



# GVRHA Entry Level Conditions

GVRHA Entry Level classes provide a program to welcome riders of all backgrounds to the Reining arena and provide an educational step of Reining in competition.

GVRHA Beginner and GVRHA Green Rider are two non-sanctioned classes a member has the option to start out in and gain experience towards sanctioned reining classes with Rookie Level 1 being the first step into a sanctioned level class.

- All exhibitors must be financial members of the GVRHA to compete in GVRHA Entry Level classes
- Riders do not have to own the horse nor does the horse have to be NRHA licenced.
- A horse may only be shown once per class.
- Eligibility into these classes is limited to Non Pro riders who have/are not receiving direct money or indirect (goods or services) remuneration for;
  - 1) Training astride or showing astride in any equine discipline
  - 2) Giving instruction on showing or training of a performance horse
  - 3) Sponsorships or endorsements
- Riders who have competed in GVRHA Green Rider prior to 2020 will transfer to the new entry level class system with 5 points
- GVRHA reserves the right to accept entries at their discretion.

GVRHA Green Rider & GVRHA Beginner eligibility shall be determined by a points system the competitor earns from competing in GVRHA shows. These points are lifetime points accrued within the club and carry over annually. Entry level riders may ride up a class however points will be accumulated from not only entry Level classes, but all classes a competitor places in, including sanctioned classes. Once the nominated level of points is reached, a rider can see out the show season but will not be eligible to compete in the following season. Any rider that wins the final of the GVRHA Green Rider Buckle Series is no longer eligible for GVRHA Green Rider regardless of the restrictions as stated above. (See separate conditions for GVRHA Green Rider Buckle Series)

Entry Level classes will not attract prize money and will not be included in the annual GVRHA End of Year Hi Point Awards. The points system will only be relevant at GVRHA shows.

## **GVRHA BEGINNER - <15 POINTS - Modified NRHA pattern to be ridden.**

Riders with less than 2 years reining experience. Riders may ride one or two handed and may swap during the pattern. Flying lead changes or stop and lope on the correct lead is allowed without penalty.

## **GVRHA GREEN RIDER - <30 POINTS- NRHA Pattern to be ridden.**

Riders may ride one or two handed and must remain unchanged throughout the pattern. Flying lead changes or stop and lope on the correct lead is allowed without penalty.

## **POINTS CALCULATION**

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

**NOTE:** Classes with less than 6 riders will attract reduced points reflecting the number of exhibitors IE 3 Competitors 1<sup>st</sup> Place – 3 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 2 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place 1 point. Tied placings will each receive equal place points. IE Equal 1<sup>st</sup> – 6 points each/ no second place