



ECRA FUTURES LEADLINE, WALK/JOG AND SHORT STIRRUP CLASS RULES

ECRA Futures Class Descriptions:

ECRA Futures Leadline

Riders must be age 8 and under as of January 1st of the current show season. Riders must have walker. An additional side walker or spotter is also allowed. Pattern can be ridden at a walk or jog. **Riders entering leadline cannot enter any other class, except the Highwind Farm Show Team (HFST) leadline class.**

ECRA Futures Walk/Jog

Riders must be age 10 and under as of January 1st of the current show season. Riders must ride independently, but may have a spotter on the ground in the ring, standing on the opposite side of the ring from the judge at the center cone. Ground spotter is not allowed to walk the pattern and must remain at the center cone until the pattern is completed. Pattern can be ridden at a walk or a jog.

ECRA Futures Short Stirrup

Riders must be age 12 and under as of January 1st of the current show season. Rider must ride independently and no ground spotter is allowed. Pattern must be ridden at a lope.

General Rules for ECRA Futures Classes:

- All riders will be judged on their ability to perform a reining pattern properly. They will be judged on effort, ability and form.
- Riders are to be judged according to current NRHA judging rules.

- All riders must compete in proper show attire. Proper show attire includes long pants, long sleeved collared shirt, and boots with a heel. Chaps are allowed, but are not required.
- All riders 18 and under **MUST** wear an ASTM certified riding helmet while mounted anywhere on the show grounds. No bicycle helmets are allowed. **No exceptions.**
- In order to be eligible for ECRA year-end awards, the horse and rider combination must have shown in at least 2 of the 3 ECRA shows within the point year. In the event that there are less or more than 3 ECRA shows, the horse and rider combination must compete in at least 50% of the ECRA shows offered within that point year in order to be eligible for ECRA year-end awards.
- Rider does not have to be a member of NRHA or ECRA but must be an ECRA member to be eligible for year-end awards.
- Rider does not have to own the horse, however the horse owner must be an ECRA member in order for any money or points earned by the rider to be eligible for ECRA year-end awards
- Any money and/or point earning by the rider are only eligible for ECRA year-end awards from the date of **rider and owner(s)** ECRA membership for the current point year. Money and/or point earnings are **not** eligible for ECRA year-end awards retroactively.
- Only one horse-one rider combinations are eligible for ECRA year-end awards. No exceptions will be permitted.
- Horse is not required to have an NRHA competition license.
- Patterns will be posted the day of the first show, sooner where possible. For all ECRA futures classes, the pattern that is posted for the first show will be the same pattern used for all remaining shows within the calendar year.