



STBRA Rulebook

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1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1.1 Name - The organization shall be known as the Southeast Texas Barrel Racing Association hereinafter referred to as "STBRA".
- 1.2 Definition - The STBRA is an organization that offers barrel racers the opportunity to compete for money as well as compile points for year-end awards in various categories. Jackpots are sponsored throughout the year from which points are counted for year-end awards.
- 1.3 Location -The jackpots will be limited to a one-hundred (100) mile radius from the Tomball/Conroe area. They are to be distributed equally throughout the year.
- 1.4 Time - Exhibition poles will start at posted times with all other classes to follow.
- 1.5 Year - The STBRA year begins on January 1 and ends with the final jackpot prior to Thanksgiving.
- 1.6 Any money not picked up by a non-member one week after the last scheduled jackpot of current year who does not leave a legible mailing address will be forfeited and given back to STBRA.

2.00 GOVERNMENT

- 2.1 STBRA will be governed by nine (9) directors.
- 2.2 All decisions are made by the directors, each carrying equal vote.
- 2.3 The directors will share all primary duties.
- 2.4 Only the directors will have direct responsibility for the club.

3.00 DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS AND WAIVERS

- 3.1 A director must have been a member or associate member of STBRA 1+ years.
- 3.2 Membership dues and work points are waived for director and family after completing term.

4.00 DIRECTOR POSITIONS

- 4.1 Arena Director
 - A. Preparing the arena for all jackpots.
 - B. Approved arena director payment schedule as follows: \$75.00 to stake and water arena using water hoses, \$50.00 to stake and water the arena using an arena watering system, \$25.00 to stake the arena only.
- 4.2 Equipment Director
 - A. Shall maintain and handle all STBRA jackpot equipment, including but not limited to poles, barrels, extension cords, stakes, measuring devices, timer and PA system.

- B. Responsible for setting up and taking down the timer and PA system.
- C. Arena director may share the set up work of the arenas with the current members. Directors may have the discretion of giving a maximum of two (2) work points for said work.

4.3 Treasurer Director

- A. As custodian of STBRA funds, selects bank to be used, with approval of other directors.
- B. Receives and reports all income and expenses.
 - 1. A financial report will be given to any member upon request.
 - 2. Provides copies of bank statements to at least one other director or any director that requests a copy.
- C. Controls all withdrawals, although a minimum of two (2) directors must be able to sign on the account.
- D. Pays all operational expenses as due and approved.
- E. Is accountable for all STBRA funds at all times. Audits will never be refused.
- F. A list of fines will be maintained by the treasurer and will be transferred each year. Anyone on that list cannot become a member of STBRA or participate in STBRA jackpots until all fines are cleared and the current Directors approve reinstatement.

4.4 Ride Point and Standings Director

- A. Keeps accurate and updated ride points and standings based on jackpot results and eligibility.
- B. Is aware and enforces all rules regarding declaration, categories, point system, and eligibility requirements.
- C. Provides ride point records at every jackpot as well as jackpot results with current standings. Also, responsible for having the website updated.
- D. Is accountable at all times. Audits will never be refused.
- E. Standings and Points will be posted before next jackpot or 7 days from the last jackpot.

4.5 Scheduling Director

- A. Arena booking and locating a tractor if needed.
- B. Providing the schedule to barrel racing magazines and on-line barrel website/blog/message boards.
- C. Also responsible for booking a caterer at each jackpot and a photographer when necessary.

4.6 Work Points Director

- A. Accurately maintains and updates all work point records according to the work point system.
 - B. Is aware of and enforces all rules regarding the work point system and eligibility requirements.
 - C. Provides work points at every jackpot and is accountable to the membership at all times.
 - D. Required to take minutes at all director meetings and distribute to all directors.
 - E. Work Point Director cannot be called upon or allowed to write down names on the work sheet until the members who have been waiting in line to put in their names on the work sheet first.
- 4.7 Rider/Horse Earnings and Awards Director
- A. Will maintain Rider/Horse earnings from each jackpot.
 - B. Providing this information at each jackpot.
 - C. Assisting in ordering of the year end awards.
- 4.8 Rulebook and Membership Director
- A. Responsible for updating the STBRA rulebook and distribution of rulebook.
 - B. Maintaining, producing and posting a current membership roster of members in good standing at each jackpot.
 - C. Preparing the year-end award distribution list showing the participant, placing and awards won.
- 4.9 Forms Director
- A. Responsible for updating and providing entry forms, novice horse statements, membership forms at all jackpots. This position requires you to be accessible to a copier.
- 4.10 President and Vice President will be nominated and voted on by directors after new directors are elected.

5.00 JACKPOT SECRETARY

- 5.1 Will be a non-rider due to the complex nature of this position.
- 5.2 Is not a director's position. Any questions or disputes that arise need to be addressed with the directors.
- 5.3 Will be responsible for:
 - A. Handling all jackpot books. (Entries & payoffs)
 - B. Turning over all monies and results to appropriate director at the end of each jackpot.
 - C. Securing a replacement when needed, making sure alternate is fully aware of procedures.

- 5.4 Secretary or alternate secretary will be paid \$200.00 per jackpot; only one secretary will be paid per jackpot.

6.00 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

- 6.1 A General Membership meeting will be held during the year to elect Directors and discuss any new business and rule changes. This meeting is not mandatory.
- 6.2 Meeting will be scheduled for the first jackpot in October of each year.
- 6.3 Parliamentary procedures will be used at the General Membership meeting. Every effort to have a sound system will be made.
- 6.4 Results of the election and rule changes of the General Membership meeting will be posted on the website.
- 6.5 Topics members would like to have appear on the agenda must be in writing and turned into a director at least one week prior to the meeting or that topic will not be discussed.
- 6.6 A majority vote of the membership in attendance is required on any decision.
- 6.7 Special meetings requested by the general membership must be called by the directors with notice to all members.
- 6.8 Meeting will be held at the designated jackpot. The start time will be at 10:00 am, exhibition at 12:00 pm and first class at 2:00 pm.
- 6.9 Rules voted on at a meeting CANNOT go into effect until the start of the new STBRA year.
- 6.10 Pee Wees (members aged 6 and under) must be represented by a parent or legal guardian at the membership meeting, but Pee Wees themselves need not be present. Parent or legal guardian may vote for the Pee Wee (1 VOTE PER CHILD). Youth members ages 7-13 must be represented by a parent or legal guardian, and the youth member must be present. Parent or legal guardian may vote for the youth member (1 VOTE PER CHILD).
- 6.11 There will be no rule changes after the meeting (not even with a petition).
- 6.12 Meeting agenda and rule change ballots will be made available to the membership 72 hours prior to the membership meeting.

7.00 DIRECTOR MEETINGS

- 7.1 Director meetings may be called as deemed necessary. A quorum of directors must be present at each meeting.
- 7.2 All directors are to be given adequate notice.
- 7.3 A majority vote of the quorum of directors is required for any action to be taken.

8.00 ELECTIONS

- 8.1 Offices that must be elected by the general membership are the nine (9) director positions.
- 8.2 Nominations for each office will be made from the floor.
- 8.3 An election to fill any vacant director position(s) must be held as soon as reasonably possible and elected by members.

9.00 EQUIPMENT

- 9.1 All equipment is to be under the supervision of the equipment director.
- 9.2 Equipment Director may share responsibility with 1 or 2 other people.

10.00 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 10.1 Membership must be purchased prior to July 31st in order for a member to be eligible to receive year-end awards.
- 10.2 Membership may be accepted prior to January; however, age groups are determined by age as of January 1st of the point year.
- 10.3 Individual and family membership dues must be paid in order for work points to begin accumulating.

11.00 MEMBERSHIP DUES

- 11.1 Annual membership dues are as follows:
 - Single Membership \$ 70.00
 - 2 Person Family \$130.00
 - 3 Person Family \$170.00
 - 4+ Person Family \$190.00
- 11.2 Annual membership dues must be paid for before any points will count.
- 11.3 All novice horse nomination fees must be paid before any points will count.

12.00 YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

- 12.1 Youth members will compete in the appropriate youth class determined by their age as of January 1 of the point year. The member will remain in that age group throughout the year. Proof of age for any youth member under 18 must be provided. An example would be a birth certificate. The deadline date to provide this proof will be January 31st of each membership year.

- 12.2 Non-members will enter the appropriate class determined by their age upon entry at each jackpot.
- 12.3 Parents of youth members may purchase an Associate Membership for \$15.00. They:
- A. Will not have work point requirements.
 - B. Can hold office of a director.
 - C. Will also have voting privileges.

13.00 PENALTIES, FINES, EXCLUSIONS

- 13.1 All penalties and fines listed throughout the STBRA rule book will be enforced.
- 13.2 No one will be allowed to earn points until all current year's fines or other monies due are paid. However, entries will be accepted to run for money.
- 13.3 Anyone giving the STBRA an insufficient funds check will not be allowed to enter until the amount of the check, plus any bank charges, have been paid in full. If all charges are not paid within 30 days of the infraction, all points earned to date will be lost.
- 13.4 Any and all protests must be submitted in writing including a \$50.00 protest fee. All protests must be submitted to a director with payment within 3 days of the protested offense. A quorum of directors will rule on the protest. If protest is in favor of the protestant, money will be refunded.
- 13.5 A \$5.00 fine will be assessed to anyone (except Pee Wees) who exceeds 60 seconds in the arena during any barrel class including exhibition.
- 13.6 A \$5.00 fine will be assessed to anyone (except Pee Wees) who exceeds 90 seconds in the arena during any pole bending class including exhibition.
- 13.7 STBRA reserves the right to exclude:
- A. Anyone from STBRA functions for any reason of misconduct as determined by a majority of directors.
 - B. Any horse that is deemed uncontrollable or unmanageable from STBRA functions.
- 13.8 Anyone demonstrating abusive behavior in or out of the arena (excessive whipping, "schooling" their horse in the arena during a run, beating around the head, etc.), as determined by the directors, will be fined as follows:
- 1st Offense: \$50.00
 - 2nd Offense: \$100.00
 - 3rd Offense: Expulsion from any STBRA sanctioned events
- 13.9 Any horse believed to be unsafe to the rider or other participants can be banned by STBRA directors.

- 13.10 In competition runs, the rider can only circle the barrel/pole once. If the horse breaks the pattern and you have already circled the barrel/pole, you cannot circle it again. A \$10.00 fine will be charged for violation of this rule. This does not include exhibitions.
- A. The Pee Wee class will be exempt from this fine.
- 13.11 Once it has been determined a member cannot meet the requirements for year-end awards, points will no longer be awarded to the member and will be dropped from the standings.
- 13.12 Contestants must attempt to make the fastest run possible or they will get a no time.
- 13.13 Any member or director found to have tampered, cheated, or hindered points/results, standings, horses, or anything else will forfeit all accumulated points for the year, and membership will be revoked for at least 1 year, and can never hold a director position. Membership dues and buyouts will not be refunded.

14.00 JACKPOTS

- 14.1 Jackpots will be scheduled at the discretion of the directors. There may be no less than 15 but no more than 20 Jackpots scheduled per season.
- 14.2 With proper notification, the first exhibition barrel class may be started earlier than the agreed upon time to allow extra entries. The jackpot will start at the posted time.
- 14.3 Jackpots subject to cancellation due to inclement weather conditions, arena and/or parking conditions, cancellations by proprietor, etc., may be substituted with another location. Preset rain dates will be on the schedule.
- 14.4 Jackpot cancellations must be ruled on within a reasonable amount of time the day of the jackpot by the directors. Cancellation information will be available from the directors, HOWEVER IT IS NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DIRECTORS TO NOTIFY THE MEMBERS.
- 14.5 An availability schedule of the Directors will be provided at each jackpot. This schedule will be determined by the discretion of the Directors.
- 14.6 Jackpots will be on Sunday except from June 1st through September 30th, which will be on Saturday.
- 14.7 Summer jackpots will be scheduled as close to the Tomball, Conroe area as possible.
- 14.8 Summer jackpots will only have one regularly scheduled jackpot per month for the months of June, July, and August.

15.00 COMPETITION ENTRIES

- 15.1 Cash only will be accepted for entry fees.
- 15.2 Every entry form must have a horse's name on it, and you must run in the order in which you

- signed up on each horse. Failure to complete the entry form may result in a disqualification.
- 15.3 Buybacks: A horse can run as many times in the Open 5D Barrels, Youth 3D Barrels, Open 3D Poles, Youth 3D Poles, and 35 and over 3D Barrels. Only the first run in each class counts toward year end points and awards for each horse/rider combination.
- A. All buybacks will be ran after open is complete. No new entrees after last 25 runners (books closed) regardless of number of buybacks.
- 15.4 Contestants in the Open 5D Barrel class and the Youth 3D Barrel class, which is run in conjunction with the Open 5D, will be able to enter until the last 25 runners.
- 15.5 Entry fees will not be refunded except in the case of sickness or injury to the contestant or a family member or their horse with the exception to rule 16.01.
- 15.6 Competition time from any and all Open 5D Barrel and Open 3D Pole runs may be carried over to all other classes offered but must be designated as a carry over at the time of entry.
- 15.7 Contestants in all the 3D Barrel and 3D Pole classes will be able to enter until the last fifteen (15) riders of the class EXCEPT THE 3D YOUTH BARREL CLASS.
- 15.8 Competition time from Pee Wee Barrel runs may be carried over to the Open 5D Barrel class and the Youth 3D Barrel class but must be designated as a carry over at the time of entry.

16.00 COMPETITION RERUNS

- 16.1 Rerun will be allowed when the STBRA timekeeper fails to get a contestant's time due to clock malfunction. The contestant has the option to rerun either immediately or at the end of the class or have their entry fee refunded.
- 16.2 In case of timer malfunction during the middle of a class and another timer must be used, all contestants in that class will rerun against the same clock.
- 16.3 Rerun will not be allowed in the instances of contestant's equipment failure, nor there a refund of entry fees.

17.00 COMPETITION POSITIONS

- 17.1 The roll of a dice at the beginning of the Open 5D Barrel class will determine where the drags will start (i.e. if a "2" is rolled then the first 2 riders will run, arena will be drug, and rider 3 will start the next drag). The number in each drag will be determined by the Arena Director and the drags will be continuous throughout the classes.
- 17.2 Contestants must compete in order drawn or may request to be last in a class.

18.00 COMPETITION PENALTIES

- 18.1 A three (3) call rule with a maximum of two (2) minutes will be enforced. If not entering the arena you will be scratched.
- 18.2 Failure to follow the pattern (Barrels/Poles) will cause disqualification.
 - A. The AQHA rule will be used to define the barrel pattern.
 - B. The AQHA rule will be used to define the pole bending pattern.
 - C. Stopping the forward motion of a horse (i.e. backing up) during the pattern will result in disqualification.
- 18.3 Each barrel or pole knocked over in the Pee Wee class carries a five (5) second penalty. For all 5D Barrel, 3D Barrel, and 3D Poles classes, a knocked over barrel or pole results in a no time.
- 18.4 A contestant may touch a pole or a barrel with their hands with no penalty.

19.00 NOVICE HORSE STATEMENT OF EARNINGS

- 19.1 A statement of earnings must be completed on each novice horse when initially entered. This statement must show all monies won by the horse in barrel racing and/or pole bending, regardless of ownership.
- 19.2 Records will be kept on novice horses showing the earnings (in order to determine the horse's eligibility) and points earned for year-end awards. No points will be kept on any novice horse whose statement of earnings is not on record.
- 19.3 The horse's name given on the statement will be the only name used to accumulate points. If a horse is signed up with a different name, no points will be given.
- 19.4 A member found to have knowingly falsified any information on statement of earnings will be dropped from the STBRA with no refund of dues or any other money. A non-member will be dropped from the class with no refund.
- 19.5 It is the member's responsibility to declare any earnings outside of STBRA jackpots.

20.00 NOVICE HORSE NOMINATION FEE

- 20.1 A \$10.00 nomination fee is required to be paid before points will count on a novice horse. A separate \$10.00 fee is required for barrel and pole classes. Any horse entered in a novice class that has not had the nomination fee paid will not receive points.
- 20.2 A \$10.00 nomination fee is required to compete for the All-Around Novice Horse award.
- 20.3 The horse must compete in BOTH Novice 3D Barrels and Novice 3D Poles for points to count towards the All-Around Novice Horse award.

21.00 NOVICE HORSE DECLARATION

- 21.1 The member declaring a novice horse will be held responsible for all eligibility requirements necessary to win any awards regardless of the horse's rider(s).
- 21.2 Should any horse/rider team changes occur during the year, the horse must be re-declared in writing.
- 21.3 Once a horse has been dropped from the standings due to the ineligibility of the declared member, it may be re-declared in someone else's name; however, all existing points are forfeited.

22.00 NOVICE HORSE PROVISIONS

- 22.1 Horses with earnings of less than \$1,000.00 (money only) in barrels are eligible to compete in the Novice 3D Barrel class.
- 22.2 Horses with earnings of less than \$1000.00 (money only) in pole bending classes are eligible to compete in the Novice 3D Pole Bending class.
- 22.3 A contestant may enter more than one horse in a Novice class.
- 22.4 A horse may only enter and run one time in the Novice 3D Barrel and Pole classes.
- 22.5 A horse that has been declared and the nomination fee paid by a member, having competed in the Novice 3D Barrel class prior to earning \$1,000.00 will remain eligible to compete in the Novice 3D Barrel class throughout the year even if this horse should exceed \$1,000.00 in barrel racing earnings during the year.
- 22.6 A horse that has been declared and the nomination fee paid by a member, having competed in the Novice 3D Pole class prior to earning \$1000.00 will remain eligible to compete in the Novice 3D Pole class throughout the year even if this horse should exceed \$1000.00 in earnings in pole bending during the year.
- 22.7 A horse competing in a Novice class, later determined to be ineligible to compete in that class will forfeit any points won to the next eligible horse in line. Any money won by the ineligible horse must be paid back to the STBRA before the horse or its rider will be allowed to enter any future classes. The collected money will be paid to the member who was out the money upon request made within thirty (30) days; otherwise, the money will go to the STBRA.
- 22.8 If a horse's eligibility is questionable, STBRA has the right to hold any money won by the horse until eligibility has been proven to the directors.
- 22.9 Any STBRA member in good standing may ride a nominated horse regardless of who nominated said horse. However, points will be given to person who nominates said horse.

23.1 00 JACKPOT BARREL CLASSES

- Open 5D Open to any horse or rider.
- Novice 3D Open to any rider, but the horse is restricted by the amount of money won in barrel racing regardless of ownership or exhibitors. The horse must not have won over the specified amount (\$1000) of the class entered.
- Pee Wee Restricted to riders aged 6 years and younger.
- Youth 3D Restricted to riders aged 18 years and younger. This class will be ran in conjunction with the Open 5D.
- 35 & Over Restricted to riders aged 35 years and older.

24.1 00 JACKPOT POLE BENDING CLASSES

- Open 3D Open to any horse or rider.
- Youth 3D Restricted to riders aged 18 years and younger.
- Novice 3D Open to any rider, but the horse is restricted by the amount of money won in pole bending regardless of ownership or exhibitors. The horse must not have won over the specified amount (\$1000) of the class entered.

24.1 White marking substance will be used to indicate the staking of the pole pattern during all Pole classes except Exhibition.

24.2 Exhibition classes will be offered in both barrel racing and pole bending and will be considered as a category for ride rule eligibility.

25.00 ENTRY FEES & ORDER OF EVENTS

25.1 A \$6.00 office charge will be collected on all entries EXCEPT Open 5D Barrels, which will be \$7.00. All money collected from Exhibition runs will be considered an office charge.

25.2 A \$5.00 tractor fee will be charged for every person entering.

25.3 Order of events and entry fees:

Exhibition Poles \$5.00 each

Open 3D Poles \$20.00

Youth 3D Poles \$20.00

\$1000 Novice 3D Poles \$20.00

Exhibition Barrels \$5.00 each

Pee Wee Barrels \$15.00

Open 5D Barrels \$30.00

Youth 3D Barrels \$20.00 (will be ran in conjunction with the Open 5D)

35 & Over 3D Barrels \$20.00

\$1000 Novice 3D Barrels \$20.00

26.00 PAY-OFF SCHEDULES

26.1 Open 5D Barrels:

Total jackpotted monies will be divided into five (5) equal groups for pay-off and the following schedule will be used for paying off each division in the Open 5D Barrels:

<u># OF ENTRIES</u>	<u># OF PLACES</u>	<u>PERCENTAGES</u>
1-25	1	100
26-50	2	60/40
51-100	3	50/30/20
101-115	4	40/30/20/10
116-130	5	30/25/20/15/10
131-150	6	28/22/18/14/10/8
151-175	7	26/20/15/12/10/9/8
176 +	8	24/19/15/12/9/8/7/6

26.2 Payout will be limited to Pee Wee class only.

<u># OF ENTRIES</u>	<u># OF PLACES</u>	<u>PERCENTAGES</u>
1-3	1	100
4-6	2	60/40
7-9	3	50/30/20
10-12	4	40/30/20/10
13-15	5	32/25/18/15/10
16 +	6	32/24/18/12/9/5

26.3 Youth 3D, Novice 3D, 35 and Over 3D Barrels, and Open 3D, Youth 3D and Novice 3D Poles:

Total jackpotted monies will be divided into three (3) equal groups for pay-off and the following schedule will be used for paying off each division in the 3D classes:

<u># OF ENTRIES</u>	<u># OF PLACES</u>	<u>PERCENTAGES</u>
1-10	1	100
11-15	2	60/40
16-30	3	50/30/20
31-60	4	40/30/20/10

61-90	5	30/25/20/15/10
91-120	6	28/22/18/14/10/8

27.00 POINT SYSTEM SCHEDULE

- 27.1 Points will be awarded in all categories adhering to the rules.
- 27.2 Points will be kept:
 - A. From all approved jackpots.
 - B. On eligible members only. Members will be dropped from the standings when no longer eligible.
 - C. Only on qualified runs.
 - D. On the rider in all classes except Novice Horse classes.
 - 1. Open 5D Barrel, Youth 3D Barrel, Open 3D Pole, and Youth 3D Pole riders placing in same D will receive points for the highest placing only.
 - E. Points in Novice Horse classes will be kept on the horse, but the rider must be a member in good standing and the nomination fee must have been paid on the horse.
 - F. On the Novice Horse only from STBRA Novice Horse classes.
 - G. Riders in Youth 3D Poles and 35 and Over 3D Barrels, riding more than one horse, will receive the highest placing points only.
- 27.3 The Peewee Barrels, Open 5D Barrels and the Youth 3D Barrel classes will use the ten (10) point system. Points will be awarded to eligible members in the order of finish whether money is won or not.

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
1	10
2	9
3	8
4	7
5	6
6	5
7	4
8	3
9	2
10	1

- 27.4 Peewee Barrels: Assisted riders cannot place ahead of qualified unassisted riders.

27.5 All Novice 3D Barrel, 35 and Over 3D Barrel, Open 3D Pole, Youth 3D Pole, and Novice 3D Pole classes will use the following system. Points will be awarded to novice horses meeting all eligibility requirements in order of finish.

- A. Novice 3D Barrel, 35 and Over 3D Barrel, Open 3D Pole, Youth 3D Pole, and Novice 3D Pole classes will use a 3D format with a sliding point system.
- B. The Horse/Rider team to accumulate most points during the year will be awarded first place in the Novice 3D Barrel and Pole classes. See 21.00.
- C. The Rider to accumulate most points during the year will be awarded first place in the Open 3D Poles, Youth 3D Poles, and 35 and Over 3D Barrels.

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>1D POINTS</u>	<u>2D POINTS</u>	<u>3D POINTS</u>
1	10	8	6
2	9	7	5
3	8	6	4
4	7	5	3
5	6	4	2
6	5	3	1
7	5	3	1
8	5	3	1
9	5	3	1
10	5	3	1

27.6 In the Open 5D Barrels, divisions are determined by time brackets, not by order of finish. The fastest time of contestant in the class will determine the time brackets as follows:

- 1st division (1D) - Fastest time in the class and those who place in this division.
- 2nd division (2D) - Fastest time in the class plus one-half second and those who place in this division.
- 3rd division (3D) - Fastest time in the class plus one second and those who place in this division.
- 4th division (4D) - Fastest time in the class plus one and one-half seconds and those who place in this division.
- 5th division (5D) - Fastest time in the class plus 2 full seconds and those who place in this division.

Note: The 5th division is not limited to a one-second interval from two to three seconds off the fastest time, however, riders must make a good faith effort to run the pattern as fast as their ability will allow.

- 27.7 In the 3D Barrel and Pole classes, divisions are determined by time brackets, not by order of finish. The fastest time of contestant in the class will determine the time brackets as follows:
- 1st division (1D) - Fastest time in the class and those who place in this division.
 - 2nd division (2D) - Fastest time in the class plus one second and those who place in this division.
 - 3rd division (3D) - Fastest time in the class plus two seconds and those who place in this division.

Note: The 3rd division is not limited to a one- second interval from one to two seconds off the fastest time; however, riders must make a good faith effort to run the pattern as fast as their ability will allow.

28.00 TIES

- 28.1 In case of a tie in a class, the points and/or money from the places involved will be added together and split equally between the tied contestants.
- 28.2 In the case of a tie in the year-end standings, the winner will be determined by the most jackpots entered (horse/rider team in novice classes) in that particular class. In the event the tie is still not broken, the winner will be determined by the most number of first places the member (horse/rider team in novice classes) has won, if the tie has still not been broken the same method shall be followed going as far down as necessary in placing until the tie is broken.

29.00 RAINOUTS/CANCELLATIONS OF A JACKPOT IN PROGRESS

- 29.1 Points will count only from completed classes. Points will not be counted from any class not completed entirely.
- 29.2 All classes not yet paid off will have the entry fees refunded.

30.00 POINTS PLACING AT YEAR END

- 30.1 In each category, the member (horse/rider team in novice) earning the most points and meeting all eligibility requirements will receive the champion award.
- 30.2 Eligible members will be placed according to the most points won.
- 30.3 The number of places to be awarded is designated by the directors.

31.00 WORK POINT SYSTEM

- 31.1 Each individual member is required to earn a minimum of thirty (30) points and work at least ten (10) jackpots to be eligible to receive year-end awards.

- 31.2 Family memberships require the first member (usually the adult) to earn a minimum of thirty (30) work points, the 2nd member is required to earn twenty (20) work points, the 3rd member is required to earn fifteen (15) work points, the 4th and all remaining members are required to work a minimum of ten (10) work points to be eligible to receive year end awards. All family members are required to work at least ten (10) jackpots to be eligible for year-end awards.
- 31.3 All required work points must be earned as of the last jackpot.
- 31.4 There must be at least one adult in the arena with workers under 13 years of age.
- 31.5 No workers under the age of 13 will be allowed to work the gate unless accompanied by an adult.
- 31.6 Timekeeper and announcer must be 18 years of age or older, unless approved by a director.
- 31.7 One (1) work point; will be earned by each worker for every thirty (30) entries. See example.

<u># OF CLASS ENTRIES</u>	<u>POINTS EARNED</u>
30	1
31	2

- 31.8 A tractor driver will be paid \$1.00 per run in the Open Barrels. If he/she is unable to work the entire class, they must provide a replacement in order to receive payment. The tractor driver will be paid once the jackpot is over. No work points will be awarded if payment is received.
- 31.9 If the tractor driver is not paid, two (2) work points will be earned by each worker for dragging for every thirty (30) entries. See example.

<u># OF CLASS ENTRIES</u>	<u>POINTS EARNED</u>
30	2
31	4

- 31.10 Work points will be awarded to each worker per jackpot for the following duties: announcer, timekeeper, set up arena, arena worker, tractor driver (if not paid), and any other duty approved by the work point director.
- 31.11 A worksheet will be available at each jackpot for each worker to list their name in the appropriate place. Work points will only be awarded to members whose names appear on the worksheet.
- 31.12 Members will be dropped from the standings from the first date it becomes apparent that the work point requirements cannot be met due to the jackpot schedule.
- 31.13 Anyone can work for a STBRA member and count as work points for that member providing the member is present at the jackpot and their name appears on the worksheet.
- 31.14 Buy-outs are available: Youth buy-out is for 13 & under in the amount of \$75.00. Adult buy-out is for 14 & over in the amount of \$250.00. Deadline for all buy-outs is August 1st.

31.15 The directors have the option to revise the required number of work points and/or the required number of shows if deemed necessary in order to run each jackpot more smoothly and efficiently.

32.00 YEAR END POINTS AND AWARDS

- 32.1 Year end points and ride points will count through the final jackpot.
- 32.2 There will be appropriate year-end awards given for each category in which points are compiled.
- 32.3 The number of places awarded by the STBRA in each category will be designated by the directors.
- 32.4 All awards must be approved by the directors.

33.00 PARTICIPATION & AWARD ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 33.1 To receive awards:
 - A. Membership dues are paid.
 - B. All fines are paid.
 - C. Work Point requirement is met.
 - D. Must actually compete in 1/2 of the scheduled jackpots in any category or combination of categories (class). Exhibition is considered a category (class).
- 33.2 To receive Year End Awards in a specific category:
 - A. Membership dues are paid.
 - B. All fines are paid.
 - C. Work Point requirement is met.
 - D. Must actually compete in 1/2 of the scheduled jackpots in a specific category (class) to receive awards in that category.