

Event Approval Deadlines:

A reminder that we will be going back to the standard approval deadlines for what is considered submitted by the deadline and what events can count toward Top Ten standings.

Please think ahead for your event dates so you have plenty of time to prepare – especially if you are involved with January-March 2022 events!

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(3) Official NRHA event approval forms must be submitted to the NRHA office by the deadline as follows:

<u>Level of Event</u>	<u>Event Approval deadline</u>
AA, A	Not less than ninety (90) days prior to the entry closing date
B, BB & Top Ten Events	Not less than sixty (60) days prior to the first day of the show
C & D	Not less than thirty (30) days prior to the entry closing date

Any changes made to information on a submitted event approval form must be done in a timely manner. It is at the NRHA's discretion as to whether the changes can be accepted. Any event approval form received in the NRHA office after the required deadline, or a form that is not completed in full, may be subject to a late fee. Any changes to added money, entry fees, or retainage fees for classes that count toward NRHA Top Ten standings must be submitted 60 days prior to the event's entry closing date.

5 Chair Judge Clarification:

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(7) At least two (2) chair judges must be used in all NRHA approved classes with \$5,000–\$9,999 in added money. At least three (3) chair judges are recommended, but a minimum of two (2) chair judges are required, for all NRHA approved classes with \$10,000–\$49,999 in added money. Five (5) chair judges are recommended, but a minimum of three (3) chair judges are required, for all NRHA approved classes with \$50,000 or more in added money. When five (5) chair judges are used the high and low scores will be dropped.

Pre-Check Clarification:

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(d) When a pre-check system is used, all officiating judges, including the pre-check judge, are compelled to call any acts of abuse to a horse while in the arena. If the situation arises where a chair judge calls a no score, the judge making the call should request that the exhibitor present his/her horse for inspection to the judge seated closest to the exhibitor at the completion of the pattern. If a no score is called, the exhibitor can accept or contest the call. If contested, the other judge(s) shall be called as soon as is practical to examine the horse and confer.

Random Equipment Checks:

In all NRHA approved classes with added monies of \$500 or below (in a concurrent class set, the threshold applies to the highest added money offered), a random equipment check by the chair judge is permitted. It is recommended that **at least three** horses in each class are checked, selected by the chair judge when each horse is finished with the pattern. Any horse, at any time may be stopped by the chair judge in the event of abuse or unsafe conditions. **If the judge is performing random checks, these checks need to be truly random. It is imperative that the judge not only check the horse prior to the drag, but also horses elsewhere in the drag sets (e.g. the horse(s) directly before the drag should not always be the horse(s) checked).**

If a show has multiple judges hired to judge and is running classes that are eligible for random equipment checks, it is up to show management whether they utilize this or if they would like a judge at the gate checking every exhibitor.

It is show management's decision whether to use the random equipment checks and it is the decision of the judge to decide who they are checking. **If exhibitors are selected prior to the class starting it is very important that the draw not be posted with who has been randomly selected and that the announcer does not announce who is to be checked prior to them showing.**

Fines Reminder:

*Starting in 2022.

Event Approval Late/Incomplete Fee <i>(Ex. Adding classes or slates late, not providing required information by event approval deadline)</i>	\$100/\$250
Late Show Results <i>(*Reassessed every 10 days until received)</i>	\$100/\$500
*Inactive rider / owner membership	\$100 to rider
*Aged event conditions not received with approval or results	\$100
*Failure of events to comply with NRHA rules and policies, may result in fines and disciplinary action, as well as jeopardize future event approvals. <i>(Ex. For using NRHA judges for unapproved classes that are not allowed, Or not using five judges/three+monitor when required)</i>	\$500