

Teton Barrel Racing Association

By-Laws Rules and Regulations

Revised October 2013

Article I- Definition

- A. The association shall be known as the Teton Barrel Racing Association.
- B. The purpose of the association shall be to establish a closer relationship between the barrel racers, producers, and public as a whole; to maintain the barrel race as a main rodeo event; to encourage more participants; and revive the color and glamour of the sport.
- C. TBRA does not discriminate.

Article II- Memberships

- A. Any person who is interested in barrel racing as a sport and pastime is invited to join.
- B. Every participant must sign a form releasing TBRA from responsibility from accidents prior to participating.
 - 1. Any person under the age of 16, who meets the above requirements, must have their parent or legal guardian, a paid member, sign the release waiver and have a responsible adult accompany them to all the meetings of the Teton Barrel Racing Association. If a responsible adult does not accompany them, they will not participate. IF they do participate, they will forfeit all points and winnings.
- C. **Non active:** Anyone interested in supporting the Teton Barrel Racing Association. Non-active members (excluding non-active officers) are not qualified to vote on elections, motions, amendments, or awards. Any non-active member who is elected for office shall be allowed to vote and will pay the non-active dues for the year they are in office.
- D. The **Active Membership** shall be divided into two age categories:
 - Adult Membership – 16 years and older**
 - Youth Membership – 15 years and younger**
 - 1. January 1 shall be considered the beginning of the barrel racing season. A member's category shall be determined by their age as of January 1 and will carry through December 31 of that year.
 - 2. Date of Birth will be included on membership forms/release.
- E. **Membership Dues:**
 - Active Members \$25.00 per year
 - Non-Active \$10.00 per year

Article III- Officers

- A. The officers of this association shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Historians, Time-Only persons, and Internet Manager; all to be adult or non-active adult members nominated from the floor of a business meeting.
- B. Election of officers each year will take place prior to the last TBRA competition. A description of each office shall be read and discussed prior to the elections.
 - 1. **President**—The President shall preside at all meetings of TBRA and shall perform such duties as are necessary and incident to the proper administration of the affairs of the Association.
 - 2. **Vice President**—The Vice President shall serve as the assistant to the President in the administration of the affairs of the Association. The duties assigned to the vice president are to research and order all awards for the banquet.
 - 3. **Secretary**—The Secretary shall keep records of all points earned, send results to the local newspaper and take entries each night of TBRA competition.
 - 4. **Treasurer**—The Treasurer shall keep all records of business transactions of TBRA and prepare a financial statement each month to the officers. Two signatures are required on a check; the Treasurer's and two other officers will have the ability to

- be the second signature. The president will decide which 2 officers can sign. The treasurer will deposit monies received from each night of TBRA competition and prepare weekly payouts.
5. Historians—The Historians are 3 officers whose duties include taking pictures or assisting a photographer to capture images of the members and competition. The historians will create 2 photo albums, one for the president and one for TBRA that will be presented at the TBRA banquet.
 6. Time Only—The Time Only Officers are 2 officers whose duties include arriving at the arena early to set up. This includes locating the markers, setting the barrels or poles, and the electric eye, announcing time only runs and completing by 6:45. If markers are missing they will reset markers.
 7. Internet manager – manage website, post weekly results and points, and update news and calendar.
- C. Officers shall hold office for a period of one fiscal year. The fiscal year of the association shall be from the Awards Banquet to Awards Banquet.
 - D. Each elected president shall receive a trophy buckle from the Teton Barrel Racing Association.

Article IV- General Rules

- A. Voting: TBRA requires a 50% majority of adult members in voting for By Law Changes. The By Law changes will be voted on with a written ballot on the last night of TBRA every third year. If a member cannot be present to vote, ballots will be accepted for 30 days after the last night of TBRA. No rule changes will be made except between race seasons. The president will not vote on any matter except to break ties. Youth members will not vote on any matter except Youth Sportsmanship Award and the Most Improved Rider. Adult will vote for Adult Sportsmanship Award and the Most Improved Rider.
- B. There will be an Awards Banquet in the fall.
- C. By Laws will be submitted and voted on every three (3) years. In between the three years a special vote can be taken if 60% of the members sign a petition asking to vote on the issue.
- D. The race season will commence the first Tuesday in June through the last Tuesday of August with make-up meets held prior to the first Tuesday in September.
- E. Barrels shall be placed so as to preserve the quality of the arena. Time-Only runs will be run with the barrels off the markers. There will be a five second penalty for each barrel or pole tipped over.
- F. Any incident of mistreatment or unsportsmanlike behavior toward an animal or person that is reported to the officers will be addressed by officers and they will take appropriate action.

Article V- Entries

- A. COMPETITION WILL BEGIN AT 7:00 p.m. Entries must be paid at the time of entering, no later than 6:15p.m. the night of the meeting. Entries will open at 5:00p.m. If a participant is late, the president will use their discretion as to whether that person should still be able to race and use their points, if they earn any. If the president is not available, the next person in line of office will make the decision.
- B. In the event that a person scratches from any class, entry fees will not be refunded or carried over to another night.
- C. Members may enter as many horses as they wish in any class and/or in the Super Horse contest, provided they pay entry fees for each horse.
 1. To enter more than one horse and for that horse to accumulate points, a \$20.00 fee will be charged per additional horse.
 2. In the event of a horse's death or catastrophic injury, with a veterinary confirmation, the \$20.00 additional horse declaration may be waived at the discretion of vote by two-thirds of the officers. In the event of a horse's death or catastrophic injury as explained above, there shall be no transfer of points.

- D. Each entrant may have one competitive barrel run and one competitive pole run per meeting, per each horse they have entered.
- E. ENTRY FEES will be \$5.00 per event, per horse. \$3.00 of all entry fees will be retained by TBRA. The remainder will be split between first, second, and third places in each class on a 50-30-20 basis.
- F. Time-only tickets will be sold for \$5.00. Runs will be first come, first served during the time allotted for time onlies. Tickets will be collected at the gate at the beginning of each run. Time onlies will end at the time designated. No one will be able to run after the designated time. Contestants may only take two time-only runs consecutively per horse. If the person making a time-only run wishes to have the gate closed for them, the racer is responsible for lining up a person to close the gate for them prior to the beginning of their run. Time onlies MUST be completed by 6:45 p.m.
- G. At the time of entry, jobs will be delegated for that night. As part of membership in the club, each member must work one (1) weekly job during the season and if membership numbers dictate, working a second weekly job will be required.
- H. Racing positions will be drawn in each class at the time of entry. Horses will be run in order drawn or be disqualified. The name of the horse must be declared prior to the draw.
- I. VISITORS: Visitors may take a time-only run for \$5.00 or a competitive run for \$10.00. Visitors will not be eligible for prizes, points, or money.

Article VI- Points and Awards

- A. Points will be assigned as follows regardless of the number of competitors in each class:

1. First place	5 points
2. Second place	4 points
3. Third place	3 points
4. Fourth place	2 points
5. Fifth place	1 points

Participation points: One participation point will be awarded to each Peewee contestant even those placing 1st through 5th. No other classes will receive participation points.

- B. No year-end prizes will be awarded to any member who does not participate in one of the club's main fundraisers and weekly duties.
- C. Points will not be earned until membership dues are paid.
- D. Any horse can earn points in only one class. Points will be awarded upon the declaration of horse. EXCEPTION: if a rider has a season ending injury/illness, another paid member may declare that same horse for points. Points will not be transferred from the previous rider.
- E. At least once a month and twice in August, points in all classes will be posted.
- F. TIES: There will be no ties in Super Horse, Reserve Super Horse, First, Second, or Third place in any class. All of these ties will be run off the last night unless other circumstances dictate. This will be left to the discretion of the officers. Each run off participant must participate in the run off or forfeit their place.
- G. If a tie remains in the Super Horse Division the run off shall be as follows. The participants must compete in both barrels and poles and the individual with the lowest accumulative time for the two events will be your Super Horse winner.
- H. Trophy belt buckles will be given to the first place (high point) winners and there will also be second and third place prizes in each class: Senior Barrels (40 & over), Senior Poles (40 & over), Open Barrels, Open Poles, Junior Barrels, Junior Poles, Peewee Barrels, Peewee Poles, Novice Barrels, and Novice Poles. All buckles will be of the same quality.

Article VII- Classes

- A. Members must declare their class at the beginning of the season.
- B. Classes:

Open Barrels: Open to all

Open Poles: Open to all

Senior Barrels: anyone 40 years old and over.

Senior Poles: anyone 40 years old and over.

Junior Barrels: anyone 11-15 years old.

Junior Poles: anyone 11-15 years old.

Peewee Barrels: anyone 10 years old and younger.

Peewee Poles: anyone 10 years old and younger.

Novice Barrels: (See description in section C).

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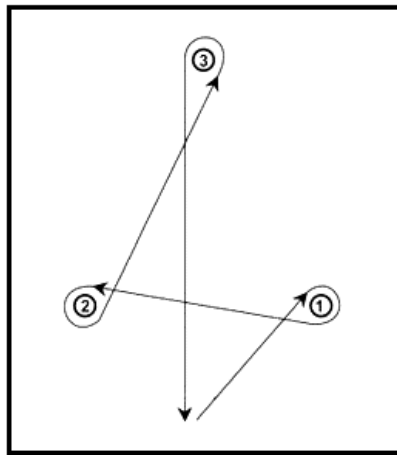
- C. NOVICE HORSE CLASS (life-time barrel or pole earnings). If the horse has won more than \$150.00 in life-time barrel earnings or \$75.00 in pole earnings as of January 1st of the current year, the horse may NOT be entered in NOVICE HORSE CLASS.
1. If a horse has run with year-end points in the first five places in any TBRA class for two years, they will be ineligible for the NOVICE_class.
 2. First, Second, and Third place horses from any TBRA class from any race season are not eligible for the Novice Class any season thereafter, regardless of money earned.
 3. If a conflict regarding a Novice Horse arises, and is brought to the attention of an officer, it may be brought to the adult members if necessary and the senior members will vote on the discrepancy. If the horse is voted to be ineligible as a novice horse, any accumulated points will be forfeited.
- D. SUPER HORSE: The Super Horse is to find the fastest horse in both barrels and poles. The Super Horse contest is open to adult members (16 and over).
1. \$50.00 will be paid extra to compete for the Super Horse saddle. No points will be awarded until entry money is paid. (Points will start from the date entries were paid for the Super Horse contest).
 2. Points will be awarded to the horse with the fastest times of each race meeting. Riders must run barrels and poles EVERY race meeting they attend or points will be forfeited for that night. If the fastest time of the meeting is a horse that is not entered in both barrels and poles or the Super Horse contest, the points for Super Horse will go to the next qualifying time.
 3. The Super Horse Award will be a saddle. TBRA will spend a maximum of \$1500.00 per year on the Super Horse winner. Included in this is any cost for posters or photos made for display at the banquet. The saddle must be stamped with "TBRA SUPER HORSE" and the year on the fender. The saddle may not be won more than once by the same horse.
 4. The Super Horse recipient is required to do a brief speech on their horse and history at the Awards Banquet.
 5. The Barb Dahl Memorial traveling trophy will be awarded for one year.

Article VIII

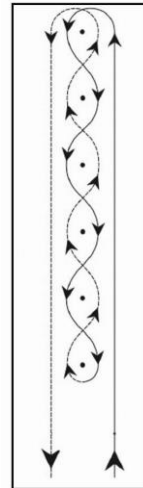
- A. Any grievance or complaint must be submitted in writing, within seven days of the incident, to the TBRA officers with a \$25.00 non-refundable fee attached. A decision will be ruled within seven days.
- B. All times will be determined by an electric eye. In the event that the time is not registered, the contestant will re-run at the end of event with a fresh drag or receive a no-time. The choice will be the contestant's.
- C. During a competitive run, if a timer malfunction occurs a re-run will be awarded. Any re-runs will carry over all penalties accumulated during the first run. A re-run will not be allowed if original run was not a qualified run. The re-run will not accumulate any additional penalties other than those earned during the first run. The rider must declare if he/she will

accept a re-run before the next horse runs. If he/she chooses not to re-run, he/she receives a no time. The announcer will not indicate any malfunctions during a run.

- D. Any participant that gallops before the alley way at the beginning of their run will forfeit their points and money for that run. **FOR YOUR SAFETY KEEP THE ALLEY CLEAR.**
- E. All classes will be rotated equally. Peewees will run first for each event.
- F. Arena will be dragged every 8 runs per event and between the barrel and pole events.
- G. Barrel pattern is described as either one left and two right hand turns or one right and two left hand turns around the barrels in a standard cloverleaf pattern. Deviation from the standard clover leaf pattern will be a disqualification.
- H. A pole pattern is described as forward motion to the end pole, turn, slalom back through 6 poles, turn, slalom, turn, and return through the eye.
- I. All competition runs will be with a closed gate.
- J. Restarting the eye after patterned run does not result in a no time.



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