

WESTERN HORSE SHOWS

June 3 & 4, July 8 & 9, August 26 & 27, September 23 & 24 Competitors are responsible for knowing all the rules of the competition.

<https://www.aqha.com/documents/82601/273287534/2023+AQHA+Rulebook.pdf/7c224d9c-a081-9d29-8ba1-049c0ab8dac2?t=1670866029818>

1. All competitors must be valid members of the Massey Agricultural Society. Memberships must be purchased in advance of competitions. See page
2. All competitors must be registered in advance of each competition and registration fees must be paid in advance. No registrations will be accepted the day of competitions. An ADULT must register those under 18 years of age.
3. All waivers must be signed before the rider is mounted. Waivers are required for all competitors, regardless of age.
4. Age Categories are Lead Line 11 years and under, Tenderfoot run in OVER specified time, Youth 11-17 years, Adult 18 and over.
5. Any competitor under the age of 19 is prohibited from showing a stallion in any class.
6. All riders under the age of 18 must wear a properly fitting ASTM approved helmet with harness and secure footwear with heel at all times when mounted in the ring as well as on the grounds. Any infraction could mean disqualification. This dress code will be strictly enforced. We strongly recommended that an approved helmet is worn by everyone.
7. It is a rider's responsibility to be prepared for all classes. Horses must be ready and available in the holding area or the competitor may be disqualified. Riders of horses who are difficult to get into the ring may take a pass and let the next competitor enter. They may take a maximum of three passes before being disqualified.
8. Riders will not enter the ring and begin their run until called by the announcer. Violation will be subject to disqualification of that run.
9. The Massey Agricultural Society reserves the right to postpone the show, limit entries, divide or combine classes, alter or govern all conditions and order of classes.
10. Events may be cancelled or combined at the discretion of the show committee if there are fewer than five entries per class.
11. There will be a refund in registration fees ONLY if the event in question has been cancelled.
12. Neither sponsors, nor the organizing committee, nor the Massey Agricultural Society will be held responsible for any damage, injury or loss to persons, property or horses of the exhibitors or the spectators.
13. All horses must have appropriate Western bit and tack.
14. Objections must be made in writing and delivered to the Massey Fair Office within 24 hours of the event in question. A Fee of \$50.00 is required with the written objection, and will be forfeited to the Massey Fair if the objection is not sustained.
15. Exhibition entries are allowed. Riders in exhibition entries may not enter the same horse in another class.
16. A contestant will be given a "no time/ penalty" for any of the following reasons:
 - a. Off pattern
 - b. Knocking over a barrel or pole completely, regardless if it stands back up in either end, touching the barrel permitted, without penalty. If the barrel or pole is knocked, 10 seconds will be added to your final time.

- c. If a rider falls off before crossing the starting timer; a rider who falls off a horse completely, before the starting line, regardless if the horse breaks the timer, a re-run will be offered at that moment in the same draw position or at the end of the class. If a barrel or timer is moved off its marker during competition, they must be reset prior to the next competitor's run to the proper markers. All contestants who competed on the incorrect pattern must re-run at the end of the class, or a no-time will be given.
17. Contestants may ride any horse, regardless of ownership, and may ride as many horses as they choose in a class. However, the Massey Agricultural Society has the discretion to disqualify for the horse's well-being. A horse may be ridden only one per class with the exception of lead line classes where a horse may be used for multiple riders.
 18. The draw shall be done in a random manner (computer, shuffling cards, drawing number chips, etc.) Riders with multiple entries must ride their draw in the position in which they draw up. Once set, the draw may not be changed, except to accommodate entries with the same horse or rider. The draw may not be changed to give preference to any rider or to accommodate another commitment of a particular rider such as work or another barrel race. All changes must be moved to the end of the draw.
 19. Rerun shall be granted if the timer fails to work properly, if the barrels/poles are not properly placed on their markers, or if the rider has completely fallen off before crossing the starting timer line.
 20. **Photographs**- The Massey Agricultural Society has the right to control the commercial use of photographs or other images from The Massey Agricultural Society events. A competitor will fill out a photo release form which provides consent for their images to be used for The Massey Agriculture Society promotional purposes across digital or print platforms. All commercial photographers must register as a vendor with the Massey Agricultural Society.
 21. Gate admission is required.
 22. Ribbons may be awarded to third place.
 23. Prize money will be sent to entrants by e-transfer on the Monday following an event.



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