

Cowley County Fair

2026 Official ATV Rodeo Rules

Safety/Eligibility:

1. No person under the age of 18 will be allowed to compete. This rule is in place per our insurance company.
2. Each rider will sign a waiver that includes an emergency contact in case thereof.
3. No alcohol or drugs of any kind are allowed in the pits or parking areas adjacent to pits. Any person who appears to be impaired or in possession of alcohol/drugs will not be allowed to compete. Their registration will be forfeited.
4. Each rider must be equipped with and wear an appropriate D.O.T. approved helmet while operating their vehicle.
5. Seatbelts will be required in all side by side vehicles. Drivers must wear seatbelts while in the arena.
6. Each rider will wear boots or closed toe shoes. No sandals or flip-flops.
7. Each rider is eligible to enter multiple events and divisions if and when appropriate.
8. ATV rodeo officials will have the final determination on what is a utility verses sport vehicle and the division in which it will compete. Any non-compliance to the principals of this event will result in immediate disqualification of the participant; subsequent expulsion from the fairgrounds and all fees will be forfeited.
9. No vehicles shall be equipped with paddles, chains or spikes. No nitrous or nitro methane will be used. Inspections could be at any unannounced time by ATV officials.
10. No passengers will be allowed in vehicles.
11. No person under the age of 18 will be allowed in the Pit area at any time.

Riders Conduct:

1. All Riders shall conduct themselves in a respectful manner.
2. Riders must be always in control of their vehicle(s). If a rider is reckless or lacks control, officials may disqualify each participant.
3. Riding is allowed ONLY between pits and each specified event. Speed limit is 5-10 MPH when not participating in an individual event in the pits or in route to a specific event or inspection.
4. Absolutely NO pit riding.

Track Rules:

1. All riders MUST attend the rider's meeting before the competition can begin.
2. We reserve the right to rework the course at any time during the event.
3. When registering for events, the individual must select their class. The officials reserve the right and may place participants in a class they determine is best for fair

competition.

4. Helmet must be strapped on before operating any vehicle.
5. Operators must stay on their machine during a run, dismounting from the vehicle terminates the run unless otherwise instructed by an official.
6. No burnouts will be allowed in the pits or between the staging area.
7. After completing a run, riders will immediately exit to the pit area.
8. Once a rider enters the staging lanes, there will be no exiting.
9. Timer starts and stops while crossing the start/stop line following directions from the track official. Failure to follow directions from the track official may lead to disqualification.
10. In case of breakdown, each rider is responsible for hooking the towrope to his/her vehicle; all damages incurred while in the pits or while competing are the sole responsibility of the rider and no one else.
11. Knocking over a barrel or cone, or any course infraction will result in a time penalty for each violation as determined by the track official.
12. We reserve the right to combine classes. The number of participants in each class is at the discretion of the track official.
13. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Any display of profanity or unacceptable behavior may result in disqualification. A participant or spectator may be escorted off the fairgrounds and will forfeit any fees paid.
14. All participants agree to compete in a fair manner and will follow the rules.

Event Details: July 30th, 2026

Pit Gates open at 4:00 P.M. Registration ends at 5:30 P.M. Advanced registration encouraged!! Riders Meeting at 6:30 P.M. Competition Starts at 7:30 P.M.

Entry Fee: \$20/rider/vehicle

Events: Barrels, Poles, Half Lap

Payouts

Divisions (\$600/division - \$2400 overall)

1st Place: \$300

2nd Place: \$200

3rd Place: \$100

Events (\$600/event - \$1200 overall)

1st Place: \$300

2nd Place: \$200

3rd Place: \$100

Overall Winners (\$600 Total)

- 1st Place: \$300 & Trophy
- 2nd Place: \$200 & Trophy
- 3rd Place: \$100 & Trophy

Event Description (all patterns will be posted on site):

Barrel Race/Poles:

Upon crossing the start/stop line with the direction of the track official, the contestant will move through the barrels (poles) in a uniform and prescribed pattern. If the contestant breaks the pattern, they will be disqualified. A ten (10) second penalty will apply for every barrel (pole) that is tipped over. Time will end when the rider has successfully completed the pattern and crossed the start/stop line.

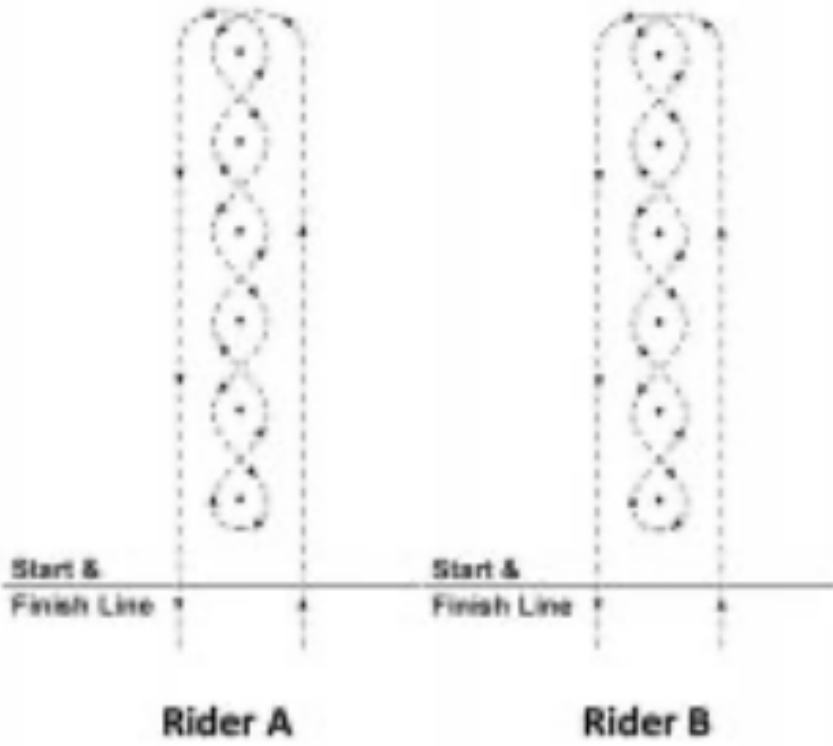
Half Lap:

The event will begin on the east side of the arena and proceed around the arena to the southwest corner. Exact track construction to be determined based on arena conditions at time of construction.

Divisions

1. Open 2 Wheel Drive Quad
2. Open Utility Side by Side (Polaris Ranger/Kawasaki Mule Style)
3. Open Sport Side by Side (Polaris Razer/General Style)
4. Open Dirt Bike

Poles Diagram



Barrel Race Diagram

