



RULES & REGULATIONS

The AQHA will make a decision regarding Q21 being held closer to the date of the Championships

Q21 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, AA, AmQHA & RANCH VERSATILITY SHOWS

All horses must be registered with the AQHA. NO PENDING REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

All horse owners must be financial members and riders/handlers must hold a financial membership, in their own right, and if applicable an Amateur/Select, Novice Permit.

Performance rules of the AQHA and the AmQHA, where appropriate, shall apply and shall take precedence over all other rules where conflict arises.

ENTRIES ONLINE - Open 9am 1ST March and close 5pm 19th March 2021. **Working Cow Horse & Boxing** will close once all available cattle are allocated.

ADMINISTRATION FEE - \$25 per horse

AMQHA FEE - \$25 per horse

LATE ENTRIES

For a horse that is already entered

- For "AA" Show, "AmQHA Show" and "Versatility Ranch Show" – allowed up to 12noon day prior to that particular show. \$15 late fee per horse plus the class fee.
- Q21 National Show from Saturday 3rd April 2021 up to and including Thursday 8th April 2021 - allowed up to 12 noon prior to the **day of the class** they wish to enter. \$15 late fee per horse plus the class fee.

For a Horse that is not already entered in the above shows

- \$50 late fee per horse plus Admin fee of \$15 and class entry fee and AmQHA levy of \$15 if applicable.

PROHIBITED EQUIPMENT FOR SHOWING

Please read Rules 82.3 and 83.3

*Exclusion, Feature Events affiliated with approved performance bodies, Barrel Race, Cutting, Campdraft.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Youth Classes – If a horse is entered in a youth class, and is vetted out of the show, then that Youth can use a replacement horse if the replacement horse has been previously entered in Q21. The horse that is vetted out will remain ineligible for further competition for the duration of the show.

Amateur Classes – If the Amateurs horse is vetted out they will be permitted to use a replacement horse for that class if the replacement horse had been previously entered in Q21. The replacement horse must be eligible according to the AQHA Amateur Rules. NB: A Junior Horse cannot replace a Senior Horse. The horse that is vetted out will remain ineligible for further competition for the duration of the show.

Open Classes – Change of rider/handler is permitted

The above substitutions must be made to the Q21 Show Office no later than 1 hour prior to the commencement of the respective class.

PRIZE MONEY

'AA' PRE SHOW

Prize Money – only on classes where PM is advertised.

Will be paid to 3rd place: 50%, 30%, 20%

AmQHA SHOW

No prize money allocated

Ranch Versatility Show

All classes Jackpot

EF less GST, less 20% for all horses/riders that competed in the class

Will be paid to 3rd place: 50%, 30%, 20%

Q21 Classes

Prize money listed, will be paid to 3rd place: 50%, 30%, 20%

JPOT classes will be EF less GST less 20% for all horse/riders that competed in the class

Will be paid to 3rd place: 50%, 30%, 20%

CANCELLATIONS – Entries, Stables, Tack and Camping

All cancellations must be received in writing at AQHA or Show office.

Full refunds prior to 5pm 19th March 2021 (less admin fee + AmAQHA levy).

Cancel prior to first day of the show (31st March 2021) – with Veterinary Certificate and or Doctors Certificate for a full refund less admin fee and AmQHA levy.

No refunds after the commencement of Show.

If Q21 is cancelled due to COVID-19, a refund will be forthcoming.

AQHA POLICIES

No alcohol is allowed in, or can be consumed in the marshalling areas, working arenas or show pen/contest areas. Competitor's/participants at any event run by the AQHA have a responsibility to ensure the welfare of their horses and at all times to treat their horses humanely and with dignity, respect and compassion.

Competitors/participants are to conduct themselves in a professional manner and act with integrity in all dealings with the Association and other competitors. To uphold the rules and regulations of the AQHA always.

Competitors/participants are always to demonstrate good sportsmanship, showing respect for your fellow competitors and officials, following the rules and to treat people the way you yourself wish to be treated.

All Youth competing or taking part in the AQHA approved show/s must be in the care of a parent/legal guardian whilst at the event. If a parent/legal guardian will not be attending the show, an AQHA Youth waiver form must be completed stating the emergency contact details of the responsible adult / caregiver for the youth. Contact details will be used in the case of an emergency and/or contest dispute at the show. It is the responsibility of the parent/legal guardian to have the appropriate waiver forms to the AQHA show office prior to the commencement of the show.

INCIDENTS AT SHOWS

Will be dealt with by Show Management under Rules 40.2 and 40.2.1

ANIMAL HEALTH

A Veterinarian will be on call. In the case of outbreak of any contagious or infectious disease amongst horses, neither the AQHA nor the Sponsors or Show Organisers will be liable for any damage or loss that may occur to any person or animal.

The AQHA Statement of Animal Welfare will apply in all cases to all horses exhibited at the show.

DRUGS/MEDICATION

2.8 A horse that has had any prohibited foreign substance or drugs administered internally or externally cannot compete.

Exception: Acceptable foreign substances listed in Rule 2.9 and drugs as administered under Rule 2.8 b).

- a) A patch of any type, medicinal or otherwise cannot be on a horse when that horse is being exhibited;
- b) A horse that is injured or taken ill once it has arrived at the official show venue, or whilst on the ground during the event, may compete after that horse has been treated by a Veterinarian at that show. The attending Veterinarian must sign a certificate which states:
- what the horse is suffering from
 - what treatment, including any substances that have been administered internally or externally, and
 - that the horse is sound enough to compete at that show
- c) The certificate must be given to the Show Secretary/Show Manager prior to the horse competing;
- d) A horse cannot be injected at a show unless the Veterinarian, that attended the horse at the show, has otherwise instructed. A Vet Certificate showing the treatment required must be obtained.

2.9 Acceptable Foreign Substances

The following substances are acceptable:

- Antiprotozoals
- Anti-ulcer medication
- Insect repellent
- Anthelmintics
- Rehydration fluids
- B vitamins(orally)
- Regumate/Altrenogest (mares only)
- Topical ointments not containing Corticosteroids, irritant, or painkillers
- Preventative joint restorative therapies and general "over the counter" feed store supplements

2.10 Every exhibitor will, upon request of show management or the Association representative, permit a specimen of saliva, urine, blood, or any other substance to be taken for testing. Refusal to comply with such a request will constitute grounds for immediate disqualification of the horse from further participation at the event.

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from the horse indicates the presence of a foreign substance, prohibited drug or medication, this will be taken as prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the horse.

RISK

Competitors realise that horse related competition has an inherent risk and as such compete at this competition at their own risk. The AQHA and show organisers will accept no liability for accident, loss or injury. This applies to all competitors, their connections, horses and spectators. Entries will not be accepted unless the Liability Waiver has been signed by owners and exhibitors of all horses.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Riders and handlers must always be correctly attired whilst in the Marshalling area and Show arenas.

Lunged and ridden horses are not to be exercised together in the same area. Times and arenas will be allocated by Show Management who will advise the appropriate areas and timetables accordingly.

No training equipment allowed in the immediate marshalling area and the performance arena from one hour before the show starts or one hour after the completion of the show on each day.

Any rider/handler who does not comply with these requirements will be removed from the area and may be disqualified from competition for the duration of the show.

Only contestants in the specific classes and Show Officials will be allowed in the competition arena or marshalling area during the judging except for handlers assisting disabled riders.

AELEC will be under the control of the Show Manager or such person he/she appoints to act on his/her behalf, and shall have the discretion to eject any exhibitor from the said area for inhumane treatment and/or training of any horse or the failure to observe the Rules and Regulations of the competition and the Rules & Regulations of the AQHA or any reasonable request. Your co-operation is expected.

Any necessary Rules & Regulations not covered by the Australian Quarter Horse National Championship Rules will be determined by the Show Management and their decision will be final and without recourse of any kind. The Show Management reserves the right to add any further applicable Rules & Regulations before, or during the Show. These rules will be posted at the Secretary's office and will be announced over the public address system, such instances could be out of bounds working areas, closure of areas to the public or horses or any other instance that may arise.

Show Management may exclude horses from competition should there be any unnecessary or embarrassing delay on the part of the exhibitor in bringing the horse into the competition arena. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to present themselves at the competition arena gate when called. Failure to report on final call will result in disqualification from the class. If a horse is excluded from entry, all entry fees and charges for the class are forfeited without liability, to the show organisers/committee.

Show Management reserve the right to change the order of classes before or during the show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be aware of any changes, which will be posted at the Show Secretary's office. Every endeavour will be made to give one (1) hours' notice of any changes to the running order of events; however, every endeavour will be made to avoid changes.

Any exhibitor or rider, who refuses to obey the request of the Show Manager, will after consultation with the Show Committee, may be automatically disqualified from further competition at the show and forfeits all previous winnings together with all entry fees and other charges. At the discretion of the Show Manager, after consultation with the Show Committee, the offending individual and his/her entire exhibit may be removed from the grounds.

Cutting/ Campdraft/ Barrel Race will be ran as per the rules and regulations of the affiliated performance bodies.

PROTESTS

Protests must be made in writing to the Show Secretary and be lodged within 30 minutes of the completion of the disputed event. A cash fee of \$50 must accompany any protest lodged. The Show Disputes Committee will consist of the Show Manager, a Show Committee member and a Competitor (not a youth).

FIRST AID FACILITIES will be available on the grounds while the competition is in session. First Aid officer will be located in the Show office across from the Bar Area.

EVACUATION POINTS - Spectator and competitor evacuation points are at each entrance of the Centre. Horses are to be evacuated into the campdraft arena in the case of an emergency. Site and evacuation maps will be posted throughout AELEC.

AELEC CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

As a condition of the entry to the Australian Equine and Livestock Events Centre (AELEC) (The Venue) persons:

1. Agree to follow the direction and instructions of AELEC staff at all times whilst at the venue.
2. Agree to adhere to all directions displayed on signage within the AELEC.
3. Agree they will not do any of the following whilst at AELEC:
 - a. Use indecent, obscene, insulting or threatening language.
 - b. Behave in an offensive or indecent manner.
 - c. Light any fires.
 - d. Bring a dog to the venue without a lead. Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times whilst at the venue.
 - e. Leave any personal waste at the venue, except if the waste is left in the appropriate bins allocated.
 - f. Use any fire hoses at AELEC.
 - g. Interfere with or harm any wildlife at AELEC.
 - h. Smoke in or around any AELEC buildings. All venue buildings are smoke free.
 - i. Damage, deface or cover any structure, machinery, equipment, sign, descriptive plate or label.
4. Must comply with all NSW road rules and related legislation whilst at AELEC. In addition, the following applies:
 - a. Only registered vehicles including four wheel bikes are permitted to be used at the venue.
 - b. Riders of motorcycles, bicycles and four wheel bikes must wear Australian standard helmets.
 - c. Bicycles or any vehicles must not be used after dark without front and rear lights.
 - d. Golf carts must have current conditional registration in accordance with RMS legislation. Golf carts are only to be operated by licensed drivers. Golf carts must not be driven whilst the driver is under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Between sunset and sunrise, all golf carts are to be parked and keys are to be removed. No golf carts are to be driven on site after dark unless authorised in writing.
 - e. All AELEC road signage and speed limits are to be adhered to at all times.
 - f. All vehicles, except those authorised, must park in designated car or truck parking areas. Vehicles parked without authority will be towed from the site and all costs will be the responsibility of the vehicle owner.
5. Acknowledge that AELEC accepts no liability for the loss of or the damage to vehicles, or any goods or articles.
6. If camping, agree to camp only in the designated areas and not under trees or in watercourses. Power leads must be tagged and tested, and installed in a safe manner and must not cross roads or paths. Temporary yards must be of sturdy construction and must not exceed 4 metres square.
7. Agree that horses/livestock entering/exiting AELEC must do so on or in a conveying vehicle. For safety and security purposes they cannot be ridden or led into or out of the venue access gates.
8. Whether participant or spectator, must be respectful of other horse riders and venue users.
9. Ensure persons under the age of 18 are supervised by an adult at all times.
10. Report all incidents, accidents and damages to your event organiser and venue management.

AELEC may refuse admission to or cause to be removed from the venue any person that is, in the opinion of AELEC staff or appointed contractors intoxicated or any person that fails to abide with these conditions of entry or any other written signage at the venue. Persons must not remain on any part of the venue after having been requested to leave by an AELEC staff member or appointed contractor.