



TRVEA's 2023 MILEAGE CHALLENGE FAQs
Ride, Walk, Lead, or Drive with Your Horse
100, 250, 500, and 1,000 Miles!

Q: I am a member of TRVEA and a professional horse trainer. Can I do this activity?

A: Yes, the only requirement is that you're a 2023 TRVEA member. Lucky you, you might have many horses to complete this with!

Q: Is there any fee at any time?

A: There is no fee. Each finisher will receive one award for their greatest distance completed, however awards for lesser distances may be available for purchase. Price TBD later.

Q: May I ride in the other distance Challenges at the same time?

A: YES! As a strategy, when you register before March 15 you will automatically be registered to ride in the 100, 250, 500, and 1000-mile distances. At or before the end dates of any of the these distances you can choose to finish with that specific distance by sending an email to info.trvea@gmail.com telling TRVEA you are finishing that specific distance (and sending your mileage log). You may continue to ride and accumulate miles towards the next distance after sending an email with your completed additional mileage log. Each finisher will receive one award for their greatest distance completed.

Q: May I declare only the 1000-mile finish for my free award, but still get the 100-mile, the 250-mile, and the 500-mile awards?

A: Yes, just as in the previous answer TRVEA will provide only one free award, but you may additionally purchase the 100 and 250 and 500-mile awards. Price TBD later. Remember, you may not purchase a mile award for a mileage not completed.

Q: How do I know I am logging the correct number of miles on my rides?

A: You could use the County Parks' website maps and use their scale. There are many free apps that you can use to track your distance such as **Equilab** and **MyTracks**, or you could ride along with someone who is already using an app or knows the distance. Once you know the distance of your favorite trails, arenas, and riding paths, you can just add this to your log without actually tracking it.

Q: How should I log my miles?

A: We've included a sample log (2023 Multi-Mile Challenge Log) that you can print out as you need or make your own. It's important to have your name, your horse's name, and the date, distance, and location of where you've traveled.

Q: I have three horses, two of which I can ride, and one that can only be halter-walked. Can I total my miles with riding and halter-walking all three?

A: Yes, the miles are attached to the person doing the activity. For example, one day you might ride each of the two horses for 2 miles each, and halter-walk one horse for 1 mile. Your total that day would be 5 miles. You may not ride one horse and pony another and count both horse's miles. Hiking without a horse and running a horse in the round pen do not count!

Q: Do arena riding miles count?

A: Yes. Figure out how many laps you need to ride (or walk) a mile in the arena and keep lapping! Anywhere you ride, lead, or drive your horse (for those with carts or buggies) counts toward the award.

Q: Do I have to ride with another person to verify the distance?

A: No. The goal of TRVEA is to get members into arenas or out on the trails with horses. You may ride individually or in groups.

Q: What do you mean by “BONUS for members who join/re-join TRVEA by January 31, 2023”?

A: If you join TRVEA before the end of January, you may accumulate all the miles you have ridden during the entire month of January! Early applications to TRVEA greatly ease the operational burden of volunteers who run this Association. Thank you!

Q: If I complete the ride before the end date, can I receive my award earlier?

A: No, the awards will not be available until July 2024.

Q: Is there a competition part of this activity?

A: No. TRVEA simply wants people to be out and enjoy time with their horses, not to push athletic limits. We might send updates on how the activity is progressing and might, with permission, tell who has completed it. You can accomplish this Challenge at any pace you want; the only stipulations are that you finish your Challenge by the deadline and that you submit your log sheet when you have completed the activity.

Q: Will you tell us who registered for this?

A: No. You'll have to use your own personal networks to find out who else is participating.

Q: How will TRVEA get out information once the Challenges have begun?

A: Email questions to TRVEA at info.trvea@gmail.com. We will attempt to provide a timely answer. TRVEA is an all-volunteer association, so please be patient.

Q: How do I send my mileage log to TRVEA so I can receive my award?

A: You must send it by email to info.trvea@gmail.com as a photo, scanned document, or as a text file. You may have someone send it for you. Be sure to get a return email from TRVEA acknowledging we received your log. As long as we have an email record of it we can go back and find it in case your submission is lost.

Q: Why is there a second 100-Mile Challenge during 2023?

A: We understand that many things may happen to prevent you from starting or completing the first 100-Mile Challenge. If you finish any of the earlier Challenges prior to July 30, you may not enter again for the second 100-Mile Challenge. You may not use your accumulated miles from any previous Challenge for the second 100-Mile Challenge.

Important Dates:

Registration Deadlines and End Dates of Each Challenge:

- 100-Mile Challenge – register by March 15. Challenge ends on July 30.
- 250-Mile Challenge – register by March 15. Challenge ends on December 31.
- 500-Mile Challenge – register by March 15. Challenge ends on December 31.
- 1000-Mile Challenge – register by March 15. Challenge ends on December 31.
- Second 100-Mile Challenge – registration runs July 15-30. Challenge ends on December 31.

Register by sending an email to info.trvea@gmail.com.

Mileage Accumulation Start Dates of Each Challenge:

- 100-Mile Challenge – the date you registered (or Jan 1 if a TRVEA member by Jan 31)
- 250-Mile Challenge – the date you registered (or Jan 1 if a TRVEA member by Jan 31)
- 500-Mile Challenge – the date you registered (or Jan 1 if a TRVEA member by Jan 31)
- 1000-Mile Challenge – the date you registered (or Jan 1 if a TRVEA member by Jan 31)
- Second 100-Mile Challenge – the date you registered for it

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