

The 2024 NRHA Futurity & North American<sup>®</sup> Affiliate Championship was an incredible, history making event! Paying out over \$3 million in the Futurity purse, we could not be more thankful to our sponsors and members who believe in the reining horse athlete. As we wrap up 2024, we are looking forward to an even busier 2025!

## Stay up to date with us!

We work hard to keep our membership up to date on the current NRHA events within Oceania and provide easy access to essential information about NRHA. Make sure to follow us on all social media platforms to receive updates, fan information, and to hear about current events within NRHA



# Oceania Recognition Program - 2024 Nominations Due December 31, 2024

The NRHA Oceania Affiliate Council is proud to announce that starting in 2024, an Oceania recognition program will be implemented. This program is designed to recognize the hard-working professionals, non pros, and volunteers who go above and beyond for their affiliates, helping them to grow and prosper. Each year, the recognition award will rotate from country to country to help showcase those members in the Oceania region who are helping to make reining happen! Full details and the application for this program can be found here. 2024 nominations are due by December 31, 2024.

# 2026 Rule Change Proposals Due December 31

If you are an NRHA member in good standing, you can submit a rule change proposal to NRHA by December 31, 2024. These proposals will go to the NRHA Board of Directors in 2025 for review and eventual voting, and if passed, will take effect as of January 1, 2026.

To submit a rule change proposal, please click <u>here</u>. Completed rule change proposals can be emailed to <u>kcolbath@nrha.com</u>.



### NRHA Nomination Deadline – January 10, 2025

The NRHA nomination deadline is quickly approaching! Nominate your horse by January 10, 2025. to be eligible to enter the NRHA Futurity and NRHA Derby or NRHA European Futurity and NRHA European Derby.

This program plays a major role in the future success of reining horses as well as the future of NRHA. By nominating your horses, you are giving them a head start to a successful future in reining. Nominate your next champion by January 10!

NRHA Nomination Page: www.nrha.com/nomination

Nomination FAQ: Click HERE

Nomination Tutorial for a Pending Registration Foal: Click <u>HERE</u> Nomination Tutorial for a Registered Foal: Click <u>HERE</u>

Please remember, nomination forms CANNOT be submitted via email, they must be completed through ReinerSuite or submitted via the postal service.

For questions or assistance with completing your nomination through ReinerSuite, or for inquiries on the NRHA Nomination program, please contact Micah McAtee at <u>mmcatee@nrha.com</u>.

#### NRHA Affiliate Renewal Deadline – January 31, 2025

All affiliate renewals are due by January 31, 2025, regardless of affiliate level (developing, regional, national). All renewals and submissions must be complete to be considered on time and must be accompanied by your NRHA membership list. Affiliate renewal forms are located on the affiliate page of the NRHA website, or at the following link: <u>www.nrha.com/affiliate</u>.

If you or your affiliate need assistance submitting this paperwork, please reach out to Lauren Waymire at <a href="https://www.waymire@nrha.com">www.waymire@nrha.com</a>.

If you are in an area where there is not an affiliate and you are interested in starting one, do not hesitate to reach out at the contact above for options, ideas, and assistance!

### 2025 NRHA Oceania Restricted Eligibility

The 2025 NRHA Oceania Restricted Eligibility Policy is posted on <u>www.nrha.com/eligibility</u>. The ReinerSuite Eligibility tool and ranking lists will be updated at the start of the new year. Do not forget to look prior to entering your first NRHA event of the 2025 season! (The tool will be updated in January with 2025 information.)

### 2025 Fee Updates

Each year, the NRHA Board reviews fees for member services and transactions. To see the list of fees for the coming year, visit the 'Resources' tab at <u>www.nrha.com</u>, and then click on 'Fees & Services'.

### Upcoming NRHA Show Secretary Seminars

Interested in becoming an NRHA certified Show Secretary? Learning the ins and outs of the role of a Show Secretary and Manager can help you to better understand the rules of NRHA competition, and how you can improve your showing experience through education on NRHA's categories of competition and class requirements! The upcoming NRHA Show Secretary seminar schedule is as follows:

• Tuesday, December 17, 2024, 10AM CST

Please note that all times are noted in the Central Standard time zone. Please adjust times according to your appropriate time zone. The 2025 Show Secretary Seminar schedule will be posted shortly on nrha.com/secsem.

For more information on Show Secretary seminars, please contact Lauren Waymire at <u>lwaymire@nrha.com</u> or visit <u>nrha.com/secsem</u>.

### **Recommended Judges Pay**

The NRHA Judges Committee constantly works to provide the best education to produce the highest qualified judges in the equine sport industry. Those that pass the judge's seminar, school, and stringent testing (every two years) are dedicated to judging to the best of their ability to ensure the correct horses are placed appropriately and all maneuver evaluations and penalties are applied correctly.

The NRHA Judges Committee, in evaluation of these skills and the time that judges take away from their everyday jobs to keep their skills sharp, recommend that all events, especially those that are AA and A events, work to keep judge's pay reasonable. In the U.S., judge's pay at AA events are expected to be at a minimum of \$750/day. Understanding that this is not always customary in different regions of the world, the committee recommend that event organizers consider for their 2025 budgets and beyond working towards this or a reasonable pay structure.

If you have questions or need assistance on the NRHA Judges or Stewards programs, please reach out to Patti Carter at <u>pcarter@nrha.com</u>.

#### Judge's Applicant Seminar

Ready to take the next step in your reining education? The judge's applicant seminar could be for you! Learning the NRHA rules for judging can be intimidating through the NRHA Handbook. By attending an NRHA judge's applicant seminar, you can learn the rules for judging in a face-to-face approach through video training with Judge's committee members. In this setting, you will be amongst your piers learning to properly apply penalties, evaluate maneuvers using the scale, and so much more. Whether or not you are planning to test for your place at a judge's school or simply obtain more education on the sport, attending a seminar can be beneficial!

The following are the upcoming NRHA Judge's Applicant Seminars:

- January 15-16, 2025 in Oklahoma City, OK USA
- February 20-21, 2025 in Bologna, Italy
- April 30-May 1, 2025 in Oklahoma City, OK USA

All future schools and seminars will be advertised on nrha.com/judges.

### ReinerSuite- What can I do in it?

If you have not logged in to your ReinerSuite account, which every NRHA member has, you are missing out! ReinerSuite allows members to pull reports, check eligibility, apply for new competition licenses, transfer licenses, renew your membership — and so much more! Creating an account is quick and easy- if you need assistance, reach out to NRHA or use the ReinerSuite tutorials to learn how. By using ReinerSuite, you don't pay an office processing fee and have access to digital membership cards and licenses at any time. Login Now!

## horselQ™

NRHA has partnered with the American Paint Horse Association to offer an incredible learning platform to our membership called horselQ<sup>™</sup>! Horse IQ is a user-friendly way to learn exactly what judges are thinking. This platform offers digital learning through online courses that lead the viewer through the thought process of NRHA Judges, reminds current judges of their standards and covers topics such as scribing.

Check out the incredible opportunity by visiting <u>horseiq.com</u>.

We hope you all have a wonderful end of the year! If you have any questions, contact Samantha Oldfield at <u>soldfield@nrha.com</u>.