

2026 Montana Barrel Horse Association Championships
Oct 2-4, 2026
Montana ExpoPark Livestock Pavilion
Great Falls, MT

SCHEDULE AND RULES

Office will be staffed by District and State Directors on Thursday at 3:00-9:00 p.m. for stalls, shavings, hookups etc. Office Entries must be **postmarked by September 16, 2026** opens with Secretary Friday at 9AM. **MUST CHECK IN AT OFFICE BEFORE STALLING!!**

Time Onlies: THURSDAY: 5 PM - 8 PM (\$5 Pay at Gate), **FRIDAY:** 7 AM (Reserve in Advance)

TO signup for Friday are on Stall Reservation form (1st received get preference)

Time Onlies 7 AM – 11 AM, Arena available for Open Riding the 1st 10 minutes of each hour.

"PeeWee Races"

1:00 PM Friday only! \$10 entry fee with no other charges. 8 & under as of Oct 15, 2026 and may not enter any other race. Pre-entry is appreciated and on their own entry form. **If the child is an MBHA member they are not eligible to enter the PeeWee division.**

PeeWee Leadline or Walk Trot Class 1 (micro pattern and are lead or able to go on their own but are not loping)

PeeWee Lopers Class 2 (on markers and able to lope most of pattern) If it is deemed a PeeWee was entered in the incorrect class, their time will be erased and contestant will run again in the appropriate class. Decision is final.

TWO WAYS TO ENTER!!

Enter online:

<http://www.FastEnter.com/enter.php?showID=3082>

OR:

Fill out entry forms in this packet and mail in! (mail in entries due Sept 16th)

"Last Chance Qualifier/Warm Up Race"

October 2nd 2:00PM \$500 added

Non-MBHA members welcome to enter. Pre-entries encouraged, may enter on site (with late fee). Separation of multiple horses not guaranteed. Late entries will remain open to runner 100 and added to bottom of draw. \$45 entry fee.

WPRA approval **NO Dress code Friday**

Championship Weekend

Office opens at 7AM Saturday & Sunday---Open run time 8:00 a.m. both days!

Event Order each day: Open, Youth, Senior

OPEN 5D: \$20,000 Added Money + \$1500 Trophy Saddle Certificates or \$1250 check (for each D winner)

Time splits: .5, .5, .5, .5

YOUTH 4D: \$2000 Added (18 and under as of Oct 15, 2025) Time splits: .5, .5, full

SENIOR 4D: \$3500 Added Time splits: .5, .5, full

(Sr age for MBHA is 50 and over by Oct 15, 2025)

Above races are Two Go's and Average with 40/40/20 split

Entries must be **postmarked by Friday, September 16, 2026** or Late Fee applies. **Canadian members it is advised you mail your entries by Aug 31 in order to assure they arrive by the deadline, or bring cash and pay when you arrive.** For Championship Race late entries accepted until 10 AM Saturday morning and run at bottom of pre-draw. Pre-entries encouraged, may enter on site (with late fee). Separation of multiple horses not guaranteed.

Entry fees: Open - \$180, Youth - \$60, Senior - \$70, PeeWee - \$10

Office Fee and Arena Fee for Championship Weekend (Saturday and Sunday) are per person, **NOT** per horse.

MBHA DRESS CODE applies during Championship Races (Sat/Sun) - Long sleeve button up shirt with collar, cowboy boots and western hat or helmet. **No pullovers or long sleeve t-shirts. Those in violation will be fined as per MBHA rule.** The new faux button rodeo shirts accepted.

Refunds - prior to start of competition by means of vet release plus vet current record of injury/illness etc or Dr release only (processing/arena fees non-refundable.) Vet release must include and be accompanied by the actual vet record of injury/illness from your vet for verification purposes plus the vet release. If a vet record is not attached with vet release you will only receive 70% of the actual entry fee (processing/arena fees non-refundable). This is to avoid misuse of veterinary releases. No refunds after you have competed in the 1st round of competition on Saturday for any reason. The Championship entry fee is for Sat/Sun combo, not per go round.

Horses must be run in order drawn. Please enter horse by registered name! (No Horse 1, Horse 2)

Averages are figured by adding the Saturday time and Sunday times together.

SADDLE CERTIFICATES: Each D Champion will have the choice of a \$1500 certificate (or value of saddle if under \$1500) or \$1250 check. The saddle certificate will be given to be used toward the purchase of a new barrel saddle of winner's choice in each Open D Average. Winner must make sure saddle has any sponsor name and MBHA 2025 visible for purposes of advertisement. We encourage ordering/purchasing saddle by Dec 31, 2026. We will pay the dealer or merchant directly for our portion of the saddle ordered once we are invoiced.

Target Race (Optional) Target Race is for **OPEN ONLY!** Top 4 awarded with \$400, \$300, \$200 and \$100. - Money awarded to the most consistent horses entered in the two rounds of Open.

Shavings will be available for purchase on site.

RV hookup-- Power available in RV Park and limited power at stall barns. Anyone hooking into power at the stall barns will also be expected to pay. A separate RV reservations form is attached and must be made by Sept 19th for reduced camping rates. These must be paid for and mailed in advance with entry form. Dry camping permitted in barn area for \$10/night. No camping or setting up pens in the infield as per ExpoPark rules. **RV Reservations made on arrival will pay an increased fee of \$10/day** and are made at the MBHA Office. Any camping cancellations must also be made by Sept 26th for a refund. Any cancellation after Sept 26th must provide us with a Vet or Dr release in order to receive a refund and will be handled through the MBHA Office.

STALLS: will be pre-assigned. Reservations are made on the attached form and mailed with entry form to Codi Smith. If you wish to stall with someone, stall reservations must be **ON ONE FORM**, and we will do our best to accommodate. ANYONE MOVING FROM THEIR ASSIGNED STALL WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF **MBHA OFFICE** WILL BE ASSESSED A FINE AND WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE UNTIL FINE IS PAID! ExpoPark employees are **not authorized** to give you permission to move stalls or barns as we have restrictions. To receive refund on stalls, MBHA must be notified by September 26th.

Portable pens under extenuating circumstances only and with prior approval of MBHA management. You must still pay regular stall fee per horse. Violators will be held accountable. (This means no setting up your pen after dark and taking down before sun up!!! If you cannot abide by these rules please make arrangements for stalling off site. Stalling is limited to approximately 400 stalls and we have run out in past years. Stalls will be reserved on a 1st come, 1st reserved based on postmark date. When we run out of stalls you will have to make stalling arrangements off site.

Silent Auction: All contestants are encouraged to bring an item(s) for this. This income helps pay for one of the Open Division saddles.

Host Hotel: Days Inn - (406) 727-6565 has blocked 25 rooms **available until Sept 19th** at a discount. You must mention MBHA to get this rate. It is located approximately 3 blocks from ExpoPark.

MBHA Board of Directors reserves the right to make individual decisions as the need may arise. Be aware that any rules not followed by contestant **MAY** result in disqualification/fine. Decisions of MBHA are final.

Liability and Acknowledgement of All Rules Release

Signature required by ALL contestants (Pee Wee included)

In submitting this entry, I hereby release the show organization Montana Barrel Horse Association (MBHA) and its Directors and Officers, Montana ExpoPark, and any persons involved with the production of this barrel race and event from any claim or right for damages which may occur to me, my horse, my child, or any other property of mine at this event. I realize there are certain risks in any sport and I take full responsibility for myself and or my child in any incident should one occur. It is also understood that by signing this entry I have read, understood and will abide by all MBHA rules. All decisions made by MBHA Board of Directors are final.

Signature of Contestant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian of participants under the age of 18:

_____ Date _____

PLEASE SEND SIGNED RELEASE WITH ENTRY!!

(If entering online, please send a signed release form and W-9 to Codi Smith or sign at the office during check in!)

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Entries MUST be **postmarked by Wednesday, September 16th, 2026** or \$10 late fee/day entered will be assessed.
***MAIL TO: CODI SMITH, 1506 Thiel Rd, Laurel, MT 59044 (Please pay entry, stalls, TO/camping in one check!!)**

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ Dist _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____
HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

DO NOT ENTER AGAIN if rolling

Circle the entry fee amt in the box of race entered.		Friday Last Chance Open Qualifier \$500 added Open to non-members		Montana Championship Open \$20,000 added 5D Format		T A R G E T		Montana Championship Youth \$2000 4D Format MBHA Age: You must be 18 or under as of Oct 15, 2025		Roll time from Open to Youth?		Montana Championship Senior \$3500 added MBHA Age: You must be 50 as of Oct 15, 2025 4D Format		Roll time from Open to Senior? ↓		(circle one) PW 1 PW2		10/2/26 Pee Wee Processing, Arena or Late Fees DO NOT APPLY (age 8 or under as of Oct 15, 2025)		TOTAL	
Circle "Y" in the box if you want your open time to roll over to Youth or Sr. NAME OF HORSE (Registered name preferred)																					
Horse #1	\$45	\$180 (weekend entry)	\$10	Y	N	\$70	Y	N	\$10	\$10											
Horse #2	\$45	\$180 (weekend entry)	\$10		Y	N	\$70	Y	N	Pee Wee 1 – lead or walk/trot?											
Horse #3	\$45	\$180 (weekend entry)	\$10		Y	N	\$70	Y	N	Pee Wee 2 – loping most of pattern											
Horse #4	\$45	\$180 (weekend entry)	\$10		Y	N	\$70	Y	N												

Entry Fee Totals \$ _____
Processing Fee \$ _____ \$20 _____
Arena Fee \$10/day Friday \$ _____
Arena Fee \$10/day Sat \$ _____
Arena Fee \$10/day Sun \$ _____
Stalls/Time only \$ _____
Late Fee (\$10 for Fri or \$20 for Sat/Sun \$ _____
Camping fee \$ _____
TOTAL: _____

STALL RESERVATION & TIME ONLY SIGN UP

1st received/1st reserved. Must mail by Sept 16, 2026

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE # _____

Stalls are \$20 per night

_____ # of night @ \$20 /night x _____ # of horses = \$ _____

Circle nights stalling: Thu Fri Sat Sun

If you wish to be stalled near traveling partner(s), reservations must be sent in the same envelope.

Please report to MBHA MT office and check in to see stall assignments on arrival. We will try to post to

Facebook for those arriving after hours.

Shavings also available for purchase at check in and throughout barrel race.

Thursday Night Time Only: 5-8 PM \$5 pay at gate 60
Second time limit!

Friday: \$5/TO Indicate the number of 1 minute time only spots per hour slot. (Maximum of 2/horse) Your time may change as slots are filled.

7AM-8AM _____

8AM-9AM _____

9AM-10AM _____

10AM-11AM _____

We will also try to accommodate traveling partners in time slots as well if possible.

**** PLEASE MAKE ONE CHECK FOR Entry, stalls and time only and camping payable to: MBHA ** (if NOT entering online!)**

MAIL TO:

**Codi Smith
1506 Thiel Rd
Laurel, MT 59044**

Camping Form for MBHA Finals 2026

CAMPING SPOTS ARE NOT ASSIGNED! FIRST COME FIRST SERVED!!

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: STATE: ZIP: _____

VEHICLE LICENSE #: _____ VEHICLE/TRAILER DESCRIPTION: _____

ARRIVAL DATE: _____ DEPARTURE DATE: _____

Check One: RV CAMPING (Power Only) _____ @ \$ 25/day (Livestock Pavilion side & stall side)

RV CAMPING (Power/Water/Sewer) _____ @ \$ 30/day (located on Livestock Pavilion side only)

Dry camping \$10/night on stall side **PLEASE DO NOT PLUG IN TO BARN AT NIGHT** _____

TOTAL DUE: _____

Make checks payable to: MBHA (include with entry check, time only, stalls etc—all one check!)

Mail directly to: Codi Smith (with entry forms)

Must be received by September 16, 2026 to receive these special rates, otherwise each rate increases by \$ 10/day.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All pets must be leashed or contained on campsite at all times.
2. Area must be kept neat and free of all refuse. Garbage must be placed in garbage cans that are provided.
3. No dumping of any camper waste on the grounds. This includes gray water, sewage, etc..
4. **CANCELLATIONS:** Camping cancellations must be made by Sept 26th for a refund. Any cancellation after Sept 26th must have a Vet or Dr release in order to receive a refund and will be handled through the MBHA Show Office. (You may sell your spot if needed)

You must check in at the MBHA office upon arrival to receive window sticker/stall assignments.

Please have sticker visible at all times.

Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification

Give form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Before you begin, For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see Purpose of Form, below.
1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.

3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.

☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☐ C corporation ☐ S corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions)

3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions.

☐ (Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any):

Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.

6 City, state, and ZIP code

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Print or type.

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a TIN, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also What Name and Number To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and

2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and

3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and

4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Signature of U.S. person

Date

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

Purpose of Form

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they