

FOUR CORNERS CUTTING AND REINING ASSOCIATION (FCCRA)
WESTERN PERFORMANCE HORSES
Quad Futurity Rules and Payment Schedule – 2022
Amended 1. A. 2023

I. Stallion Eligibility

A. Each year, stallion owners are invited to donate one breeding per stallion to the FCCRA Western Performance Horses to be auctioned at the FCCRA Stallion Service Auction. This breeding is auctioned for the highest bid. Starting bid \$300 or amount determined by Stallion owner. If a stallion service does not sell at the auction the owner has the option to enter the stallion by paying in \$300. Or if the stallion owner does not wish to have him auctioned, the owner has the option to enter the stallion by paying \$300 or one-half of his normal breeding fee by December 31st of the calendar year in which the auction was held. An account will be opened for the next year's foal crop with the money raised at the Stallion Service Auction. Stallion owners receive a family membership for the year the stallion breeding is donated.

B. After the stallions are entered, all resulting foals from that breeding year, sired by each listed stallion are eligible for the fall futurity, providing that the foal owner pays the foal entry fee and gets the stallion owner's signature on the FCCRA Foal Entry Form.

C. The owner of a mare may pay in a stallion by paying \$300 or one-half of his advertised breeding fee, (whichever is higher) as long as the stallion owner agrees, signs a Current Year Paid in Stallion Agreement and signs the FCCRA Quad Futurity Foal Entry Form. All foals by that stallion will then be eligible for the paid-in year.

D. The contract as to mare care, veterinary bills, guarantees, etc. is between the stallion owner and the mare owner. FCCRA acts as a selling agent only and is not responsible in any way. Please contact the stallion owner for information on possible artificial insemination and/or mare care fees.

E. For the protection of all parties involved, FCCRA suggests a signed breeding contract between stallion and mare owners by the time the mare is delivered for breeding. **The FCCRA disclaims any liability regarding false disclosure of any pertinent information for all of the horses promoted in this program.**

F. No refunds will be made for any reason except that stated in FCCRA Rule #4 Stallion Death.

G. To encourage mare owners who purchase a breeding at the annual FCCRA Stallion Services Auction to participate in the FCCRA Quad Futurity, winning bid mare owners shall receive a free weanling foal entry for the foal sired by that eligible stallion the following year.

2. Rebreed Eligibility

A. If a rebreed is necessary for the mare owned by the purchaser of a breeding from the FCCRA Stallion Service Auction, and the stallion named in the contract is not current in the program, this one foal will still be eligible to participate in the FCCRA Quad Futurity Program. It will be the responsibility of the mare owner to notify the FCCRA Board of Directors of this situation prior to the end of the year in which

the rebreed takes place. **This rebreed eligibility is in effect for only one year following the year of the purchased breeding.**

3. Retroactive Stallion Eligibility

A. It is possible to pay a stallion in at double the minimum bid or one-half the advertised stud fee, **whichever is greater**, for each year he is being paid up. The stallion will be given credit for any interim year he was already eligible. Foals from this retroactive process are eligible for yearly FCCRA Futurity payouts but are not eligible for FCCRA Quad Futurity High Point Awards unless they are shown all four years.

4. Stallion Death

A. If the purchaser of a breeding from the FCCRA Stallion Service Auction is unable to have his mare bred one cycle of the current breeding season **due to the death of the stallion**, FCCRA will refund the purchase price to the purchaser. Any other foals by this stallion from the current year will continue to be eligible. **If the mare has been covered, any adjustments are between the stallion and mare owners and no money will be refunded by FCCRA.**

5. Quad Futurity Rules

A. To compete in the FCCRA Quad Futurity Program, a participant must be a member of the FCCRA. Dues are \$35 a year for a single membership and \$40 a year for a family membership.

B. All classes will be judged by AQHA rules in conjunction with the following FCCRA rules.

C. The Quad Futurity consists of:

1. **Weanling Halter Futurity** (junior and senior classes split by gender and median age of the foals [odd number goes in senior division]). Classes of four (4) or less may be combined within the same gender. Halter classes are placed on a one go-round basis. Tack or other awards, to be determined each year by the Futurity Committee, will be given for 1st place. Class payouts are based on the schedule and rules listed below.

2. **Yearling Halter Futurity** (by gender - filly, colt, gelding). Classes of four (4) or less may be combined within the same gender. Halter classes are placed on a one go-round basis. Tack or other awards, to be determined each year by the Futurity Committee, will be given for 1st place. Class payouts are based on the schedule and rules listed below.

3. **Two-Year-Old Western Pleasure Futurity** (by Open and Amateur Divisions). Horses must be shown in two go-rounds to be eligible. Combined score of two (2) go-rounds or two separate judges' scores will designate the winner with the final placing determining the awarded points per the point schedule published below. Each horse may enter only one Two-Year-Old Futurity class and division. Two-Year-Old horses shall be shown two-handed in a snaffle bit or bosal (bosal means braided rawhide, braided leather, or rope).

a. In case of a tie for 1st place the tie will be broken by another go-round between the tied contestants when there are two go-rounds, or in the

case of two separate judges' scores for a single go, a tie-breaker judge will be determined prior to the start of the show by those board of directors present at the show. Points will be averaged and split equally in the case of a tie for any other placings. Buckles, or other awards to be determined each year by the Futurity Committee, will be given for 1st place. Class payouts are based on the schedule and rules listed below.

4. Three-Year-Old Cutting and Reining Futurities (by Open and Amateur Divisions).

- a. **Combined** actual score of two (2) go-rounds or two separate judges' scores will designate the winner. Each horse may enter **only one** Three-Year-Old Futurity class and division.
- b. At the discretion of the Board of Directors, cutting may be offered with commensurate fees. Cutting or Reining must be designated by August 15th. There is a \$150 penalty for class change after August 15th. **Entry in any Three-Year-Old Futurity class requiring cattle will not be allowed later than ten (10) days prior to the FCCRA Futurity.**
- c. **Three-Year-Old** horses may be shown two-handed in a snaffle bit or bosal, or one-handed in a bit. (Bosal means braided rawhide, braided leather or rope). Contestants should proceed to the judge at the end of their work for bit inspection.
- d. In case of a tie for 1st or 2nd place the tie will be broken by another go-round between the tied contestants when there are two go-rounds. Or in the case of two separate judges' scores for a single go, a tie-breaker judge will be determined prior to the start of the show by those board of directors present at the show. If a tie still exists after the runoff, the awards and payout will be split for that placing. Points will be averaged and split equally in the case of a tie for any other placings.
- e. Buckles, or other awards to be determined each year by the Futurity Committee, will be given for 1st and 2nd place. Class payouts are based on the schedule and rules listed in Section 6.

6. FCCRA Futurity Payouts

8% - Weanling Futurity

12% - Yearling Futurity

20% - 2-Year-Old Western Pleasure Futurity

Remainder - 3-Year-Old Reining and Cutting Futurity

7. Foal Account Dispersal

A. The FCCRA Quad Futurity payout total for each foal year is calculated on the balance of the Foal Account after all expenses for the current year have been assessed, less the amount of money being held for the Quad Futurity High Point and Incentive Awards (Stallion Incentive and High Point Open and Amateur Awards).

B. The adjusted FCCRA Quad Futurity payout total for each foal year, plus the current year's Nomination Fees, will be divided by the number of horses shown in that year's futurity, then multiplied by the number of horses in each class/division of that foal year, and dispersed per the table in Section 8.

D. Any outstanding debts owed FCCRA will be collected before any prize money is dispersed to a participant including stallion incentive money.

8. FCCRA Futurity Points and Payout

A. Halter and Performance FCCRA Quad Futurities will be figured as follows:

Number in Class	Rankings						Payout Percentages					
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th						
1	1						100%					
2	2	1					70%	30%				
3	3	2	1				50%	30%	20%			
4	4	3	2	1			40%	30%	20%	10%		
5	5	4	3	2	1		34%	27%	20%	10%	9%	
6	6	5	4	3	2	1	32%	22%	19%	10%	9%	8%

or more

B. To keep the foals eligible in the FCCRA Quad Futurities, payments must be made according to the entry fee schedule in Section 9.

C. If there is more than one go-round; substitution of riders will not be permitted except by agreement of the management and representative in the case of injury.

D. After 1st go-round, each horse is subject to being mouthed by a veterinarian.

E. There will be a 3-minute gate call for all contestants. Inform the show management of a tack or horse change conflict so the work order of the class can be adjusted.

9. Payment Schedule of Nomination Fees

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Payment Due Schedule of Nomination Fees	Entry Fee	Late Fee
2 weeks before Futurity	\$65 Foal Entry	\$10
2 weeks before Futurity	\$90 Yearling Entry	\$25
2 weeks before Futurity	\$110 Two Year Old Entry	\$50
2 weeks before Futurity	\$140 Three Year Old Entry	\$100

B. Futurity payments must be postmarked by payment schedule date to avoid assessment of late fees.

C. **An eligible horse may be entered any of the year it qualifies for the FCCRA Futurity Program** by paying all prior years' entry fees, plus the late fee assessed on the year it is being paid in, using the following fee and penalty schedule:

Eligible Horse Age	Entry Fee	Late Fee
Foal	\$65	\$10
Yearling	\$90	\$25
Two Year Old	\$110	\$50
Three Year Old	\$140	\$100

D. **THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS OF FUTURITY PAYMENTS AT ANY TIME.**

E. **ALL STALLION SERVICE AUCTION MONIES ARE TO BE USED FOR THE AUCTION EXPENSES AND FUTURITY PAYOUTS AND EXPENSES.**

F. Foals must compete all four years to be eligible for FCCRA Quad High Point Awards at the end of four years.

10. Quad Futurity High Point Awards

A. The Quad High Point Horse is the horse with the most points accumulated after the Three-Year-Old Futurity is completed. It is necessary to complete 4 years (weanling, yearling, two-year-old and three-year-old) in the FCCRA Quad Futurity to be eligible for FCCRA Quad High Point Awards.

B. There are two divisions of classes in the two and three-year-old futurities.

1. The Quad Open High Point Horse is shown in the Open Division.
2. The Quad Amateur High Point Horse is shown by an **amateur person**, as defined by AQHA rules.

C. **Change of Division:** A horse may be changed from the Amateur Division (as defined by AQHA Rules) to the Open Division or the Open Division to the Amateur Division (as defined by AQHA Rules) due to change in ownership, injury or preference of rider/owner, etc. All FCCRA Quad Futurity points will follow the horse from division to division for calculation of FCCRA Quad Futurity High Point Awards.

D. **Quad Futurity High Point Award:** Three-Year-Old scores from two go rounds or two separate judges are added to previous years' points to determine the winner of the Quad Futurity High Point awards. **The show management will adjust any score lower than 60 for calculating Quad High Point winners only.** When there are no three-year-old entries in cutting, reining scores will be added to accumulated points to determine Quad High Point winner. If there are entries in both cutting and reining, the FCCRA 60 Point Rule, will apply. The 60 Point Rule is as follows: If either or both of the scores the reining competitor earns is less than 60 points, that score (or scores) will be adjusted up to 60 points (which is the lowest score a competitor can earn in a cutting go-round).

E. In case of a tie, it will be broken by the highest score in the following order:

1. The combined 2 go rounds or two separate judges score of the three-year-old.
2. The number of points accrued as a two-year-old.
3. The number of points accrued as a yearling.
4. The number of points accrued as a weanling.
5. The flip of a coin.

F. FCCRA Quad Futurity High Point Amateur and Open winners receive \$250 each, plus a buckle, spurs or other trophy, to be determined by the Futurity Committee and/or Board of Directors. The FCCRA Quad Futurity Reserve High Point Amateur and Open winners receive an award. There is no money paid to Reserve placings.

G. The FCCRA Quad High Point Horse Award pays \$500 to the owner of the sire of the high point open and amateur horses.

H. Placings will be announced at the futurity show. Final Placings and Awards will be given at a FCCRA Awards Ceremony scheduled at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Time and place will be posted.

II. FCCRA Business Procedures

A. The regular meeting of the FCCRA Board of Directors will be held monthly at the discretion of the Board of Directors. All members of FCCRA are encouraged to attend. Contact the officers or members of the board with items you wish to place on the agenda.

B. Membership fees will be deposited in the general operating account and used for the operation of FCCRA business.

C. Sponsor, Donation and Catalog Advertisement monies will be used for the operation and awards of the event for which they were given.

D. Insurance for all FCCRA approved events will be purchased by the Association. Insurance fees are prorated by the number of days of scheduled FCCRA events and the cost assessed to each event. More insurance will be purchased for additional approved FCCRA events.

E. Expenditures over \$50 must be passed by the Board of Directors.

F. The income from clinics or other money-making activities of FCCRA will be used for club expenses including but not limited to newsletters, postage, etc. The balance will be used for added money or awards for FCCRA activities as determined by the Board of Directors. At the discretion of the Board of Directors general account funds can be transferred to the foal accounts.

12. Communication

A. Correspondence will be sent to the entire contact list in an effort to involve those who are not currently members in FCCRA activities.

B. The web page will explain the functions of FCCRA and contain links to important information such as the FCCRA membership form, Futurity By Laws, Rules, and various forms for FCCRA events.