



I. DENOMINATION OF THE EVENT (Update January 30, 2025)

WORLD REINING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

- World Reining championship Junior riders.
- World Reining championship Young Non-Professional riders.
- World Reining championship Young Professional riders.
- World Reining championship Senior Non-Professional riders.
- World Reining championship Senior Professional riders.
- World Reining championship Prime Time Non-Professional riders.
- World Reining championship Para reining riders.

Venue: CS Ranch, route de Duillier 7, CH 1271 Givrins, Switzerland

GPS Coordinates: 505 370 / 142 240

Dates: **July 7 – 12, 2025.**

II. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. PROMOTER

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Contact Details Show Ground: Same as Event Director

III. GENERAL CONDITIONS

Competition opened to the NRHA Affiliates and/or National Federations members all over the world.

Riders and owners must be current NRHA members, horses must have a NRHA competition license.

Riders must hold citizenship or permanent residency in the country they represent.

If a rider represents a country other than his nationality one year and his address changes, he will only be able to represent the country of his nationality the following year.

Each Nation can present one team of 4 riders (3 scores to count) plus two individuals in the divisions Junior, Young Non-Pro, Young Pro, Senior Non-Pro (including the wildcards), Senior Pro (including the Wildcards) and Prime Time Non- Pro riders.

A minimum of 3 riders are needed to present a team.

Para teams can be 3 with a drop score or 2 riders. Each country can submit one additional individual if they have a full team of 3.

Alternatively, a Para rider can come as an individual and try to qualify for the Individual Finals following the Team Event.

In Para Reining, alliances can be done under 2 different flags.

Two goes are offered in each division:

- 1st go, Team competition and qualification for 2nd go (Individual Finals)
- 2nd go, Individual Finals (20 best scores plus ties from 1st go)

Age of athletes and horses per division:

Divisions	Athlete age
Senior riders (Non-Professional & Professional)	26 years old and up
Young riders (Non-Professional & Professional)	19 - 25 years old
Junior riders	14-18 years
Prime Time riders (Non-Professional)	50 years old and up
Para riders	All ages

Horses	Minimum Age
All classes	5 years old and over

Qualification conditions:

Scoring one time in a World Reining approved class during NRHA approved shows between January 1st,2024 to May 26,2025:

- 68 for Junior riders, or multiples if 2, 3 or more judges (136, 204).
- 70 for Young Non-Professional & Professional riders, or multiples if 2, 3 or more judges (140, 210).
- 70 for Senior Non-Professional riders, or multiples if 2, 3 or more judges (140, 210).
- 71 for Senior Professional riders, or multiples if 2, 3 or more judges (142, 213).
- 70 for Prime-Time Non-Professional riders, or multiples if 2, 3 or more judges (140, 210).

Special consideration will be given to developing Countries, as designated by NRHA, enabling Non-Pros to compete non owned horses in Open classes.

World Reining will recognize qualifying scores made in these instances.

Para Reining riders are automatically qualified.

Division definitions.

Junior Riders: Any person from the year in which they reach the age of 14 until the year in which they reach the age of 18 is allowed to take part in Junior Reining Competitions. Helmet is mandatory at any time.

Young Non-Professional Riders: Any person having a NRHA Non-Pro status from the year in which they reach the age of 18 until the year in which they reach the age of 25 is allowed to take part in Reining competitions for Young Non-Professional Riders.

Young Professional Riders: Any person from the year in which they reach the age of 18 until the year in which they reach the age of 25 is allowed to take part in Reining competitions for Young Professional Riders.

Senior Non-Professional Riders: Any person having a NRHA Non-Pro status and from the year in which they reach their 26th birthday is allowed to take part in Senior Non-Professional Riders competitions.

Senior Professional Riders: Any person from the year in which they reach their 26th birthday is allowed to take part in Senior Professional Riders competitions.

Prime time Non-Professional Riders: Any person having a NRHA Non-Pro status and a person from the year in which they reach their 50th birthday is allowed to take part in Prime-time Non-Professional Riders competitions.

Para Reining Riders: No age restrictions, the World Para Reining rules will be applied.

IV. LOGISTICAL/ADMINISTRATIVE/TECHNICAL CONDITIONS

1. COMPETITION ARENA.

Length: 80 m Width: 40 m

2. PRATICE ARENA.

Length: 50 m Width: 30 m

3. STABLES

Size of boxes 3 m x 3 m

4. SCORING PROVIDER

Showmanager

Alexander quinte

info@showmanager.eu

5. PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

. Riders, horses, one groom per horse, the Coach and the Team Chef for team competitions.

. The rider, the horse, a groom the coach and the Team Chef for individual events.

6. ADVERTISING ON ATHLETES AND HORSES

Authorised

7. TICKETING

Free entry

8. CLOSED AERAS

None.

V. COMPETITION DETAILS

1. IMPORTANT DATES

a) Deadlines for Entries all divisions:

Entry in Principle:	MARCH 15, 2025
Nominated entries (Long list):	JUNE 2, 2025
Definite entries:	JUNE 16, 2025
Last date for substitutions:	JULY 7, 2025

b) Arrival :

Stalls opening: (8:00 AM)	JULY 6, 2025
Horse Examinations: (All day)	JULY 6, 2025

2. SHOW INFORMATION:

A separate joint file contains all information about Entry fees, Stabling fees, Time schedule, Added money and Breakdown of the prize money for all the divisions.

A minimum number of participants is required for a competition to take place.

In each division, at least three teams must participate for a team championship to take place.

Prize money for missing places will not be distributed.

The individual event will take place, if there are at least 5 nations and 20 riders in the go round, 50%, (a minimum of 10 plus ties) will go through to the finals. Prize money for the missing places will not be distributed.

3. ADDITIONAL FEES/CHARGES BY ORGANISING COMMITTEE:

Doping Fee per horse:	25€
Office charge per horse:	30€
Electricity (upon request):	120€
Hay:	15€
Alfalfa:	25€
Straw:	13€
Shavings:	25€
Camper:	150€
<u>All amounts are VAT included</u>	

4. DIVERSE:

Wild cards.

Following an outstanding level of interest, Wildcards will be given to the top 5 Non-Pro and Open NRHA USA riders 2024 and to the NRHA million dollars riders, the list is available on www.wrc2025.com

These riders will be automatically qualified and, subject to their selection by their nation, will be competing under their flag of citizenship or country in which they are legal resident.

They will be included in the number of riders per divisions listed in the III.General Conditions and will have to pay the entry fees for their divisions.

We are hoping to see the highest level of competition, riding for an outstanding level of prize money and feel that an invitation to these riders will bring an additional exciting element to the show.

All other riders will have to achieve the minimum score in their division at least once at an approved World Reining Event to be qualified.

Opening of entries

If any nation is unable to nominate riders by the designated time, we request that you inform us.

At this time, we will open the entries to any riders who have fulfilled the qualification criteria and hold a passport or a residence proof to the Nation they wish to represent.

We will take entries on a “first come first served” basis from riders in all the divisions, until all the places have been filled.

If the team places are filled, we will place the next two riders into the individual division. If there are still more applications, they will be placed on a waiting list.

If we do not receive applications, we will assume that a Nation is unable to submit entries and therefore we will then open the entries for as many riders as possible to be offered the opportunity to compete for their Nation.

We are also looking to form “combination teams”, from riders coming from the same Continental regions if there are not enough riders from the same country to make a team.

An example could be an “Oceania Team”, or a Team “South America”.

Individual riders can request to be placed into a team or abstain.

Teams will be made one week prior to the start of the competition, depending on the number of riders available, at which point riders will be required to pay their portion of the team entry fee.

Period of an Event:

Commences one hour before the beginning of the first entry of the first class of the Event and terminates half an hour after the announcement of the final results of the last classes of the competition (Event).

Pre/Post check.

(a) Show committees have the option of using a pre-check or a post-check.

(b) When a pre-check system is used, all officiating judges are compelled to call any acts of abuse to a horse while in the arena.

If the situation arises where a chair judge calls a no score, the judge making the call should request that the exhibitor present his/her horse for inspection to the judge seated closest to the exhibitor at the completion of the pattern.

If a no score is called, the exhibitor can accept or contest the call.

If contested, the other judge(s) shall be called as soon as is practical to examine the horse and confer.

Medals and Trophies.

1) Team competition.

Medals 4 x Gold (1st places), 4 x Silver (2nd places), 4 x Bronze (3rd places).

WR Buckles, 4 x 1st places, 4 x 2nd places, 4 x 3rd places

Prizes in kind for other placings.

2) Individual competition.

Medals, Gold (1st place), Silver (2nd place), Bronze (3rd place).

WR Trophies, Gold (1st place), Silver (2nd place), Bronze (3rd place).

Prizes in kind for other placings.

Ties.

1. Teams:

- a) In case of equality of scores for the teams in the Team classification it is decided to break ties as follows for gold, silver and bronze team medals.
- b) The scores from all five Judges are added for the three counting Team Members.
- c) If still tied: the scores are added from the three counting Judges for the 3rd Horses.
- d) If still tied: the scores are added from the three counting Judges for the 2nd Horse.
- e) If still tied: the scores are added from the three counting Judges for the 1st Horse.

2. individuals:

- a) In case if equality of scores in the Individual Competition it is decided to break ties in the following manner for the gold, silver and bronze medals.
- b) There will be a run off for ties, using the same pattern and order of go as was used during the Competition, however there will not be more than one run off. The run off starts from afresh on score.
- c) Two tie-breaking Judges will be designated by OC. The tie-breaking Judge's name will not be communicated in advance.
- d) If still tied after the run off: The score of the first designated tie-breaking Judge will decide

Arbitration Panel:

In the event of an objection by a participant, an arbitration tribunal will be convened.

The arbitration panel consists of the main judge, the veterinarian on site and a participating rider.

The names of the members of the arbitration panel will be announced before the event begins.

VI. VETERINARY MATTERS

1. CUSTOMS FORMALITIES

All details on www.world-reining.com

2. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

It is imperative that all horses at event are physically fit and free from infectious disease before being allowed to compete.

Required health certificates and vaccinations:	Yes
Quarantine period:	No
Specimen Import License applied:	Carnet ATA or Free passes

3. VENUE ARRIVAL INFORMATION & FITNESS TO COMPETE

All Horses from Europe competing at the Event must have an International Health Certificate and a national passport in compliance with EU and Swiss Regulations.

All horses coming from outside European Union, will be required to have an International Health Certificate with a European recognized microchip number.

All Horses intending to compete at the Event must be vaccinated against Equine Influenza.

Equine Herpes Virus vaccination (EHV-1 & EHV-4) is recommended but not mandatory.

The exception being if the applicable domestic legislation prevents the use of Equine Influenza vaccines within the relevant territory.

- EXAMINATION ON ARRIVAL.

On arrival, all Horses must undergo an examination by a veterinarian to confirm their identification from their passport and micro-chip ID (where present), their vaccination status and general health.

To protect all horses attending events, any Horse with a questionable health status concerning vaccination, disease, or other concerns, must be stabled within the isolation facilities provided by the Organizing Committee pending a decision on entering the venue.

- HORSE HEALTH CONTROL.

An accredited veterinarian will be present throughout the training session and during the competitions and will be responsible for monitoring the health of the horses during the event.

All Horses will be assessed for their fitness to compete during the Event. Any Horse demonstrating questionable fitness may be called for a veterinary examination at any time during the Event. Horses not deemed fit to compete will be disqualified.

All Horses are subject to examination under the protocol for abnormal limb sensitivity throughout the period of the Event, including, but not limited to, between rounds and before the finals.

Horses will be examined within 30 minutes prior to their run by the official Vet who will watch the ridden horse trot a circle each way in the designated soundness check area. Any horse deemed to be unfit for competition at this time will be retired.

4. ANIMAL WELFARE & EQUINE ANTI-DOPING RULES

a) Abuse as defined in the *NRHA Handbook* is “That which a reasonable person informed and experienced in generally accepted equine training and exhibition procedures, would determine to be cruel, abusive and inhumane.

“A judge is thus compelled to disqualify any horse that he/she feels is being exhibited in a manner which is cruel, abusive and inhumane.

This may include the exhibition of an animal which is clearly not in a fit or sound condition, the use of abusive equipment, and/or the use of abusive showing techniques by the rider.

A judge(s) may excuse a horse at any time while in the arena for unsafe conditions or improper exhibition caused by the horse and/or the rider.

While each judge is required to disqualify any horse exhibited in the manners described above, it should be noted that in every case the exhibitor should be given the benefit of any doubt, should any doubt exist.

b) The current NRHA Animal Welfare and Medications Policy (NRHA Policy 11 – 07 – 27) will apply for this event.

The list of forbidden substances can be found on the official NRHA website www.nrha.com

Additionally, the jurisdiction of the countries hosting the event must be considered and obeyed.

For the 2025 event the Swiss laws for Animal Welfare will be applied with special attention to:

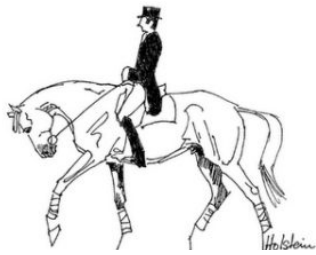
“Rollkur” Hyperflexion

Hyperflexion/Rollkur is a flexion of the horse’s neck achieved through aggressive force, which is therefore unacceptable.

Any head and neck position of the horse achieved through aggressive force is prohibited. Hyperflexion involves riding or longeing a horse with his neck and poll tightly flexed and the profile of his face behind the vertical.

His head may almost touch his chest or his knees or may be turned to one side or the other

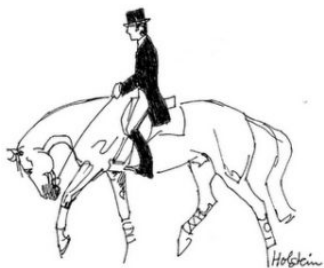
Drawing of a dressage horse as an example of Rollkur/Hyperflexion



“LDR” Long, deep, round

The technique known as Long, Deep and Round (LDR), which achieves flexion without undue force, is acceptable.

Drawing of a dressage horse as an example of LDR



Clipping

Horses have sensory hairs around their eyes, nostrils and mouth. They use these to perceive their surroundings. Clipping or removal of these sensory hairs is carried out on horses and ponies for aesthetic reasons.

Horses will not be permitted to compete if the Horse's sensory hairs have been clipped and/or shaven or in any other way removed unless individual sensory hairs have been removed by a veterinarian to prevent pain or discomfort for the Horse and if the hair in the auricles of the Horse have been removed or shortened within the rims of the auricle.

Areas of hair that must be clipped, shaven or removed to allow veterinary treatment are exempt from this rule.

Horses will not be permitted to compete if the hair on their limbs has been clipped and/or shaven at any point during the Period of the Event.

Permission must be granted from the veterinarian onsite for clipping and/or shaving required for veterinary purposes, prior to any investigation or treatment taking place.

Horses' limbs may be clipped up to 3 days before the event using a blade that cuts the hairs no shorter than 2mm

Doping (text translated)

As with humans, attempts are also made to increase athletic performance in horses and ponies with medication and other means. This practice is known as doping. Doping is prohibited because of the harmful risks to health and the distortion of competition. (Art. 16 Abs. b best. g TschV)

<https://www.fedlex.admin.ch/eli/oc/2008/416/de>

The Testing can take place at any time and on any horse that is competing.

VII. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. INSURANCES

Equestrian sports involve inherent dangerous risks. To the greatest extent permitted by law, the Event Organizer shall NOT be liable for any damages relating to loss of property or injury of any kind to Athletes, Owners, Support Personnel or Horses expressly excludes all such liability.

Protective headgear:

Must be worn by all Junior riders and all riders under and up to 18 years old.

When riding anywhere on the show grounds, it is recommended to wear a Protective headgear for all riders.

Failure to wear such Protective Headgear where and when required, will result in disqualification of the rider.

1.1. ATHLETES, OWNERS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL

a) Personal Accident and Health Insurance

It is your responsibility as an Athlete/Owner/ Support Personnel to ensure that you have adequate personal accident insurance in place to cover your participation at Events and in particular to insure against any personal injury or medical expenses arising from an accident, injury or illness which may occur at a World Reining Event.

You should check with your Affiliate/National Federation to confirm if your Affiliate's/National Federation's insurance policy (if any) covers personal accidents and/or illnesses which may occur when you are attending at/participating in a World Reining Event.

If your Affiliate/National Federation does not have a personal accident/health insurance policy or if the Affiliate's /National Federation's insurance policy does not cover personal accident or health claims, then you should obtain your own personal accident and health insurance policy to cover your attendance/participation at a World Reining Event.

b) Personal Property Insurance

You should also ensure that you are insured against property loss, theft or damage which may occur at a World Reining Event.

Again, the advice is to check with your Affiliate / National Federation to confirm if they have an insurance policy in place which would cover you in case of such property loss, theft or damage. If not, then you should obtain your own personal property insurance to cover such situations.

c) Press Equipment

Press equipment and other items left in the Press workroom, Press lockers, the Press Tribune or anywhere on the showgrounds are left entirely at the owner's risk. The Organizing Committee does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage to such equipment or items. Members of the Press are advised not to leave any equipment or personal items unattended.

d) Third Party Liability Insurance

As an Athlete/Owner you are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by you, your employees, Support Personnel, your agents or your Horses. You are, therefore, strongly advised to take out third-party liability insurance providing full coverage in relation to World Reining Events at home and abroad, and to keep the policy up to date.

The Organizer will NOT be responsible for any damage caused to third parties by you, your employees, Support Personnel, your agents or your Horses.

1.2. HORSE INSURANCE.

As an Owner you should ensure that your Horses are adequately insured against any injuries or illnesses they may sustain while participating at a World Reining Event.