



## **FAQ on the Multi Mile Challenges**

**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 2021 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, and TRVEA will award you with one free T-Shirt after you submit your completed log document. TRVEA will decide on T-shirt distribution methods later.

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

**A:** YES! As a strategy, when you register before March 10 you will automatically be registered to ride in the 100-, 250-, and 500-mile distances. At or before the end dates of any of the three distances you can choose to finish with that specific distance by sending an email to [info.trvea@gmail.com](mailto:info.trvea@gmail.com) telling TRVEA you are finishing that specific distance (and sending your mileage log). You will be given a free T-shirt for that distance.

But ... !! ... You may continue to ride and accumulate miles towards the next distance and you may purchase a T-shirt for that distance after sending an email with your completed mileage log. You may do this again for the next distance. In other words, you are accumulating miles for all the distances from the start of the Challenge and can end at whichever distance you choose. TRVEA will supply only one free T-shirt when you declare yourself finished, but you may purchase additional ones for your additional accomplishments.

**Q: STRATEGY? May I declare only the 500-Mile finish for my free 500-Mile T-shirt, but still get the 100-Mile and the 250-Mile T-Shirts?**

**A:** Yes, just as in the previous answer TRVEA will provide only one free T-shirt, but you may additionally purchase the 100- and 250-mile T-shirts. Remember, you may not purchase a 250- and 500-mile T-shirt if you submit only your 100-Mile log and declare that is your finish of the Challenge and are not riding further distances. Similarly, the same applies to your declaration that you are not riding more than the 250-Mile Challenge.

**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. Most cellphones have apps that are really accurate, or you could ride along with someone who has one. 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.

**A:** Also, Android and Apple have free apps of JustMove and Equilab Equine Tracker that have accurate distance tracking. They also map your activity. Each of these apps offers group participation that you could set up with your riding group. There are several other running apps that you could use.

**A:** TRVEA is relying on you to accurately log your miles. There won't be any audits. It's more fun to receive the award knowing you actually accomplished the challenge.

**Q: I have three horses, two of which I can ride, and one that only can 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. You must have only one horse to control--that is, 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, not just trails and arenas count 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 and trails (and anywhere you choose!) with horses. You may ride individually or in groups if you choose.

**Q: What do you mean by joining TRVEA before January 31, I may use all the miles accumulated since January 1?**

**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 into TRVEA greatly eases the operational burden of the volunteers who run this Association. Thank you!

**Q: If I complete the ride before their end dates, can I receive the T-shirt earlier?**

**A:** TRVEA will attempt to get T-shirts earlier, but we can't guarantee this because of differing shirt sizes and minimum quantity purchase requirements. However, if we can get T-shirts earlier to you, you may wear the T-shirt any time. Show off!

**Q: Is there a competition part of this activity?**

**A:** No. TRVEA simply wants people out with their horses ending with a healthy outcome, 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. You won't submit your log sheet until 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 also is participating.

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

**A:** FaceBook and [www.trvea.org](http://www.trvea.org) will probably have current information. Use both. You may send a question to TRVEA at [info.trvea@gmail.com](mailto:info.trvea@gmail.com) where we will attempt to provide a timely answer. TRVEA is an all-volunteer association, so please be patient.

**Q: How do I send my documented mileage log to TRVEA to receive the T-shirt?**

**A:** You may send it by email to [info.trvea@gmail.com](mailto:info.trvea@gmail.com) in a photo, scanned document, and in any format you want to. You may have someone send it for you. Be sure to get a return email from TRVEA acknowledging we received your log.

**Q: Why is there a Second 100-Mile Challenge during 2021?**

**A:** This is solely for anyone that has not taken the Challenge(s) when registration ended on March 10 or who might not have completed the first 100-Mile Challenge. You may not enter any of the earlier Challenges and then enter again for the Second Challenge. You may not use your accumulated miles from any previous Challenge. The Second Challenge is only a 100-Mile Challenge. You will receive a free 100-Mile T-shirt by registering at [info.trvea@gmail.com](mailto:info.trvea@gmail.com) by July 10 and emailing your completed mileage log by November 30.

**Important Dates:**

Registration deadlines for the 2021 Challenges (register by sending an email to [info.trvea@gmail.com](mailto:info.trvea@gmail.com)):

100-, 250-, and 500-Mile Challenges: March 10.

Second 100-Mile Challenge: July 10.

**Mileage Accumulation Start Dates of Each Challenge:**

100-Mile Challenge – the date you registered (or Jan 1 if enrolled in TRVEA by Jan 31)

250-Mile Challenge – the date you registered (or Jan 1 if enrolled in TRVEA by Jan 31)

500-Mile Challenge – the date you registered (or Jan 1 if enrolled in TRVEA by Jan 31)

Second 100-Mile Challenge – July 10 or later

**Ending Dates of Each Challenge:**

100-Mile Challenge – ends on June 30

250-Mile Challenge – ends on August 31

500-Mile Challenge – ends on November 30

Second 100-Mile Challenge - ends on November 30.

**Send your questions to [info.trvea@gmail.com](mailto:info.trvea@gmail.com).**

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