **both sides** of the pad while mounted and announce your number to the gate attendant upon entering your classes.
- RING COURTESY is appreciated. Please DO NOT cut-off other riders.
- Red Ribbons must be placed in tails of all horses that kick. SEE NCRC OFFICE if you forget your red ribbons!!
- Any questions or complaints MUST be taken to the show committee at the registration booth.
- Exhibitors and/or parents MUST have permission from the SHOW SECRETARY to speak with the judge. Please do not approach judge without prior permission, and only once the class is over.
- **For safety reasons, please remain 20 feet from all in and out gates.**
- Ribbons or prizes will be awarded in each individual class.
- Equitation Day-End Champion and Reserve Awards will be awarded to the top TWO horse/rider combination in each age for both English and Western Equitation section and for all games shows.
- A rider who is 5 or under must have a spotter and that spotter must be 13 or over.
- All lead liner's handlers must be 13 or over.
- A Lead liner may change levels knowing that it will affect his/her day-end or year-end awards.
- Division: Lead Line, Walk/Trot, and Walk/Trot/Canter divisions.

YEAR END AWARDS:

- You must be an NCRC Member in good standing, prior to the show/event in order for your points/hours to be recorded for Year End Awards.
- To qualify for English or Western Equitation Year-End award, you must participate in at least 75% equitation shows in your chosen division; and you must participate in one (1) in-hand class and three (3) riding classes per show in each division.
- To qualify for In-hand Year-End award, you must participate in at least 75% equitation shows and you must participate in at least three (3) of the in-hand classes.
- To qualify for Game Year-End award, you must participate in at least 75% game shows.
- A \$10 yearly fee will be collected from each horse/rider combination at the first show attended, to ensure the results will be posted towards the year-end awards.

ANY ENTRY MAY BE DISMISSED AT THE JUDGE'S OR SHOW MANAGER'S DISCRETION.

An explanation will be given upon request at the show office.