



2025 KK Run For Vegas Barrel Racing Rules



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

AGE GROUPS: Junior (12 and under)

Senior (13 to 17)

The qualifying age for all contestants must be 17 and under as of January 1st (of current year) at 11:59pm. Competitors must be a member, in good standing, of the KK Run For Vegas. Membership must be completed 24 hours prior to the race the contestant is entered in. Competitors are ineligible to compete at a KKRFV Qualifier without a complete and current membership.

Competitors **MUST** provide a copy of their birth certificate when joining membership and will need to **email** membership documents and copy of birth certificate to KKProductionsRFV@gmail.com.

(Memberships are not refundable)

Abuse of horses or kids **WILL NOT BE TOLERATED** on the grounds. Immediate disqualification for those responsible and they must leave the grounds.

Any harassment of the secretary, timer, barrel setters, tractor drivers, gate help, stall help, and general staff of the producers or facility will result in a **disqualification**.

Decisions on disqualifications will be made by KK Productions and the Host Producer. These decisions are not made lightly and cannot be appealed.

ENTRY DEADLINES

ENTRY DATES AND LATE ENTRY DATES ARE FINAL. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER ENTRIES CLOSE. If a contestant does not have a complete membership on file or has not paid their membership fees, they will not be allowed to compete.

NOTE: FROM EACH ENTRY FEE, \$20.00 IS SET ASIDE FOR KKRFV FINALS.

KKRFV QUALIFIER EVENTS

REFUNDS

KKRFV Qualifiers - Refunds will only be granted if documentation is submitted on letterhead from your Vet or Doctor. Refunds will be given at 100% until 7 days prior to the event. Refunds will be given at 50% up until 48 hours prior to the event. **After that period, no refunds will be issued.** The office fees are non-refundable.

EQUIPMENT AND DRESS CODE

Competitors must ride in a Western saddle. Velcro "Magic Seats" or tying a child to the saddle seat in any fashion, will not be allowed unless a doctor's note is submitted and approved by the KK staff. Any chain or metal nose bands or tie downs must be covered with tape or plastic.

DRESS CODE:

- ★ Long sleeve western shirt or blouse with collar (tucked in)
- ★ Jeans (no holes or rips)
- ★ Western boots, with a heel.
- ★ Western hat or Western or Plain riding helmet required.

This is a national event for cowgirls and cowboys. We want everyone to be safe and respect western heritage and tradition. You must wear a western hat for all public events. This includes public appearances you may make on behalf of KKRFV, including the back number presentation and awards ceremony at the Junior NFR.

KKRFV BARREL RACING RULES

Qualifying races will be one race consisting of both age groups to be paid out in a 4D format of ½ second splits. Juniors and seniors will run together in one 4D race but will qualify/earn points in their age groups.

Barrels will be set in the cloverleaf pattern. Competitors may run to the left or right barrel first. A right barrel pattern consists of one right turn and two left turns. A left barrel pattern consists of one left turn and two right turns. The third barrel is always the furthest from the timer. Contestants must complete the pattern by maintaining forward motion, under their own power (no lead line or backing up) to get a qualified time. Tractor will drag every 5 runners. No circling in the arena to start the pattern. Start from the alley and maintain forward motion.

The time starts when the competitor on horseback crosses the timer line. The time ends after the horse and rider complete the cloverleaf pattern around barrels on horseback and come back across the timer line on their way out of the arena. The barrels will be metal and contrasting colors from the arena fence.

A barrel knocked down in a 4D qualifier race will result in a penalty of a "No time". A barrel knocked down in the Semi-Finals and Finals of the Junior NFR in Las Vegas, NV will result in a 5 second penalty.

If the ground needs to be reworked, re-runs are given at the judge's discretion. This does not include horse equipment malfunction, falling off or breaking the pattern.

If a timer malfunction occurs and rider takes a re-run and the rider had a penalty when the timer malfunctioned, the penalty will not carry forward. If the rider has a penalty on the re-run, they must take the time/penalty.

There is a \$20 hat fine for losing a hat during a run. Hat fines go to the announced charity. No check/payout will be paid until the hat fine is collected by the host producer or KK Productions.

There is a 1-minute gate time once your name is called. The horse and rider must be checked in by the gate judge. If the 1 minute is exceeded, the rider will be disqualified.

Absolutely no circling in the arena before or after a rider crosses the timer line. There will be a \$100 fine if a rider circles before or after their run.

A rider will get 3 gate calls. After the 3rd gate call, the rider will be considered not present and will be noted as a turn-out. A re-run will not be awarded. If the rider misses their gate call, there will be no refund of entry money.

Riders must check in at the gate and be in the holding area, by the drag prior to your run.

Automatic disqualification if you run out of order. (Unless it is a staff mistake)

Parents/helpers may not cross the plane of the alley into the arena, or the rider will be disqualified.

In the event of a barrel that finishes falling after the rider has crossed the finish line and results in the course having to be reset, it will result in a no-time (qualifying race) or plus 5 (semi-finals and finals of the Junior NFR).

A horse cannot be ridden more than once or by multiple riders in a qualifying race. A rider may enter more than once in a single race, on different horses.

Junior NFR Barrel Race Qualification

Be in the top 2 at a qualifying race in your age group or qualify by points accumulated from sanctioned qualifying races throughout the season (begins November 15th of year prior ends November 15th of current year).

Each competitor can only qualify for one spot in the Junior NFR. Points and qualification spots are based on the rider. It does not matter which horse you ride. Each rider can only qualify to ride in one (1) spot at the semi-finals in Las Vegas. If you have entered more than one horse at a race, only the fastest time (regardless of which horse was ridden) will be counted for points/qualification.

In the event a rider qualifies on 2 or more horses for the Junior NFR, the rider will only get one spot. The next rider (in order of placing within that age group) will advance.

How to Qualify for the Junior NFR

1. Be in the top 2 in your age group at a sanctioned race.

OR

2. Top 10 in KKRFV Point standings.

- The top 10-point earners from all KKRFV qualifier races across the country in your age group will earn a qualification to the Semi-Finals for the Junior NFR Barrel Race in Las Vegas, Nevada in December.
- Points will be counted within the Junior and Senior age group at each qualifying race.

The top 10-point earners in each age group (that have not already qualified for the semi-finals) will advance to the Junior NFR.

We will only count points on those not qualified already.

It is a 10-point system accumulated from all the sanctioned races.

First Place	-	10 Points
Second Place	-	9 Points
Third Place	-	8 Points
Fourth Place	-	7 Points
Fifth Place	-	6 Points
Sixth Place	-	5 Points
Seventh Place	-	4 Points
Eighth Place	-	3 Points
Ninth Place	-	2 Points
Tenth Place	-	1 Point

KKRFV Junior NFR

Example: Mary Johnson won 1st and 2nd in the qualifier. She will advance in one spot and the rider that placed 3rd will move up and advance to the Junior NFR. The rider placing 4th will receive 10 points, 5th receives 9 points, and so on. A contestant cannot earn multiple sets of points per race.

- The top 20 average times (aggregate) from each age group of the Semi-Finals in Las Vegas will advance to the Short-Go. The payout for the Semi-Finals and Finals will be a straight rodeo payout. The champion and the following placings will be based on the average of all 3 go rounds combined. The Junior NFR Champion will be determined by a three-run average (aggregate).
- Contestants may run a different horse in each go round since the average is based off the rider, not the horse. Contestants may **not** run the same horse as another contestant.
- The trailer (if one is secured by KK Productions), will be awarded to the fastest average (aggregate) of the 2 age group champions.
- Payout in Las Vegas will be a straight rodeo payout. Qualifiers will receive prizes for attending the event. Finalists will be awarded prizes based on their final placing in the average (aggregate). Remember, in the semi-finals and finals, a downed barrel is a 5 second penalty, instead of a no-time.

In the event of a tie for the trailer (between the Junior and Senior Champion) for the fastest average time, of the Junior NFR (if one should be awarded). It will be awarded to the person with the most money earned. If there is a tie for the most money earned, it will go to the person with the highest placing in the short go. If also is tied, it will go to the person with the highest placing from the 1st go. If needed, we would do the same reviewing the 2nd go.

KKRFV Junior NFR entries - In the event a contestant is unable to attend the Junior NFR, he/she can request a refund. Once a refund is submitted and approved by KK Productions, the contestant will not be eligible to compete at the Junior NFR. Refunds are not able to be revoked.

KKRFV Junior NFR Refund Deadlines:

- October 1, 2025 – 100% of the entry fee will be refunded less the office fee.
- November 1, 2025 - 50% of the entry fee will be refunded less the office fee.
- Refunds **will not** be issued for advertisements, program pre-orders, or t-shirt pre-orders.

ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2025.

Social Media Policy

This applies to all contestants that are members of KKRFV and their parents, or guardians. Guardians can also be trainers or coaches of the member. KKRFV strives to foster a positive environment for competitors and their families.

All Members (including parents, guardians, and coaches/trainers) shall abide by these rules when using social media in reference to any event that has a KKRFV race, including the Junior NFR.

1. Be positive and respectful about the event and the producers and crew working.
2. Do not post content that would harm KKRFV, the host producer, or the Junior NFR.
3. Use good judgement when posting about any KKRFV events, or on the KKRFV social media sites. You can create a liability for our membership, meaning all the rest of the kids, in the future.
4. If you have a question, please send a message to our email:
KKProductionsRFV@gmail.com.

Any misuse, threats, complaints or showing poor judgement by posting negative comments, may result in a membership being redacted with no refund and the contestant being barred from any KKRFV events for the rest of the competition year.

In the event of the need for additional rules, they will be added as we see fit.

All races are held in cooperation with the host producer, utilizing their facilities. Cash prizes are subject to US tax law.

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