

## VRH FAQ's

1. Do all divisions HAVE to be held?
  - No. Management has the option to offer some or all divisions.
2. What classes can be held together?
  - Cowboy and Open may be run together.
3. What are the criteria for the rookie and limited classes?
  - There are no eligibility restrictions for limited classes except the same horse/rider combination may not also enter another subdivision at the same show.
  - Eligibility for the Rookie divisions is explained in SHW552.4: for an exhibitor to be eligible in the amateur or youth rookie division, the exhibitor must have earned no more than ten (10) lifetime points in any breed association (including but not limited to AQHA, APHA, AQHA VRH All-Around); or \$500 in a national organization (including but not limited to NCHA, NRCHA, NRHA, RHAA, NRSWA, NSBA) in any western performance discipline (including but not limited to western pleasure, working cow horse, reining, cutting, trail.) Accuracy of eligibility is the responsibility of the exhibitor.
    - o Roping, speed events, showmanship, English classes do not count towards the VRH Rookie point cap.
4. What VRH classes can be held concurrently with AQHA classes?
  - Show management may run AQHA ranch riding and full versatility ranch horse ranch riding concurrently if held within a VRH show. If held concurrently, AQHA ranch riding rules (SHW416-419.8) will apply.
  - Show management may run AQHA ranch trail and versatility ranch horse ranch trail concurrently if held within a full versatility ranch horse show. If held concurrently, AQHA ranch trail rules (SHW420-SHW422) will apply.
5. Can RHC classes be held with VRH?
  - RHC working ranch horse classes, including RHC limited ranch horse, may be held concurrently with VRH ranch reining and ranch cow work or VRH limited ranch reining and ranch cow work, respectively. (Ranch reining and ranch cow work may be run concurrently or as separate classes.)

- RHC ranch cutting and ranch riding may be held with VRH ranch cutting and VRH ranch riding, respectively.
  - RHC barrel racing may be held concurrently with AQHA barrel racing.
  - RHC team roping may NOT be held concurrently with AQHA heading or heeling classes.
6. Do VRH Conformation classes have the same requirements as regular halter classes?
- All horses whose registration certificates are marked with parrot mouth, cryptorchid or excessive white notations are ineligible to compete in the Ranch Horse Conformation class. (SHW567.3)
  - Horses must compete in one other VRH class in the same division to show in VRH ranch conformation.
  - Mares, geldings, and stallions in each division/subdivision are shown in one ranch conformation class. Stallions are prohibited in all youth subdivisions.
7. How are VRH All-Arounds calculated?
- Horses competing for the All-Around are placed against each other based on their individual class placings. The highest place horse in each individual class will receive 50 credits, the next highest placed horse will receive 49 credits, and so on. The horse with the highest number of credits will be placed first in the VRH All-Around class and will receive points based on the number horses competing for the All-Around title. (SHW555) All eligible entries for the VRH All-Around MUST be placed.
8. What is the eligibility for a VRH All-Around?
- To be eligible for the VRH All-Around, one horse/rider combination must enter and show within a single division in the following: Conformation, at least one cattle class and at least one non-cattle class.
9. What does it take to qualify for the VRH Limited or Rookie All-Around?
- Identical requirements as stated above.
10. What is the difference between VRH and Limited VRH?
- VRH ranch cow work is a “full” cow work with a boxing portion, a fence work, and either circling or roping the cow. VRH limited ranch cow work is box-drive-box-drive format.

- There are no eligibility restrictions, except one horse/rider combination must compete in all limited classes to be eligible for the VRH Limited All Around.
  - VRH Limited and VRH Rookie classes cannot be run concurrently.
11. Can Cowboy classes be in the Amateur division?
- The Cowboy classes are Open division only.
12. Do VRH class points count towards level eligibility?
- Points earned in individual VRH classes do not affect leveling in any other class. (SHW554)
13. Must Rookie and/or Limited must be run before regular Amateur/Youth?
- Rookie and/or Limited classes do not have to be run before the Amateur/Youth classes.
14. Can a Horse/Rider combination cross enter the same class(es) in VRH Youth or Amateur subdivisions?
- No, a horse/rider combination cannot enter more than one subdivision within the Amateur or Youth divisions. I.E horse/rider combo enters Amateur VRH Trail, same combination cannot enter Amateur VRH Limited or Amateur VRH Rookie Trail at the same show.
15. Can a Horse/Rider combination enter the same class(es) in multiple divisions?
- Yes, a horse/rider combination can enter more than one division. I.E., horse/rider combo enters Amateur VRH Trail, same horse/rider combo can ALSO enter Open VRH Trail.
16. Is it possible for a horse/rider combination win both the Amateur VRH All Around and the Open VRH All Around?
- Yes, it is possible for a horse/rider combination to win both the Amateur and Open VRH All Around if that team has earned the most credits in both divisions.
17. Do VRH All Around points count towards Rookie eligibility?
- Yes, VRH All Around points count towards Rookie eligibility. Individual VRH class points do not count towards Rookie eligibility.