

USTPA
2026 WORLD FINALS
October 26 - October 31, 2026 • West Monroe, Louisiana
QUALIFYING REQUIREMENTS

1) QUALIFYING PERIOD

November 1, 2025, through (and including) October 12, 2026.

2) QUALIFYING SHOWS

Any USTPA Show in the Qualifying Period may be used to satisfy the Minimum Show Requirements except that Regional Finals, Elite Finals and the World Finals are not *Qualifying Shows* for the purpose of satisfying the Minimum Show Requirement.

3) QUALIFYING INFORMATION

[Both Show and Ride Requirements Must Be Met]

To qualify to compete in the 2026 USTPA World Finals, riders must;

- a) Ride a minimum of Four (4) USTPA Shows during the Qualifying Period, **and also,**
- b) A Rider must ride a minimum of 50 total teams (all in Penning, all in Sorting, or a combination of both, e.g. 30 Penning teams and 20 Sorting teams) amongst a minimum of 4 shows to qualify for both events at Finals (Penning and Sorting)
- c) A Rider must ride a minimum of 25 total teams (all in Penning, all in Sorting, or a combination of both, e.g. 0 Penning and 25 Sorting) amongst a minimum of 4 shows to qualify for 1 event at the Finals (Their choice of Penning or Sorting).
- d) The Minimum Ride Requirements for Team Penning and Ranch Sorting are cumulative and may be achieved in any combination at any show or shows throughout the Qualifying Period.

4) YOUTH RIDERS - QUALIFYING FOR WORLD FINALS

For a Youth to ride **ONLY** the Youth classes at World Finals, the Youth must ride 1 youth class at a USTPA show during qualifying timeline for World Finals.

If there is not a Youth Class at the USTPA show that the youth rides at, that show will count as a Youth Class World Finals qualification.

If the Youth wants to ride other classes besides the Youth classes at World Finals, they must meet the regular qualifications for those classes listed above like the other riders.