

S.B.R.A.

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Rulebook

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FOREWORD

It is to be understood that the act of joining the SBRA involves not only the privileges offered by the Association, but also certain responsibilities. The SBRA is a self-run organization and can only be as strong as the support of its members.

The SBRA must try to serve some of the needs of many, and in doing so cannot fulfill the needs of any one person. If a member does have a suggestion or legitimate complaint, they must take this to a member of the Board of Directors and let it be discussed at a board meeting.

Members must also take extra care to get along with and show appreciation to the sponsors of SBRA jackpots. They must also be willing to cooperate with and assist the Directors in the proper administration of the jackpots.

Remember, once you have joined the SBRA it becomes your Association, and the success or failure of it partially depends on you.

OFFICIAL RULEBOOK of the SOUTHWEST BARREL RACING ASSOCIATION

NAME

This organization shall be known as the Southwest Barrel Racing Association, herein referred to as SBRA.

PURPOSE

The purpose of our association is to give members and their horses the chance to develop skills in barrel racing and pole bending, as well as promote fun, fellowship, and fairness among the contestants.

COLORS AND EMBLEM

The colors of the SBRA are orange and brown. The emblem consists of the diagonal letters SBRA beside a barrel, encircled by the name Southwest Barrel Racing Association.

MEMBERSHIP

SBRA membership is open to anyone

Open: \$30.00

Youth: \$17.50

-Youth membership is open to members age 8-14, determined as of October 1st. Youth members can pay Open membership if they choose to run in the Open 4D. They are allowed to run a horse in the Youth division and a different horse in the Open 4D if so desired. They will pay both an Open and a Youth membership. The youth must declare which horse will be run in the Youth and which horse will be run in the Open 4D.

Family: \$30.00 plus \$10 for each additional member.

-Family membership will consist of three (3) or more members up to age 21.

Pee Wee: No dues.

-Pee Wee class is open to individuals 7 years or younger, determined as of October 1st. Pee Wees can pay a Youth membership and run in the Youth class if so desired.

Non-Members: \$5

-Exceptions: When only making an exhibition run, non-members are not charged a fee.
-The Non-Member fee shall be waived for BBR/SBRA co-sanctioned jackpots.

Newsletter Only: \$10 per year if mailed.

MEETINGS

The General Meeting will be held before the first jackpot of each year. Petitions for rule changes must be published in the newsletter one month before the general meeting. Amendments to submitted petitions will be allowed in the case of similar rule changes for the betterment of the association. Open membership dues must be paid to vote.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

A meeting to elect officers and directors will be held each year at the finals. The officers and directors will be elected by a majority vote of the members present. Officers and directors must have been a member for at least one year, and be at least 18 years of age. In case of a vacancy of officer or director, the Board will appoint a replacement.

OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The Officers of the SBRA will consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Points Keeper.

The **President** shall preside at all meetings and shall perform such other duties that are necessary for the proper administration of the affairs of the Association.

The **Vice-President** shall serve as assistant to the President and shall act in her/his place at any meetings from which she/he is absent.

The **Secretary** shall keep a complete list of the membership. They are responsible for publishing a monthly newsletter. They will also keep minutes of all the meetings and report to the Board on their office upon demand. The Secretary will train the incoming Secretary when a new person is elected.

The **Treasurer** shall be in charge of the checking account, paying for awards, arena rents, and any other expense. They will be in charge of collecting sponsor money and necessary paperwork, including youth money at the designated jackpots. They will produce a financial report for the monthly newsletter.

The **Points Keeper** shall keep an accurate account of the point standings in the SBRA and a current list of members and addresses.

Secretary, Treasurer, and Points Keeper will each receive \$200 salary (\$100 every six months in February and August), plus phone cards. If possible, approximately \$500 will be left in the account to start the new season.

DIRECTORS AND DUTIES

The Directors of the SBRA will consist of two (2) Barrel Directors, two (2) Pole Directors, and one (1) or two (2) Awards Directors. One (1) or two (2) non-voting Youth Directors will also be elected.

Barrel Directors and **Pole Directors** will be responsible for the proper administration of each jackpot, and shall work with the sponsors and membership to obtain this goal. Barrel Directors and Pole Directors shall have the authority to make all decisions concerning their event.

The **Awards Director** will be responsible for the purchase of the saddles, and will determine and purchase all other awards after considering the amount of funds available.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND DUTIES

The **Board of Directors** will be made up of the officers and directors. They will have legislative powers of the association, and they shall see that the By Laws, rules, and regulations of the Association are enforced. They shall have supervision over business and affairs of the Association.

The Board of Directors will meet periodically. The President may call for a Board meeting upon the request of another member if she/he deems it necessary. When issues are brought to the attention of any Board member, all Board members shall be informed and what if any action was taken. If it is a serious issue, such as disciplinary action, the Board shall hold a meeting and vote on what action shall be taken.

RULEBOOK AND RULEBOOK COMMITTEE

A **Rulebook Committee** shall be formed to edit and print new rulebooks. The rulebook must be published no later than thirty (30) business days following the rule change meeting. Rule changes from the General Meeting must be put in the rulebook. Each member is responsible to pick up the new rulebook, which will be located in the SBRA Sponsor Box. The rulebook will also be made available on the SBRA website. All rule changes during the year must be brought before the membership at any jackpot and published in the newsletter that the rule change needs to be voted upon. For rules not covered in the SBRA Rulebook, consult the AQHA Rulebook.

NEWSLETTER AND ADVERTISING

The newsletter will be published monthly. The newsletter will include a listing of all jackpots scheduled, results from all jackpots, an updated list of standings, and the Treasurer's Report. New rules must be published in the next newsletter. Members have the option of receiving a paper version or electronic version of the newsletter.

SBRA members can place advertisements in the monthly newsletter and/or website at no charge. Non-members and businesses can place advertisements in the monthly newsletter and/or website at a charge of \$25 per month. The advertising fees will be split between the SBRA and the Secretary; \$15 will go to the SBRA, and \$10 will go to the Secretary.

MEMBER CONDUCT

Members shall conduct themselves in a respectable manner at all times and shall work for the good of the majority of the SBRA. No member shall excessively abuse their horse or use foul language. Any disputes will be settled by the board members at that event. All members will dress neatly, preferably in western attire. No tennis shoes or shorts allowed.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

A blacklist will be used to provide the disciplinary action needed for the enforcement of the SBRA rules. While on the blacklist, members will be ineligible to compete in SBRA jackpots or to receive any benefits of the Association or to join again in future years. Any member giving a bad check for entry fees will forfeit all points won at that particular jackpot, and all those thereafter until their check has cleared or been made good. They will also pay cash only at future jackpots. Members will also be disciplined for not turning in the paperwork and money from their jackpot within ten (10) days, as stated in the SBRA Rulebook.

FISCAL YEAR

The SBRA year shall be from October 1st thru September 30th.

AWARDS AND AWARD SYSTEM

The awards banquet will be held in October, preferably after a Board of Directors jackpot. The banquet must be within a sixty (60) mile radius of Garden City, KS. It will be hosted by the Board of Directors.

To be eligible for prizes, each member, Open 4D and Youth, must help sponsor two (2) jackpots. The sponsor portion of the Youth members shall be turned in to the Treasurer and go to the Youth Award Fund. You must be present at the finals to receive your awards. If you cannot attend the finals, you must show just cause by notification to the Board of Directors and they will determine eligibility. If not just cause, the award will go to the next in line. Ties will be broken by the most placings in said division. If this is also a tie, the prize will go to the most first (1st) place finishes throughout the year, then the most second (2nd) place, etc.

There may be a money making project during the year if funds are not sufficient to purchase our awards.

To help the Awards Director estimate available funds, the Board of Directors will meet around June 1st to determine whether there are funds enough for saddles/certificates or if other nice awards will be given instead.

Open 4D: An individual can win multiple saddles if on a different horse. Gift certificates for trophy saddles can be awarded if Awards Director chooses, so long as SBRA, "D," and year are stamped on trophy saddle. Upon proof of order stating the saddle will be stamped, a check will be sent directly to the saddle maker.

Youth: A saddle will be given to the high point horse/rider combination, provided the Youth Award Fund has enough to pay for half the cost of the saddle. The SBRA will provide funds for the balance. Points will be in barrels, poles, or both. Youth members can receive awards on multiple horses.

Rookie Horse: All money earned in the Rookie Horse class will go to Rookie Horse awards.

Sportsmanship: The recipient of the Sportsmanship award will be voted on by secret ballot at the Awards Banquet.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS JACKPOT

The Board of Directors Jackpot will be used as a fundraising event. It will be put on by the board and all monies collected will go to the SBRA. Anyone can compete at a Board of Directors Jackpot. The nonmember fee will be waived.

SCHEDULING JACKPOTS

SBRA jackpots must be held within a 150 mile radius of Garden City, KS. Up to eight (8) jackpots can be scheduled per month. Jackpots must be scheduled by the 15th of the month preceding the jackpot. Jackpots are scheduled first come, first served. A sponsor or family membership can only schedule two (2) jackpots per month, unless there are not eight (8) jackpots scheduled by the 15th, then it is possible to schedule more than two (2). If there aren't eight (8) jackpots scheduled and the monthly newsletter has been mailed, more jackpots can be scheduled if all members are notified via the method their receive their newsletter, either by post card or email, two (2) weeks prior to the jackpot, at the sponsor's expense.

In case of a cancellation, it is possible to reschedule and have more than eight (8) jackpots in one month. However, after September 1st any cancelled jackpots cannot be rescheduled.

During the months of June to August, there may be one weeknight jackpot scheduled per week, and there can be double-header jackpots.

There can be up to five (5) sponsors per jackpot. Sponsors must send results and money to the Secretary within ten (10) days of the jackpot, including Youth Award Funds if applicable. The Secretary will then forward the Treasurer and the Points Keeper applicable documents for checks and balances of money, paperwork, and points acquired at said jackpot. SBRA and sponsors will each receive \$2 per entry, except Pee Wees.

The SBRA will pay rent required to use arenas, up to \$75.

Participants, by entry, waive all claims against management or SBRA. Sponsors assume no liability for injury, damage, or death to persons, property, or animals. It is your responsibility to Call Before You Haul.

CO-SANCTIONING

Jackpots may be co-sanctioned with other associations. At double-header events, times may be rolled over from the first jackpot to the second jackpot. Timers, barrels, and poles must remain on the same stakes for both races. The rider must declare prior to the first jackpot that they want to roll their time over to the second jackpot. Entrant is responsible for paying all fees associated with each jackpot.

When both jackpots at a double-header event are hosted by the SBRA, the entrant can only roll their time over in the same class that they have entered. If the first jackpot is co-sanctioned with another organization, such as BBR or NBHA, the entrant may roll their open time into whichever class they would like for the SBRA jackpot (ie. Open, Rookie, Junior). If a No Time is received in the first jackpot, the entry will also receive a No Time in the second jackpot, unless the time is rolled over to the Rookie Class where a knocked barrel would incur a five (5) second penalty.

When co-sanctioning a double-header jackpot with another organization, half of all the exhibition money will go to the SBRA. Exhibition money from exhibitions prior to and immediately following the SBRA go to the SBRA.

TIMER RENT

The SBRA timer can be used outside of a regular scheduled SBRA jackpot. Timer rent of \$1 per run will be collected or paid. Timer rent will only be paid by the Association if the timer is broken or for a good reason as designated by the Board of Directors.

ENTRIES

Entries will close when the first horse runs in each class.

ARENA FUND

Each individual, including non-members and exhibition-only entries, will be charged \$2 per jackpot to help pay for arena rent. Pee Wee entries are excluded from paying the arena fee.

POINTS

Points will be counted on paid members in good standing only. Points will be kept on horse/rider combination in each division. Points will run on the Fiscal Year.

Points will be awarded as follows:

1 st - 6 points	4 th - 3 points
2 nd - 5 points	5 th - 2 points
3 rd - 4 points	6 th - 1 point

COMPETITION RULES

Open 4D: There will be a No Time given for a knocked over barrel or broken pattern. Each contestant will draw for their running position. Once set, the draw cannot be changed, except to redraw if a contestant with more than one (1) entry has drawn too close together to run the jackpot without delay. The contestant may then redraw within reason. The 4D class will be paid on ½ second splits.

Youth 3D: Rules will be the same as the Open 4D, except the Youth 3D will be paid on 1 second splits. Youth can ride more than one (1) horse; however points will be kept on the horse/rider combination.

Rookie Class: Rookie horse must be in their first year of competition in the SBRA. The horse can only compete in the Rookie class; once the Rookie horse enters the Open 4D it is no longer eligible for the Rookie Class. A knocked barrel in the Rookie Class is a five (5) second penalty. There will be a No Time given for a broken pattern.

Open 2D Poles: A knocked over pole or broken pattern is a No Time. Open 2D Poles will be paid on 1 second splits. There shall be pole bending at each jackpot if there are entries, unless it is too windy.

Youth 2D Poles: Rules will be the same as the Open 2D Poles. Youth can ride more than one (1) horse; however points will be kept on the horse/rider combination.

Exhibitions: Exhibitions are limited to 60 seconds. Any exhibition exceeding the 60-second time limit will be charged for another exhibition.

The barrel and pole pattern shall be raked equally and fairly.

If there are no qualified times in an event, entry money will be returned less SBRA and Sponsor fees.

In the Open 4D, Youth 3D Barrels and Poles, and Open 2D Poles, if there are no qualified times in a division, money will be split equally between the other qualified divisions. If there are not enough qualifiers in a D to fill the payout, the remaining money will be split equally among that D.

ORDER OF EVENTS

First Exhibition - \$4
Pee Wee Barrels - \$3
Youth 3D Barrels - \$10
Open 4D Barrels - \$20
Rookie Horse - \$9
Second Exhibition - \$4
Pole Bending Exhibition - \$4
Pee Wee Poles - \$3
Youth 2D Pole Bending - \$10
Open 2D Pole Bending - \$12
Pee Wee Poles - \$3

At double-header jackpots, the sponsors can elect to run poles prior to barrels in the second jackpot.

PAYOUT SCHEDULE

OPEN 4D PAYOUT

\$2 To SBRA, \$2 To Sponsor
\$16 To Payout
1D – 40%
2D – 30%
3D – 20%
4D – 10%

Refer to SBRA Payout Sheets

YOUTH 3D PAYOUT

\$2 To SBRA, \$2 To Sponsor
\$6 To Payout
1D – 50%
2D – 30%
3D – 20%

Refer to SBRA Payout Sheets

PEE WEE BARREL and POLE PAYOUT

\$1 To SBRA
\$2 Paid to Each Contestant

ROOKIE HORSE PAYOUT

\$2 To SBRA, \$2 To Sponsor
\$5 To Payout
1-3 Entries – 100%
4-6 Entries – 60-40%
7-11 Entries – 50-30-20%
12-20 Entries – 40-30-20-10%
21-30 Entries – 29-24-19-14-9-5%
Refer to SBRA Payout Sheets

OPEN 2D POLE BENDING PAYOFF

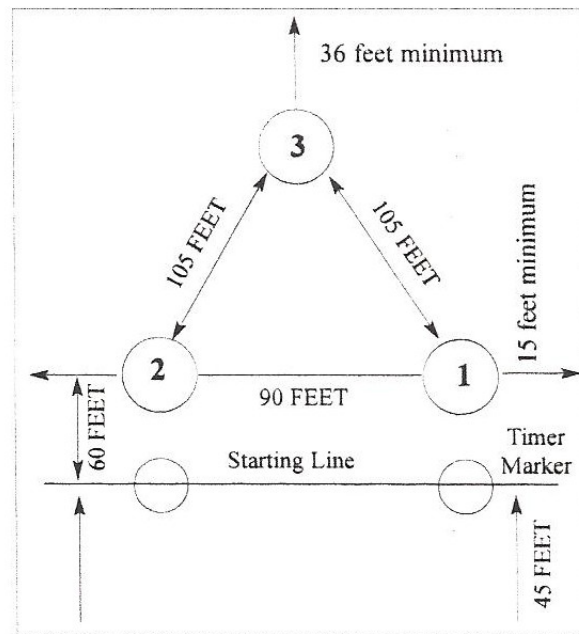
\$2 To SBRA, \$2 To Sponsor
\$8 To Payout
1D – 60%
2D – 40%
Refer To SBRA Payout Sheets

YOUTH 2D POLE BENDING PAYOUT

\$2 To SBRA, \$2 To Sponsor
\$6 To Payout
1D – 60%
2D – 40%
Refer to SBRA Payout Sheets

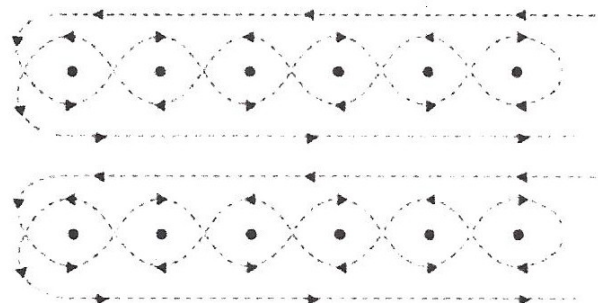
STANDARD BARREL RACING PATTERN

Barrel racing will consist of three (3) barrels set in a cloverleaf pattern. Loss of forward motion in barrel racing will result in a No Time.



POLE BENDING PATTERN

Pole bending will consist of six (6) poles to be set 21 feet apart and 21 feet from the starting line. Loss of forward motion will result in a No Time in the pole bending.



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