

RULES

Please read these show rules carefully. Entry in any CVEA show indicates acknowledgement and acceptance of these rules.

- Show Rules & online registration and fees at: www.cvequestrianpark.org/2025openschoolingshow
- For questions or info email: events@cvequestrianpark.org
- **Definitions:**
 - "18 & Under" – 18 and under on or before 1/1/25;
 - "Amateur" – 18 or older on or before 1/1/25; no pros
 - "Open" – classes open to all ages including professionals.
 - "Novice" – a rider who has not won more than 3 blue ribbons in a particular class at any show.
- **AUDIT** - to audit a class, the horse must be able to perform the requisite gaits (must be able to canter/lope if called for). Exhibitor must turn their number backwards (not visible but still on the exhibitor) so that the judge knows they are an audit. Exhibitor will not be judged or placed and will not receive any points.
- **Ribbons** – If an exhibitor does not wish to keep their ribbons, the Show Office will exchange each ribbon for a ticket. A Blue ribbon (1st place) is valued at \$2.00, all other ribbons are valued at \$1.00. Tickets may be redeemed at a subsequent show for credit against entry fees owed. For the last show of the season, the tickets may be redeemed at that show for credit against entry fees owed.
- In any dispute, CVEA show management's decision is final. CVEA reserves the final and absolute right to interpret all rules and regulations, arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard to or arising out of or connected to any CVEA show, and the right to amend or to add to these rules as it is determined necessary. Any exhibitor who violates these rules will forfeit all entry fees, privileges, premiums and awards, and CVEA shall have the full power to exclude the violator from further participation in the show and/or future CVEA shows.
- CVEA reserves the right to refuse service to anyone for any reason; to accept, reject, or cancel any entry; and, to limit entries.
- CVEA reserves the right to add, cancel, or consolidate classes; and/or cancel shows at any time and for any reason. Clarification: CVEA management reserves the right to cancel shows at any time before or during a show due to extenuating circumstances such as inclement weather. Shows canceled for inclement weather will be re-scheduled.
- Competition numbers shall not be released by the Show Office until the Entry Form and Release is complete. A signed open check or Driver's License MUST be left with the Show Office for fees accrued for the show date. Please remember to close out your account before you leave the show grounds. You may pay by Zelle, Square, cash or check payable to: Chino Valley Equestrian Association.
- Each entry is judged to its breed standards to the best of the judge's ability. CVEA shows are designed to be both competitive and educational, therefore, it is CVEA policy that entries are not disqualified unless the animal, exhibitor (or individual associated with the exhibitor) or tack present a danger. Rather, the judge will place the entry lower and inform the exhibitor as to the infraction. It is within the absolute authority of CVEA management and the judge to implement this policy. Also, it is CVEA policy to be inclusive where possible. Donkeys and mules are permitted in any all-breed class in which they can perform the requisite gaits. Gaited horses are permitted in any all-breed class and may perform their intermediate gait where the trot/jog is called for- they must perform the canter/lope if required.
- The reputation and ability of a judge is considered during the selection process. Judges may explain their placings. This is part of the educational process, which assists exhibitors to improve their performance and breeders to improve their stock. The decisions of the judges are final. CVEA accepts no responsibility for decisions of the judges. Judges have the discretion to excuse any horse that appears sore or lame.
- Exhibitors are hereby notified that any unethical, discourteous, or unsafe act by them, their riders, drivers, handlers, grooms, trainers, invitees or agents shall disqualify their entry and the owner shall forfeit any fees or charges as well as prizes/money which he or she may have won at that show. WITHOUT BEING HELD LIABLE FOR DAMAGE OF ANY KIND, CVEA shall have the full power to exclude the offending individual(s) from further participation in the show and/or future CVEA shows, and to have the individual(s) removed from the grounds. THIS SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS A CONDITION OF ENTRY.
- All adds, scratches, and changes should be made at the Show Office at least one class prior to the effective add, scratch, or change.
- There will be a \$50 service fee charged on all returned checks. No check will be processed through the bank a second time and must be covered by a money order, cashier's check or cash, in addition to the service fee. NO REFUNDS.
- No alcohol permitted on the show grounds.
- All dogs must be on a leash at all times while on CVEA property.
- It is up to the exhibitor to ensure that they are entered in the correct class and are responsible for being on time for their classes.
- Helmets are required for all exhibitors under 18 years of age. If you are 18 years or older, you may make the helmet requirement optional by signing the helmet waiver on the entry form.
- Upon entering the arena, participant accepts arena conditions, including footing.
- CVEA reserves the right to use any and all photographs and films taken during any CVEA show. Exhibitor hereby agrees to CVEA's use of his/her image and likeness and that of his/her animal for publicity and advertising purposes.

Scoring:

- To be eligible for points, the exhibitor must complete the class.
- For classes eligible for year end or high point awards, points will be awarded based upon the number of entries in the class.
- All points earned in Open classes will be applied to rider's category in that Division, e.g., "18 & Under" or "Amateur"
- **NOVICE Walk/Trot or Walk Jog Classes** – Exhibitors eligible as of January 1st will be allowed to show in this division throughout the year. The rider cannot have won more than 3 blue ribbons in that particular type of class at any shows. **Exhibitors entering these classes may not show in any 3 gaited classes (i.e., walk/trot/canter, walk/jog/lope) at this show or any other show.**
- Exhibitors must compete in at least 3 of the 5 shows in the series to qualify for awards.
- The class winner will receive 1 point for each horse in the class. Each subsequent placing will receive 1 less point down to the last horse placed.
- High Points are earned on horse/rider combination throughout the series.

Buckles:

A Buckle will be awarded to the Exhibitor with the most points in the following classes:

1. Western Pleasure and Trail (Classes 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54)
2. English (Classes 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41)
3. Ranch Halter, Ranch Riding, Ranch Reining and Ranch Trail (Classes 7, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47)
4. Walk/Trot (8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 30, 31, 34, 35, 38, 39, 42, 43, 44, 48, 49, 50, 51)
5. Equestrians with Disabilities (EQWD) (27, 28, 29)

The high point exhibitor for Halter and Showmanship (Classes 1-5) will receive a new show halter, and there will a special award for the high point Novice exhibitor (Classes 10A, 16A, 22A, 31A, 35A, 39A, 44A, 51A)