

MB PRODUCTIONS RULES & INFO

These Pages May Be Updated To Help Keep You Informed

DRAW:

1. All draw numbers will be randomly assigned using a race management. We do try to accommodate sufficient special requests on a first come first served basis.
2. Horse substitutions must be made prior to the start of the race. You must fill out a change form and submit it to the show office before the first horse of the day runs.
3. Rider substitutions may be granted by the producer under certain circumstances. However, if a rider substitute is made after an average qualifying run, the horse/rider team will no longer qualify for the average placings.
4. After online entries close – add-ons will be done the day of the show OR whenever enough entries are received to accommodate riders with multiple horses. Subsequent draws will be done throughout the show until the cutoff IF NECESSARY.
5. Every effort is made to give enough time for riders to change horses. However, if a rider enters too late to allow adequate spacing, we ask that all horses be warmed up and ready.
6. Contestants are responsible for verifying draw numbers prior to and during the show. Contestants should notify the office of any discrepancies prior to the earliest draw position. Draw numbers posted on the day of the show are the true draw positions and override any previous draw prior to show date.
7. BOOKS CLOSE at last 25 runners each day.

REFUNDS/DRAW-OUTS:

1. All refunds are sent out the Monday following the race. A refund (minus online processing fees) is only issued if a vet out is received before the vet out date and/or at the producer's discretion.
2. Scratches must be notified before the pre-draw is posted.
3. No refunds after the draw is posted.
4. No refunds on stalls or rv spots. Contestants can sell stalls and rv spots to other contestants but must notify producer.

SWEEPSTAKES:

1. Sweepstakes is a 4-divisional sidepot with 1/2 second splits.
2. Any horse/rider may enter and there is no limit to the number of horses a rider may enter.
3. 90% payback of entry fees, 100% of added money (if any), progressive payout.
4. Rider MUST enter the Open 5D race to be able to carry time over to the sweepstakes.

APPROVALS:

1. Events will be approved by Better Barrel Races on a race-by-race basis. BBR members may earn regional points for yearend awards and qualify for the BBR World Finals.
2. Events will be approved by Arkansas Elite Barrel Racing on a race-by-race basis. All members are required to pay their \$5 fee to the show office.

OPEN 5D BARRELS:

1. Format: 5D with 1/2 second splits.
2. Payout: 100% of all added money and 70% of entry fees will be paid out in a 5D format.
3. Changes must be made prior to the rider's run including side pots.

OPEN AVERAGE:

1. Average is based on Saturday & Sunday runs.
2. You must enter the average before you run on Saturday to be eligible.
3. The average is based on horse & rider combo.
4. The number of positions paid out per division will be determined by the total number of entries entered in the average.

YOUTH 4D:

1. Rider must be 16 or younger as of January 1st, 2026.
2. Format: 4D with 1/2 second splits.
3. Payout: 100% of all added money (if any) and 70% of entry fees will be paid out in a 4D format.
4. Changes must be made prior to the rider's run.
5. Youth 4D is a side pot ONLY and must be selected before rider runs in the Open 5D.

ADULT 4D:

1. Rider must be 17-44 as of January 1st, 2026.
2. Format: 4D with 1/2 second splits.
3. Payout: 100% of all added money (if any) and 70% of entry fees will be paid out in a 4D format.
4. Changes must be made prior to the rider's run.
5. Adult 4D is a side pot ONLY and must be selected before rider runs in the Open 5D.

SENIOR 4D:

1. Rider must be 45 & Over as of January 1st, 2026.
2. Format: 4D with 1/2 second splits.
3. Payout: 100% of all added money (if any) and 70% of entry fees will be paid out in a 4D format.
4. Changes must be made prior to the rider's run.
5. Senior 4D is a side pot ONLY and must be selected before rider runs in the Open 5D.

TIMER MALFUNCTION:

1. Electric eyes will be in use.
2. In the event if the timer fails, a re-run will be awarded at the contestant's discretion:
 - A) Immediately with a fresh drag,
 - B) At the end of a set of 5 with a fresh drag
 - C) At the end of the event with a fresh drag. The rider must declare if they will accept a rerun and when they wish to take it before the next horse runs.
3. Any re-runs will carry over all penalties accumulated during the first run thus no reruns will be awarded for broken patterns or hit barrels.
4. Reruns will not accumulate any additional penalties. If the contestant chooses not to rerun, they will receive a no time.

PHOTOGRAPHER & VIDEOGRAPHER:

1. Photos & videos will be taken of every horse when a photographer and videographer is present.
2. Contestants may not ask photographers and videographers to hold flash for any individual.
3. Screenshots and screen recordings are not allowed of photographers or videographer's work unless they have been paid for.

ALLEYWAY/HOLDING PEN:

1. Riders are required to be in the holding pen before their group of 5 begins or risk being scratched.
2. Horses that run to the left barrel first are allowed to make a circle in the alleyway.
3. Three calls for the rider and scratch if not notified.
4. No circling beyond the mouth of the alleyway or a no time will be assessed.
5. No forward movement to get in the alleyway after 60 seconds can result in a scratch.

EXHIBITIONS:

1. Exhibitions are \$5 each and can be paid for at the gate.
2. There is a 60 second time limit on each exhibition. If you go over, you will be charged a fee.

COMPETITION:

1. An honest effort must be made for all competition runs. Riders must make effort to run the pattern as fast as their ability will allow. Anyone purposefully going slower than a gallop through the pattern or pulling up before the timers to fall in a lower division will be disqualified and forfeit any money for said run.
2. No circling of barrels or training during competition runs. If the pattern is broken, the rider may complete the pattern from the point of the break in a timely fashion or exit the arena immediately. Failure to do so can result in a \$25 fine payable before the contestant's next competition run.
3. No re-runs will be given if a horse falls, pulled up by the rider or riders tack malfunction.
4. Contestants may ride any horse, regardless of ownership, and may ride as many horses as they choose. However, a horse may not be entered by more than one contestant in the same race unless the following conditions are met:
 - A) Both contestants are members of the same immediate family who reside in the same household (husband, wife, siblings, children, and grandchildren.)
 - B) Neither contestant is entered on any other horse
 - C) In no case will the same horse run more than twice in the Open race unless a buyback option is available.
5. Inhuman treatment of any animal during any MB Productions event will NOT be tolerated. Anyone who excessively whips or strikes a horse's ears or face either in the arena or on the facility grounds, will be fined \$100 and reported to BBR.
6. The use of an electronic device on a horse during competition will be automatically disqualified and shall forfeit all winnings and points.

DRAGS:

1. There will be a regular drag after every 5 runs and a big draft after every 50 during competitions runs.

FINES & DISQUALIFICATIONS:

1. All fines are to be paid in cash at the show office.
2. Contestants with outstanding fines will not be allowed to compete until such time as the fines have been paid.
3. Any act deemed prejudicial to the best interests of MB Productions may result in the disqualification of the contestant, with no refund of entry fees. The contestant may also be prohibited from attending any MB Productions events for any given length of time. These acts may include but are not limited to the following:
 - A) Using abusive or intemperate language or attempting to threaten, bribe, influence, or harass any contestant, spectator, staff member or arena personnel.

- B) Abuse or neglect of a horse, dog, or any other animal as described within these rules.
- C) Misidentifying a horse in any race or class.
- D) Misidentifying a rider in any race or class.