



MCDOWELL SADDLE AND BRIDLE CLUB

RULES & GUIDELINES 2026

Rules & Guidelines:

- All membership terms are from 1/1 through 12/31 with annual renewal required.
- Membership is by application only.
- Points start from the date the membership is paid.
- To be eligible for year-end awards, you must be an active, paid member in good standing and attend at least FOUR (4) MSBC shows per division.
- Points are awarded by horse/rider combination per division.

Membership:

- \$60/family (immediate family living in the same household)
- \$40/individual (19 years of age and older)
- \$20/Youth (18 years of age and younger)
- \$20/Senior Citizen (65 years of age and older)

Open Show Class Fees:

- \$10/class for Non-Members
- \$8/class for Members
- \$80/day for Members, per horse/rider combination
- **NO REFUNDS FOR SCRATCHED or MISSED CLASSES**

2026 MSBC General Rules & Regulations:

- Current Negative Coggins are required and must be available to present at registration at every show.
- Every participant must sign a liability release form prior to showing at MSBC
- No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs allowed on the show grounds.
- Anyone exhibiting disruptive or inappropriate behavior will be asked to leave the show grounds.
- Unsportsmanlike conduct can result in loss of membership, loss of points earned daily/yearly and possibly being asked to leave the show grounds.
- If you have any questions or concerns on show days, please bring them to our Officers' attention.
- The judge's decisions are final! Please always show respect for their decisions.

MSBC Open Show Class Information:

- We will observe a 2-minute Gate Call between classes. The time starts when the class is called.
- MSBC reserves the right to add/cancel or combine classes. Large classes may be split if needed, based on show committee/judge's discretion.
- To secure a tab a check must be left at registration at the time of class signup.
- Classes added or scratched must be completed at registration prior to the class starting. **NO REFUNDS FOR SCRATCHED OR MISSED CLASSES.**
- If you are showing in the first classes, then you need to be registered at least 30 minutes prior to the show starting.

MSBC Open Show Age Groups & Divisions:

- For horse show purposes, the age of the individual on January 1st of that year shall be maintained throughout the entire year. For example, an individual with a birthday in July, and is 10 yrs of age on Jan 1st, must show as a 10-yr old throughout the show season.
- Pee Wee: 10 and under
- Youth: 11-18
- Adult: 19+
- Open: 11+
- **NOVICE RIDER** is someone with less than two full years of show experience
- **NOVICE HORSE** is a horse with less than two full years of show experience

MSBC Open Show Riding Attire Requirements for Riding Disciplines:

- Proper show attire & tack required unless specified by the judge.
- Helmets are required for all riders 13 and under

English: Riders should wear riding boots, breeches or jodhpurs, show shirt and jacket (unless jackets are excused by show mgt due to excessive heat) and an ASTM approved helmet for Jump classes. Other English classes may show in a suit with riding boots, hat or ASTM approved helmet.

Gaited/Western/Ranch: Western attire including boots, long pants, western hat or helmet and western shirt (long sleeves with a collar). ASTM approved helmet is required for individuals 13 and under. Chaps and chinks are optional.

Obstacle: Western, Ranch or English attire as described above.

Speed: Western attire including boots, long pants, western hat or helmet and western shirt (long sleeves with a collar). ASTM approved helmet is required for individuals 13 and under and recommended for all ages.

Year-End Category Awards for 2026 will include:

- English: 1st-3rd Pee Wee, Youth, Adult
- Gaited: 1st-3rd Youth, Adult
- Western: 1st-3rd Pee Wee, Youth, Adult
- Ranch: 1st-3rd Pee Wee, Youth, Adult
- Obstacle: 1st-3rd Pee Wee, Youth, Adult
- Speed: 1st-3rd Pee Wee, Youth, Adult