

## QUALIFYING RULES FOR THE 2020 REINING ALBERTA PROVINCIAL CHALLENGE

### **Section A. Entrance Requirements:**

- ◇ Both owners and riders must be current RA members to compete at RA shows
- ◇ Open to all breeds and grade horses.
- ◇ NRHA rules apply except where otherwise indicated.
- ◇ Non-Pros that do not hold a current NRHA Non-Pro card must complete the RA Non-Pro declaration form with their entry. NRHA Non-Pro horse ownership rules apply unless otherwise stipulated.

### **Section B. Equipment:**

- ◇ Riders are required to wear long sleeve shirt, cowboy hat, belt and heeled boots at all times while showing.
- ◇ No training equipment allowed in any judged class.
- ◇ All horses must be ridden in equipment that is clean and in good working order.

### **Section C. Eligibility:**

- ◇ Eligibility criteria are explained for each class in the list provided below and are as of January 1st, current year.
- ◇ Eligibility is determined based on the 2019 year-end standings for each of the Reining Alberta branches.
- ◇ Where the class eligibility information & rules outlined below are not sufficient to answer any disputes, the NRHA handbook shall be taken as the official rules.
- ◇ Where the rider of the horse is not the owner of the horse, and horse ownership rules apply for the class, proof of ownership or lease (NRHA certificate or other written contract as per Reining Alberta) will be required.

### **Section E. Stalls and Arena Availability:**

- ◇ Stalls are provided to provincial challenge qualifiers at a reduced rate. Stalls must be reserved with the Reining Alberta summer classic package.
- ◇ Show management reserves the right to close the arena for maintenance at any time they deem necessary.

### **Section F. Show Management:**

- ◇ Any concerns or questions must be directed to any Provincial Challenge committee member.
- ◇ No mistreatment or abuse of a horse will be tolerated.
- ◇ All competitors and spectators must conduct themselves in a sportsman like manner at all times.
- ◇ Show management decisions will be final and binding.
- ◇ All horses being ridden must be in full tack while on the grounds. Riding double or bareback is not allowed.
- ◇ Horses in any warm-up situation must be ridden (no ponying alongside another horse).
- ◇ Youth are not allowed to ride stallions.
- ◇ Specific Provincial Challenge warm up times will be available to the Competitor (TBD as per Show Schedule); horse MUST be ridden by Competitor only during this time. Trainer/Coach is not permitted on horse during this special warm up time

## **Section G. Class Eligibility Information and Rules: Qualifying Rules for the 2020 Provincial Challenge**

**PRIME TIME REINER:** Horses must be ridden 1 handed in any NRHA legal bit. There will be a lead change. Non-Pro horse ownership rules apply. Previous provincial challenge winners are ineligible to show. Reserve champions are still eligible to show in the class until they achieve a championship. Ties will be resolved as per NRHA Rules.

**BEGINNER YOUTH REINER:** Horses may be ridden 1 or 2 handed in any NRHA legal bit. Modified pattern (optional lead change or simple lead change allowed). Non-Pro horse ownership rules apply. Previous provincial challenge winners are ineligible to show. Reserve champions are still eligible to show in the class until they achieve a championship. Ties will be resolved as per NRHA Rules.

**GREEN REINER:** Horses may be ridden 1 or 2 handed in any NRHA legal bit. Modified pattern (optional lead change or simple lead change allowed). Non-Pro horse ownership rules apply. Previous provincial challenge winners are ineligible to show. Reserve champions are still eligible to show in the class until they achieve a championship. Ties will be resolved as per NRHA Rules.

**RANCH REINER:** Horses may be ridden 1 or 2 handed in any NRHA legal bit. There will be a lead change. Non-Pro horse ownership rules apply. Previous provincial challenge winners are ineligible to show. Reserve champions are still eligible to show in the class until they achieve a championship. Ties will be resolved as per NRHA Rules.