



NBHA MI 01 OFFICIAL RULEBOOK

As of 2026, subject to amendments as needed

1. NBHA MI 01 is sanctioned under and applies all rules governed by the Official NBHA Rule Book
 - a. <https://nbha.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/NBHA-Rulebook-2025-Edition.pdf>
2. All dogs present must be leashed, and cleaned up after.
3. Prize money checks awarded will be mailed out within 1 week of the show date unless otherwise stated on the show bill. Prize money awarded will be combined into one check when applicable.
4. Personal areas need to be left as good if not better than you found it. This applies to stalls, pen outs, day parking, etc.
 - a. You will be fined \$100 and withheld any awarded money if these areas are not up to standards (director's and members' discretion)
5. Dress Code: breaking the dress code will result in disqualification from monetary awards
 - a. Boots and full length pants required
 - b. NBHA Merchandise or Long Sleeve Western shirt required
 - c. No offensive or inappropriate clothing (director's and members' discretion)
 - d. Helmets and cowboy hats allowed, but not required (unless otherwise specified)
 - i. Ball caps can be worn with a \$1 donation each day of competition
 - ii. \$5 hat fee will be applied for loss of any hat in the arena
6. NBHA Sanctioned class age divisions
 - a. Youth (12 years of age and under as of January 1st of the competition year)
 - b. Teen (13-18 years of age as of January 1st of the competition year)
 - c. Adult (19-49 years of age as of January 1st of the competition year, until you turn 50)
 - i. The adult class is not officially recognized by NBHA but is allowed to be offered by states and districts individually
 - d. Senior (50 years of age and over as of the date of the show)
7. IBRA Sanctioned class age divisions (only applicable when races are co-sanctioned)
 - a. IBRA Season begins August 1st, your age division may change after August 1st
 - b. Youth (18 and under as of August 1st of the prior calendar year)
 - c. Adult (19-49 as of August 1st of the prior calendar year)
 - d. Senior (50+ as of August 1st of the prior calendar year)
8. Entries will close 15 minutes prior to the show start time.
9. PeeWees are now eligible in Michigan to compete at State Finals if they compete at 3 races and pay a \$10 one time fee to the district. An official NBHA membership is **NOT** required.

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Other things to note:

- We are a recognized 501(c)(3) therefore barrel setters and other volunteers can use this as an opportunity to gain signed off hours, (College Applications, Nation Honors Society, Select Workplaces, etc. may encourage or require them) and I would like to offer this benefit to encourage competitors or someone they know to help out.
 - **Please contact the director prior to the race to arrange a paid or signed off position**
 - I will compensate (1) non volunteer per competition day at an agreed upon hourly rate to set a barrel for the entirety of the show.
 - All other barrel setting/ground work is expected to be volunteered when allowed by our members
 - Duties to assist the director: barrel setting, tractor with drag driving, announcing, assisting the announcer, putting up/taking down banners, cleaning up manure in shared areas, etc.

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