



# GVRHA AFFILIATE CLASSES

## RULES & CONDITIONS

### GVRHA CLASS DEFINITIONS:

#### **GVRHA ANY HANDED OPEN/ NON-PRO**

Open to any open or non pro horse/rider combination (above 10 yrs of age as of 01.01.2025). Can ride one or two handed and may change during the pattern without penalty. Rider must hold a valid 2025 GVRHA club membership. ). Horse can be ridden in a Snaffle Bit/ Hackamore or a bridle with NRHA compliant bit.

#### **GVRHA GREEN REINER/ BEGINNER**

Refer to GVRHA Entry Level Rules on GVRHA Website for details.

#### **GVRHA LADIES / MENS**

Open to any horse/female or male rider combination (above 10 yrs if age as f 01.01.2025). Horse must be ridden one handed in a bridle with NRHA compliant bit. Rider must hold a valid 2025 GVRHA membership.

#### **GVRHA LEAD LINE / SHORT STIRRUP**

Open to any Youth rider between the ages of 3 to 10 yrs holding a valid 2025 GVRHA Youth membership.

**Lead Line** must ride two handed and be led at ALL times by a parent/guardian.

**GVRHA Short Stirrup Competitors are:**

1. Able to ride independently and can ride one or two handed, and permitted to change at any time throughout the pattern.
2. Can have a trainer/handler in the pen during the pattern.
3. Can trot or canter, no penalty.
4. Horse can have a halter on for safety with no penalty.
5. Allowed to hold the saddle horn for safety at any time during the pattern with no penalty.

Youth may borrow a horse to compete – stallions and three-year-old horses not permitted.

Competitors **MUST** wear an approved safety helmet and riding boots. Any tack allowed, English or western, **MUST** be in safe working order and stirrups **MUST** be used.

#### **GVRHA JUNIOR HORSE/ SENIOR HORSE/AGED HORSE**

Junior horse – Any horse 5 and under as at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024. Can be shown one handed in a NRHA Compliant bit or two-handed snaffle bit/hackamore.

Senior Horse – Any horse 6 and older as at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024. Must be shown one handed in a bridle with a NRHA Compliant bit.

Aged Horse – Any horse 12 and older as at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2024.. Must be shown one handed in a bridle with a NRHA Compliant bit.



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## **Any Handed Open Working Cow Horse Dry work Pattern Rules**

### Description

- This class is open to all competitors 10 yrs and over.
- Competitors are required to wear a long sleeve, button up shirt, jeans, cowboy boots, cowboy hat or safety helmet are to be worn.
- Competitors can compete in a Western saddle, Swinging Fender or Half Breed saddle.
- Horse can be ridden in a Snaffle Bit/ Hackamore or a bridle with NRHA compliant bit.

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