



2009 TOMBALL YOUTH HORSE CLUB RULES AND REGULATIONS



1. Tomball Youth Horse Club, Suburban Ranches Riding Club, and all officers shall not be held responsible for any injury to contestant, spectator, animal, or damage to any private property.
2. In the judgment of the directors, any person or animal that displays unsafe behavior, or any person that uses profane language or bad sportsmanship will be asked to leave the grounds. **No Stallions Allowed on SRRC Premises during TYHC.** No dogs allowed.
3. Award eligibility requirements:
 - A. Membership Fees must be paid before any points or rides will accumulate.
 - B. A copy of each contestant's birth certificate must be on file.
 - C. The contestant must ride in 4 of the 6 shows.
 - D. One family member (17 or older) must work one night per contestant (in the concession stand, arena, as a gate person, or tractor driver).
 - E. Every family/single member must participate in one of the three fundraising options:
 - a) Cookie Dough Sale (10 box min.), b) Buy-out of \$75 (\$60 if paid with membership fee), or c) Obtain at least one Buckle Sponsor (\$120 or more)

Fundraiser money is due by the 4th Show (June 25, 2009)
4. Contestants will be required to ride in their own age group only. Contestants' ages are "as of" the first day of the show (June 4, 2009). **Age groups are: 7 & under, 8 – 13, 14 – 18.** Birth certificate is required as proof of age.
5. Neither points nor rides will count until Membership Fees have been paid. **Prior rides will not count.**
6. Contestants must be signed up for an event before their age class starts. Contestants shall be called for an event in the order in which they draw - after the third call, the contestant will be scratched.
7. Protests must be submitted in writing before the next event starts and accompanied by \$100.00 (cash), which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. The decision of the directors is final.
8. Open exhibition barrels will run from 6:00 pm-6:45 pm, then exhibitions will be run at the end of each speed event.
9. Five second penalties will be assessed on a contestant's time when a pole or barrel is knocked down. We will use AQHA rules regarding Barrel and Pole patterns.
10. If there is a tie in an event, points for the places will be added together, then split evenly between the tied contestants.
11. In the event of a tie at the end of the series, places will be determined by: the most rides in the event, then the most first places in the event, then the most second places, etc. If a tie still exists, a run-off in that event will determine the Champion.
12. Points will be kept on a six point system for members only.
13. All riders assisted through the timer (whether the horse is led or following another person) and all riders whose person or horse is touched during an event (except 7 & under Goats) will receive a "No Time".
14. No refunds of entry fees, unless illness or injury to self or horse (must be approved by directors).
15. There will be a **\$35.00 service charge** on all returned checks.
16. Contestants are required to wear long pants and Western type boots or riding shoes with heels while competing in the arena. (This does include Lead Line) Riders will be scratched if not in compliance.
17. In Goat Ribbon-Pulling (7 & under) the contestant must start behind the chalk line on foot. Their time will stop when they cross back over the line with the ribbon. An adult must be out in the arena to hold the horse. Contestants may be assisted with their dismount. If the goat is held for the child, they will receive a "No Time".
18. ***Negative Coggins Report required for all horses on SRRC premises.***