

# **CBR Rules & Guidelines**



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## I: MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues will be \$50 annually. Your membership covers the purchased classes as you run them at races. Annual membership will run from August 1st until July 31st. Points will count from the day you purchase your membership and are NOT retro-active. Membership for each additional horse shall be \$25 annually.

Dues must be paid before points will count toward standings. Membership forms will be available at all CBR races.

Upon paying membership fees, members will receive a CBR number. This membership number **must** accompany all entry forms and correspondence. Your membership number can be found in your profile on CanadianBarrelRacing.com (click the 'myCBR' button).

CBR retains the right to refuse membership. CBR may refuse membership to any person without just cause or reason, and shall have the power and authority to fine or suspend, or both, any member and cancel the membership of any member.

Any member may withdraw from CBR upon written notice to that effect. MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NON REFUNDABLE AND/OR NON TRANSFERABLE.

Any attempt by a member to sue or publicly defame the association, its Board of Directors and/or general membership will result in immediate termination of membership.

## II: SANCTIONING & CO-SANCTIONING RACES

Visit CanadianBarrelRacing.com to obtain a producer's information. To Sanction or Co-Sanction a race, producers must fill out and return to the CBR office a completed race sanction form a minimum of 30 days prior to the event, OR request and obtain producer status on CanadianBarrelRacing.com AND fill out the race creation from a minimum of 7 days prior to the event.

CBR management must approve all co-sanctioning. Co-sanctioned events will be governed by the prime sanction rules. At all races that CBR is the **prime sanction**, the producer will remit \$3 per run for every run (we suggest this money come out of the producer hold back from the entry fee). **At all races that CBR is the secondary approval, CBR members must pay an additional \$3 per run, per horse for points.** Conflicts will be resolved by CBR management.

CBR reserves the right to deny sanctioning to any individual or organization if it is determined not to be in the best interest of the CBR or its members, or at the reasonable discretion of management.

## III: RACE PRODUCERS INSURANCE

All race producers **must** have sufficient insurance. Contact CBR management if you need to obtain insurance as a race producer. Proof of insurance may be required.

## IV: SCHEDULING RACE DATES

Geographical protection up to 300 km will be offered to producers producing races that have \$1,000.00 added per race, and 150 km to producers producing races that have \$500 added per race. If there are scheduling conflicts producers are encouraged to work together to coordinate race schedules and times.



Protected races must have their sanction forms in the **CBR** office and approved no less than 45 days prior to their event. If a race qualifies for protection all races booked after the protected race has been sanctioned must be 300 km (\$1,000 added) or 150 km (\$500 added) or greater away from the protected race date. Resolution for races that are being booked and create schedule conflicts will be left up to **CBR** management. Sanctioning may be denied.

## V: CANCELLATION OF RACES

If a race date must be cancelled, call the **CBR** office immediately, and send or fax in writing the reason for cancellation. Cancellations may be assessed a \$100.00 fine at the discretion of the **CBR** management. **All** collected fees **must** be refunded immediately and every effort must be made to notify contestants that the race has been cancelled.

## VI: RACE CATEGORIES

- Open: Any rider  
Novice: Rider or horse under \$500 winnings as of race entry date.  
Senior: 50 years of age or older as of January 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Youth: 15 years of age or less as of January 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Pee Wee: 10 years of age or less as of January 1<sup>st</sup> and have not competed in any other class that race. All peewees **MUST** wear a helmet  
Pole Bending: Any rider  
Futurity Incentive: Open to horses that qualify under the CBR Futurity Incentive Rules.

A contestant may opt to roll their time from an open race to the novice, senior, youth, or futurity incentive race only. It is the responsibility of the contestant to notify the office their intention to roll their time from the open to novice, youth, or senior classes prior to the start of the open. If contestant fails to notify office **prior** to start of the open race the contestant must then compete in the novice, youth, senior, or futurity incentive class that she/he has entered or forfeit their fees.

## VII: ENTRY FEES

### *Suggested entry fees*

<u>Added Money</u>	<u>Entry Fees</u>
\$100-\$250	\$25 - \$40
\$250-\$500	\$35 - \$50
\$500-\$750	\$45 - \$60
\$750-\$1000	\$55 - \$70
\$1000 & up	\$70+

- Futurity Incentive – no more than \$30 (unless added money warrants)  
Novice- no more than \$30 (unless added money warrants)  
Youth- no more than \$30 (unless added money warrants)  
Senior- no more than \$30 (unless added money warrants)  
Pole Bending – no more then \$25 (unless added money warrants)

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**Pee Wee Class:** Entry fees should be no more than \$15 per entrant. CBR suggests that all entrants receive a participation award, i.e., ribbon, button, etc. Pee Wee entrants have the option of being led through the course by one adult on foot.

Producer has the right to refuse entry to any person without just cause or reason.

## VIII: ADDED MONEY

All double header races must have a minimum of \$100 added money in one of the races in the Open class to be approved. 100% of advertised added money must be put into the pot. The amount of added money and awards must be listed separately on all advertising.

## IX: POINTS

A point program will be in place for all CBR sanctioned races. The season begins Aug. 1 and ends Jul. 31. Awards will be distributed at the CBR Finals. No points will be awarded at the CBR Finals.

### **Points will be awarded as follows:**

Participation points per race (must compete): 50 points

Points will be awarded on a dollar won basis. (One dollar equals one point, with cents dropped.)

Rider entering more than one horse in any point qualifying race category will get points on the horse that earned the most money in the race. If an additional membership fee has been paid on a second horse, the horse with the next highest money earned will go toward the second membership. It does not matter which horse a member rides, the points are awarded to the rider, not the horse. CBR will keep track of all points and update the web page results and point standings. In order for a race to count for points, there must be a minimum of 8 riders in the Open class, otherwise the race will only count as a qualifier. You are responsible to verify that you have the correct amount of points. Should it be determined that your points are incorrect, you must immediately email [megan@CanadianBarrelRacing.com](mailto:megan@CanadianBarrelRacing.com) with as much detail concerning the error or omission as possible.

Year End High Point Awards will be given through 10 places or 8%, whichever is less.

## X: FINALS

To qualify to race in the CBR Finals you must be a member of CBR and compete in the number of races (see below) required for the class in which you wish to compete:

- Open Division: 6 races
- Senior Division: 4 races
- Youth Division: 4 races
- Peewee Division: Membership Only Required
- Pole Bending Division: Membership Only Required

Example: You must run in six (6) open CBR qualifier races, per horse, to compete in the open; must run in four (4) senior CBR qualifier races to compete in the seniors; and must run in four (4) youth CBR qualifier races to compete in the youth. For each additional horse one wants to ride in the finals, one must pay an



additional membership fee of \$30.00. (Example: 24 runs will qualify you to run four (4) horses if you have 4 memberships.)

CBR membership will be required to run in the Novice class at the Finals.

At the discretion of CBR Management, non-members may be allowed to run for money only at the finals if they pay a non-member fee to be determined by CBR Management.

Anyone may purchase 1 or more **Finals Qualifier's** that will allow them to run 1 horse in 1 class, for each qualifier purchased, at the finals for money as if they attended their required number of races. Fee to be determined by CBR Management.

For additional Finals Information, please visit the finals page on [www.CanadianBarrelRacing.com](http://www.CanadianBarrelRacing.com)

## XI: ALTERNATE FORMAT RACES

Occasionally races are co-sanctioned that do not comply with CBR age ranges or division format options. They will be handled as follows:

1. Age Ranges
  - a. If a rider qualifies for an age category in the CBR, but does not for the Sanctioning body, the rider may pay a co-sanction fee for that age category and have 1 qualifying run count for that age category. No points will be awarded.
2. Format Discrepancies
  - a. If the format of a race does not conform to CBR format options, the producer will simulate a payout based on an appropriate CBR Format Option.
    - i. Race Simulation
      1. All times from the actual race must be used
      2. Identical prize purse from actual race must be used
      3. See section **XIII CBR FORMAT OPTIONS** for correct option to use
      4. Payout will be simulated using CBR payout tables and division splits.

## XII: OFFICE CHARGES

Producers can retain no more than 30% of entry fees which includes \$2.00 run fee. If a producer withholds less than 30% the percentage withheld must be consistent throughout all classes during the event, and the percentage withheld must be posted at the race or advertised. If a contestant is entering more than one horse, only one late fee may be charged.

## XIII: CBR FORMAT OPTIONS

Race producers have the choice of using Option 1 (standard CBR breakdown), Option ½ (½ second splits) or Option 5D (½ second splits). Producers **must specify an option** on their CBR sanction form, contestant entry forms and all advertising pertaining to said race.

It is suggested that any course with the measurement of less than 75 feet between barrel one and barrel two strongly consider Option ½.

- Option 1:**
- 1<sup>st</sup> Division- Fastest Time
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus .5 second

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3<sup>rd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 1 second  
4<sup>th</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 2 seconds

**Option 1/2:** 1<sup>st</sup> Division- Fastest Time  
2<sup>nd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus .5 second  
3<sup>rd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 1 second  
4<sup>th</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 1.5 seconds

**Option 5D:** 1<sup>st</sup> Division- Fastest Time  
2<sup>nd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus .5 second  
3<sup>rd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 1 second  
4<sup>th</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 1.5 seconds  
5<sup>th</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 2 seconds

**Option 7/10:** 1<sup>st</sup> Division- Fastest Time  
2<sup>nd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus .7 seconds  
3<sup>rd</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 1.4 seconds  
4<sup>th</sup> Division- Fastest Time plus 2.1 seconds

## **XIV: CBR LOGO**

The CBR logo must be prominently displayed in all advertising and contestant entry forms used to promote a CBR sanctioned race or co-sanctioned race.

## **XV: DIVISION PAYOUT PERCENTAGES**

### **4D Percentage Payouts**

Division 1- 30%  
Division 2- 27%  
Division 3- 23%  
Division 4- 20%

### **5D Percentage Payouts**

Division 1- 26%  
Division 2- 23%  
Division 3- 20%  
Division 4- 17%  
Division 5- 14%

These percentages must include any added monies.

## **XVI: PAYOUT**

If times breakdown where one division has no riders in it, then the payout must be: 40%, 35%, 25%

If times breakdown where two divisions have no riders, then the payout must be: 60%, 40%

If times breakdown where three divisions have no riders, then the payout must be: 100%

The last spot on the payout of the 4<sup>th</sup> Division should pay back no less than the amount of the entry fee. If less than 10 riders are entered in race, payout can be less than the entry fee. Maximum number of places paid must be used when figuring the payout.

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If times breakdown where there are fewer contestants in one division than payout spots, use the highest applicable 'paid places' row.

## EXAMPLE:

If your race is paying to 5 places, but there are only 4 people in the 2D, use the percentages from the 4<sup>th</sup> 'paid places' row on *Schedule A*.

Please see *Schedule A* (Last Page) for payout percentages

## XVII: PAYOUT CORRECTIONS

It is the event producer's responsibility to do the payout correctly. If the payout is determined to be inaccurate the race producer is liable to make the appropriate corrections in a timely manner. Contestant who fails to pay back an overpayment due to miscalculation will be suspended 30 days following written notice from the producer until monies are paid back in full. CBR will award points according to the advertised payout and is not responsible from making monetary adjustments; this responsibility lies with the producer.

Producers who do not make an effort to correct the payout may be fined up to \$100 at the discretion of CBR Management

## XVIII: LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

All persons who participate in any race must sign a disclaimer of liability AND equipment waiver whether or not they are a member of Canadian Barrel Racing. This is for insurance purposes.

## XIX: RACE RESULTS

- Results must be emailed within 24 hours following your event to [megan@canadianbarrelracing.com](mailto:megan@canadianbarrelracing.com) OR producers may upload their results if they have producer status on the CBR website within 24 hours.
- Hard copy results to be mailed and postmarked within 3 days of event end date.
  - Results must include:
    - First & Last Name of all contestants
    - Horse name
    - Time run
    - Any money awarded
    - If CBR co-sanctioning was purchased for that run
  - Results must be typed or clearly printed.
- Run fee of \$3.00 per run. Run fees will be paid for all contestants including no times (down barrels, off course, etc.)
- Any CBR membership collected.
- Average results (if applicable)
- Mail to CBR, 42169 Sinclair Rd., Chilliwack, BC V2R 4N8.

If complete race results, including average, are not postmarked within 1 week of race date, arena operator may be fined **\$25 for each day past due**. This information is vital to the timely posting of results and point standings.





## **XX: RETURNED CHEQUES**

Failure of any member or non-member to make good on a returned check to CBR or a CBR sanctioned event may result in the suspension of a member's privilege to compete in any CBR sanctioned event. This member or non-member's name will appear on an ineligible list published on the website. Once producers have exhausted all efforts to collect on a returned check they are asked to call the CBR office, 1-604-997-0262, so that appropriate measures can be taken. There will be a \$25 charge for all NSF cheques.

## **XXI: HUMANE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS**

Any contestant who abuses an animal by any unnecessary non-competitive or competitive action (anywhere on event grounds) may result in disqualification at the producer's discretion and/or suspension by the CBR management.

## **XXII: TRADES OR DRAW POSITIONS**

All horses/riders will run in their drawn positions. If a contestant is unable to run in her/his drawn position due to unforeseen circumstances the producer, at their discretion, may allow the contestant to run at the end of the race. Trades are allowed on a position for position basis. The show management at the producer's discretion must approve trades amongst riders.

**VET OUT/MEDICAL OUT/TURNOUTS SPOTS ONLY:** Show management may at the producer's discretion fill holes in the draw with late entries at individual rider's request. Holes in the draw must be filled lowest available number first. If show management/producer allows, riders drawn later in the draw may trade-up to a vet out/medical out/turnout spot if the available number is the same position or lower in the rake. (Example: Rider 92 may trade up to an earlier number if the open spot is second out or lower in the rake).

The draw shall be done in a random manner. Under no circumstances shall a contestant pick their own draw position. The exception to this rule is to separate riders running more than one horse. Show management has discretion in this manner.

Contestants riding two or more horses must ride in the order drawn. Contestants must enter using horses' registered name whenever possible

## **XXIII: POLE BENDING**

The six (6) poles, which are 6' tall, shall be 21' apart and 21' from the timing line to the first pole. The end pole must also be at least 21' from the arena fence. The pattern may be run left or right. Rider may touch pole to keep it from going down. If a pole knocked over, a five (5) second penalty will be applied for each downed pole. If a contestant goes off course, or stops forward momentum, a 'no time' will be given.

### **Points**

Points will be awarded for any sanctioned Pole Bending race in the same manner as barrel points. There will be year-end high point awards to 10 places or 8%, whichever is less.



## XXIV: COMPETITION RULES

The barrel pattern at a **CBR** sanctioned event must meet the following conditions:

1. A minimum of 15 feet between barrels one and two and the side fence.
2. A minimum of 30 feet between the third barrel and the back fence.
3. A minimum of 30 feet between the time line (electric eye) and the first barrel.
4. Stopping distance can be no less than 45 feet (from electric eye to fence).

Standard course dimension: 90 feet by 105 feet with a 60 foot starting line. If a standard course cannot be marked, then the distance between the second and the third barrel will not be more than the distance between the first and second barrel plus 20 feet. (Example: 70 feet between the first and 2<sup>nd</sup> barrel, and no more than 90 feet from the second to the third barrel).

The barrel must be marked with a tape measure. No automatic measuring devices will be used.

Once the race begins there will be no altering of gates, barrels, electric eye or markers. The course must remain consistent from the first rider to the last.

Barrels used must be 55 gallon metal barrels with top and bottom intact (not open ended). If metal barrels are not available, 55 gallon plastic barrels may be used adding four (4") inches of water or ten (10) pounds of dry sand to each plastic barrel.

### Ground

The ground around the barrels must be reworked and leveled, using a mechanical groomer pulled by a motorized vehicle, after every five (5) or fewer contestants have competed. Hand raking alone is not acceptable. At the discretion of the race producer, you may 'run-through' into the next class. This means if your last drag of the open class has only 2 riders in it, your next class can run the first 3 riders before a drag must be done. Under no circumstances may more than 5 riders run between drags.

Ground moisture should be regularly tested and water added if needed. Good and safe ground condition must be a priority at each and every race.

A "**no time**" will be given for:

1. Going off course (not completing a cloverleaf pattern)
2. Not running in drawn position
3. Knocking over a barrel (if barrel is knocked over and it sets up again on either end a "no time" will be assessed). Touching a barrel to keep it from falling is permitted.

Contestants may ride any horse or as many horses as they choose in a class. A rider cannot ride the same horse more than once in any class. In no case will the same horse be run more than twice in the same class.

### Reruns

Should a producer deem a rerun is in order due to mechanical errors or unforeseen circumstances, the contestant will be given the option of running at the end of their rake or at the end of the race class. This option will be granted to all contestants given a rerun.

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If a “no time” penalty occurs before interference, the “no time” will stand.

## **Dress Code**

Dress code (long sleeve shirts, hat, boots, etc.) is left to the discretion of the producer. If enforcing a dress code it must be advertised.



## APENDIX A: PAYOUT TABLE

Places  
Paid

1	100.00%																	
2	60.00%	40.00%																
3	40.00%	35.00%	25.00%															
4	37.00%	28.00%	20.00%	15.00%														
5	30.00%	25.00%	20.00%	15.00%	10.00%													
6	27.00%	23.00%	18.00%	14.00%	10.00%	8.00%												
7	25.00%	21.00%	18.00%	14.00%	10.00%	7.00%	5.00%											
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10	20.00%	18.00%	15.00%	12.00%	9.50%	7.50%	6.00%	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%								
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14	18.50%	16.75%	13.75%	10.75%	8.05%	6.25%	5.00%	4.50%	3.50%	3.25%	2.75%	2.50%	2.30%	2.15%				