

RULE BOOK

NAME: The name of this organization will be the National Cowboy Pro Rodeo Association.

NCPRA members and permit holders acknowledge that rodeos are dangerous activities that participation in a rodeo as a competitor, an independent contractor, or volunteer, exposes that participant to a substantial and serious risk of property damage, personal injuries, or death. NCPRA members and permit holders acknowledge that participation in NCPRA sanctioned rodeos will involve such hazard. Being fully aware that participation in NCPRA rodeos would expose said member or permit holder to substantial and serious risk of property damage and/or personal injury or death, said member or permit holder release NCPRA, sponsors, any NCPRA sanctioned rodeo production entity, their affiliated, and /or related to subsidiary companies and the officers; director, employees, and agents of each entity or organization from liability for any and all property damage, personal injuries or other claims arising from participation in foreseen and unforeseen, future or contingent. NCPRA members and permit holders shall not, now or at any time in the future, directly or indirectly, commence or prosecute any actions, suits, or other proceeding against the before mentioned arising out of or related to the actions, causes of action, claims and demands hereby waived, released or discharged by NCPRA member or permit holder, his or her spouse, legal representatives, heirs, successors, and/or assigns.

Any person becoming a member of this association shall comply with all of its rules decisions and shall be bound the same.

By a person becoming a member of this association, said member recognized that the association has no responsibility, conduct or function which would in any way be related to or cause any liability to injury to, or damage to the person, property or stock of any member and further recognized that said member, by entering any event covered by the rules of the NCPRA, assumes and accepts the full risk and danger of any damage to person and property and further releases and waives the National Cowboy Pro Rodeo Association, its officers, directors, or employees from any and every claim damages which may accrue said member in any event to which the National Cowboy Pro Rodeo Association rules may apply.

OBJECTIVE: The objective of this organization will be; 1. To promote rodeo as a sport and profession, striving at all times to insure honesty and fairness to all members; 2. To create an amicable relationship among all aspects of rodeo; 3. To inspect, sanction and advertise rodeos being in accordance with Association standards.

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MEMBERSHIP:

Regular membership will be open to any reliable persons interested in performing in rodeos, contesting in rodeo events or producing rodeos, providing their applications are accepted. Associate membership will be open to all other individuals interested in the general advancement of the sport. Any person having joined the Association will thereby become subject to the rules now in force or later adopted and enforced by the Executive Committee and shall be subject to expulsion for violation of same

Any person becoming a member of the association shall familiarize themselves with the rules and by-laws and shall comply and be bound by same. Only members in good standing shall be eligible to participate in all activities of the association and shall be eligible to receive any awards or benefits sanctioned by the rules of the association.

An individual applying for membership in the association must submit an application using forms provided by the association.

Board of directors reserves the right to refuse membership to anyone with just cause.

Dues for membership are non-refundable and non-transferable.

MEMBERSHIP DUES AND FISCAL YEAR

Dues shall be established by the Board of Directors.

 Membership will be open to any reliable person interested in performing in rodeos, contesting in rodeo events or producing rodeos, or to any person interested in the advancement of rodeos, providing their application is accepted. Membership cards may be purchased through the NCPRA office or from the Rodeo Secretary at any NCPRA rodeo.

All NCPRA membership cards will be as follows;

Membership card:

Competing contestant card; \$200.00 per year.

High school:

\$125.00 per year (not eligible for rookie, and must be enrolled in school, and under 19 yrs. of age.

Family cards; defined as two or more contestant cards, must be husband and wife, or parent/parents and child or children under the age of 21 by January 1 of that rodeo year, contestant cards only, all other cards excluded.

First card; \$200.00/Second card; \$175.00/Third card \$175.00 etc.

Non-contestant membership card; (non-contestant cards are non-compete cards, these cards are not eligible to compete in any of the eight sanctioned events.)

Judges, announcers, secretary, contract act, Bull fighter, Pick-up man;

\$150.00 per year (permit \$50.00 only good per rodeo)

Timer;

\$100.00 (permit; \$50.00 only good per rodeo)

Stock contractor/Producer cards;

\$200.00 per year

3. Members shall always enter under name as it appears on their membership card.

4. NON-CONTEST CARDS; In order to be eligible to work the NCPRA finals, contract personnel must have worked 3 NCPRA sanctioned rodeos, to be started at time of purchase. These cards must be obtained through the NCPRA office or from a Rodeo Secretary at any NCPRA rodeo.

5. Judges and/or any of the above listed positions must purchase the traditional membership card if they desire to compete in any of the rodeo events. Non-contest card holders cannot compete in any of the 8 standard rodeo events.

6. PRODUCERS: Producers must obtain a Producer card through the NCPRA office. Producers are responsible for any Contract Personnel working their rodeos to insure they have a card or they must buy a permit for that rodeo. The Producer is responsible for the actions of the people he hires to work the rodeos. Failure to do so will result in the Stock Contractor being fined \$100.00 for each violation.

NCPRA PASSES: All contestants who pay entry fees shall be entitled to admittance for themselves for the performance they are entered only. All officials and labor passes shall be given at the discretion of the management.

1. Any member and/or NCPRA contestant or misusing their membership card, contest number pass for gaining entry for others at or to a NCPRA rodeo will be fined \$50.00. Habitual violators will be suspended.

DIRECTORS:

There shall be one Director Position representing each of the 8 contest events sanctioned by the Association, also one Director representing the position of Judges, Contract Performers, Stock Contractor.

CONDUCT:

All contesting members will at all times conduct themselves in an exemplary manner upholding the association purpose and shall present themselves in a neat, clean and orderly cowboy or cowgirl manner.

1. Any NCPRA member and/or contestant will be responsible for his conduct to the NCPRA Executive Committee in the vicinity of an NCPRA function, and are subject to fines and suspension for violation of NCPRA rules.

2. Any NCPRA member involving a Rodeo Committee or Sponsor in an argument shall be fined a minimum of \$100.00

The Board of Directors may indefinitely suspend or permanently remove membership for actions detrimental to the National Cowboy Pro Rodeo Association and/or the sport of rodeo.

- 3. Any member will be fined, suspended, or both from the association for any of the following offenses;
 - A. NSF Checks- \$100.00
 - B. Threatening, or quarreling with a rodeo official, officer, or director on or off the rodeo grounds or in the arena- \$50.00 up to \$250.00 (board can vote for suspension)
 - C. Mistreatment of stock- \$100.00 (clarification: any mistreatment that is inhuman of rough stock or timed event cattle. Contestant is responsible for their help unless help has NCPRA card.)
 - D. Cheating or attempting to cheat- \$250.00 and or suspension
 - E. Attempting to fix, bribe, or influence judges at any time- \$250.00 for first offence double for second offence(and or suspension)
 - F. Being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs \$100.00
 - G. In all cases of dispute, complaints, or violation of rules brought before the board of directors, a decision will be made based upon a written statement from the complaining party.(which can be obtained from rodeo secretary at rodeo and turned in at rodeo.)
 - H. A decision shall be made by a majority vote of the board on said statement or, if necessary, a hearing of both parties involved, with an official letter of decision sent to all parties involved.
 - I. The decision and action of the board shall be final and binding on all parties.
 - J. All imposed and/or automatic fines are due and payable after notification by official letter within seven (7) days of postmark date.
 - K. Failure to pay said fines either imposed or automatic will result in suspension.
 - L. A list of the members on suspension and the amount of their fines will be posted at all association rodeos until said fines are paid in full.
 - M. Any NCPRA member that has entered a NCPRA rodeo and does not show up (Turn Out) or refuses to compete must pay the amount of his/her entry fees, plus \$25.00 fine. (If entry fees are collected before the pay out of the rodeo, money will go to the prize money in that event, less the \$25.00 fine. If collected at a later time, entire amount will go to the NCPRA general fund.)
 - N. A notified turn out (rodeo secretary notified before draw) contestant is responsible for entry fee only.

DRESS OF CONTESTANTS:

The NCPRA takes the dress code of contestants and rodeo personnel very seriously, All contesting members, and rodeo personnel will present themselves in a neat, clean and orderly cowboy or cowgirl manner.

1. When contestant numbers are furnished all participants must wear these numbers to enter the arena and to receive their stock. Anyone without a number may be excluded from the arena. Participants must wear their numbers in a place visible to the Judges and spectators.

2. Long sleeve, buttoned down shirts with collar (sleeves rolled down), hats and boots must be worn in the arena by all contestants, and rodeo personnel during performances and slack; failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification for remainder of the rodeos, plus a minimum of a \$25.00 fine.

3. Contestants competing in any slack performances must wear long sleeve, buttoned down shirts with collar (sleeves rolled down), hats and boots in the arena; failure to comply will result in immediate disqualification for remainder of rodeo, plus a minimum of a \$25.00 fine.

4. Contestants changing clothes behind bucking chutes or anywhere they may be seen by anyone will be fined \$50.00 for first offense.

5. All rodeo personnel and contestants must be in full western attire to enter arena or arena area, thirty minutes before start of rodeo, failure to comply will result in a \$25.00 fine, failure to report dress code infraction by any rodeo secretaries, judges, producers, stock contractors, or board member will subject themselves to a fine also.(clarification) dress code is required in arena area, back pens, when paying fees, the back of bucking chutes, roping boxes, ally way, etc.

APPLICATIONS AND REQUIREMENT FOR APPROVAL

Rodeos desiring sanction of their rodeo must make application to the NCPRA office in time to be published on NCPRA web page at least two weeks before desired dates. Application shall state events name, location, prize money, fees, date books open and close, slack time and phone number of the person in charge of the books. All NCPRA rodeos must be produced by an accredited NCPRA Producer/stock contractor; stock shall be approved by NCPRA Board of Directors.

RODEO SANCTION PROCESS;

Applications forms provided by the NCPRA must be filled out and submitted to NCPRA office for approval.

- 1. In order for points to be approved for a NCPRA sanctioned rodeo, the rodeo must be posted on NCPRA web page two weeks before date of rodeo.
- 2. All sanctioned rodeos will required to pay \$100.00 sanction fee.
- 3. The board of directors must approve all first year rodeos.
- 4. All sanctioned rodeos must add a minimum of \$500.00 added money per event.
- 5. Rodeos that NCPRA is second sanction will count as ½ toward NCPRA rodeo count.
- 6. Jackpots are a \$300 minimum added money.

RODEO ENTRY:

MEMBERS: If a NCPRA member phones in his/her entry and gives valid number, his/her name shall be accepted by the Secretary without requiring entry fee to be paid until said member reaches his destination. Immediately upon his arrival at the rodeo, member shall find Secretary and make payment of fees due. No stock will be given until entry fees are paid. If a member fails to appear, said member will be held responsible for entry fee due plus a \$25.00 fine.

1. All entries must be accompanied by a NCPRA membership card number. Anyone entering on a permit will pay a \$20.00 permit charge for events. That's in addition to their fees.

- 2. Persons entering said rodeo on a permit must pay their entry fees 1 hours before said rodeo starts
- 3. Money won on permits will not count for year end standing, or count for money towards finals.

4. Permit contestants are not to interfere with member choice of date and time to contest.

5. No permit fee is refundable, nor does permit fee count as part of the purchase price of a membership card.

6. To enter on a permit, must give last for digits of social for positive ID. Upon arrival to rodeo, a waiver of liability must be signed by permit holder. (permit entries that do not have NCPRA member enter them may be required to pay entries buy credit card at time of entry, (producers disgretion) NCPRA will keep a list of permit entrees that are no shows and they will not be allowed to enter any NCPRA sanctioned rodeos in the future without buying a card or having a NCPRA member stand good for entrée, there will be a \$25.00 fine for no show permits before they can enter again)

7. Permit rider will be expected to follow NCPRA rules.

8. There will be no personal checks accepted for rodeo entry fee

9. Any NCPRA member entering in said rodeo will be liable for the entry fee. Entries given to anyone other than the Rodeo Secretary will be disregarded.

10. Any NCPRA member or person representing a NCPRA member may enter himself or a maximum for 5 other contestants by telephone. Person entering must have each card number or be responsible for contestant that they are entering in said rodeo.

11. Any withdrawals from a NCPRA event must be done before the books close. (Any emergency's will be reviewed by NCPRA board)

12. Contestant and/or those authorized to enter contestants are responsible for the use of member card number and possible consequences related to card use.

13. Entries are OPEN ONLY dates and times posted in official publication of the association. Late entries would have to be cleared with stock contractor/and committee, but no entries once first stock has been drawn in any event. (Entries would have to be cleared by stock contractor/and committee. Late entries go first in the draw, in all events with the exception of barrel racing goes last in the draw .

14. Trades will be done on posted time both contestants must call-in for trade.

15. Harassment of Entry Secretaries, Rodeo Secretaries, Stock Contractors, Directors, Judges, Committee Members and/or Personnel will not be tolerated at any time including at the time of entry, payment of fees and/or Stock Contractor intentionally violating provisions of Entry System Rules will be brought before executive board. Fines, suspensions, and other disciplinary actions will be enforced for this offence.

GENERAL RULES: All NCPRA members shall read and know the prevailing rules of each individual rodeo. Failure to know the rules will not be accepted as an excuse.

1. NCPRA will sanction single and double entries in the Team Roping. (Clarification) The rodeo committee and stock contractor will meet and decide what application is beneficial for their particular rodeo, single entries or allowing team ropers to enter twice long as they change partners (or changing ends), must be posted and declared two weeks before entries are taken. All Team roping will be even added money.

2. Contestants must be on hand to answer the call of the Arena Director and must comply with all other rules of the management of each particular contest or exhibition held under the auspices of the NCPRA as long as they do not conflict with the NCPRA rules. When, in the opinion of the Arena Director, sufficient number of contestants is present for an event, there will be no delay because of those not present.

3. The entry of 4 or more paid contestants shall constitute a contest.(If less than four entries, stock contractor and committee will decide on contest)

4. Producers are responsible for all labor hired by them.

5. The number of entries will determine how many go rounds of competition there will be in any single event with the decision being made by the Rodeo Committee and/or Stock Contractor, unless otherwise advertised.

6. Fines may be classified by the Board of Directors;

The severity and the intent of the rule violation will be taken into consideration when imposing penalties. The Board may ask the individual to appear before the board to justify and/or explain such fine and/or explain such fine and/or rule infraction.

7. Visible Injuries: Rodeo judges may excuse a contestant and may instruct a rodeo secretary to draw them out of a performance should, in the judge's opinion, the contestant have a visible injury sufficient to warrant this action. Judges and secretaries must submit this information in writing with the rodeo results. Contestant must see judge prior to drawing of stock.

8. Anyone under 18 years of age to receive card must have a parent's signature on a notarized waiver before being allowed to compete in the rodeo. This must be filed in the office and renewed each year. (Anyone under 18 years of age buying permit must have waiver with parents signature per each rodeo permit.)

9. Turn Out fines for all sanctioned rodeos will be \$25.00 per event turned out, plus fees, which must be paid before competing on remaining stock. If entered in other events.

a. Such contestant will not be eligible for average money in an event which he had turned out stock.

b. Once stock drawn is turned out it will not be brought back.

10. Grand Entry: The association urges that all colors and grand entries be handled by competent horses and horsemen and the association members ride in the grand entry if needed or requested to do so.

11. The NCPRA, Producers and Rodeo Committee assumed No Responsibility or Liability for injury or damage to the person, property, or stock of any owner, contestant or assistant. Each participant, by act of his/her entry waives all claims against the management stated above.

12. INSPECTION OF JUDGES BOOKS: Contestants shall be privileged to see the records of each event in which they take part at any time convenient for the Secretary and Judges.

13. REFUND OF ENTRY FEES: No rodeo shall be responsible for the returning of a contestant's entry fee if he has contested in the rodeo.

14. The NCPRA will use two judging systems, with rodeos that add less than \$1000.00 per event. rodeo/producer will only be required to hire two (2) approved judges. Sanctioned rodeos with over \$1000.00 added per event will be required to hire three (3) approved judges.

RAINOUTS: In the event of failing weather, if a performance is POSTPONED and contestants cannot be present for the next performance, they shall be allowed to draw out their entry fee. In this scenario that particular contestant can pay his/her sanction fee, stock charge, and awards fee and the POSPONED RODEO will count for 1 of that contestants 8 rodeos required to qualify for finals.

1. In case of a rainout, the contestants who are competing that night, who intend to draw out, must do so that night by advising the rodeo Secretary of their intention to draw out.

POSTPONEMENT: Stock Contractor or committee has authority for postponement and/or final say. If a rodeo performance is postponed/ cancel due inclement weather and not able to be made up then it will be to the rodeo committee's digression that added money can be cut in half.(if there is more than two performances then added money has to be divided up by the number of performances.)Contestants enter in performance that is canceled must be offered an opportunity to compete in slack at next performance.

REQUIREMENTS FOR STOCK CONTRACTORS/ RODEOS COMMITTEE:

1. New NCPRA Stock Contractors must bring 2 new first sanctioned NCPRA rodeos (not NCPRA sanctioned within the past year) to qualify for Producer card the first year. To count as a new rodeo, the rodeo must add a minimum of \$500.00 per event and even money in team roping.

2. Stock Contractors shall be subject to approval by the Executive Board on a yearly basis.

3. A NCPRA sanction rodeo must have all 8 standard events, the standard events being Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding, Tie down Roping, Ladies Barrel Race, Team Roping, Ladies Breakaway Roping and Steer Wrestling.

4. The NCPRA will not sanction a rodeo with limited entries in any of the 8 major events. (Clarification; no max limit on any sanctioned event.)

5. Two bullfighters must be furnished for every approved rodeo.

6. Flagmen and Judges may not be changed after a rodeo begins except in cases of sickness or injury or family emergency.

7. No holdback of livestock will be maintained, except with prior approval of Producer and/or Judges.

8. Competent Timer and Secretary shall be obtained to time all the sanctioned rodeo events. This will be the responsibility of the Rodeo Producer or Stock Contractor. The Stock Contractor and/or Producer will be certain that all Contract Personnel hired by him to work a rodeo are members in good standing or have been approved by Executive Committee.

9. The management will be responsible for all help, including men turning out stock for timed events. Help to be subject to the approval of the NCPRA.

10. Prize money will be set by each individual rodeo committee, with a minimum of \$500.00 per event. It is highly recommended that all added money in the 8 sanctioned events be equal. But at the request of rodeo committee/producer the board can approve unequal added money;(clarification) Team roping will be equal money, but if committee wants to promote a particular event to get more entries ,it can be approved by executive board to add more money to a particular event up to two events.

11. A rodeo cannot reduce its prize money in any event as compared to the previous year without showing sufficient cause to the Executive Committee. Any Producer or Stock Contractor accepting a contract on a rodeo that reduces its prize money must have approval from the Executive Committee.

12. AMBULANCE AND DOCTOR DURING RODEO PERFORMANCE: Sponsoring committee will furnish an attended first aid auto or ambulance to stand by during the performance and during competition preceding or following each performance to properly take care of injured contestants. It is highly recommended that at doctor also be on the grounds if possible.

13. No person shall be allowed in the arena during a rodeo performance unless entered in an event or unless he has signed a waiver releasing the management and Producers from liability. This rule to be enforced by the Arena Director, Judges and/or Stock Contractor.

14. Stock contractors or producer using unapproved judges are subject to fine. Fine \$200.00

15. The NCPRA requires that judges be paid \$175.00 per performance plus \$1.00 per judged entry. \$2.00 will be collected per entry by rodeo secretary, to be divided between judges.

16. Stock Contractor cannot judge his/her rodeo or any event that his stock is being used. A Stock Contractor is not eligible to Judge the finals rodeo.

17. Stock Contractor, Producer and/or Rodeo Committee are responsible for rodeo payout and any added money advertised. Association will award points based on actual rodeo payout.(every dollar earned is a point)

18. Tie Down Roping, Breakaway, Team roping: must have ½ enough cattle with max 15 head. In these events fresh cattle cannot be mixed with old cattle.(all cattle should be prepared unless special approval)

19. Steer Wrestling: Fresh cattle cannot be mixed with old cattle. Cannot add fresh cattle unless prepared; (prepared: run on horseback and thrown down at least 3 times)

20. Jackpots: Must be NCPRA ground rule event, must be under an approved NCPRA Stock Contractor, no more than 2 rodeos on same weekend(unless jackpot is on Sunday), have \$500 minimum added, stock charge, association fees, award fees, and judges fees taken out.

21. In order to sanction a jackpot, stock contractor/producer must sanction three NCPRA rodeos for every one jackpot. (clarification; three rodeos than one jackpot)

21. No bucking stock is to be loaded in the chutes while there is a children's activity in progress in the arena.

SUSPENSION OF MEMBERS OR RODEO OFFICIALS:

The Board of Directors may indefinitely suspend and/or permanently remove membership for actions detrimental to the National Cowboy Pro Rodeo Association and/or the sport of rodeo.

1. A NCPRA member may be listed as an undesirable and suspended for persisting in any of the following offenses:

a. NSF Checks. Any member passing a NSF check in a rodeo area will be fined \$100.00 must make check good for 1st offense; 2nd offense, member will be fined \$150.00; 3rd. offense, member will be suspended and must appear before the Executive Committee for reinstatement AFTER restitution of check has been made.

b. Non-payment of entry fees.

c. Fighting in the arena, and/or rodeo grounds.

d. Attempting to fix or bribe the Judges.

e. Entering the arena under the influence of alcohol or narcotics.

f. Continuous harassment of Secretaries/judges/stock contractors/rodeo personnel.

2. Stock Contractors and/or Producers may be suspended for any of the above membership offenses and in addition, any of the following offenses.

a. Failure to pay added money as advertised.

b. Leaving any bad debts connected with the production of a NCPRA rodeo in any town.

c. Breach of bonafied contract involving NCPRA member. The NCPRA will honor and act only upon written contracts; Stock Contractors, Producer, Contract Acts, etc...

d. Stock Contractor, Producer and/or Rodeo Committee are responsible for the rodeo payout and any added money advertised. Association will award points based on actual rodeo payout. (dollars are points)

e. Undesirable.

3. When a member has been reported to the office for a rule infraction, he/she will be placed on the suspended list immediately for publication. If office is contracted by a Rodeo Secretary, any person on the list will be refrained from contesting, unless proper bond or restitution is made to the NCPRA office.

4. A person on the suspended list shall not be allowed to participate, contest or hold any official position or perform any duty at a NCPRA rodeo.

5. Anyone bringing suit against the Association will be permanently suspended.

6. A rodeo official violating any rule or making a decision which does not comply with the Association's rule book will be subject to fine handed down by executive board.

7. Any decision made by a rodeo official in accordance with the NCPRA rulebook will be final. Any protest should be filed with the office in writing.

8. The NCPRA office will maintain a list of qualified Judges, paid up members and suspended list to be released to qualified, interested parties, upon request.

9. If any error on books at close of the rodeo, any over payment should be returned or result in suspension. Contestants shall be privileged to see the records of each event in which they take part at any time convenient for the Secretary and Judges.

CO-SANCTIONED RODEO RULES:

The first association approval rules prevail at co-sanctioned rodeos.

1. In case of dual membership anyone turning out will be placed on primary suspended list only.

2. Percent monies will be decided on by both associations, when applicable. All co-sanctions must be approved by the Board of Directors.

3. An effort must be made to use one approved Judge from each association. A Judge's list can be sent to the producers upon request.

4. When NCPRA is second sanctioned, the team roping does not have to be equal added money.

5. Suspended list must be honored on both associations.

POINT (MONEY) AWARDS:

1. Members will receive one point for every dollar won.

2. Prize money will be added money and entry fee totaled. (MINUS SANCTION FEES, FINALS AWARDS FEES, STOCK CHARGE, JUDGES FEES)

3. Points (MONEY) awarded to any member will be totaled for the year to determine the champion in each event.

4. A contestant that is accredited points (MONEY) at any approved NCPRA rodeo must have been a member in good standing prior to the first performance of the rodeo for which he is to receive points.

5. The collective points awarded to any contestant will be used to determine the Champion All-Around contestant, but he/she must qualify by being entered and winning money in at least 2 of the 8 major events. To be eligible to win All-Around Champion for the year you must meet the requirement of competing in 8 first sanctioned rodeos in both events and win a minimum of \$500.00 in each event.

6. To be eligible to attend the finals a member must compete in a minimum of 8 first sanctioned rodeos in that year.

7. A NCPRA member having points accumulated toward our Championship forfeits all points if association dues are not paid before the given deadline date.

ROOKIE ELIGIBILITY:

1. If you have never held another card in any association other than High School or College, you are eligible to run for rookie. (Proof of eligibility is responsibility of contestant).

2. Rookie Champion will be the rookie contestant of a particular event that accumulates the must points (dollars) in that particular event, at the end of a particular year. (clarification; finals money included)

3. All rookie forms must be submitted 30 days from date of purchasing NCPRA membership.

ADOPTED HUMANE RULES:

On the cutting edge of animal safety and humane rules the Rodeo Association uses the "Rodeo Industry" Code of Practice for Animal Care and Use. This "Rodeo Industry" Code of Practice for Animal Care and Use was developed by the association and other leading rodeo associations from across the United States and Canada.

GENERAL:

1. A Veterinarian shall be on-site or on-call at all performance and sections of slack.

2. Stimulants or hypnotics will not be used or given to any animal used for contest purposes.

3. Livestock shall not be confined or transported in vehicles beyond a period of 24 hours without being unloaded, properly fed and watered.

4. Any animal that becomes excessively excited and lies down in the chute repeatedly, or tries repeatedly to jump out of the chute, or in any way appears to be in danger of injuring itself, may be released immediately.

5. No member shall abuse any animal by any non-competitive or competitive action.

6. No member may mistreat livestock anywhere on the rodeo grounds.

7. Small animals are not allowed in the arena, unless part of a specialty act.

8. Livestock will be removed from the arena after each competition is complete.

9. A conveyance will be available to remove animals from the arena in case of injury; the conveyance shall be large enough to remove a horse or bull.

10. A designed area should be available to treat any animal that may be injured.

11. There will be a time limit for the tie down roping, steer wrestling , and team roping, breakaway roping.

EQUIPMENT:

1. Spurs must be dulled. No locked rowels or rowels that will lock on spurs may be used on Bareback, Saddle Bronc or Ranch Bronc horses.

2. Horse Flanks straps will be of the quick-release type and must be fleece or neoprene lined to cover the belly and both flanks of the horse.

3. Cinch, saddle, girth and flank straps shall be free of sharp or protruding objects.

4. Standard electric prods shall be used as little as possible for moving livestock. The animal shall be touched only on the hip or shoulder area.

5. Required Bareback pads are too completely covering the inside of the rigging and are to extend a full 2 inches behind the rigging.

6. Cinches on Bareback riggings shall be made of mohair or other suitable material and at least 8 inches in width at the center, but may taper to accommodate the cinch D ring.

7. Front cinch on Bronc saddles shall be mohair, and shall be at least 8 inches in width at the center, but may taper to accommodate the cinch D ring or rings.

8. Hooks or posts shall not be used on Bull ropes.

9. Bull tails will not be allowed under flank straps.

FACILITIES:

1. Chutes must be constructed to prevent injury to an animal. Maintenance men and equipment shall be available at all times to repair chutes if necessary.

2. The arena shall be free as possible of rocks, holes and unnecessary obstacles and debris.

3. In order to protect timed event horses, the back and side opposite the timed event chute of the timed event boxes shall either have a lower rail which is not less than 3 inches above the ground and have no obstruction in the area from the ground level up to the lower rail or be lined from the ground level up to a minimum of 3 inches high with a solid panel. Box pads are required for each timed event box.(box pads diminutions must be a minimum 3x3.)

LIVESTOCK:

1. All animals shall be strong and healthy.

2. Animals for all events will be inspected by a rodeo official before the draw. Animals that are injured, sore, lame, sick or impaired eyesight shall not be included in the draw. Should an animal become sick or incapacitated between the time it is drawn as the time it is scheduled to be used in competition, that animal shall not be used in the competition and another animal shall be drawn for the contestant.

3. Steers horns will be trimmed so that they are able to pass through the timed event chute.

4. All Team Roping cattle shall be protected by horn wraps.

- 5. The horns of Steer Wrestling cattle must be blunted.
- 6. All horned animals used in the Bull Riding, Bull Fighting or clown events shall have their horns blunted.
- 7. There shall be minimum and maximum weight limits in place for timed event cattle.

8. Consecutive runs are not allowed on the same horse or team in the timed events provided there are other qualified horses on the premises unless approval is gained from the Arena Director, Arena Boss or Stock Contractor.

- 9. Neck rope must be used in the Tie Down Roping.
- 10. Calves may not be intentionally flipped backward (jerked down).
- 11. Contestants must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent horse from dragging calf.
- 12. Rope to be removed from the calf as soon as possible after "tie" is approved.
- 13. All livestock shall be familiarized with the arena prior to contest where conditions permit.

FINALS RULES:

CONTESTANTS: will be the top 15 money earners in each event.

1. In order to qualify for the Finals, contestants must have a card and have entered and competed in at least 5 approved NCPRA rodeos for that year. When NCPRA is second sanction that rodeo will count for ½ a rodeo on rodeo count.(need a total of 5)

2. All entry fees must be sent to the office before the deadline date set by the Board of Directors.

3. Turn Out at Finals: If qualifying contestant turns out, on any head of stock for the finals he/she will not be eligible for any average prizes or money. If contestant turns out in any of the performances the fine is \$250 per performance, unless injured. The board in its sole discretion will determine whether or not to impose fines on a contestant who has extenuating circumstances happen.

4. Team Roping; in order to be eligible for the average, must compete with same partner in all 3 performances. If partner hurt/or turns out, can pick up partner from contestants already entered in the finals. If partner turns out before finals starts, then will pick up next qualified contestant in line that has his/her 5 rodeo cont.(provided that turn out was notified 48 hours before first round ,if not notified 48 hours before first performance must pick up partner from contestants already entered.)

5. Contestants shall ride in grand entry if requested to do so. Long sleeved button shirts (sleeves rolled down, tails tucked in), hats and boots must be worn in the arena.(awarded jackets)

6. If a contestant is a no show at the finals, he/she will be placed on the suspended list with a \$250.00 fine for each performance not competed in. Contestant entry fees will remain in the finals payoff, no refunds given. There will be no substitutions for finals contestants, unless it is the next qualified contestant in line for that event, if said contestant called in for the finals, according to the finals qualifications and entry rules.

8. You will be expected to compete when called upon.

9. All finals contestants will be given a check in time before the finals; it will be your responsibility to get with your Event Director for any Ground Rules and Finals instructions.

10. Timed Event Contestants (Tie Down Roping, Breakaway Roping, steer wrestling, and Team Roping) will be allowed one loop only at the finals in Tie Down and Breakaway, two loops in Team Roping, and Steer Wrestling is one jump only.

11. The association will offer Champion Header and Champion Heeler. Contestants qualifying for the finals will be top 15 Headers and top 15 Heelers. Contestant can head and heel on same card. Contestant cannot compete in both at finals. No pick-up partners, top 15 headers will rope with top 15 heelers.

12. Running order for the finals to be announced by board:

13. The association will be responsible for all awards on the annual point system.

14. There will be no riding circles before you enter the timed event box. If so there will be a fine of \$50.00

PERSONNEL:

1. All finals personnel that are eligible to work the finals rodeo will be placed on a ballot for voting by contestants, stock contractors, and executive board.(all selections must be board approved).

2. In order to be eligible to work the finals, contract personnel must have worked 3 sanctioned rodeos, to start when card is purchased. (Judges must be certified)

3. All contract personnel must follow the guidelines set forth by the association.

4. If a Stock Contractor is qualified for the NCPRA finals rodeo, he/she will not be eligible to Judge the NCPRA finals rodeo.

STOCK:

1. Stock for the finals shall be selected by event directors, the Finals Committee and Stock Contractors, in order to select the best stock available for finals. In order for stock to qualify for the NCPRA finals, it must have had at least 5 outs at NCPRA sanctioned rodeos during the current rodeo season.

STOCK CONTRACTORS:

Qualification and Rate of Pay as set by the NCPRA Board of Directors, rate of pay will be set by the NCPRA Board annually.

Stock Contractor Finals Qualification: 5 first sanctioned rodeo rule qualification becomes effective to qualify for NCPRA finals rodeo.(1 has to be first sanctioned)

ARENA SECRETARY REQUIREMENTS AND DUTIES:

All Arena Secretaries must be approved by the Executive Committee. All Secretaries must purchase a Non-Contest Card to be eligible to Secretary NCPRA rodeo

1. Secretaries must be at rodeo at least 2 hours before each performance.

2. Secretaries are responsible for obtaining an entrant's card number when an entry is called in and will require all contestants to show a paid up current NCPRA membership card or a receipt for the purchase of such card, when fees are paid. Failure to do so will result in a \$50.00 fine being placed upon the Secretary for each infraction of this rule. Secretaries are to check and reject any person who is currently on the suspended list. If known they are to call to the attention of the Judges any person or persons who obtain entry by falsification (using another member's card or card number, etc.). Any such person or persons who may obtain entry through falsification will be drawn out, if they have already competed, will be disqualified. Entry fees and prize money will be forfeited.

3. All Judging and Timers sheets will be used to record the scores and times (no blank paper with names and times wrote on it) it must be official. All stock is to be drawn for by at least one Judge or a Director. Drawing must be done so that any contestant may witness the drawing, if he desires. In all riding events, a complete go-around must be drawn at one time. Results of said drawing are to be posted at least one hour before the first performance.

a. Stock and contestants for other events to be posted in advance of each performance. Positions and stock must be drawn with poker chips in all events.

b. There must always be at least 4 or 5 sets of copies of the draw. one copy will be in the Secretary's records, one posted for the contestants to view, one for the Judge to use and 1 for each of the timers.

4. Upon entering a rodeo timed event contestants will inform the Secretary if they are competing on the same horse and require a split. Failure to inform Secretary when entering forfeits splitting privileges at said rodeo.

5. The Secretary will be responsible for obtaining all forms needed to complete said rodeo. No other forms will be accepted. This includes; result forms, no show sheet, secretary summary and rodeo recap of prize money paid. All forms will be sent to the rodeo secretary, not the producer, unless otherwise advised.

6. There will be no drawing out after the books close.

7. No checks will be taken for fees.

8. Secretaries will hold out finals funds, sanction fee, stock charge, and judging fee out of fees. For rodeos that add less than \$1000.00 per event, the hold out will be; (two judge system)

ENTRY FEES: \$85.00 (BB,SB,CR,BKW,SW,BA,BR)

TEAM ROPING FEES: \$80.00 PER CONTESTANT OR (\$160.00 per team) NO ADD ON TO FEES.

a. Stock Contractor fee – \$10.00 per run for all 8 events. In Team Roping; stock charge is \$10.00 (\$5.00 per man)

- b. Sanction fee-\$7.00
- c. finals award fee-\$3.00
- d. Judges \$2.00 per contestant (two judges \$1.00 each)

9. Secretaries will hold out finals funds, sanction fee, stock charge, and judging fee out of fees, for rodeos adding \$1000.00 or more per event, the hold out will be ; (three judge system)

ENTRY FEES: \$86.00 (BB,SB,CR,BKW,SW,BA,BR)

TEAM ROPING FEES: \$81.00 PER CONTESTANT OR (\$162.00 per team) NO ADD ON TO FEES.

a. Stock Contractor fee - \$10.00 per run in all 8 events. In Team Roping; stock charge is \$10.00(\$5.00 per man)

- b. Sanction fee-\$7.00
- c. Finals award fee- \$3.00
- d. Judges \$3.00 per contestant (three judges \$1.00 each)

PERMITS:

Non-member fee of \$15.00 for rodeos with added money \$999 and less, and \$20.00 non-member fee for rodeos with added money \$1000.00 and up (competing permit) to the association. This must be collected at all rodeos and included with all monies sent to office.

10. Results of all NCPRA sanctioned rodeos must be e-mailed to the NCPRA office by Monday following the completion of each rodeo. All results, monies, Judge's sheets and day sheets must be sent to the NCPRA office by the Secretary on Tuesday following the last performance and no later than 5 days after completion of each rodeo. This includes co-approved rodeos.

11. All added money to be included in payoff. Added money shall be equally divided among each of the 8 standard events presented,(team roping even money) unless one event is featured and stipulated as such by the addition of money in excess of the amount added in the other events.

12. No ground money will be paid. Prize money will be paid to winners of the event only. Example: when only three contestants qualify in a four money pay off, prize money will be paid 42%-29%-19% to first, second, and third placings, the remaining 10% will be considered bonus money and be split between the three placings. If only two qualified rides/run in four money pay off, first will pay 42%, second29% then the remaining 29% will be bonus money slit between the two qualified rides/run bonus money does not count for year-end standing .If no qualifying times/scores, then the total entry money shall be split 75% going to stock contractor and 25% forwarded to the NCPRA office, any added money will revert back to the sponsoring committee. Clarification: If only one qualified time/score, that contestant shall receive all the prize money with only the first place % counting as year- end standing. If not enough contestants qualify for the number of places to be paid in any event, the remaining places shall be divided evenly among those contestants who did qualify (have a score or a time)(TO RECEIVED GROUND MONEY YOU MUST OWN A NCPRA CARD)

13. All contestant money must be mailed out by Wednesday following rodeo. \$3.50 Mailing fees, and money order fees will be deducted from contestants' earnings per placing. Failure to abide by rule will result in \$100.00 first offence, \$250.00 second offense and suspension for third offence (Arrangements must be made with NCPRA in event of emergency)

14. Appropriate attire must be worn no hat is required for timers or secretaries.

PAYOFF:

- 1. Immediately after completion of rodeo, secretary shall make payment to winning contestant as follows:
 - a. Bull Riding, Breakaway Roping, Steer Wrestling, Tie Down Roping, Barrel Racing, Team Roping Payoff:

1–4 Contestants......100%

10-18 Contestants.....50-30-20%

19-29 Contestants......42-29-19-10%

30-40 Contestants......38-28-18-10-6%

41 or more Contestants......29-24-19-14-9-5%

b. Bareback, Saddle Bronc,

1-4 Contestants60-40%

5-9 Contestants48-32-20%

10-15 Contestants......42-29-19-10%

16-25 Contestants38-28-18-10-6%

25 & over......29-24-19-14-9-5%

5. AVERAGES: A contestant must compete on every head of stock drawn for him in that event in order to place in the average. When 2 or more head of stock are given, an average must be paid.

CALL-IN: (NCPRA will designate who will be taking call-ins).

a. Books must be open at least 6 hours for rodeo.

The rodeo producers and secretaries shall assume full responsibility for entry fees and added money. The association will accept no check for entry fees (If Secretary Takes a check for fees she is responsible for said money. Do not send contestant check to office).

TIMERS:

1. Timers for a rodeo may not be changed after first performance except for sickness or emergency, or buy request of NCPRA official due to timer's incompetence. Timer who times first performance in a riding event must time that riding event for duration of that rodeo, except as previous stated.

2. Timers must hold current association membership card.

3. All rodeos are to us watches in the 100ths of a second, with times recorded in 10ths.

4. Two stop watches will be used in time events. the two times are to be averaged for official time, the official time will be the average of the two stopwatch times, in hundredths, and rounded up or down to nearest tenth of a second.(clarification;4 rounds down 5 rounds up.) Official time shall be the average of the two times. If one of the two timers misses the start or stop or is delayed in starting or stopping the watch, or if the watch used by one timer malfunctions, that timer shall declare the problem to the other timer and only the time recorded by the other timer will be used.

5. Timers will work from the same position for the duration of an event.

6. In Rough Stock events, time will begin when the inside shoulder breaks the plane of the chute or when flagger drops the flag. In timed events, the barrier flag will begin the time and the arena Judge will determine the end of the time by dropping the flag.

7. Timers cannot time the event if they are competing in that event.

8. Air horns or buzzer must be used to signal 8 seconds.

9. If electric timer fails to work during the Barrel Racing on 10% or less of the contestants entered that night, the stop watch time will be recorded for those people. More than 10% will result in all times being stop watch times.

10. Appropriate attire must be worn. Be neat and professional. No hat required.

11. Cell phones are not to be used as stop watches, and are not to be used while timing.

12. The Tie Down Roping, Breakaway Roping, Steer Wrestling and Team Roping will have a 25 second time limit to complete the run/catch.

JUDGES AND JUDGING METHODS:

1. All Judges are subject to association sanction and approval and must hold a current association card and certification is subject to board approval.

2. Judges must be hired from an approved list established through the association office. To become a Certified Judge, must attend 1 Judging Clinic a year. All Certified and Approved Judges will be listed by the board; all other will be on a probation Judging list).

3. Stock Contractors will not be allowed to Judge their on stock or rodeo.

4. Any Judge under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall be put on the suspended list and fined.

5. Judges will not be allowed to Judge Rough Stock events on horseback.

6. If an honest effort has been made by the Stock Contractor to hire an Association sanctioned Judges and none are available, then in that event, Judges may be elected by a majority of the contestants present at the first performance. This has to be approved by the Producer and Rodeo Committee and Executive board, although said Judge must have a NCPRA card.

7. All Judges will know and understand all rules governing rodeo (as set forth in the association rule book and any valid ground rules enacted) and will be responsible for enforcing and upholding same. All decisions will be left to the discretion of the Judges.

8. Judges will be on grounds at least 4 hours prior to 1st performance of a rodeo and at least 2 hours before each performance thereafter, unless other arrangements are made with the Stock Contractor.

9. Any situation not covered in rule book, Judges decision will be final .

10. If contestant receives a bad gate, contestant will be entitled to a re-run providing he/she declares themselves immediately. Upon the Judges discretion.

11. All Judges must use a stop watch in Bareback, Saddle Bronc, Ranch Bronc and Bull Riding.

12. Any member who has been on the association suspended list twice in one year is automatically barred from Judging.

13. All stock in contest events must be drawn by the Judges.

14. Judges will not be eligible to compete in rodeos in which they are judging, except the line Judge may compete in timed events only.

15. Contestant may pull riggings and ropes from either side in all events.

16. If an animal that is drawn in a riding event or timed event becomes sick or injured before it is out, a Judge must pass judgment and the animal's inability to perform before it can be shipped or replaced in the draw.

17. Any contestant that questions a Judge's decision, in an unprofessional like manner is subject to a fine by the Board of Directors. Any Judge who enters into a debate and verbally abuses a contestant will also be subject to a fine.

18. Judges will rule on all re-rides or re-runs.

19. Decision of Judges, Flagmen and Timers will be final and no undue protest by the contestant will be permitted. Any contestant arguing or protesting a Judge's decision will be disqualified for the remainder of that rodeo and will be subject to a \$50.00 fine.

20. Conflicts will be settled after the rodeo, not during, with the presents of the Judges and the Event Directors, if available.

21. In the event the Association office receives a letter of complaint with 10 signatures of members from any rodeo against a Judge, that Judge will be brought before the Board of Directors to answer the charges brought against him.

22. A rodeo official violating any association rules or making a decision which does not comply with the association's rule book is subject to fines.

23. Judges must were rodeo official shirts, provided by NCPRA. When shirts are provided and not worn, it will result in a \$25.00 fine per performance.

24. All fines imposed by a Judge must be in writing and signed when turned into the association office. Fines must be documented on the Secretary's books and in writing by the Judge of said rodeo.

25. Judges are required to furnish their own supplies used in the course of their job. Stop watch, barriers, and string (etc.) Judges must meet with the Stock Contractor and Event Director, if available before the first performance to set barriers and stake barrels. Measurements on barriers and barrels must be recorded on a form and posted for the contestants viewing. These forms will be furnished by the association.

26. In the Barrel Racing:

a. Both judges are required to be present during the barrel race event, 1 Judge flagging and the other Judge across the arena to see that a qualified cloverleaf pattern is run.

b. Judge flagging barrel race will stand immediately behind the electric timer. Electric time must be backed up by flag and time recorded on every run.

c. Timing shall begin as soon as the horse's nose reaches the starting line and will stopped when the horse's nose passes over the finish line. The flagger is not to leave his place unless it is a visibly marked place. If barrel is knocked down the Judge not flagging is responsible for resetting barrels.

d. Barrel Racings positions will be draw by rodeo secretary just the same as timed event stock;

26. There will be a flag thrown down on ground for failure to mark out horse and for barrier penalties.

MARKINGS:

1. Judges markings are to be from 1 to 25 on the rider and 1 to 25 on the animal, having a total of 50 on each side, making highest possible score of 100 with full spread to be used. The rider and animal will be marked separately; marking the rider according to how much the rider spurs the animal and the animal according to its performance.

2. All scores will be recorded in ink and should not be changed if in compliance with rulebook. Any changes (wrong line, re-ride, etc.) must be noted on Judge's sheets.

3. After each performance, Judges must total their own score sheets and immediately upon completion, turn the score sheets into the Secretary. Scores and/or times will then be recorded to a master sheet. These records will be official and will not be changed after the completion of each performance. Line judge must mark penalties.

RE-RIDES AND RE-RUNS: Judge's decision on re-rides will be final if in accordance with rules set forth in each individual event.

1. If an animal falls on back, side or belly, a re-ride will be offered.

2. If an animal has run off 3 consecutive times he must be taken off the draw.

3. If, in the Judge's opinion, rider makes 3 honest efforts to get out on a chute fighting animal and is unable to do so, he may have a re-ride drawn for him.

4. If a qualified ride is made by a contestant and the animal is marked by either and/or both Judges at 12 or under then contestant shall be eligible for a re-ride.

5. In any riding event, if a qualified ride has been made and an animal runs off or stops, rider will have one drawn for him unless flank breaks or comes off, rider has option of re-ride or score.

6. RE-RIDES: In all 3 riding events (bareback, saddle bronc and bull riding) the re-ride animals will be given as: Any "turn out" animals from contestants who have failed to pay fees. The 1st re-ride will automatically be the 1st "turn out" animal and so forth in a sequential manner. In case of no "turn outs" the re-ride will be drawn from the herd.

7. The spur out rule will be waived if horse stalls coming out of the chute. This is up the Judge's discretion.

8. The spur out rule will be waived if horse fouls any part of contestant (foot, leg, back, etc.) unless contestant declares himself for a re-ride. This is also up to the Judge's discretion

9. Any bucking animal coming out of the chute backwards, the spur out rule will be waived.

10. Once a horse or bull has been contested on in the re-rides, that animal cannot be drawn for a re-ride again unless Stock Contractor puts animal back in the draw.

11. Contestant not ready to compete after being properly notified is subject to a \$25.00 fine. Contestant has a 45 second time limit to leave the chute.

12. If the animal hits the fence while a ride is in progress and the contestant touches the fence, not aiding himself or his ride, he should not be disqualified.

13. If a Pick-Up man interferes in any way with a ride or the rider, hitting the animal, etc. while contestant is making a qualified ride, the rider has the right to receive a re-ride on the same animal, providing he has made a qualified ride to that point.

14. Judge will watch entire ride even after disqualification, in case other Judge feels a rider is entitled to a re-ride, the other Judge will honor his decision.

15. Latch side Judge has first call to determine qualification of ride.

16. Any re-ride ask for will be taken or the contestant will receive a no score.

17. Contestant will have until next contestant competes to make his decision on re-ride.

18. Re-rides must be offered in the same performance as the contestant competed in.

19. Re-Ride animals will be posted on Judges sheet.

20. When a contestant is entitled to a re-ride, he may choose the same animal, providing producer is willing, or a re-ride drawn for him.

21. If roper drags calf more than 10 feet deliberately, he will be flagged out and also be subject to a minimum fine of \$50.00 and disqualified for remainder of rodeo.

22. If neck rope fouls contestant in any timed event, he will be entitled to a re-run if he declares himself immediately, at the discretion of the Judge.

23. If calf/steer gets out of arena, the flag man is to stop the time and roper will get the same calf back; lap and tap, (roper to start in chute) with the time he/she had when calf got out, added to the time.

24. If wrong calf/steer is given to a contestant he shall be given the correct animal drawn for him and time and penalty on incorrect animal shall be disregarded. No re-runs will be given to the hanging of horns on chute.

25. No re-runs will be given due to default or breakage of contestant's equipment.

26. Animal must cross score line in front of judge. If animal does not, by no fault of contestant (in judges opinion), and contestant declares him/herself, contestant will receive a rerun with no penalties, on a new animal (with sullen animal being pulled off herd). See misdraw procedure to replace animal.

27. When contestant calls for animal in timed events, it is his/hers, contestant has no recourse to run animal over, only exceptions are, time not recorded, if score line stay on animal, if contestant runs wrong animal, sullen animal.

28. Being fouled by the barrier or neck rope can allow a contestant to receive a rerun with any penalties acquired, so long as contestant declares his/her self, if contestant throws loop or make an effort to compete he/she will not receive rerun.(Judges discretion).

29. A stock Contractor/ producer cannot overrule a judge's decision.

DRAWING OF LIVESTOCK:

1. All rough stock must be branded with a legible number. No duplicate numbers can be used. All timed event cattle must have numbered ear tags or numbered brands no paint.

2. If an animal is disqualified from competition after the draw has been made, a new animal will be drawn for the contestant from the balance of animals that are not already drawn or from the re-ride pen. The re-draw will be done by the misdraw method. Misdraw should affect the least amount of people.

a. If one or more extras are available, all animals not competed on below the misdraw up to the end of the run on the cattle shall be eligible to be drawn. One animal is drawn, that being the animal assigned to the contestant with the misdraw. The contestant who originally had that animal will be assigned the extra. All other contestants will be assigned the animals originally drawn for them.

b. If no extras are available, all unused animals below the misdraw up to the end of the run on the cattle shall be eligible to be drawn, with the last unused animal drawn in that run designated the extra.

c. Treat each misdraw individually.

3. All stock must be drawn with chips for each chip labeled with each stock number for each individual animal in each event at every sanctioned rodeo. If this is not done it will be considered

4. All runs must be kept even on all timed event cattle. A run is not complete until every animal has been drawn at least once. Judges should work with Secretaries to insure that all runs are kept even and fair.

5. Stock will be drawn not more than one and a half (1½) hours prior to the rodeo at the arena.

6. If an animal that is drawn in a pen in a timed event becomes sick or crippled before it is out, a Judge must pass on the animals inability to be used before it can be shipped or replaced in the draw.

7. No Breakaway or Tie Down calves may be used in the calf scramble, in the event this occurs a fine will be \$100.00 1st offense and an additional \$50.00 added thereafter.

8. All stock will be drawn to finish run on cattle before any cattle can be re-run.

9. Stock contractors are allowed to feature two head of horses, in bareback riding and in saddle bronc, and two head of bulls, per performance.

BARRIERS:

1. 10 second penalty will be added for breaking or beating the barrier. In timed events, a barrier will be considered broken when ring drops within 10 feet of the post, at discretion of Judge. Barrier equipment must be inspected by the Judge before each timed event. If equipment is faulty, it must be replaced. Should barrier break at any point other than the designated breaking point, decision is up to the barrier Judge. If contestant obviously beats the barrier but the barrier rope is broken and string is unbroken, barrier Judge may add a ten second penalty. Otherwise this shall not be considered a broken barrier. Should horse rear at pin, this constitutes a barrier penalty.

2. Barrier must be used at all sanctioned rodeos. Length is to be decided according to length of box and arena. All neck ropes must be tied with string or rubber bands. No metal snaps can be used on barriers.

3. Judges are responsible to see that barriers are in place before first performance and will see that barrier is proper length. Barrier Judge will be responsible for measuring barrier with tape measure before roping and dogging in each performance to insure it's same as setup. Length of score shall be listed with the Secretary and referred to as needed.

4. In order for time to be official, flag must be dropped.

5. If automatic barrier stretched in front of horse fails to work, but time is recorded, contestant or team will get time and there will be no penalty for broken barrier, at discretion of the Judge.

6. The height of the barrier is to be 32" to 36", measured at the center of the box. Barrier not considered broken unless ring drops within 10 feet of post.

7. When barrier is stretched and animal is standing contestant has 45 seconds to call for stock. After 45 seconds stock will be released and contestant receives a no time.

8. If at any time a contestant or a contestant's handler is caught interfering with the barrier in any form (either by changing length, score line or holding neck rope), contestant will be disqualified and receive a no time. 2nd offense, there will be a fine of no less than \$50.00 and 3rd offense will be suspension from association.

9. Stock belongs to contestant once he/she has called for it. If neck rope fouls contestant they must declare themselves immediately. It will be the judge's decision to award re-run. If contestant tries to contest stock after a foul, no re-run will be allowed.

10. Barriers are as follows;

a. Tie Down Roping and Breakaway Roping – The minimum length of barrier will be the length of box minus four feet. Providing arena conditions and cattle permit.(unless approved)

b. Steer Wrestling – the minimum length of barrier will be half the length of the box, and maximum is two feet over half the length of the box. (unless approved). Provided arena conditions and cattle allow.

c. Team Roping – minimum length neck rope shall be 3 ft. less the box . Provided arena conditions and cattle allow.

FIELD FLAGGER:

1. In any event if an animal escapes from the arena, flag will be dropped and watches stopped, contestant will get animal back lap and tap start, time already spent will be added to time used qualifying, plus any penalty, if time is not recorded, the decision of the flag Judge will be final.

a. If rope is on animal, roper will take animal lap and tap.

b. Flag Judge shall position himself for Tie Down Roping at the end of the arena allowing him to come toward the roper. In Team Roping field flag man shall place himself against the fence on the left hand side of the timed event box. In Breakaway Roping flag man will position himself on side rope breaks from saddle horn. In the Steer Wrestling the flag man will position himself on the left hand side of timed event box on steer wrestling side.

c. If contestant is given wrong calf, contestant will be given the correct calf that was drawn for contestant and time of incorrect calf will be disregarded.

d. If calf gets up or comes untied in Tie Down Roping, then Judge will show the stop watch time to contestant.

TIMED EVENTS:

1. If two contestants are riding the same horse and are drawn in positions together, they must ask to be split, when possible, so that it won't take any more time than needed.

2. In the event of any cattle change, due to setting up, kicking, ducking back, etc. on old cattle, two members are to go with Director of that event as witness to tell Producer to take out or replace one or more head of stock before next rodeo. Thus, if not done as proposed, the Producer is to be fined no less than \$50.00.

3. A minimum of 3 head of steer/calves will be penned when bringing cattle back.

4. Animal belongs to contestant once stock crosses score line, regardless of what happens, except in cases of mechanical failure. If contestant accepts animal, he/ she accepts it as sound.

5. Rattling chute gate will not be allowed.

DISQUALIFICATIONS:

1. Any member tampering with any competition livestock will be disqualified at that

particular rodeo.

2. Contestant may be disqualified for any of the following offenses within the rodeo grounds.

a. Being under the influence of alcohol narcotics.

b. Riding with rowels too sharp or locked rowels or rowels that will lock in the opinion of the Judges.

c. Altercation or quarreling with the Judges or Officials in the arena.

d. Any contestant deliberately abusing livestock at a sanction rodeo, regardless of whether abuse happens during a qualified run, will be removed from the arena and totally disqualified from the rodeo.

e. Not being ready to compete when called upon.

f. Cheating or attempting to cheat in any way.

g. Being bucked off before the 8 second buzzer.

h. In Saddle Bronc, changing hands on rein, wrapping reins around hand, pulling leather, loosing stirrup or wrapping reins around horn.

i. In Bareback, Saddle Bronc and Bulls, touching himself or animal with free hand, assisting himself with free arm by touching animal or binding his hand to the rigging in such a manner that he cannot get off horse when Pick-Up men arrive.

j. Failing to mark horse out of chute or hanging up may result in Disqualification, at Judges discretion.

k. In Bull riding using sharp spurs, using bell hook, chap tucks or any gimmicks or spurs placed in knothole of rope, while pulling rope. Ropes cannot be used that have any knots, wires or other aids for the purpose of placing spurs therein. \$100.00 fine for using spurs too sharp and no marking, if discovered by Judge.

3. If horse stalls coming out of chute, either Judge may tell rider to take his feet out of the horse's neck and spur horse in the belly, spur out rule will then be waived. Rider may not be disqualified for following Judge's request.

4. No re-rides will be given due to default or breakage of contestant's equipment. Borrowed equipment is accepted as contestants own.

5. Contestant not ready to compete after being properly notified is subject to a \$25.00 fine. There will be a 45 second time limit enforced.

6. Contestant will be disqualified if he attempts in any way to tamper with chutes or animals (during, before or after a performance).

7. Hazer must not hit steer in face before catch is made, or render any assistance to contestant while he is working steer. Failure to observe this rule will disqualify contestant.

EVENT RULES:

BAREBACK RIDING:

1. One hand is to be used in Bareback Bronc riding. Riders may use their own rigging, if rigging is not over 10 inches in width at handhold or a freak. A leather covering pad must be on the entire underside of the Bareback rigging next to the animal. Riders may use dry rosin or tape on handhold and glove only.

2. Horses will be ridden 8 seconds. Contestant will have the right to call Judges Pass on whether or not the horse was properly flanked and cinched.

3. To qualify, rider must have spurs over the break of the horse's shoulders and touching the horse when horse's feet hit the ground on the first jump.

a. If a horse stall's coming out of the chute, either Judge may tell the rider to take his feet out of the horse's neck and spur the horse in the belly. First jump qualification may be disqualified for not following the Judge's instruction to take feet from neck of horse stalled in chute.

4. Horses are not to be hot shot until turned completely out of chute, unless requested by rider.

5. Both Judges will use a stop watch. Time will start when horse leaves the plane of the chute with the inside shoulder, and will stop when rider disqualifies himself or buzzer sounds.

6. Judges must carry a flag and should rider fail to mark horse out of the chute, flag is to be thrown in the air to signal disqualification.

7. If flank comes off or breaks before the 8 second ride is complete, the rider is entitled to a re-ride as long as he makes a qualified ride: if he wants a re-ride on the same horse, it is at the Stock Contractor discretion.

8. Judges shall disqualify or fine contestant who has been advised he is the next rider to go, if he is not above the animal with glove on when previous horse leaves the arena.

a. Contestant not ready to compete after being properly notified is subject to a \$25.00 fine. Contestant has a 45 second time limit to leave the chute.

9. Riders who are fouled at the chute or when horse falls out of the chute will be entitled to a re-ride at the discretion of the Judges. Contestant must declare himself to receive a re-ride.

10. Quick release devices on Bareback rigging will be accepted as legal equipment. You will still be subject to hang up fine if you have to use it and no re-rides will be given due to failure of these devices.

11. There will be no ground money. In case of only one qualified ride, the qualifying contestant will receive all money in that event. If no qualified rides, money will be split between the NCPRA and stock contractor/producer, and added money will return to host committee.

12. All Judges Decisions will be final.

SADDLE BRONC RIDING

Measurements for the saddle to be: RIGGINS – ¾ inch with front of D-Ring no further toward cantle than rear of swells. CANTLE – no more than 5 inches tall from jockey to highest point. SWELLS – no more than 14 inches wide or undercut more than 1 inch either side. STIRRUPS – hung on bars, not less than 14 inches long. No freaks.

1. Riding to be done with plain halter, one rein and saddle. Standard halter and "association" committee saddles must be used. If contestant fails to comply with this rule, contestant will be disqualified. Rider to furnish own equipment.

2. Riding rein and hand must be on the same side. Horses to be saddled in chute. Rider may cinch own saddle or examine same to determine if satisfactory. Rein must be attached to halter.

3. Rider must have spurs over the break of horse's shoulders, touching horse with same, when horse's front feet touch the ground the 1st step/jump out of chute.

4. Horses are to be ridden 8 seconds, time to start when the inside shoulder breaks the plane of the bucking chute. If horse backs out of the chute or turns around, rider will get a free roll.

5. Rider will have the right to call on the Judges to pass on whether or not a horse is properly flanked and saddled to buck its best. Middle flank belongs to the rider, however cannot be cinched any further on the horse than straight up and down.

6. Hot shot will not be used until animal has turned outward, unless permission is given by the contestant.

7. If horse stalls coming out of the chute, either Judge may tell rider to take his feet out of the horse and spur the horse in the belly; 1st jump qualification will be waived, Judges discretion to be used.

8. Dry Rosin only may be used on saddle and chaps, no foreign substances allowed. Horse belongs to rider, when rider mounts.

9. Judge must carry a flag and should rider fail to mark horse out of the chute, flag is to be thrown in the air to signal disqualification.

10. There will be no ground money. In case of only one qualified ride, the qualifying contestant will receive all money in that event. If no qualified rides, money will be split between the NCPRA and stock contractor/producer, and added money will return to host committee.

11. All Judges Decisions will be final.

BULL RIDING:

1. Both Judges will use a stop watch. Time will start when bull leaves the plane of the chute, inside shoulder, and will stop when rider disqualifies himself or buzzer sounds. This will be mandatory at the finals, also. Animal must be ridden 8 seconds for a qualified ride.

2. Riding to be done with 1 hand and loose rope; with or without handholds. No knots or hitches to prevent rope from coming off bull when rider leaves bull will be permitted. Rope must have a bell. No bell, no marking. Bell must be under belly of bull.

3. All bulls having horns must be dehorned, tipped to the diameter of a quarter or kept out of the draw.

4. If rider makes a qualified ride with any part of the loose rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.

5. Rider will have the right to call Judges to pass on whether or not bull is properly flanked to buck its best.

6. Only 5 point "plain" or "notched" spur rowels one rowel per shank may be used in the bull riding. One shank per spur.

7. If a bull has run off 4 consecutive times, he must be taken out of the draw.

8. If a qualified ride has been made and bull stops, rider has the privilege of taking the same bull back, or rider may have a re-ride drawn for him. If rider takes bull back, he must take that marking.

9. Riders may use only yellow, red or black rosin.

10. Hot shot will not be used until animal has turned outward, unless permission is given by the contestant.

11. There will be no ground money. In case of only one qualified ride, the qualifying contestant will receive all money in that event. If no qualified rides, money will be split between the NCPRA and stock contractor/producer, and added money will return to host committee.

12. All Judges Decisions will be final.

TIE DOWN ROPING:

1. Rope must be tied hard and fast and throw a neck rope. Contestant must rope calf, dismount, go down rope and throw calf by hand and cross and tie any 3 legs, bone on bone cross. To qualify as legal tie, there shall be at least one wrap around all three legs and half hitch (hooey). If calf is down when roper reaches it, the calf must be let up to a vertical position with feet dangling underneath and re-thrown by hand. If roper's hand is on calf when calf falls, calf is considered thrown by hand. Rope must hold calf until roper gets hand on calf. Tie must hold and three legs remain crossed until passed on by judge, and roper may not touch the tie or calves legs after calling for time until judge has completed his examination. The field flag Judge will pass on the tie of calves with use of a stop watch, timing 6 seconds from the time the rope horse takes his first step forward after the roper has remounted. Rope will not be removed from calf and rope must remain slack forward after the roper has remounted. Rope will not be removed from calf and rope must remain slack until Judge has passed on tie. In the event a rope comes off calf after completion of tie, the 6 second time period is to start when roper clears calf. FLAGGER MUST WATCH CALF during the 6 second period and will stop watch when calf kicks free, using the time on the watch to determine whether calf was tied long enough to qualify. Roper will be disqualified for removing rope form calf after signaling for time, unless judge gives permission. If tie comes loose or calf gets to his feet before tie has been ruled a fair one, roper will receive no time. At Judges discretion.

2. A minimum of 3 calves will be pinned when bringing cattle back.

3. Contestant must adjust rope and reins in a manner will prevent horse from dragging calf. Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside. If horse drags calf excessively, field flag judge may stop horse; in this case the roper will be disqualified and \$25.00 fine. If field flagger determines that roper intentionally drags calf for any purpose. fine will be \$100

4. Each contestant may have someone push calves out of the chute for him. Contestant is responsible for his helps conduct.

5. The line Judge will be responsible for getting the neck rope on the calf and checking the barrier for correct working order.

6. Fresh calves shall be tied down and ran through the chute before performance or slack in which they are to be used. Fresh calves may not be added on to an old herd.

7. Gate or chute rattles will not be allowed.

8. All calves need to be of similar breeding; native, Brahma or of similar cross. Weight should be between 180 to 275 lbs., but not deviate in excess of 50 pounds from the smallest to the largest. Any questionable animals will be removed from the draw by Judge or Event Director. Failure to abide by these guidelines by Stock Contractor may result in a fine of \$100.00 per animal.

9. No re-run for faking a Judge into giving an early flag.

10. In any case that a permanent fixture fouls the roper, no re-run will be awarded.

11. Roper will be disqualified by removing rope from the calf after signaling for time, until the tie has been ruled on by the field Judge. Unless judge gives permission.(clarification: the only reason a contestant should be able to touch rope after calling for time is to prevent an accident from happening.)

12. Neck ropes must be tied with string or rubber bands. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck rope in the timed events.

13. If, in the opinion of barrier Judge, contestant is fouled (including any penalties) by neck rope, ropers shall get calf over providing contestant declares himself immediately by pulling up horse.

14. Calf scramble calves cannot be in the draw.

15. If roper intentionally abuses a calf, roper will be disqualified and fined at least \$100.00 and up to \$250.00.

16. When barrier is stretched and the animal is standing, contestant has a 45 second time limit to call for stock. After 45 seconds the animal will be released and contestant receives a no time.

17. There will be no ground money. In case of only one qualified ride, the qualifying contestant will receive all money in that event. If no qualified rides, money will be split between the NCPRA and stock contractor/producer, and added money will return to host committee.

18. If contestant runs wrong calf, a re-run will be given on the correct head and the time on the incorrect calf will be disregarded.

19. Contestants will be fined \$100.00 for the infraction. "Jerk down" this will be defined as over backwards, with the calf landing on his back or head with all four feet in the air.

20. There will be a 25 second time limit to complete the catch.

21. All Judges Decisions will be final.

LADIES' BREAKAWAY ROPING:

1. The Breakaway Roping is open to females only.

2. The arena out gate is to remain opened during contest run, when the calf's nose crosses the plain of the out gate; the contestant is to be flagged out. (clarification: flag must be pulled from saddle horn before calf crosses out gate, if calf is roped before it crosses out gate but flag doesn't break from saddle horn until after calf crosses out gate contestant is to be flag out.)

3. One loop only will be permitted. A dropped loop is considered a thrown loop. Should the contestant miss with loop, she will receive a "no time".

4. Rope must be tied to saddle horn with string provided by rodeo judge (check with Judge or Secretary) and have a handkerchief or other colorful cloth attached to the rope at the saddle horn. Penalty for misplacement of the handkerchief or string will be disqualification by the line Judge; no coils or knots allowed between the end of rope and string.

5. The Judge will flag the contestant when the rope breaks away from the saddle horn and time will be taken.

6. The contestant will receive a "no-time" should she break the rope away from the saddle horn with her hand. However, if the rope should dally around the horn, the contestant may ride forward, undally the rope and stop her horse to make the rope breakaway from the horn.

7. The contestant must pass through the barrier before throwing her loop. Breaking a barrier will result in a 10 second penalty.

8. The contestant must be on her horse when time is taken.

9. A legal catch is defined as passing over the calf's head and must not include any appendages including figure eight over the tail.

10. A spotter will be used on all breakaway roping runs. Time to be taken between flags. (in three judge system third judge will be spotter).

11. Calves may be identified with permanent factory numbered ear tags and/or hot brands. No duplicate numbers permitted.

12. Fresh calves shall be run through the chute before performance or slack in which they are to be used.

13. In the event of short stock the Contractors will be fined as follows: 1st offense, \$25.00 for each animal short; 2nd offense, \$50.00 for each animal short; 3rd offense, \$100.00 for each animal short.

14. All calves need to be of similar breeding; native, Brahma or of similar cross. Weight should not deviate in excess of 50 pounds from the smallest to the largest. Weight should be between 200 and 300 pounds(if using longhorn cattle

horns may not exceed 2 inches measured from the skull) Any questionable animals will be removed from the draw by a Judge or Event Director. Failure to abide by these guidelines by Stock Contractor may result in a fine of \$25.00 per animal.

15. Once score has been set in timed events, it will not be changed at that rodeo, nor can the length of box be changed.

16. Animal belongs to contestant once stock crosses score line, regardless of what happens, except in cases of mechanical failure. If contestant accepts animal, she accepts it as sound.

17. If, in the opinion of barrier Judge, contestant is fouled (including any penalties) by neck rope, ropers shall get calf over providing contestant declares herself immediately by pulling up horse.

18. If contestant runs wrong calf, a re-run will be given on the correct head and the time on the incorrect calf will be disregarded.

20. Tampering of calves in pen or chute and/or barrier results in disqualification of contestant.

21. When a barrier is stretched and the animal is standing, contestant has a 45 second time limit to call for stock. After 45 seconds the animal will be released and contestant receives a no time.

21. judge may check string and tie before contestant enters box at his dicresion.

22. All Judges Decisions will be final.

STEER WRESTLING:

1. If neck rope equipment hangs on steer, stopping or jerking head out of position, preventing contestant from making a fair catch, stock will be brought back. Decision of Judge will determine if stock is re-run.

2. There will a qualified person to tie neck rope around steer's neck and feed neck rope from box.

3. Only one hazer is allowed. Contestant must furnish own hazer and horse. Neither contestant nor hazer will be permitted to change horses after leaving box. Hazer must not hinder steers run in any fashion before the catch is made or render any assistance to contestant while he is working the steer.(example; waving bat in front of steers head, poking steer with bat or foot etc.) Failure to observe this rule will disqualify contestant.

4. Contestant's feet must hit over score line or he shall be penalized 10 seconds and steer must cross same.

5. Steer must be caught from horse. If steer is missed or gets loose after catch, no more than one step can be used to re-catch steer. If contestant misses or loses steer, no time.

6. After catching steer, wrestler must bring steer to a stop, or change direction, then twist steer down by applying hold to head and/or horns. If steer is knocked down, tripped or thrown by putting horns into ground, or any obvious

illegal fall, steer must be let up and thrown again. Steer is down only when it is lying flat on side, with all four feet clear from under him. Contestant must have one hand on steer when flagged.

7. Steer wrestling is to be run prior to cowgirls barrel racing.

8. Each contestant may have someone to push their steer out of the chute for them. No pusher will be allowed to follow steer out of chute in the act of tailing cattle. This will incur an immediate disqualification.

9. Steer used for steer wrestling cannot be used for any other event. Animals used for this contest will be closely inspected before each performance and objectionable animals will be eliminated by the director or judge. Contestant will not be required to compete on a crippled steer or steer with a broken horn. If contestant nods for steer, he accepts him as sound. Fresh cattle cannot mix with old cattle. Cannot add fresh cattle unless prepared. (Prepared: run on horseback and thrown down at least 3 times).

10. Steer must weigh at least 400 pounds and not over 650 pounds. Prior to rodeo all cattle must be run through chute. If steer's horns will not fit through chute, horns must be tipped to fit through or taken out of draw.

11. No blind gates (solid). The Field Judge must be as far back of the score line as possible before each run.

12. No penalty shall be incurred for breaking a horn unintentionally.

13. When a barrier is stretched and the animal is standing contestant has a 45 second time limit to call for stock. After 45 seconds the animal may be released and contestant receives a no time.

14. At any two head event/average, the barrier can be changed after 1st complete round and before the draw is made. This is at the Judge, Director and Stock Contractor's consent.

15. There will be no ground money. In case of only one qualified ride, the qualifying contestant will receive all money in that event. If no qualified rides, money will be split between the NCPRA and stock contractor/producer, and added money will return to host committee.

16. If steer cannot break neck rope, contestant shall be rewarded a re-run on the first extra steer if available, or a re-draw.

17. If contestant runs wrong steer, a re-run will be given on the correct head and the time on the incorrect steer will be disregarded.

18. All changes in lists or order to split horses, etc. must be made before any stock for that event is loaded in chutes. After stock is loaded, contestant must compete in order listed.

19. There will be a 25 second time limit to complete the run.

20. All Judges Decisions will be final.

DALLY TEAM ROPING:

Entry fees; \$160 a team or \$80.00 a contestant.

Sanction fee; \$7.00

Finals award fee; \$3.00

Judges fees; \$2.00 on sanctioned rodeos under \$1000.00 per event and \$3.00 on rodeos adding \$1000.00 or more (clarification \$1000.00 and over rodeos that have three judges.)

Stock contractor fee; \$10.00

1. Team Roping Event may be either enter once or enter twice depending on hosting committee. Clarification; hosting committee and or stock contractor must have posted two weeks before entry date, if the team roping will be enter once or enter twice, rodeo committee has the option to what system will work best for their particular rodeo. If enter twice must rope with different partners or change ends.

2. Both contestants must pay an entry fee.

3. Entry fees shall be paid per team. Number of entries will be determined by teams paid.

4. Contestants will start from behind a barrier and from the designated boxes. There will be a 10 second penalty assessed for breaking the barrier. Steer belongs to roper after he crosses score line regardless of what happens with one exception; if steer gets out of arena, flag will be dropped and the roper gets the steer back, (lap and tap) with the time added which was taken when the steer left the arena. Team Roper behind barrier must throw first loop at head. Animals belong to contestant when he calls for him, regardless of what happens except cases of mechanical failure.

5. Each contestant will be allowed to carry but one rope. Each team allowed two throws in all. Roping steers without turning loose the loop will be considered no catch.

6. No cross firing – the direction of the steer's body must be changed before the heel loop can be thrown. However, if the steer sets, steer must only be in tow to be legal to rope. Any heel loop thrown before the completion of the initial switch will be considered a crossfire and no time will be recorded. (Clarification; cannot rope steer in swing or switch, header must turn steer 90 degrees with steers back feet hitting the ground moving forward before loop is thrown.)

7. No Team Roper can enter with an open hole. If one partner does not show up, the other partner will have the right to choose a partner from the other contestants already entered in the rodeo (only). No contestant may go more times than allowed (1 time) to make up the team.(on entering once system) After one man is declared not there and another partner is substituted he cannot change back to his original partner. The team will draw stock in the original position; all changes must be made with the Secretary before the rodeo begins.

8. All changes in lists or roping order to split horses, etc. must be made before any stock for that event is loaded in chutes. After stock is loaded, ropers must rope in order listed.

9. Steer must not be handled roughly at any time and ropers may be disqualified if in the opinion of the field Judge they have intentionally done so.

10. Broken rope or dropped rope will be considered no time, regardless whether time has been taken or not.

11. If steer is roped by one horn, roper is not allowed to ride up and put rope over other horn or head with his hand.

12. If header ropes front leg it is a no time. (there will be no fine unless header intentionally drags steer with leg in loop.)

12. If the heeler ropes a front foot or feet in the heel loop, this is a foul catch. Neither contestant may remove the front foot or feet from the loop by hand. However, should the front foot or feet come out of the heel loop by the time the field flag Judge drops his flag, time will be counted.

13. In any case that a permanent fixture fouls the roper, no re-run will be awarded.

14. LEGAL CATCHES: There will be only 3 legal head catches:

- a. Head or both horns.
- b. Half a head.
- c. Around the neck.
- d. Dew claw catches are legal, if catch holds for the field Judges drop of flag.
- e. Any heel catch behind both shoulders is legal if rope goes up heels.
- f. One hind foot receives 5 second penalty.
- g. If loop crosses itself in a heel, catch is legal. This does not include head catches.
- h. If heeler misses, header will follow steer from arena to be turned loose.
- 15. Any questions as to catches in this contest will be decided by the Judge.
- 16. Team money must be split equally between both ropers.

17. Stock used for Team Roping must be of the same sex, which ever the Producer prefers to use. Stock must be uniform, subject to fine.

19. Steer must weigh at least 400 pounds and not over 650 pounds. Prior to rodeo all cattle must be run through chute; horns must be tipped to fit through or taken out of draw.

20. If contestants runs wrong steer, a re-run will be given on the correct head and the time on the incorrect steer will be disregarded.

21. Time to be taken when steer is roped by both ends a direct line and horse is on all fours. Horses facing steer in approximately 120 degree angle or better with ropes tight, dallied or tied.

22. When a barrier is stretched and the animal is standing, contestant has a 45 second time limit to call for stock. After 45 seconds the animal may be released and contestant receives a no time.

23. There will be no ground money. In case of only one qualified ride, the qualifying contestant will receive all money in that event. If no qualified rides, money will be split between the NCPRA and stock contractor/producer, and added money will return to host committee.

24. If contestant dismounts during run, team will be disqualified.

25. Headers are required to hold dally until head catch is inspected and ok by the field Judge. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

26 There should be; ½ enough cattle with max of 15 head.

- 27. There will be a 25 second time limit to complete the catch.
- 28. All Judges Decisions will be final.
- 29. Field flagger must ride and inspect ever head catch.

LADIES' BARREL RACING:

Entry fees; \$85.00

Sanction fee. \$7.00

Awards fee; \$3.00

Judges fees; \$2.00 on sanctioned rodeos under \$1000.00 per event and \$3.00 on rodeos adding \$1000.00 or more (clarification \$1000.00 and over rodeos that have three judges, add one dollar to fees.)

Timer's fee; \$5.00

Stock contractor fee: \$5.00

\$10.00 per Exhibition run when permitted.

1. A Barrel racer qualifying for the finals in the top money standings at the close of the calendar year, must attend the finals and contest to be eligible to receive her award. This is a ladies barrel racing event. Boys/men will NOT be allowed to compete. Western attire required in barrel racing.

2. If a contestant is not wearing a cowboy hat or helmet if it falls off and lands outside the arena, the contestant will be fine \$25.00.

3. Arena will be dragged after no more than 10 names, instead of 10 runs, regardless of turnouts, no shows, etc.

4. If contestant knocks barrel over, there will be a 5 second penalty for each barrel knocked over.

5. All barrel racers will run in position drawn. Barrel racer must be ready to compete when her name is called. Barrel racer's name will be called a maximum of three times before moving to the next in line. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

6. If contestant knocks barrel over and it stands up again on its other end, this is considered a knocked over barrel and a 5 second penalty will be added.

7. In the event that a contestant runs out of position, the contestant that is supposed to run can choose to run at that time or after that performance in slack. If the contestant runs after the performance, she will receive a clean drag and will run first; the arena will be dragged again before slack proceeds. The contestant who ran out of order will receive a no time.

8. A contestant will not be penalized or disqualified for touching a barrel.

9. If barrels are standing when contestant crosses the finish line after completing a qualified run and a barrel falls over after she is flagged, contestant will not be penalized.

10. A contestant will be disqualified for not making a true cloverleaf pattern.

11. A contestant's hat must be on top of her head when entering the plane of arena, if hat is lost before the plane of arena there will be a fine of \$25 issued. (Not on back of head or shoulders.)

12. No re-run will be given for personal faulty equipment.

13. Electric timers are to be used and times recorded in one thousandth, with two backup stop watches.

14. If electric timer fails to work during the Barrel Racing on 10% or less of the contestants entered that night, the contestant will have the choice of a rerun or taking stop watch time by adding "0" in the thousands place: (Example) 15.54 is 15.540.Contestant must notify rodeo secretary as soon as possible of her decision to re-run or take stop watch time. If electric timer fails for more than 10% of contestants, timer will be considered inoperable and will result in all times being stop watch times.

A. If re-run is elected due to time failure, all penalties incurred during first run will be carried over to the second run.

15. Indoor climate controlled arenas, a minimum of eight inches of dirt with a clay base should be used win possible, in reference to safety contestant and horse must be protected.

16. Exhibition runs will be allowed at discretion of stock contractor. Should they be allowed, stock contractor may instruct secretary to charge a fee.

17. If a contestant is not wearing a hat contestant will be DISQUALIFIED.

18. No barrel racer will be allowed assistance in the arena. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in disqualification.

19. Broad side rule shall apply at each rodeo for barrel racers. This means if a horse BROADSIDES when turning a barrel, she will be eligible for a re-run with all penalties carried into the re-run unless broadside causes penalty.(judges discretion) Judge will decide when the fall down rule will apply. If contestant chooses to re-run she may run at that time or after that performance in slack. If the contestant runs after the performance, she will receive a clean drag and will run first; the arena will be dragged again before slack proceeds. If more than one broadside there will be only one clean drag then they run in order ran in rodeo up to ten.

20. Contestant will be disqualified, if after crossing the score line and beginning her run, she re-crosses score line before completion of true clover leaf pattern.

21. No barrel racer shall run an exhibition run before her money run, nor shall anyone make an exhibition run on a contest horse before her money run. (No practice runs on stakes.)

22. In the barrel racing, no horse may be competed on more than once during a paid performance. A closed alley gate is strongly suggested for safety purposes.

23. When contestant starts down alleyway they must maintain a forward motion until they have completed pattern and are out of the arena, cannot enter arena and set horse, nor can contestant stop or circle in arena when exiting arena this infraction will result in disqualification. unless gate is off center. All Judges Decisions will be final.

STAKING:

1. Barrel and timer positions are to be tape measured and staked by the Judges. These measurements are to be recorded on the official form pro-vided to the Judges at that rodeo. (This form will be posted by the Secretary for contestants viewing; it must be signed by the Judges for each performance showing that the barrels were staked properly and re-measured each night.

2. A standard pattern for the Barrel Racing is 60 feet from the score line to the first barrel, 90 feet from the first to second barrel, 105 feet from the second to the third barrel. But pattern should be set to accommodate the arena. If arena has no alleyway, the Judges should allow ample stopping room from gate to electric eye. Barrels should be set 15 feet from the fence on the first 2 barrels and no closer than 25 feet from the back fence. Barrels are to be positioned on the inside of the stakes. The timer should be staked no more than 60 feet from the alleyway.

3. The barrel pattern may be moved up or down the arena as long as the distance between the barrels and the starting line are the same. Also, this pattern may be run right or left.

a. Barrels must be painted or covered a minimum of two colors.

b. Barrels are to by 55 gallon drums and must have both ends on it.

Producers are responsible for this and will be fined if they are otherwise.

4. Patterns and measurements shall be posted prior to each performance.

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