

NEVADA STALLION STAKES & ELKO COUNTY NRCHA SHOW RULES  
NRC & CHA APPROVED

**1. COMPLAINTS:**

Anyone having a complaint or dispute concerning the Nevada Stallion Stakes will deposit \$50.00 with the Secretary. Upon receipt of the \$50.00 the Nevada Stallion Stakes Committee will hear the complaint. If the committee rules in favor of the complainant the \$50.00 will be returned. IF the committee rules against the complainant the \$50.00 will be forfeited. No video review will be allowed, the judge's decision is final.

**2. ELIGIBILITY CONCERNS:**

Rule #1 does not include eligibility concerns. All contestants will be furnished with a list of contestants and entries. It will be the responsibility of the contestants and the stallion owners who have complaints of eligibility or horse or rider to file these complaints with the Secretary not later than 48 hours prior to the show. The committee will keep the names of the persons filing complaints anonymous.

**3. NOMINATED STALLIONS:**

- 3.1 All Nevada Stallion Stakes entries must be sired by a nominated stallion, which are open to the world.
- 3.2 All Nevada Stallion Stakes entries must be registered horses or the owner must provide proof of DNA testing, naming the sire.
- 3.3 Nominations can be made up to **August** 1st for the current year. The regular nomination fee is \$200.00 thru Aug 1st. Late nominations are accepted after August 1st at a fee of \$300.00. All nomination fees and late penalties go towards the purse. Stallions that are nominated early (by June 1st) will be listed in our current advertising publications.
- 3.4 A Champion and Reserve Champion Stallion and Champion Nevada Stallion will be selected based on the placing of their offspring in all classes in the herd work, dry work, and fence work. A horse must show in all three events to earn points. Reserve Champion Stallion and the Champion Nevada Stallion will each receive plaques.

	# entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Points	5 or less	3	2	1			
Points	6-10	4	3	2	1		
Points	11-20	5	4	3	2	1	
Points	Over 20	6	5	4	3	2	1

- 3.5 Each nominated stallion has a 1/4 page ad in the program, actual size is 3.25 x 4". Please get ad copy to the secretary by Aug 1st, we can make an ad for you.

**4. CLASSES: (Nevada Stallion Stakes additional rules in addition to the NRCHA Rules)**

- 4.1 **Snaffle Bit Futurity & Derby class's** age limitation according to NRCHA Rulebook (pages 38-41).  
**Futurity**- Open to 3 year old horses, as of January 1 of current show year. Horse may not have been shown down the fence in a bridle in any judged classes or events with the exception of horse sales.  
**Derby**- Open to 4-5 year old horses as of January 1 of the current show year, horses to be shown in a snaffle bit, or hackamore, never shown in the Two Rein or Bridle. The same type of headgear (hackamore or snaffle) must be used throughout the event (herd, rein, and cow work) on a horse once the competition has started. Entries must be shown with both hands on the reins, except in the herd work.  
**Horses being shown in a Hackamore and plan on showing at the Elko County Fair will need to know the rules for the Elko Co Fair Stockhorse classes they are choosing to enter before the Nevada Stallion Stakes starts.**
  - A. Open Classes Futurity or Derby - age limitation according to NRCHA Rules.
  - B. Limited Futurity or Derby Classes- All riders limited to lifetime earnings of \$5,000.00 in cutting, reining or cowhorse classes as of August 1st of the current year. Snaffle Bit Open and Limited classes show separately, you may enter both if eligible to do so.
- 4.2 **Hackamore class** for colts 5 years old or younger and that have never been shown in the two rein or bridle classes and are not entered in the Elko County NRCHA Bridle or Two Rein class nor in the NVSS Bridle Class. Classes available are Open Hackamore and the Limited Hackamore (limited see 4.5 below).
- 4.3 **Bridle Classes** available are open Bridle and Limited Open Bridle (limited see 4.5 below).
- 4.4 **Two Reined / Green Bridle** open to horses of any age in the Two Reined that have not shown in the bridle down the fence in any judged event prior to August 20<sup>th</sup> of the current show year. Green Bridle horses not to have been shown in the bridle prior to Jan 1st of the current year.
- 4.4.1 **Non Pro Limited / Derby:** This class is open to all non pro limited riders (boxing class) who meet non pro eligibility (must own the horse you are showing and fall under the NRCHA non pro eligibility rules). All horses can be show in age specific head gear (except a 6 year old may be show in a snaffle bit in this class). If you are showing in this class you cannot be entered in a class with fence work. This class will do herd, dry and box a cow.
- 4.5 **Limited Classes**- All riders limited to lifetime earnings of \$5000 in cutting, reining or cowhorse classes as of August 1st of the current year. Snaffle Bit Open and Limited classes show separately, you may enter both if eligible to do so. Hackamore Open / Limited and Bridle Open / Limited show together, you may only enter once.
- 4.6 **Non Pro Limited / Derby**- work to consist of reining pattern and single cow work (boxing) on the end of the arena. Each contestant upon receiving a cow in the arena shall hold that cow on the prescribed end of the arena for 50 seconds, demonstrating the ability of the horse and rider to control the cow. Time shall begin when the gate closes behind the cow after being let into the arena. The announcer or judge will signal the completion of the 50 seconds with a whistle or horn. Age Appropriate head gear per NRCHA rules, horses of any age may be shown in the two-rein equipment (for one year only) or bridle. Derby horses in this class can be shown as a 6-year-old in the snaffle bit. Riders cannot have earned more than \$750 in fence work classes at any judged classes or events except for horse sales.

- 4.7 If you need to change the class you entered, you may do so up until the draw, except for the Limited Classes. No Entries will be accepted for the NSS Limited classes after August 20<sup>th</sup> at noon.
- 4.8 Some Classes are NRC&CHA approved, and you will need to be members of the NRC&CHA to receive the points for those classes. Classes marked on entry form that are approved.

**5. SHOWING:**

- 5.1 Under certain conditions a horse may be substituted, but must be approved by the Nevada Stallion Stakes Committee. See rule 6.4 for entry fee refund procedures.
- 5.2 Horses will be show in 3 go rounds for all classes NSS & NRCHA, herd work, dry work and fence work. All the herd work for the day will be done first in the cutting pen set up in the arena. Then the dry work and fence work will be held for the first class, followed by the awards for that class. The second class will run their dry work and fence work with awards for that class following the fence work. All classes excluding the Snaffle Bit will receive fence cow immediately following their dry work.
- 5.3 **In appreciation of our sponsors, the ECFB strongly encourages all contestants to participate in Award ceremonies following all classes.**
- 5.4 The order will be drawn and posted at the show an in the office prior to the show. Contestants are responsible for double checking the draw and making sure they are entered in the appropriate classes. After the class has started, entries are according to the draw.
- 5.5 All contestants are responsible for their own turn back help.
- 5.6 All Riders must be dressed in western attire while in the arena, Contestants showing in the Nevada Stallion Stakes and the Elko County NRCHA Show need to include chaps or chinks. **All Nevada Stallion Stakes contestants are required to have a rope tied to the fork of the saddle.**

**6. FEES:**

- 6.1 Entry fees - **NSS entries** are \$250.00 per entry due by August 20<sup>th</sup>. \$105.00 to be jackpotted, \$70.00 office fees and \$75.00 cattle fees. If you cross enter in the NRCHA classes you pay the cattle fees only once. All NRCHA classes will be due by 12:00 noon Thursday before the event starts.
- 6.2 Nevada Stallion Stakes open classes can be entered to August 24<sup>th</sup> with a late fee of \$100.00 and must be to the show secretary on August 24<sup>th</sup> by noon (not postmarked) NO EXCEPTIONS. NRCHA ENTRIES can enter LATE with a PENALTY TO 7AM EACH DAY OF SCHEDULED CLASSES. Late NRCHA entries will be drawn up last in the cutting, first in the dry and fence work according to NRCHA rules. ALL HORSES WILL RUN IN ORDER DRAWN! All NRCHA rules apply!! BOTH OWNERS AND RIDERS MUST BE NRCHA MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING FOR NRCHA CLASSES.
- 6.3 Horses will be checked against their registrations papers. Horse may be vet checked for age and soundness. Any horse disqualified for any reason, forfeits all entry fees.
- 6.4 Any horse injured or sick must be reported to the show management 30 days prior to the show with a legitimate vet release. Stallion nomination fees, cattle and or office fees are not refundable. All situations are reviewed by the Stallion Stakes and Stockhorse Committee members for approval.

**7. PAYOUT & AWARDS:**

- 7.1 Awards will be awarded to the winners in each class. Jackets will be awarded to the horses placing in reserve of the Open & Limited Futurity & Derby Snaffle, Open Hackamore and Open Bridle. An additional award will be awarded to the highest scoring Nevada Bred in the Nevada Stallion Stakes (Nevada Bred means the sire must have stood in Nevada the year prior to the year of foaling of the horse being shown. No owner restrictions).
- 7.2 The purse will be divided among the classes in proportion to the number of horses entered in each class. In each class 50% will be paid to the average and 50% will be paid in the go rounds.  
*Average Payout*

# in classes	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
5 or less	60%	40%			
6-10	50%	30%	20%		
11-20	40%	30%	20%	10%	
Over 20	31%	26%	20%	14%	9%

Go rounds are paid 3 places in each go round, 50/ 30 /20. Horses must show in all 3 go rounds to be eligible for any money.

**8. STALLS**

No charge for stalls. No box stalls available to anyone other than stallions please let the show secretary know if you have stallions that will need a box stall. RV spaces can be reserved through the fair office at (775)738-3616 or (775)397-2769.

**AND RV SPACES:**

**9. NEVADA STALLION STAKES COMMITTEE:**

Consists of 3 stallion owners or nominators, with no limit to the number of years each person serves, and the stock horse committee members of the Elko County Fair Board. When they ask to be replaced, nominations will be taken at the stallion owners meeting. The stallion owners meeting is held Saturday, 45 minutes after the last class behind the fair office. Everyone is welcome to attend and make suggestions for next year's show. Anyone violating any rules may be barred for life from the Nevada Stallion Stakes and the Elko County Fair. The Stallion Stakes Committees decisions are final. This event is sponsored by the Elko County Fair Board. Stallion Stakes Committee: Gary Wines, Sharon Rhoads, Ty Van Norman. Stockhorse Committee: Chairman Tony Buzzetti, Walter Winchell, Amelia Wakley, Steve Wines. For additional information contact show secretary JJ ROEMMICH call or text to (775)397-2769 OR email: elkocountyfair@hotmail.com