



NEW YORK REINED COW HORSE ASSOCIATION

GREEN PROGRAM RULES

Effective January 1, 2009

AQHA western equipment acceptable. There will be no age limitation on the use of a snaffle bit in the Green as Green and Green Rider I classes.

Dress code requires boots, hat, long sleeved shirt, western jeans, and NYS 14 and under helmets required. Chaps are optional.

Once the rider or horse graduates out of his/her current division (class), the rider or horse is no longer eligible to compete in a lower division. (IE. A rider graduates out of GR11, that rider is not longer eligible for GR1).

GREEN RIDER SECTION:

Points are not cumulative between classes. Once 100 points (based on class placing) are reached, the rider is not eligible to compete in that class any longer. If the rider points out in the middle of the year, they are still eligible to compete in that division for the remainder of the year.

GREEN AS GREEN (up to 100 points)

The rider and horse must not have any reining or cow horse points from the NRCHA, NRHA, AQHA or any other breed association. This is an entry level class, designed for the rider and horse that do not have any showing or competition experience. This includes competing at any sanctioned cattle event (such as roping, team penning, cutting, steer wrestling, etc.)

Reined work the same as NRCHA classes, except:

- ★ Rider may use two hands or one hand.
- ★ Rider who chooses to ride one-handed may go to two hands. However, rider must return to using one hand.
- ★ Rider may break down to a trot for a lead change with no penalty.
- ★ Rider does one or one and a half spins instead of the number specified in the pattern.

Cow work (boxing only) same as NRCHA limited non-pro class, except:

- ★ If the rider loses the cow two or more times, the 3 point penalty will continue to apply instead of the contestant receiving a no score.

GREEN RIDER I (up to 100 points)

Rider must meet NRCHA Non-Pro requirements and not have any cow horse points from the NRCHA, AQHA or any other breed association.

Reined work the same as NRCHA classes, except:

- ★ Rider may use two hands or one hand.
- ★ Rider who chooses to ride one-handed may go to two hands. However, rider must return to using one hand.
- ★ Rider may break down to a trot for a lead change with no penalty.
- ★ Rider does on or one and a half spins instead of the number specified in the pattern.

Cow work (boxing only) same as NRCHA limited non-pro class, except:

- ★ If the rider loses the cow two or more times, the 3 point penalty will continue to apply instead of the contestant receiving a no score.



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GREEN RIDER II (up to 100 points)

Rider must meet NRCHA Non-Pro requirements.

Reined work the same as NRCHA classes, except:

- ★ All horses 6 yrs. old & older must be shown in 1 hand in a bridle.
- ★ Rider may go to two hands, if necessary. However, rider must return to using one hand.
- ★ Horses 5 years old and younger may be shown in a snaffle bit or hackamore and the rider may remain two-handed when using a snaffle bit.
- ★ Rider does two or two and a half spins instead of the number specified in the pattern.
IE: If the pattern calls for 3 spins, the rider completes 2.
If the pattern calls for 3 ½ spins, the rider completes 2 ½.

Cow Work (boxing only) same as NRCHA limited non-pro class, except:

- ★ If the rider loses the cow two or more times, the 3 point penalty will continue to apply instead of the contestant receiving a no score.

GREEN RIDER III (up to 100 points)

Rider must meet NRCHA Non-Pro requirements.

Reined work the same as NRCHA classes, except:

- ★ All horses 6 yrs. old & older must be shown in 1 hand in a bridle.
- ★ Rider may go to two hands, if necessary. However, rider must return to using one hand.
- ★ Horses 5 years old and younger may be shown in a snaffle bit or hackamore and the rider may remain two-handed when using a snaffle bit.
- ★ Rider performs pattern the same as NRCHA bridle classes.

Cow Work the same as NRCHA bridle classes.



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GREEN HORSE SECTION:

Points are not cumulative between classes. Once 100 points (based on class placing) are reached, the horse is not eligible to compete in that class any longer. If the horse points out in the middle of the year, they are still eligible to compete in that division for the remainder of the year.

GREEN HORSE BOX (up to 100 points)

All professional and non-professional riders welcome.

The horse must not have any reining or cow horse points from the NRCHA, NRHA, AQHA or any other breed association.

Reined work the same as NRCHA classes except:

- ★ Horses may be ridden in any NRCHA or AQHA bridle.
- ★ All horses may be ridden in 2 hands regardless of bridle.
- ★ Rider does two or two and a half spins instead of the number specified in the pattern.
IE: If the pattern calls for 3 spins, the rider completes 2.
If the pattern calls for 3 ½ spins, the rider completes 2 ½.

Cow Work (boxing only) same as NRCHA limited non-pro class, except:

- ★ If the rider/horse loses the cow two or more times, the 3 point penalty will continue to apply instead of the contestant receiving a no score.

GREEN HORSE + Fence Work (up to 100 points)

All professional and non-professional riders welcome.

Horse must not have any reining or cow horse points from the NRCHA, NRHA, AQHA or any other breed association.

Reined work the same as NRCHA classes except:

- ★ Horses may be ridden in any NRCHA or AQHA bridle.
- ★ All horses may be ridden in 2 hands regardless of bridle.
- ★ Rider performs pattern the same as NRCHA bridle classes.

Cow work the same as NRCHA bridle classes.

GREEN HORSE + Fence Work for the reining horse (up to 100 points)

All professional and non-professional riders welcome.

Horse must not have cow horse points from the NRCHA, AQHA or any other breed association.

Reined work the same as NRCHA classes except:

- ★ Horses may be ridden in any NRCHA or AQHA bridle.
- ★ All horses may be ridden in 2 hands regardless of bridle.
- ★ Rider performs pattern the same as NRCHA bridle classes.

Cow work the same as NRCHA bridle classes.