

2025 BITTERROOT DERBY
\$15,000 Estimated Added
RULES AND REGULATIONS

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1. This Derby is open only to Quarter Horses registered with the AQHA and sired by stallions listed on the previous page. **All owners must be 2025 members of the IQHA Racing Division.**
 2. All races will be conducted under the rules of the Idaho State Horse Racing Commission and the American Quarter Horse Association.
 3. **TO STAY ELIGIBLE FOR THE 2025 BITTERROOT RACES ALL NOMINEES (OWNERS, TRAINERS and HORSES) MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH THE AQHA & IQHA Racing Division-NO EXCEPTIONS**
 4. Each trial shall consist of not more than ten (10) horses. The trials shall be raced under the same conditions as the finals. The top ten fastest eligible qualifiers will be selected from the trials to participate in the finals.
 5. The decision of the Stewards shall be final in all matters. All fees and payments are accepted only on the condition that all persons nominating or starting a horse in this event agree to abide by the decision of the stewards and/or the Idaho State Racing Commission.
 6. Entries in the trials owned by the same owner or trained by the same trainer will be split if possible.
 7. Purse distribution for the Derby shall pay ten (10) monies as follows: 40-20-10-8-6-5-4-3-2-2 percent.
 8. Should a horse be disqualified in the trials, he shall be given the time of the horse he is placed behind plus .001 second.
 9. In the event of a timer malfunction, the stewards will revert to hand times to determine qualifiers.
 10. Should the front gates fail to open in front of a horse during the running of the trials or stakes, the horse shall be declared a non-starter and no liability will be incurred beyond the return of all payments that have been paid on such horse.
 11. IQHA Racing Division reserves the right to cancel or postpone these Stakes races for any reason it deems good and sufficient; and IQHA Racing Division agrees to return to the horsemen all nomination and/or sustaining fees that have been paid, less 10% for administrative expense.
 12. The undersigned represents that he is familiar with the rules and regulations governing Quarter Horse Racing by the Idaho State Racing Commission and IQHA Racing Division; and such persons agree to comply with the decisions of the Boards of Stewards and/or the Idaho State Racing Commission.
 13. Of the gross purse, 10% will be deducted to defray expenses.
 14. Nominating and sustaining payments must be made through the United States mail or direct payment before payment deadline.
 14. Horses which meet either of the following criteria are eligible for the 2025 Bitterroot Derby:(a) Horses that were eligible to start or started in the 2024 Bitterroot Futurity trials. (b) Horses which were paid in full through the March payment of the 2024 Bitterroot Futurity may become eligible by payment of the Bitterroot Derby nomination fee plus a supplemental fee of \$500 at time of nomination.
 15. There will be Hair Testing that is charged out by the commission per horse entered