**IDAHO BARREL FUTURITY INCORPORATED GROUND RULES**

**April 27-April 30, 2023 NAMPA, IDAHO**

**GENERAL RULES (ALL CLASSES)**

1. All contestants, by submitting an entry, 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, assume all risk of injury from involvement in or attendance at the Idaho Barrel Futurity and all associated activities. Contestants, by submitting an entry, 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.
2. All contestants, by submitting an entry, agree to be personally responsible for their safety and actions while attending or participating in the Idaho Barrel Futurity. 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 or any other communicable or contagious disease. By submitting an entry, 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 and participants, by submitting an entry and/or 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.
3. 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.
4. Rakes will occur every 5 runners with a big rake at every 50 and between divisions. The ground may be reworked at any time as judged by the Board of Directors and arena crew for the safety of everyone.
5. Once a contestant crosses the start line (the electric eye) the time begins.
6. A contestant is given a “no time” for being off course in any way (at the discretion of the Board of Directors).
7. 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).
8. 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. If a hat is left in the office after the event, IBF will ship the hat, but the costs of shipping must be paid in advance.
9. 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.
10. A contestant may ride any horse regardless of ownership (excluding amateur futurity class)
11. 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.
12. Rider is responsible for checking their carryover entry and notifying the office. Carryover entries, and full payments, must be received prior to the start of the Futurity Saturday morning.
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, abusive, disrespectful, 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 5 runners will be allowed in the large holding pen at any time, and entry to the holding pen will only be allowed while the tractor is running. The next 5 runners are required to be in the smaller holding pen prior to the tractor finishing. 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. All riders will be given 2 minute from the first gate call to leave the holding pen and begin their competition run. If a horse refuses beyond the 2 minute window the Idaho Barrel Futurity Board of Directors will immediately disqualify the rider and ask them to exit the arena safely. The announcer will announce when the 2-minute timer is commenced, if necessary. 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.
20. 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.
21. 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.
22. All returned checks will be assessed a $35 fee.
23. 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.
24. Dress code is full western dress (hat/helmet, jeans, long sleeve western shirt, boots) for all classes.
25. The photographer will be onsite Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
26. There will be a live webcast, provided by 3-2-1 Action Video Friday through Sunday.
27. Once you submit your entry, you are agreeing to be a part of the IBF race and subject to IBF rules and policies.
28. Dogs **must** be on a leash and under the physical control of their owners at all times. Barking, aggressive or unruly dogs will be asked to be removed from the building. Owners must clean up after their pets and remove all waste, and keep control of their pets at all times.
29. Any 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.
30. In the event of a tie for the average in any class, including the futurity and maturity, the person with the fastest individual time ran on either Saturday or Sunday will win the higher-placing award.
31. Checks will not be available until results have been verified to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors. Checks from the Open and 18/40 classes on Sunday will be mailed to contestants and will not be available for in-person pick-up on Sunday. If possible, Saturday’s checks from may be available for pickup on Sunday. Any checks not picked up in person will be mailed to the address on file with Saddlebook account. All checks will be made out to the rider of the horse winning the check.
32. Any vendors who are selling or providing products or services on the Idaho Horse Park grounds during the Idaho Barrel Futurity 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.
33. 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.
34. All buildings and stall areas are NON-SMOKING.
35. No horses are allowed in the RV Parking Area. This rule will be strictly enforced by both the IBF Board and the Horse Park.
36. The speed limit in the Horse Park is 5 mph. No fireworks or are firearms are allowed on Horse Park Grounds. Anyone operating any vehicle, including golf-carts, must have a valid driver’s license.
37. The Idaho Barrel Futurity Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse service, entry, or participation to anyone, and contestants, spectators, vendors, or other participants may, at the discretion of the Board, be banned from the Idaho Barrel Futurity, for any period of time, for lack of sportsmanship, disrespectful or dishonest behavior, for returned checks or lack of payment, or for any other malfeasance, as determined by the Board.
38. You do not need to be present to receive an average award. Arrangements can be made to ship the award at the receiver’s expense. An IBF board member will contact contestants to make shipping arrangements.

**OPEN and 18/40 CLASS RULES**

1. All General Rules apply.
2. Open Entry Fee $85 per day | $5000 added per day | 80% payback | $15 office fee per day or $25 for Sat/Sun.
3. The Open race will be run in a 5D Format, with splits being at 1/2 second, 1 second, 1 1/2 second, and 2 seconds. Payouts in each go and awards to the average winners. NO average payout.
4. 18/40 is a carry over from Open only | $30 entry fee each day | $300 added each day | 80% payback. This class is restricted to participants 18 and under and 40 and over as of January 1st of the current calendar year.
5. The 18/40 Class will be run in a standard 4D format, with splits being at 1/2 second, 1 second, and 2 seconds. Payout in each go and awards to average winners. No average payout.
6. A contestant will be given a “no time” for any knocked down barrels.
7. The Open and 18/40 averages will be based on the fastest horse/rider combination from both days for each respective class (Saturday/Sunday).
8. Online entries are due April 1. Checks must be postmarked April 1 to avoid late fee. Online payments made after April 1 will incur a late fee, plus additional card processing fees. **If you are not paid in full by 5pm on April 24, you will not be considered entered and will not be in the first draw.**
9. Open entries will be taken, with the payment of a late fee, until the 1st big rake of the Open. At such time the entries will close, unless entries were previously capped due to numbers. Late fees are assessed per contestant per day at $25 per day and payments will only be available online via card. A credit card processing fee will be charged.
10. Rider changes may be made until the draw is posted on April 24. Rider changes made after the draw is posted will be allowed in the Open and 18/40 classes 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 the office prior to run will result in a disqualification. Rider changes will not be available after runner 150 of the Open.
11. Horse changes may be made online in Saddlebook until the draw is posted on April 24. Horse changes made after the draw is posted will be allowed in the Open and 18/40 classes 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. Horse changes will not be available after runner 150 of the Open.
12. There will be no buy-outs of Open or 18/40 spots, unless entries are capped due to numbers. In that event, buyouts will be available for a $20 fee.
13. 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. Swaps and move ups allowed until number 150 of the Open has ran.
14. No refunds for entries will be given, except for Vet Outs for the Open class, **which must be *received* by the IBF no later than April 24th, 2023 at 5:00 pm**. Forms can be emailed. Vet out forms/requests must be accompanied by a signed vet release. The IBF will retain the office fee and 20% of the total entry fee for all properly and timely submitted vet-outs – this includes a holdback of 20% for any side pots entered. Any scratches after this date, or any scratches/vet outs that are not accompanied by a signed vet release and appropriate form will **not** be given refunds. Please notify IBF if you are a scratch, even if you are doing so after the April 24th deadline.
15. Any refund checks will be mailed within 10 business days after the race.
16. The Idaho Bred Open Sidepot will be available to Idaho bred horses entered in the Open class. The designated sidepot **must** be marked in Saddlebook **and** registrationpapers must indicate that the horse was foaled in Idaho to be eligible. Papers must be in the office prior to the Open race to remain eligible for payout. Entry fee $25 | $250 added each day | 4D Format | 80% payback - The sidepot payout will be two go’s with no average paid or awards given.
17. Rider is responsible to designate Future Fortunes, Tomorrow’s Legends or Western Fortune’s, incentive if eligible. Rider is responsible to ensure all entry forms and registration papers are on file with the office, or online registration with the incentive program, prior to the first runner of the Open on Saturday for Future Fortunes and Western Fortunes and Sunday for Tomorrow’s Legends. Failure to complete the necessary forms will disqualify you from the incentive.

**FUTURITY/MATURITY RULES**

1. All General Rules apply.
2. Futurity Entry Fee $400. Office fee included in entry. Entry is due online and first payment of $200 is to be made online, or postmarked, by March 1, 2023 to avoid late fee. Second payment of $200 is due online or postmarked by April 1, 2023 to avoid late fee. Late fee is $35 for each late/missed payment. $10,000 is added to the payout and no fees are deducted from added money.
3. Maturity Entry Fee is $200. Office fee included in entry. Entry is due online and first payment of $100 is to be made online, or postmarked, by March 1, 2023 to avoid late fee. Second payment of $100 is due online or postmarked by April 1, 2023 to avoid late fee. Late fee is $35 for each late/missed payment. $2,500 is added to the payout and no fees deducted from added money.
4. A photocopy of the front of the registration papers of registered horses or veterinarian’s affidavit of the year of birth along with a complete physical description of unregistered horses must accompany entry and 1st payment. These may be loaded into Saddledocks with entry OR emailed to idahobarrelfuturity@gmail.com
5. Payout for Futurity/Maturity is 1/3 first go, 1/3 second go and 1/3 average. Average awards are presented to top 5 in each D.
6. **NO VET CHECKS**. Any discrepancy or suspicion presented to the Board of a horse ran that is determined not to be the actual futurity or maturity horse entered, will result in an onsite vet check. A vet check fee will be incurred if found in violation of this rule, as well as an immediate disqualification and withholding of any money won.
7. 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, 18/40 or sidepots, you will receive a “no time” in the carry-over class.
8. The futurity is a 2D format with a full second split between Division 1 and 2. The Maturity will be a 2D format with a 1/2 second split between Division 1 and 2.
9. The average will be based on the fastest horse/rider combination from both days (Saturday/Sunday). The average for the futurity will be calculated in a 2D format with two full seconds between Division 1 and 2. The average for the maturity will be a 2D format with one full second between Division 1 and 2.
10. Futurity entries will be taken until 5pm on Friday Night, with a $70 late fee. Maturity entries will be taken until 5pm Friday night with a $70 late fee. This is a per horse late fee. All late entries will be drawn and run last after the pre-entries.
11. There will be **no refunds** or **vet-outs** for futurity/maturity entries. Riders are welcome to negotiate buy-outs with other riders, but must submit a buy-out form and fee to the IBF. The IBF will only accept the buy-out fee and any outstanding entry fees. Any money owed between riders is solely a matter between those riders and IBF will have no involvement or handling of said funds.
12. Age of Futurity Horses are 4 or 5 year olds, foaled in 2017 or 2018. Futurity horses may not cross enter into the Maturity.
13. Age of Maturity Horses are 5 to 7, foaled in 2017, 2016, or 2015. Maturity horses may not cross enter into the Futurity.
14. Futurity horses may **not** have run in a competition run prior to November 15th, 2022.
15. The draw for the futurity and maturity will be posted as early as possible. Saturday’s futurity and maturity will be run in the order of the original draw, with late entries running last as a separate draw. On Sunday, the original draw will be run in reverse, and then the late entries will be run at the end (with the late draw also being run in reverse order).
16. The Idaho Bred Futurity Award will be presented to the average winner of the top Idaho Bred futurity horse. This designated sidepot must be marked in Saddlebook to be eligible, and papers must indicate that the horse was foaled in Idaho.

**FUTURITY AMATEUR RULES**

1. All General Rules apply
2. Rider/Horse combination must be entered in the Futurity to be eligible for the Amateur sidepot.
3. Rider may not have won over $1000 in Futurity money prior to November 15, 2022.
4. Rider may not have or have had a WPRA card, or filled a WPRA permit.
5. Rider must not train barrel horses for compensation.
6. You or your immediate family member must own the horse you are entering, and papers must be current with this information.
7. Sidepot must be designated in Saddlebook to be eligible.
8. Entry fee is $50 | 80% payback |Payout in each go and an award to 1D and 2D Champion. 2D format with 1 second split. No average payout.
9. Rider may be asked to verify Amateur status.

**JRM 2D SWEEPSTAKES**

1. All General Rules apply
2. Entry fee is $100 | 80% payback | $2500 added | $10 office fee | $10 late fee
3. The Sweepstakes race will run in a 2D format with splits being at ½ second between 1 and 2D.
4. Entries are due online by April 1. Checks must be postmarked by April 1. **If you are not paid in full by 5pm on April 24, you will not be considered entered and will not be in first draw.**
5. Late entries will be taken, with the payment of a late fee, until the 1st big rake at 50. At such time the entries will close.
6. **No Refunds or Vet Outs after April 24th at 5pm.**  The IBF will retain the office fee and 20% of the entry fee for all properly and timely submitted vet-outs. No buy-outs.
7. Rider changes will be allowed for a $10 fee. Rider change forms will be available at the office and must be submitted before the horse runs. Rider changes not reported to the office prior to run will result in a disqualification.
8. Horse changes may be made online in Saddlebook until the draw is posted. Horse changes made after the draw is posted will be allowed for a $10. 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.
9. A contestant will be given a “no time” for any knocked down barrels.
10. Once the draw is posted it is final.
11. In the event of a tie, a coin flip will determine the win the higher-placing award.

**YOUTH CLASS RULES**

1. Entry Fee $20 | 100% payback | Enter on site | No entries taken after 6:00 pm
2. Youth class is a 4D format, with 1 second splits between each D.
3. Awards available to top 5 contestants in a D.
4. A contestant will be given a 5 second penalty for any knocked down barrels.
5. No Lead Line. A Youth rider’s horse may not be ponied or led by another mounted rider. Contestant must be able to compete unassisted.
6. The Youth class will be ran on a smaller pattern than the actual race.
7. Youth contestants must be 12 years or younger as of January 1, 2023
8. Youth contestants may not cross enter into any other class of the weekend.
9. Youth contestants can only enter the race one time and are not allowed to run multiple horses.

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

1. Open arena will be held on Thursday from 8:00pm to 8:30pm, No barrels are allowed to be set up during the open arena. In the event that the Board feels that the ground needs to be worked or otherwise given attention, the scheduled open arena on any given day may be cancelled completely.
2. Group ride slots will be held on Thursday, April 27, 2023. Time slots of 15 minutes each will be sold for $20. Five people and horses will be allowed to ride in each time slot. If you would like to have a 15-minute slot completely to yourself, you must pay $100 to purchase all 5 spots in that particular slot. If you plan to ride two horses, you must buy two slots - no switching horses between people. $20 is per horse. Time slots will be sold and allocated on a first-come, first-served basis via Saddlebook. The barrels will be in the arena during the group ride times and riders are welcome to work the barrels or use the arena freely during their time slot. Please be respectful of other riders in your time slot and always make safety a priority. Riders will not be allowed to pony horses during the group ride times, and horses may not be tied inside the arena.
3. Futurity riders will be given two (2) time only runs on Friday, April 28, 2023 along with their entry. Timed runs will start Friday morning PROMPTLY at 7:00 am, and will start with futurity riders, to be run in the posted draw order. Futurity riders MUST ride the entered futurity colt in their designated slot.
4. Time runs will only be available for purchase for those entered in the futurity until March 13, 2023. After that date, they will be available on Saddlebook on a first-come-first-serve basis for whatever timed runs are left.
5. During Friday timed run slots, riders must check with the individual at the gate, to ensure that the timed runs keep running smoothly. The timed runs given to the futurity riders with their entry WILL BE RUN in draw order and you must be present and checked in with the gate person in advance of your slot. If you are not, we will roll through your spot and you will not be allowed to take your timed runs.
6. 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, and the gate person will announce the order of runs within each 30-minute period based upon those who are first to check-in. 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.
7. 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. Riders who need more time in the arena are strongly encouraged to sign-up for group-ride sessions on Thursday.
8. NO refunds will be given for group ride slots or timed runs. If riders want to trade timed runs slots with another rider or sell their spots, 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.
9. Timed runs on Friday will stop at 5:30pm. 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, and corresponding refunds will be issued.