

RULES

Ranch sorting is a competition. It is not about the horse, the cows or the facility. It is about the relationships we develop with others in our horse family, the time we spend with them and the fun we have within the competition.

Object: The object is to sort the most cattle in numerical order from one pen to another in the shortest amount of time.

Pen size 50' to 60' in diameter with no 90 degree corners
Gate opening 12'
Time limit 60 seconds

Starting: The two riders can proceed to the cattle when the judge announces, "Cattle are ready". Time starts when one rider crosses the gate opening, and the judge will call a random number between 0-9. That is the starting number to be sorted, all others then in consecutive order. Blank cattle will be used.

The cow is sorted when the entire cow is across the gate opening.
A lap timer is used to record the time each cow is through the opening.
Spotting of cattle will be allowed.
Judges decisions are final.

Fouls: Acts that result in a no time:

If any part of the good cow crosses the gate opening and comes back.
If any part of the wrong numbered cow crosses the gate opening.
If any part of the trash cow crosses the gate opening before the last good cow has completely crossed the gate opening.

Re-rides: If the team asks before leaving the pen re-rides may be granted in the following circumstances:

Mechanical error
Cow escapes the pen

Membership Costs: \$10 per person
12 years old and under free membership

Everyone that rides must be a member.
Members can be suspended for returned checks or misconduct including inhumane treatment of individuals or animals.

Payout will be calculated by class based on the number of teams in the class as follows:

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
1—10	100%				
11-20	60%	40%			
21-30	50%	30%	20%		
31-40	40%	30%	20%	10%	
40+	30%	25%	20%	15%	10%

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Classes: Standard classes will be as follows:

- Open Draw only
- 7 class
- 5 class
- 3 class

Ride limit: There is no limit on the amount of rides.

Minimum – Maximum goes: There will be a minimum of 2 goes and maximum of three goes in every class.

You must sort without a foul to progress to the next level. Three sorts beats two and two beats one.

Places are awarded for most cows sorted in the shortest amount of time.

When time is called, stop working and walk the cattle to the sorting side of the pen.

Inhumane treatment of any animal in the show arena, warm up area, or elsewhere on the show grounds is strictly forbidden. Any cruelty to or abuse of any horse is a violation of MORS rules.

Minimum show requirements: To participate in the finals a rider must ride in 3 shows.

Points for final prizes will be awarded on each go as follows:

PLACES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
NO. OF TEAMS										
1-4	1									
5-9	2	1								
10-14	3	2	1							
15-19	4	3	2	1						
20-24	5	4	3	2	1					
25-29	6	5	4	3	2	1				
30-34	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			
35-39	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
40-44	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
45+	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1