

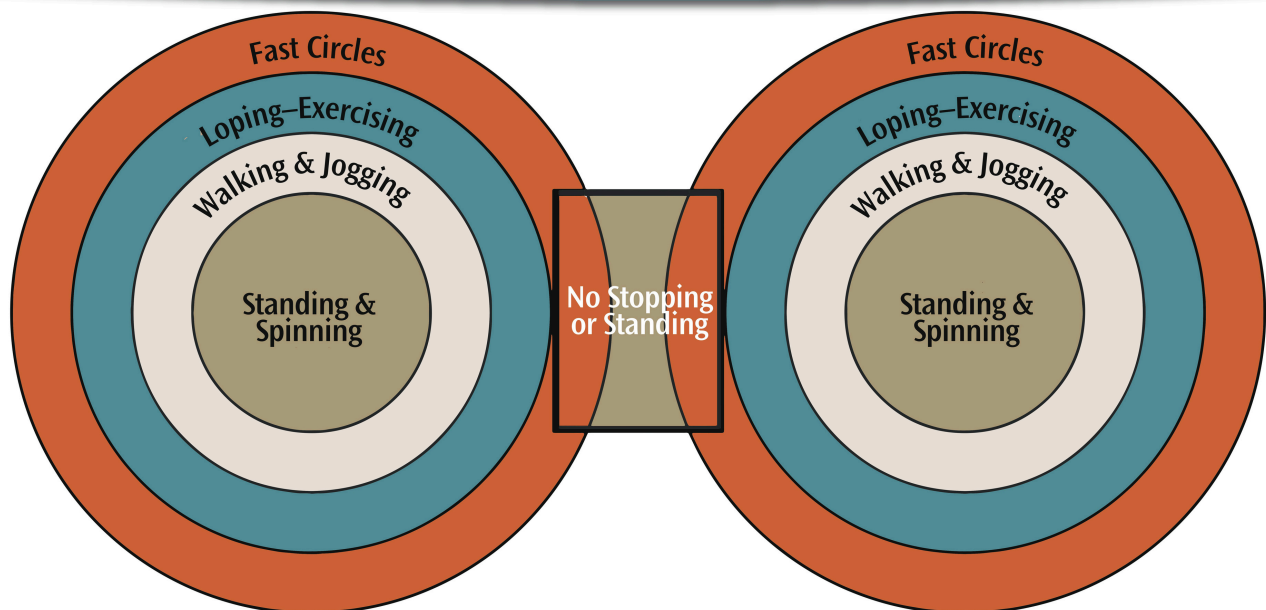


VICTORIAN REINING HORSE ASSOCIATION INC

ARENA WARM UP POLICY



Warm Up Arena Configuration



These guidelines apply regardless of the number of horses in the arena. All procedures will be enforced by Show Management and NRHA Stewards. Any violation of these guidelines will be viewed as unsportsmanlike conduct, which can result in disciplinary action.

Registered with permission of the National Reining Horse Association

VRHA has provided this information for safely warming up horses at shows and events.

Horses are not to be ridden under the influence of alcohol or drugs at any time while on the grounds

Number of horses in the arena at one given time is at the discretion of Show management and dependant on the arena size at the event. Show Management has final authority to these instructions.

The direction of the Circles will be dependant on the arena set up, Show Management will provide this information at each event.

Do not stop, school or spin, in the centre of the arena

Do not circle in the opposite direction of the circles

First half hour circles, second half hour run downs

The welfare of the horse should at all times be considered paramount . The NRHA requires that horses are not to be ridden while in an unfit condition (ex. overly tired, obviously lame, etc.). Horses that are

unfit should be stopped from riding, and responsible parties should seek veterinary assistance as needed. It is mandated at NRHA events that horses be not ridden in excess.

No dogs are allowed in the warm up areas or show arena. On lead at all times when on other areas of the show grounds.

The following guidelines may be enforced to ensure the safety of horses and riders during drag time:

- Horses may be required to stop forward movement or walk in such a way that does not endanger the horse or rider.
- Horses may be required to move to the side of the arena opposite from the tractor and drag. All riders will watch for and obey tractor driver's direction. •
- Warm up riding will continue ONLY after tractor and drag have exited the arena.
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No Lunging and no un saddled horses in the arena

It is mandatory for all riders when entering the show arena to use appropriate western tack and western attire while showing;

- A long sleeve western shirt with sleeves buttoned down, western hat or safety helmet, boots, chaps, western saddle, and western bridle. (Freestyle reining being exempt based on conditions.)
- Failure to use appropriate attire will result in a score of 0.
- losing your hat within a run does not attract a penalty
- Caps and short sleeved shirts are acceptable only during open pen

Failing to wear your show horse number can result in a \$25 fine. Horse show number to be pinned to your saddle pad on the left hand side, or it is permitted to pin to your shirt while riding.

