

**IDAHO BARREL FUTURITY INCORPORATED GROUND RULES (ALL CLASSES) –**

**2020 IDAHO BARREL FUTURITY**

**Sponsor Appreciation Race**

**July 10<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>, NAMPA, IDAHO**

1. IBF reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.
2. All contestants, by submitting an entry form, agree to subject themselves, their horses, those they represent, and their guests, to the rules and regulations of the Idaho Barrel Futurity and the Idaho Horse Park. Contestants, by submitting an entry form, assume all risk of injury from involvement in or attendance at the Idaho Barrel Futurity's Sponsor Appreciation Race and all associated activities. Contestants, by submitting an entry form, expressly agreed to forever discharge, release, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Idaho Barrel Futurity, the Idaho Horse Park, any sanctioning body, or any of their officers, directors, employees, agents, representative, volunteers, or participants from and against all losses, liabilities, obligations, or damages whatsoever suffered by themselves, their horses, their equipment, their families, or their guests, as a result of their participation or attendance at the event.
3. All contestants, by submitting an entry form, agree to be personally responsible for their safety and actions while attending or participating in the Idaho Barrel Futurity Sponsor Appreciation Race. Contestants agree to comply with all IBF and Idaho Horse Park policies, guidelines, signage, and instructions. Because the facility and event is open to attendance and participation by other individuals, contestants recognize that they are or may be at higher risk of contracting COVID-19. By submitting an entry form, contestants agree to abide with and respect all restrictions on social distancing, group size, attendance, sanitation and other safety and health requirements imposed by the State of Idaho, the City of Nampa, the Idaho Barrel Futurity, and the Idaho Horse Park. With full awareness and appreciation of the risks involved, contestants, by submitting an entry and attending the event, agree to release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue the Idaho Barrel Futurity, its board members, officers, agents, servants, independent contractors, and volunteers from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever, directly or indirectly arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained related to COVID-19 or any other communicable disease, viral transmission, or contagious infection, whether or not caused by the negligence of said parties.
4. IBF must have signed W-9 forms on file for the current year before checks will be issued to winners. Any money not collected after 30 days due to failure to complete a W-9 will be forfeited. 1099s will be issued in accordance with IRS guidelines. W-9s will be available online with entries, at the office, and during check-in.
5. The ground may be reworked at any time as judged by the Board of Directors and arena crew for the safety of everyone.
6. Once a contestant crosses the start line (the electric eye) the time begins.
7. A contestant is given a "no time" for being off course in any way (at the discretion of the Board of Directors).
8. A contestant is given a "no time" for stopping or holding their horse back at any time (at the discretion of the Board of Directors).
9. There is a fine for losing your hat in the arena of \$5 per lost hat. This money goes to our arena crew for their extra efforts. The Board of Directors reserves the rights to hold lost hats and any checks will be held until the contestant's hat fees are paid.
10. A contestant will be given a "no time" if the horse or rider falls during the run in such a manner as to break the pattern or if the rider falls off the horse before crossing the eye at the end of the run.
11. A contestant may ride any horse regardless of ownership.

12. A horse may not be run more than 1 time in any class unless it is run by other members of the contestant's immediate family. In no case may a horse be run more than 3 times in any given day.
13. Only one horse may be in the arena during the competition run. Leading or following a horse up the alleyway is acceptable so long as the leading horse exits the arena immediately upon the contestant entering the arena.
14. No contestant may circle a barrel twice during a competition run. If a contestant breaks the pattern in any way the contestant must immediately exit the arena. A penalty **WILL** be assessed of \$25 for each violation of this rule.
15. Idaho Barrel Futurity Board Members may disqualify a horse/rider at any time for uncontrolled or dangerous behavior.
16. The entry to the holding pen is on the right (west) side of the building. There will be an individual controlling the gate to the holding pen, who will check each runner in as they enter the holding pen. The five runners in each drag must be checked in with the gate person and in the holding pen before the tractor shuts off at the end of the rake immediately preceding them, or you will be turned out with no refund. Do not enter the holding pen from the exit door – you must enter through the west door and check in with the gate person. If you run without checking in with the gate person, you will be disqualified.
17. No more than the next ten runners will be allowed in the holding pen at any time, and entry to the holding pen will only be allowed while the tractor is running. Buddy horses will be allowed in the holding pen if necessary, but must exit the holding pen with the horse they accompanied and must make all efforts to stay out of the way of the other horses in the holding pen.
18. Safety is a priority to the IBF, so please inform the gate person when checking in if your horse has any issues that need to be accommodated. We will do our best to accommodate those who need it and ensure that the race runs quickly and safely.
19. Riders may enter the alleyway from either side of the holding pens once they are inside the holding pen and checked in. Riders must be in their chosen side before the tractor shuts off – no crossing of the alley will be allowed while runners are in the arena.
20. All riders will be given 3 minutes from the first gate call to leave the holding pen and begin their competition run. If a horse refuses beyond the 3 minute window the Idaho Barrel Futurity Board of Directors may immediately disqualify the rider and ask them to exit the arena safely. Our goal is to have a safe and respectful sport. All lenience will be given if possible while still promoting the success of the sport.
21. Abuse of horses in any way will NOT be tolerated. Any contestant observed to be abusing a horse by any member of the Board of Directors will be immediately disqualified for the entire weekend.
22. Riders running multiple horses who run their horses out of the order assigned in the draw will be given a "no time." Horses must be named on the entry (registered names are not required, but encouraged, if applicable, as IBF reports to Equistat. Riders will not be allowed to enter with generic names such as "Horse 1" and "Horse 2.") Any rider who runs outside their assigned draw position will be given a no-time.
23. All returned checks will be assessed a \$35 fee.
24. In the event of an electric eye failure, or other unforeseen circumstance that unfairly interfered with the rider's run (in the *sole and absolute* discretion of the Board) the rider will be given a re-ride option at the end of the next large rake or as can be mutually agreed upon by the contestant and the IBF Board of Directors. As much accommodation as possible will be given to the contestant/horse. If the eye fails during a run where a barrel is hit, the hit barrel disqualification will be upheld and the rider will be given a no-time without an option for a re-run.
25. Dress code is full western dress (hat/helmet, jeans, long sleeve western shirt, boots) for all classes.
26. The photographer will be onsite Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
27. There will be a live webcast, provided by 3-2-1 Action Video Friday through Sunday.

28. No refunds will be given for submitted entries other than for vet outs of ill or injured horses or medical releases for riders. Vet Out/Sick Outs **must** be **received** by the IBF no later than July 6th, 2020 at 5:00pm. Vet out forms/requests must be accompanied by a signed vet release. The IBF will retain the office fee and 20% of the entry fee for all properly and timely submitted vet-outs. Any scratches or vet outs after this date will be given no refunds. Please notify IBF if you are a scratch, even if you are doing so after the July 6th deadline.
29. Any refund checks will be mailed within 10 business days of the race.
30. Dogs **must** be on a leash and under the physical control of their owners at all times. Absolutely no dogs are allowed inside the arena building at any time. Owners must clean up after their pets and remove all waste, and keep control of their pets at all times.
31. All late fees, time only fees, office charges and entry fees must be paid prior to your run. If all fees are not paid, you will be disqualified.
32. In the event of a tie for awards, a coin toss shall be used to determine the winner of the relevant award. The winner of the coin toss shall be given the higher place award, and the loser shall be given the next place.
33. Checks will not be available until results have been verified to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors. Checks from Saturday will be mailed to contestants and will not be available for in-person pick-up. Any checks not picked up in person will be mailed to the address on file. All checks will be made out to the rider of the horse winning the check.
34. Any vendors who are selling or providing products or services on the Idaho Horse Park grounds during the Idaho Barrel Futurity's event must register as a vendor and pay the relevant fee to the Idaho Barrel Futurity. Forms can be found on the Idaho Barrel Futurity Website. Any unregistered vendors will be charged a fine at double the amount of the vendor fee, which may be withheld from any winnings that individual or their immediate family members might win. The Board also reserves the right to disqualify any such individuals or their family members from the race, and ask them to leave the premises.
35. All horses must be washed in the designated Horse Park wash racks ONLY. No washing or hosing off of horses may be done in the stalls or alleyways.
36. All buildings and stall areas are NON-SMOKING.
37. No horses are allowed in the RV Parking Area. This rule will be strictly enforced by both the IBF Board and the Horse Park.
38. The speed limit in the Horse Park is 5 mph. No fireworks or firearms are allowed on Horse Park Grounds. Anyone operating any vehicle, including golf-carts, must have a valid driver's license.
39. Poor sportsmanship should not be exhibited by any contestants or their family members. The Board of Directors shall have the right and absolute discretion to disqualify any contestant, or prohibit them from entering the race in future years, if an egregious violation of this rule is observed by any Board Member.

### **OPEN RULES**

1. IBF reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.
2. A contestant will be given a "no time" for any knocked down barrels.
3. Open entries will be taken, with the payment of a late fee, until the 2nd<sup>t</sup> big drag at number 100. At such time the entries will close.
4. Rider changes will be allowed in the open class for a \$20 fee per change for the weekend. Rider change forms will be available at the office and must be submitted before the horse runs. Rider changes not reported to show office prior to run will result in a disqualification.
5. Horse changes will be allowed in the open class for a \$20 fee per change for the weekend. Horse change forms will be available at the office and must be submitted before horse runs. Any contestant who runs a horse different from the horse named on their entry without submitting a change form will be disqualified.

6. A late fee of \$20 will be charged to each contestant who submit an entry for Saturday's race after July 1, 2020.
7. Once the draw is posted it is final. The draw will not be changed or given preference to any contestant for the sole purposes of accommodating their schedule or calendar. However, the Board places a priority on keeping drags full for the interest of keeping the race moving quickly. A list will be kept in the office of those who wish to move up in the draw and fill scratch spots. This list is completely discretionary, and no guarantees will be given. Priority will be given to those who have a long distance to travel, and then others on a first-come, first-serve basis. Those who have a specific individual to trade with and would like to do so can fill out a rider-swap form for a fee of \$20.
8. The Open race will be run in a 1/2 second, 1 second, 1 1/2 second, and 2 seconds to the 5D time bracket.

### **FUTURITY/MATURITY SIDEPOT RULES**

1. IBF reserves the right to refuse service to anyone.
2. The Futurity and Maturity classes will be run only as carryover sidepots from Saturday's open race. Contestants/horses must be entered in Saturday's Open Race in order to enter either sidepot.
3. A contestant will be given a 5 second penalty for each knocked down barrel in futurity/maturity classes. If the time is carried to the Open, Youth, or Senior you will receive a "no time" in the carry-over class.
4. The futurity and maturity will be a straight run race paying through as many places as allowed by the number of entries.
5. The futurity sidepot is a 2D format with a full second split between Division 1 and 2. The maturity sidepot will be a 2D format with a 1/2 second split between Division 1 and 2.
6. Age of Futurity Horses are 4 or 5 year olds. Age of Maturity Horses are 5 to 7. A copy of the horse's registration papers (or other proof of age) must be submitted with sidepot entries.
7. Futurity horses may **not** have run in a competition run prior to November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

### **TIMED RUNS/GROUP RIDE/OPEN ARENA**

1. Open arena will be held on Thursday evening from 6:00-7:00-pm. No barrels are allowed to be set up during the open arena. Other open arena times may be announced, in the discretion of the Board, as time allows.
2. Timed runs on Friday will be organized in half-hour time periods, with a 5-minute rake during each half hour period. You must be checked in with the individual running the gate during (or before) your half-hour period ends. If you are not checked in with the gate person before the end of your designated half-hour period, you will not be allowed to complete your timed runs, and no refunds will be given. A schedule of the timed run periods will be posted online as early as possible, so that riders know when their time period is.
3. Timed runs must take no longer than sixty (60) seconds to complete. The timer starts as the horse leaves the alley and stops when the horse re-enters the alley. The time limit IS NOT based upon the eye – horses must be in and out of the arena in sixty seconds or less. Horses must maintain forward motion, must remain on AT LEAST a trot, and are not allowed to circle the barrels more than twice.
4. If riders want to trade timed runs slots with another rider, they are welcome to do so, but IBF will not handle any money for such trades or have any liability for any misunderstandings related to that trade. The person running the gate at the timed runs must receive some affirmation from both parties that the trade has occurred before the new rider will be allowed to take the timed run.
5. Timed runs on Friday will stop at 4:00pm. IBF reserves the right to end timed runs at the designated time, even if all riders have not been given the opportunity to take their timed runs.