

GRIDIRON RULES

ALL GRIDIRON Committee decisions are FINAL. We reserve the right to refuse entry to any horse or individual. No discrimination will be tolerated. No disrespect towards any member of the GRIDIRON “crew” will be tolerated!

*****In 2026, the Futurity and Maturity saddles will be awarded to the winner of the Breeder’s Incentive Sidepot!**

Open 2D Futurity With Breeders Incentive Side Pot – 100% Payback

- Futurity is open to horses that are four or five years old. They may not have reached the age of six by the time of Futurity. Horses must be checked in prior to running.
- To be eligible for Open Futurity, the horse must NEVER have competed in ANY barrel race, including AQHA shows, play days, novice horse events, derbies, rodeos, etc. prior to November 15, 2025. To do so means forfeit of any & all fees paid & elimination from the Futurity. However, horses may have competed anywhere after November 15, 2025. Horses may have been entered in other events.
- To be eligible for the Breeders Incentive Side-pot the horse must be 4 or 5 years of age or, whose sire is a current GRIDIRON Stallion. As always, a nominated stallion also qualifies for the Breeders Incentive Side-pot.
- Owners may enter more than one horse. The owner does not have to ride his/her horse. Either male or female rider is allowed.
- There will be two go-rounds at the GRIDIRON Futurity. The total times of the two go-rounds will determine the Winner of the 1st place award.
- Futurity will be paid out in a 2D format with the split being 1 second. Average will pay out on a 2 second split. A tipped barrel will result in a no time.
- An electric eye will be used. There will be no backup timer. Should the electric eye fail, you will be given the option of a rerun if you did not tip a barrel or break the pattern. A tipped barrel or a broken pattern will result in no time.
- There will be a \$75 administrative fee per entry with the remainder going to the total purse. 60% of total purse will go to 1D payout and 40% of total purse will go to 2D payout.

2D Open Maturity

With Breeders incentive Side Pot – 100% Payback

- Maturity is open to all horses 8 years of age or under, OR who have competed in the GRIDIRON Futurity or Maturity in the past.
- To be eligible for the Breeders Incentive Side-pot the horse must be 8 years of age or under, whose sire is a current GRIDIRON Stallion OR if that horse has previously been paid into the Futurity or Maturity Breeders Incentive Side-pot in the past. As always, a nominated stallion also qualifies for the Breeders Incentive Side-pot.
- There will be 2 go rounds. Total times of the 2 go rounds will determine the Winner of both the open and Breeders Maturity. The Breeders Incentive will be paid out in a 2D format as a Side-pot to the Open Maturity. The 2D will be a .75 split in both the Open Maturity and the Breeders Side-pot. The average will be a 1.5 second split.
- Owners may enter more than one horse. The owner does not have to ride his/her horse. Either male or female rider is allowed.
- An electric eye will be used. There will be no backup timer. Should the electric eye fail, you will be given the option of a rerun if you did not tip a barrel or break the pattern. A tipped barrel or a broken pattern will result in no time.
- Futurity Rules will apply to the Maturity where Committee deems necessary.
- There will be a \$75 administrative fee per entry with the remainder going to the total purse. 60% of total purse will go to 1D payout and 40% of total purse will go to 2D payout.

Open 4D/5D

- ✚ If 200 or less entries, places will be paid in 4D format with ½ second splits. If greater than 200 entries, places will be paid in a 5D format with ½ second splits.
- ✚ There is no backup timer. Should the electric eye fail, you will be given the option of a rerun if you did not tip a barrel or break the pattern. A tipped barrel or a broken pattern will result in no time.
- ✚ Futurity and Maturity riders may carry their time to the Open race.
- ✚ Dress code – long sleeved shirt (does not need to be a button up), hat and boots – will be enforced!

YOUTH 2D

- 🏆 Rider must be age 16 or younger as of January 1st, 2026.
- 🏆 1.0 second split
- 🏆 Entries are \$25 and will be taken one hour prior to start of race.

PEEWEE RACE

- 🏆 PeeWee Race (ages 0-7)
- 🏆 No entry fee but need to sign up in the office prior to the race.
- 🏆 Prizes awarded to all!

Open 2D Pole Bending with 3D Futurity Sidepot

- 🏆 Must enter the open to enter the Futurity Sidepot.
- 🏆 Open 3D will be 1.0 second split
- 🏆 2D Futurity Sidepot will be 1.0 second split


ENTRY INFORMATION

- 🏆 Paper and online entries can be found on our website at thproductionsllc.com
- 🏆 All paper pre-entries must be postmarked by May 8th, 2026.
- 🏆 All online pre-entries are due by May 22nd, 2026
- 🏆 May 25th, 2026 is the last day Futurity and Maturity entries will be refunded minus \$50 office fee. No refunds will occur after May 25th, 2026. However, substitutions may be considered but will be subject to \$100 late fee. We will do our best to work with each individual contestant.
- 🏆 No open entries will be refunded at any time.
- 🏆 Late entries may be considered from May 26th – 12 noon June 3rd with the following late fees.
 - ✓ Futurity \$150


✓ Maturity \$150


✓ Open \$10

***All late entries will be run at the bottom of the draw both days.

 Any changes to entries, such as rider changes, will be subject to a \$25 office fee.

 The draw will be posted on June 1st, 2026.

 If an entered horse is sold, proof of ownership exchange must be provided.

 **If you are unable to pick up your award, please have someone available to pick them up for you and stand in for pictures. This is very important. We have such generous sponsors and stallion owners and we want to thank them in every way possible.**

NO AWARDS WILL BE MAILED!!!!