

CLOVERLEAF BARREL RACING

Barrels are set up in a cloverleaf pattern. In this pattern you may start to the left, or to the right and follow the appropriate pattern. There is a 5 second penalty if a barrel is knocked over.

1) Three barrels are set in a triangle, using the following measurements:

a) Barrels 1 and 2 are set 27.43m (90') apart and 16.29m (50') from the start/finish line.

b) Barrel 3 is set in the center (as the top of a triangle) 52m (105') away from barrels 1 and 2.

2) If the course is too large for the available space, the pattern should be reduced in increments of 4.57m (15') until it fits into the arena. Remember to leave adequate space between barrels and any obstacles. The distance from Barrel 3 to the finish line need not be reduced by these increments if there is sufficient room for the horse to stop.

3) When measuring the area for the barrel course, remember to leave ample room for horses to complete their turns. Allow at least 13.77m (25') from the start/finish line to the end of the arena.

