



Canada's Greatest Cowgirl

General Rules

1. Open to horses of any age to be ridden in any NRCHA approved bit (please refer to section 5.2 of the current NRCHA rule book for description of acceptable mouthpieces). **The same bit must be used in all events.**
2. Entrants **must** enter 4 events:
CGC Cutting Class
CGC WCH (Fence) Class **OR** CGC Boxing Class
CGC Roping Class
CGC Rein Work Class
3. The traditional bridle with romal reins **must** be used. Only one hand must be used on the reins and must not be changed. The hand is to be around the reins in a fist position with thumb up and no fingers between the reins.
4. Chin strap must be smooth leather. No wire, chain or other metal or rawhide device may be used in conjunction with a part of the leather chin strap. Leather chin strap must be flat, flexible and at least ½ inch wide. No metal rivets are allowed on the inside of the chin strap and the rivets may not, at any time, come in contact with the chin, or chin groove of the horse. Metal keepers are not acceptable on the chin strap.
5. Appropriate western attire must be worn. Long sleeved shirt with collar and a western hat or riding approved helmet.
6. Chaps or chinks must be worn and are optional **only in the roping class.**
7. If at any time during a performance a piece of equipment breaks, the rider may continue provided the broken equipment does not pose a hazard to the rider and/or is not cruel to the horse. When the cow work immediately follows the rein work, broken equipment may be repaired between the two phases, within a 1-minute time period. If a new cow is awarded, the rider may repair equipment between cows as well. Rider may dismount, if necessary, to make the repair or pick up lost equipment or attire. Horse and rider may not leave the arena and may not receive physical assistance or equipment from outside the arena. If the rider is unable to continue because of the broken equipment, the rider will be excused with a score of zero.
8. Failure to work in the proper order or proper adjusted order will result in a score of "0".
9. To be eligible to enter the Boxing division, riders cannot have earned more than \$750 in fence work classes in any judged classes or events.
10. Back Numbers will be required for Canada's Greatest Cowgirl. When exhibitor back numbers are provided, it is mandatory for all entries to wear the correct number. Numbers must be visible to the judge. Failure to wear a back number or to wear the correct number will result in a fine to the rider of \$100.
11. In order to receive a back number pre-payment of show fees, or a method of payment **MUST** be on file with the show office.