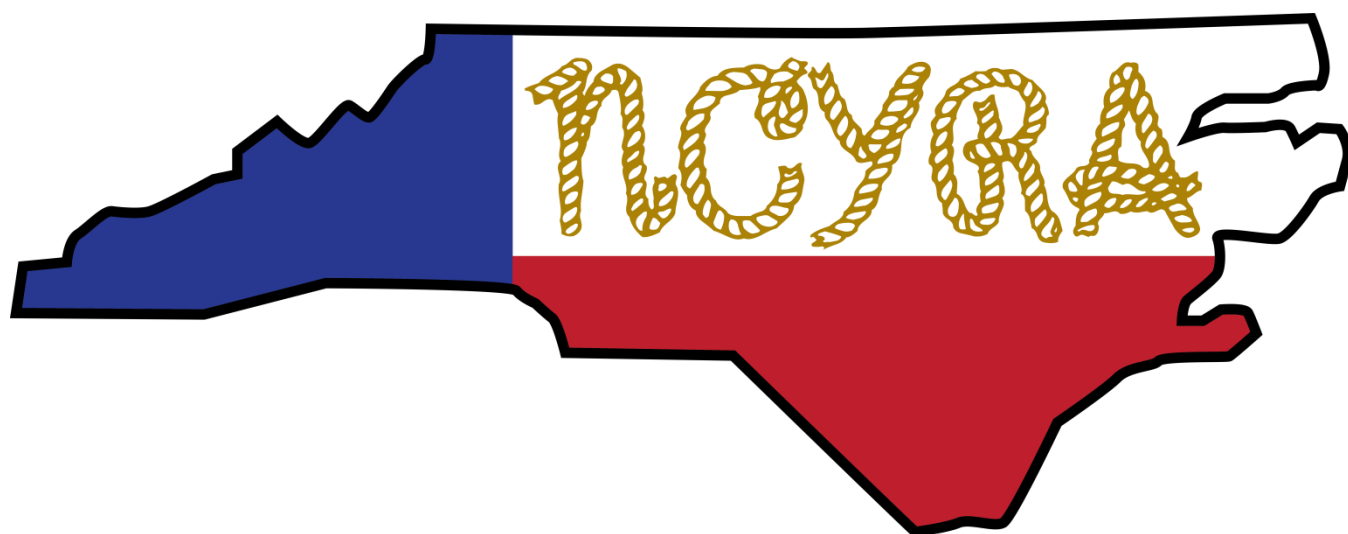


North Carolina Youth Rodeo Association

2016



Rulebook

****2016 ORDER OF EVENTS****

- 1) Pony Bareback - Peewee & Junior
- 2) Bareback Riding
- 3) Saddle Bronc
- 4) Mutton Bustin
- 5) Calf Riding
- 6) Calf Roping
- 7) Breakaway: Sr, Jr
- 8) Team Roping
- 9) Goat Tying: Sr, Jr, Pee Wee
- 10) Chute Dogging

Intermission

- 11) Barrel Racing: Sr, Jr, Pee Wee
- 12) Pole Bending: Sr, Jr, Pee Wee
- 13) Jr. Bulls
- 14) Sr. Bulls

North Carolina Youth Rodeo Association By Laws

ARTICLE I.

Section A.

Title: Association shall be known as the North Carolina Youth Rodeo Association, and shall at all times be operated and conducted as a non-profit association. In accordance with all laws providing for such organizations and by which it shall acquire all laws providing for such organizations and by which it shall acquire all such rights as granted to such Association.

Section B.

Location: The principle place of business shall be Harmony, NC, where all general business meetings will be conducted. Activities may be conducted in any county or state decided upon by the Board of Directors or the general membership as voted upon in a regularly announced business meeting.

Section C.

Objectives: This Association will provide horsemen with the opportunity to join together in an organized attempt to promote rodeo activities, to promote good sportsmanship, and to provide opportunities for organized social activities for the membership as well as promote interest in horses and riding, and promote educational and training programs in horsemanship for members.

Section D.

Mission: Helping youth today so that the sport of rodeo and agriculture can grow tomorrow. Preserve the western heritage, offer a privilege of family bonding, and maintain the highest regard for the livestock.

Section E.

Prohibitions: The North Carolina Youth Rodeo Association, however, shall not engage in any discrimination whether related to gender, physical handicap, race, religion, creed, sexual orientation, age or national origin.

ARTICLE II.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section A.

The Board of Directors shall consist of the officers of the Association, elected at the December general meeting: The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Board of Directors. A new Board will be nominated and voted on by registered members of calendar year at the end of each season.

Section B.

DUTIES OF THE BOARD: The business and property of the Association shall be managed and directed by the Board. The general membership shall vest in the Board the authority to make, amend and enforce such rules and regulations not contrary to the law, or these by-laws, as they deem expedient concerning the conduct, management, activities, and welfare of the Association. The Board shall have the vested authority for expenditure of money, auditing of books and or records, the awarding of championships, conducting of shows, contests, exhibitions, races, social functions, and other details relating the general purpose of the Association. All of the foregoing, however, subject to the revision of amendment by the members at any regular or special meeting of the general membership. The Board shall conduct monthly meetings, and as

many special meetings as deemed necessary. A quorum shall consist of five (5) members of the Board of Directors. Special meetings may be called by the President, or two-thirds (2/3) of the Board members. The Secretary shall give notice of each special meeting by writing or telephoning at least 24 hours in advance.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Section A.

The officers of this Association shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Arena Director. Nominations will be presented at the October and November general meetings and officers will be elected at the December general meeting.

Section B.

PRESIDENT: The President shall be elected by the adult membership, for a one year term. The president shall be the chief executive officer of the Association, and shall preside at all meetings of the general membership, and the Board of Directors. He shall see that the by-laws, Rules, and Regulations of the Association are enforced, and shall perform all other duties that may be prescribed from time by the Board of Directors. He shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

Section C.

VICE PRESIDENT: The Vice President shall be elected by the adult membership, for one year term. In the absence of the President, he/she shall have the powers, and shall perform the duties of the President, and shall carry out such other assignments as prescribed by the Board of Directors and/or the President.

Section D.

SECRETARY: The Secretary shall be elected by the Adult membership, for a one year term. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all membership and Board of Director meetings. The Secretary shall be the custodian for the safekeeping of all documents and records of the Association, and shall be responsible for maintaining a current membership roll. The Secretary shall keep and compile all records of horse shows relating to performance, times, results, and point system. It shall be the duty of this officer, with the help of the Assistant Secretary and/or Treasurer to organize and conduct show registrations, collect entry fees, and record results of individual places and times, as well as preparing awards for winners.

Section E.

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall be elected by the adult membership, for a one year term. The Treasurer shall receive all monies paid to the North Carolina Youth Rodeo Association. The Treasurer shall disburse the same upon valid order of the Board, or upon vote by the general membership. This officer shall account for the financial statue of the Association by itemized reports at all meetings of the board, and all general membership meetings. At the conclusion of the term of one year, the books shall be audited, and a record of the audit result entered in the records of the Association. Treasurer is responsible for inventory and maintenance of records of all Association property. A treasure report must be presented to the Board monthly and available to present at any time requested by any given person.

Section F.

ARENA DIRECTOR: The arena director shall be an adult member elected to a one year term. This Director shall have full charge of the contestants in the arena, and his/her decision is final. This person will be responsible each change of events in the arena with the help of other members in the Association. In the event of a controversy over the arena director's decisions, a verbal protest must be presented to the Arena Director and discussed with event judges within the end of said event and followed by a written complaint within ten days of said show if the matter is not resolved at that time.

Section G.

ELECTIONS AND VACANCIES: The election of officers will be conducted in the regularly scheduled December meeting each year, and the officers will be installed at the annual end of the year awards function. All nominees must be members in good standing at the time of nomination. Vacancies that occur through the year will be filled by action of the Board of Directors. All resignations must be presented in writing and subject to the acceptance by the Association. If an officer, or director of the Association fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings and/or activities of the Association without excuse, that officers, or directors resignation will be considered automatic, and the office declared vacant. The vacancy will then be filled by action of the Board of Directors. Any officer may be nominated and elected for successive terms, or for other Board of Directors positions. A nominee may decline to be nominated if he or she desires.

ARTICLE IV.

MEMBER, MEMBERSHIP, DUES, MEETINGS

Section A.

MEMBERSHIP: Membership is open to anyone regardless of race, religion, creed, national origin, or sex.

Section B.

APPLICATION: Application and Admission: Members of the Association shall be admitted, retained and expelled in accordance with rules of courtesy and fairness which are non-discriminatory, Members shall be admitted to the Association upon signing written application and injury release forms, accompanied by initial membership fees, unless rejected within 30 days by the Board. The Board will be governed by the vote of the general membership, pertaining to acceptance of members.

Section C.

Voting and Rights: (Amended December, 2013)

All members, in good standing shall have equal rights, interests, and responsibilities, with respect to the Association and its property. All members shall have the right to vote in all membership meetings, and to hold office, as set forth in Article III of these by-laws. For purpose of voting, one vote is allowed for each annual membership, Associate members will have one vote. Number of Ballots issued and received may not exceed total number of active memberships on file with the NC Youth Rodeo Association Secretary.

Section D.

Dues: (Amended November, 2014)

Dues: Annual membership dues shall be \$50.00 until after the first rodeo of the 2015 Season. After first rodeo memberships will increase to \$60 each and are due and payable to the Association Secretary/Treasurer at upon application completion or before entry to first rodeo for membership in the Association.

Section E.

Meetings: General membership meetings shall be held quarterly at the time and place designated by the Board of Directors. The President or Senior Board member present in the absence of the President will vote only in the event of a tie. Special meetings may be called by the President or majority of the Board, when time and place are designated in writing to the general membership at least five (5) days in advance. Special meetings shall be called by the President upon written petition of at least one third (1/3) of the voting members of the general membership.

By-Laws must be submitted in writing to the secretary at least (15) fifteen days prior to a general meeting, for Presentation to the general meeting. Revision of these By-Laws will be under taken after the board has certified that the requirement exists for such revision. Revised by-laws will be presented to the general meeting. Further revisions may be accomplished at the general meeting. Additions to the bylaws may be

submitted to the secretary at any time by any member. The Board will evaluate such additions and if warranted undertake amendment or revision of action as appropriate. These by-laws shall be amended, revised, or otherwise changed by the general membership.

ARTICLE V.

Events, Age Groups Points and Awards

Section A.

Events: Each rodeo will have twenty-three (23) events. All contestants will earn points. A 24th event may be held at each meeting for the purpose of exhibiting and learning new patterns or events, with no points granted and run at the end of entered event after registered members have all completed their event. Fee for such extra event will be nominal, sufficient to cover costs. The Board will determine which events are to be run based on the expressed desire of the membership.

NO Stud Horses are allowed. All horses must be kept under control. If at any time the NC Youth Rodeo Association board determines a horse is unsafe to the rider or other riders, horses and spectators, the horse will be removed from the facilities.

Section C.

Age Groups: (Amended December 2013)

Each event schedule will be divided into the following groups. Pee wee 8 and under, Juniors 9 through 14, Seniors 15 through 19. Age of contestant will be as of October 1st of previous calendar year. Proof of birth date must be furnished for the first four age groups. An adult/parent can accompany a child in the 8 and under category into the arena and/or go past the time line to assist the child. In the interest of safety, this allows an adult to be in the proximity of a child should the child require physical assistance. Adult must follow contestant dress code if accompanying child into arena.

Section D.

Points: Anyone, member or non-member may participate in any and/or all schedule events. Only members will receive points for places won. Points will be awarded for places won in each event to annual members only, as follows 1st place 100 points, 2nd place 90 points, 3rd place 80 points, 4th place 70 points, 5th place 60 points, 6th place 50 points, 7th place 40 points, 8th place 30 points, 9th place 20 points, 10th place 10 points.

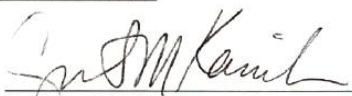
When a scheduled rodeo is canceled by reason beyond the control of the Association, (i.e. weather, facilities, etc.) regular participated members will be considered as having participated in such canceled event. No points will be added to point totals in this case, but participants will not be jeopardized. For postponed shows, which are held on an alternate date, contestants must participate in such rescheduled meets, which are not considered as canceled shows. New members, to accumulate points in a show must have made application and paid dues prior to an event for points.

North Carolina Youth Rodeo Association

The authority of this organization shall be "Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised"

These bylaws were accepted on December 20, 2013

Executive Board Members:

 12/20/2013
Cythina M Karriker – Treasurer

 12/20/2013
Misty L Green – Board Member

NCYRA Mission Statement

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- Offer a privilege of Family Bonding;
- Maintain the highest regard for the livestock;
- Offer an opportunity of continuing education.

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NCYRA Fees and Payoff:

****Membership Fees:** \$50.00 per contestant at the banquet or before the first rodeo
\$60.00 per contestant at first rodeo of 2016 Season

Entry fees: (CASH ONLY)	Peewee \$20.00	\$ to assoc. \$6.00 \$ To payoff \$14.00
	Juniors \$25.00	\$ to assoc. \$8.00 \$ To payoff \$17.00
	Seniors \$30.00	\$ to assoc. \$11.00 \$ To payoff \$19.00
	Bucking Horses \$35.00	\$ to assoc. \$15.00 \$ To payoff \$20.00
	Seniors Bulls \$35.00	\$ to assoc. \$15.00 \$ To payoff \$20.00
	Junior Bulls \$35.00	\$ to assoc. \$15.00 \$ To payoff \$20.00

PAYOFF:

# OF CONTESTANTS	#OF PLACES PAID	% BREAKDOWN
1 to 3	1	100%
4 to 5	2	60%, 40%
6 to 9	3	50%, 30%, 20%
10 to 19	4	40%, 30%, 20%, 10%
20 to 39	6	32%, 24%, 18%, 12%, 9%, 5%

POINT SYSTEM:

1st	100 points
2nd	90 points
3rd	80 points
4th	70 points
5th	60 points
6th	50 points
7th	40 points
8th	30 points
9th	20 points
10th	10 points

Payoff scale is determined by the # of contestants entered at each rodeo.

AGE GROUPS AND EVENTS:

Age of contestant is determined by age on or before January 1st of rodeo season

PEEWEE (8 and under): Bareback Ponies (*4 second event*)
Mutton Bustin (*Under 50lbs*)
Calf Riding
Goat Tying (*boys and girls*)
Barrel Racing
Pole Bending

Junior Event (9-14): Bareback Ponies (*Stock Contractors have the discretion of the contestants' weight due to the safety of the stock*)
Break-A-Way (*boys and girls*)
Goat Tying (*girls – must flank the goat*)
Cowboy Goat Tying (*boys – must flank goat and string front leg*)
Barrel Racing (*boys and girls*)
Pole Bending (*boys and girls*)
Jr. Bull Riding

Senior Events (15-19): Bareback Riding
Calf Roping
Break-A-Way (*girls only*)
Saddle Bronc
Chute Doggin
Goat Tying (*girls*)
Barrel Racing (*boys and girls*)
Pole Bending (*boys and girls*)
Team Roping
Sr. Bull Riding

GENERAL GROUND RULES:

- 1) ****Each member must submit an application for membership with parental consent; \$50.00 fee prior to first 2016 Season Rodeo, and waiver of liability signed and notarized with a copy of applicant's birth certificate, negative horse coggins, and a signed rulebook acknowledgment. (*Membership Fees \$60 per membership first rodeo 2016 Rodeo*)**
- 2) Contestant will receive a membership card, rulebook, and schedule. Please like us on Facebook to stay up to date with latest news, cancellations, etc.
- 3) Contestant as well as 1 guest will receive free admission to each rodeo. The guest **MUST** be **with the contestant at the time of entry into the rodeo grounds.**
- 4) **Entry fees must be paid 1 hour before the start of the rodeo.**
- 5) **Dress code will be in effect 1 hour before the start of the rodeo**, and consist of a cowboy hat, long sleeved button down shirt with cuffs and a collar, western boots. ****This dress code applies to all parents and personnel who will enter the arena throughout the entire rodeo**** The Board may elect to relax dress code during summer months. Relaxed dress code consists of either a NCYRA T-shirt or short sleeve button up collared shirt with cowboy hat.
- 6) ****Cowboy hats must be on the contestants head** when contestant enters the arena or a **\$10.00** fine will be placed. NO intentional tipping of the hat. The alley-way is not part of the arena.
- 7) **NO LATE CALL-INS** will be tolerated. Call in will be conducted by phone calls only to the rodeo secretary. Contestant/parents must call themselves in with the exception of team ropers, where you are allowed to call your partner in.
- 8) If 2 contestants are competing on the same horse, you must notify the secretary at call in so she can place other contestants between you.

- 9) Contestant/parents are responsible to check the day sheets/draw to know which head of livestock they have drawn. Also which position they will run in timed events. Competing on the wrong stock or out of position will result in a no score/time. Be sure to check if your stock is being ran more than once .
- 10) The judge/arena director may disqualify any contestant for not being ready to compete after contestants name being called three times. **(BE READY)**
- 11) Non-members can ride on a **permit but are required to call in.**
- 12) Non-members can compete on a permit for **Entry Fee(s) plus an additional fee of \$10.00** per rodeo and a signed waiver of liability each rodeo. This entitles them to compete for prize money but no association points will be given or no eligibility for the finals or year-end prizes.
- 13) Exhibition runs/rides must call in to rodeo secretary during call-in. Exhibitions will run last in timed events after all card holders/permits have competed on ground first. Exhibitions are \$10 plus stock charge for rough stock and plus \$5 for timed events.
- 14) **Exhibition entries** in the rough stock/roping events will be drawn stock after all card/permit holders. If stock was drawn twice for an exhibition ride/run, then the card/permit holder's gets first ride/run on the stock.
- 15) Points will start tabulating at the first rodeo of the season.
- 16) No ground money will be paid out if no times or scores are made in an event.
Example: No bulls covered money goes to association
No calves caught money goes to association
- 17) Payoff will be given out after the rodeo is completed and the rodeo grounds have been cleaned. If a contestant has to leave after their event, the rodeo secretary will hold their money over to the next rodeo unless signed for and picked up by another member, per contestant request.

- 18) Contestant/parents camping on rodeo grounds are required to leave their campsite clean, free from trash as well as bags of trash.
- 19) Contestants may turn out due to medical reasons or animal health with no fines if a medical/vet note is received within 7 days after the event. Otherwise a fine will be placed equal to the amount of entry fees.
- 20) **No shows (contestants who are called into a performance and do not show)** will be responsible for paying entry fees in addition to a fine of \$10.00 for that missed rodeo.
- 21) To be eligible for the All-Around titles in Peewee, Junior, Senior, divisions a contestant must compete in 2 or more events for 50% of the rodeos.
- 22) Contestants must compete in 50% of rodeos to make the finals and complete any mandatory fundraising asked by the Association.
- 23) Contestants must compete in their age division unless they choose to move up to an older division. If the contestant moves up they will not carry any points earned in previous events. They also will not be allowed to move back to their previous age division once they move up and compete.
- 24) If a contestant has a question concerning a rule or decisions in their event they must consult with the arena director immediately before beginning a new event in the show. The arena director will consult the judges. Then the judges will determine if an error has been made and modify the ruling accordingly or the original ruling will stand. **DO NOT go to the announcers stand with event rulings or decisions.**

****Judges will not base any decisions on videos or pictures and all judges decisions are final****

- 25) A judge can flag a contestant out due to safety reasons and no re-run/re-ride will be issued.
- 26) A horse rearing or unruly, which is found to be a danger to a rider, other people, animals or property, will be disqualified for safety reasons.

- 27) Unlawful abuse to animals will result in disqualification; repeated offenses will be address by the board of directors.
- 28) Re-running a horse in the arena after a broken pattern is not allowed, stopping to correct a horse when the pattern has not been broken is permitted. Any other “practicing” in the arena will be at the judges/ arena director’s desecration.
- 29) During intermission no barrel racer or pole bender is allow to go around the barrel/pole pattern or the stakes for the pattern. Will result in a \$10.00 fine first offence.
- 30) Re-rides/re-runs will be given at the judge’s discretion.
- 31) Absolutely no loitering in the arena, bucking chutes, roping boxes and back pens, after the contestant has competed in their event. This also applies to parents.
- 32) No more than 1 person/parent to assist the contestant on/in the bucking cute/roping box area.
- 33) All rough stock/roping events cannot use any device to make the stock buck harder or run faster.
- 34) In rough stock events no homemade rosin is allowed.
- 35) Rough stock contestants are also required to use a butterfly, regular or split finger wrap on a loose flank rope or flat braided rope.
- 36) Each contestant under the age of 18 is required to have at least one parent/guardian present on the rodeo grounds in case of an emergency. If the parent sends their child with another party it is the **PARENTS RESPONSIBILITY** to send a signed medical release form with the child. This gives permission to get the child medical attention if needed, and with out this form the child will not be able to compete.

- 37) No unsportsman like conduct will be tolerated from any contestants, parents or guest of contestants. First offence will result in a \$10.00 fine; second offence will be taken to the board for further review.
- 38) Contestants, Parents and guest of contestant having any association with alcoholic beverages while in attendance at any approved NCYRA event/rodeo will be fined \$50.00 for first offence. Repeated offences could result in disqualification from the current rodeo or revoked membership.
- 39) Profanity on rodeo grounds can result in a \$10.00 fine.
- 40) All bank records are open to all members upon request
- 41) All members are encouraged to bring any questions and concerns to the Board of Directors at any time.
- 42) Rowdyism, quarreling or fighting in the actual domain of the arena at any time, or any place during the duration of the rodeo by contestants, parents, guest of contestant will result in disqualification.
- 43) Cheating or attempting to cheat will result in disqualification.
- 44) The Board of Directors and the rodeo host will decide rather to continue a rodeo or cancel a rodeo due to inclement weather or arena conditions.
- 45) Memberships may be paid with a check but there will be a \$25.00 fine for any returned checks.
- 46) Timers will be approved by the board.
- 47) Judges sheets will be turned in at the end of each performance to secretary.
- 48) Stock will be run through before each performance.

- 49) No re-runs/re-rides will be given due to faulty or broken equipment furnished by contestant.
- 50) Judge on latch side of the chute gate shall serve as a back-up timer. This judge will refer to his watch for time verification on each ride.
- 51) In the event the stock gets out of the arena during competition, the contestant will receive a re-ride. If the stock gets loose after being touched by a contestant in a timed event, we will continue run from where time was stopped.
- 52) Any Fundraising during the season will be mandatory for each contestant competing in the Finals. If you do not participate in said fundraising for the 2016 Season, you will not be permitted to compete in the year end Finals.
- 53) You must compete in 50% of held rodeo shows. If for any reason a show is called or cancelled and you are called in to said show; it will go towards one of your 50% of held shows.
- 54) All Contestants must compete in the Finals Events in order to keep their points and receive any year end awards. A medical reason for turn out must have medical documentation. If you do not compete in the Finals you will forfeit all points.
- 55) All Around- To keep your points in one or more events, You must compete in **ALL of your events at the Finals.** Example: If you run barrels, poles , goat tying, & break-away and you do not compete in the break-away during Finals, you lose/forfeit your points in break-away.
- 56) If you are receiving an award of any type, you **MUST** be present at the awards ceremony to receive your award. If you call in to the banquet and do not show up for the event, you will be charged for your ticket(s) and will need to be paid before you can participate in future events with the NCYRA.

Any discretion that this rulebook does not cover, we will fall back on the National High School Association.

Event Rules

Bareback Pony

****The Bucking Pony Event will be open to Pee Wee and Junior division up to age 11 as of Oct 1st of 2014 and OR a maximum weight of 80lbs. Any Points awarded will be towards contestants said age division.**

1. One hand in rigging is to be used. Mouth piece and vest required. Dry rosin or tape may be used on hand hold or glove.
2. The rider does not have to mark the horse out to get a qualified ride. Meaning the rider does not have to have spurs over or above the break of the horse's shoulders when the front feet of the horse touch the ground out of the chute.
3. The horse must be ridden for 4 seconds.
4. A rider will receive a no score or a disqualification for any of the following reasons:
 - Not riding for a qualified 4 seconds.
 - Riding with spur rowels that are too sharp or locked.
 - Touching animal, equipment or persons with free hand.
 - Rigging coming off the horse.
 - Hand coming out of the handhold.
 - Faulty or defected equipment.
5. Re-rides will be by the decision of the judges.
6. Time starts when horses inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute.
7. If chest or brisket, belly, side or rump contacts the ground animal will be considered fallen, Knee is not considered fallen.

Bareback Riding

1. One hand in rigging is to be used. Mouth piece and vest are required. Dry rosin or tape may be used on handhold or glove.
2. Rider must have spurs over or above the break of the horse's shoulders when the front feet of the horse touch the ground out of the chute.
3. The horse must be ridden for 8 seconds.
4. A rider will receive a no score or disqualification for any of the following reasons:
 - Not riding for the qualified 8 seconds.
 - Riding with spur rowels that are too sharp or locked
 - Touching animal, equipment or person with free hand.
 - Hand coming out of the handhold.
 - Faulty or defected equipment.
5. Re-rides will be by the decision of the judges.
6. If chest or brisket, belly, side or rump contacts the ground animal will be considered fallen. Knee is not considered fallen.
7. Contestant may pull riggings from either side.

8. Contestant must compete on stock drawn for them.
9. Contestant has the right to call judges to pass on whether or not animal is properly flanked to buck the best of his ability.
10. Time starts when horses inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute.
11. On the outside of the glove, there are to be no horizontal cuts from the second knuckle back. On the inside (palm side), only vertical cuts or slits are allowed on fingers only.
12. Rigging must lie flat on horses back while rigging is being cinched.
13. Required bareback pads are to completely cover the underside of the riggings and are to extend a full two inches behind the rigging.
14. Stock contractor may call on a judge to pass on whether rigging is being set or cinched in a manner that might hurt horse's back.

Mutton Bustin

1. Must not exceed 50 pounds.
2. Rider may not enter calf riding and then return back to mutton bustin.
3. If contestant starts with one hand they cannot touch rope, sheep or themselves with free hand. If contestant touches one of these, they will be disqualified. The way the contestant starts the ride, one handed or two handed, they must finish that way or they will be disqualified.
4. If contestant uses two hands there will be a point deduction of 5 points from the total score.
5. Only one person is allowed to help contestant at chutes. No one is allowed in the arena except the rodeo staff.
6. Mouth piece and vest is mandatory.
7. Any contestant with homemade rosin caught using it or on their property will be disqualified and suspended.
8. Rider must ride with loose flat braided rope or flank rope. No Riggins.
9. No re-rides unless sheep goes down in forward motion and contestant goes over the head of the sheep. No re-ride will be given if sheep falls to side or sheep does not perform.
10. Bell on rope is not required.
11. Contestant must ride for 4 seconds, time starts 5 ft. from the chute.

Calf Riding

1. Contestant must use one hand only.
2. Calf rope must have bell on rope under the belly of calf.
3. Dry rosin can be used on glove and calf rope. No homemade rosin.
4. Contest cannot touch calf or self with free hand.
5. Contest must ride for 6 seconds. Time starts when the inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute.
6. Mouthpiece and vest are mandatory.
7. If rider makes a qualified ride with any part of the bull rope in hand before touching the ground it will be scored.
8. A contestant may receive a re-ride at the discretion of the judges.
9. In case of the animal fouling himself or contestant when leaving the chute, contestant must declare himself within 2 jumps by double grabbing the bull rope or no re-ride will be given. Judges will determine fouling.

Calf Roping

1. Contestant must rope calf, Dismount, Go down the rope, throw calf by hand and cross and tie any three legs.
2. Catch as catch can.
3. The contestant can only carry one loop and cannot rebuild that loop.
4. Loop must be released from the hand to be a legal catch. The horse must clear the end of the roping box before a loop is thrown.
5. Contestant cannot enter the calf roping and the break-a-way roping.
6. Total 30 second time limit. If contestant catches the calf with in the 30 seconds, but 30 seconds runs out while on the ground the contestant can still tie calf and get a time.
7. If calf is down when the roper reaches him, the roper must get the calf back up in standing position and throw him by hand. Calf must be day lighted. If the calf falls while roper has hand on him, the calf is considered thrown. Tie must be finished with a half hitch or “hooey”.
8. Contestant may not touch the calf after giving the finished signal and judge stops the time.
9. Contest is to remount horse after the time is stopped and step his horse forward to allow slack in the rope. The flag judge will start a 6 second watch to ensure the calf stays tied. If calf kicks free within the 6 seconds the contestant will receive a no time. The judge will determine the 6 seconds by handheld stopwatch.
10. If the calf escapes the arena, flag is dropped and contestant gets animal back, Lap and tap, with the time added when the flag was dropped, no barrier will be used. Time starts when nose of calf crosses score line.
11. Contestant cannot receive any assistance after crossing starting line.
12. Contestant will be flagged no time for touching calf, calf string or by touching rope, or to train his horse after giving finish signal, or by dragging calf after contestant remounts horse.
13. If contestant at anytime is in danger the arena staff will assist and no time will be given.
14. The contestant can have a helper pushing the calf or helping horse in the roping box, but once the calf is pushed or horse leaves the roping box the helper is not to go into the arena.
15. Jerk down rule applies. A disqualification will be imposed for a jerk down. A jerk down means, flipping calf straight over backwards on its back or back of head.
16. An automatic barrier will be used, and once score line has been set in timed events, it will not be changed in that go, nor can the length of box be changed.
17. Should the barrier breaks and any point other than designated breaking point, the decision is up to the barrier judge to determine if 10 seconds penalty applies or faulty barrier.
18. If contestant beats the barrier under any circumstances, and the barrier string is unbroken, this will not count as a broken barrier.
19. If barrier equipment hangs on animal and contestant tries the animal, he accepts the animal as is. If contestant pulls up and declares himself, he will receive the same animal back for a re-run.
20. If barrier fails to work the stock will be brought back and contestant must take same animal over, during or immediately after the same performance.
21. If contestant is fouled by barrier, stop and declare themselves they will receive a re-run.
22. Refer to score line diagram.

Break-A-Way Roping (Juniors)

1. Contestants can be boy or girl.

2. A 12 x 12 White flag (handkerchief) is to be used on tail of rope.
3. Judge/Arena director will inspect each rope before the contestant enters the box.
4. Rope must clear head and nose of calf. After the rope clears head and nose of calf it is catch as catch can.
5. Total 30-second time limit.
6. The contestant can only carry one loop and cannot rebuild this loop.
7. Contestant's rope must be attached to saddle horn with string. It is mandatory the contestant pickup new break-a-way string at every rodeo from the secretaries. Absolutely no thinning of break-a-way string. Barrier judge/arena director will check strings.
8. Time will stop when flag at end of rope pulls away from the saddle horn.
9. Contestant cannot touch rope in any way to help or pull off saddle horn.
10. If the rope becomes dallied around the saddle horn, rider can un-dally the rope but not break the string.
11. A contestant may not enter break-a-way and calf roping.
12. The loop must be released from hand to be a legal catch. The horse must clear the box before a loop is thrown.
13. The contestant can have a helper pushing the calf or helping horse in the roping box, but once the calf is pushed or horse leaves the roping box the helper is not to go into the arena.
14. No calves with horns in excess of three inches will be used.
15. See same barrier rules in calf roping.

Break-A-Way Roping (Seniors)

1. Girls only event.

2. A 12 x 12 White flag (handkerchief) is to be used on tail of rope.
3. Judge/Arena director will inspect each rope before the contestant enters the box.
4. Rope must clear head and nose of calf. After the rope clears head and nose of calf it is catch as catch can.
5. Total 30-second time limit.
6. The contestant can only carry one loop and cannot rebuild that one loop.
7. Contestant's rope must be attached to saddle horn with string. It is mandatory the contestant pickup new break-a-way string at every rodeo from the secretaries. Absolutely no thinning of break-a-way string. Barrier judge/arena director will check strings.
8. Time will stop when flag at end of rope pulls away from the saddle horn.
9. Contestant cannot touch rope in any way to help or pull off saddle horn.
10. If rope becomes dallied around saddle horn, rider can un-dally the rope but not break it.
11. A contestant may not enter break-a-way and calf roping.
12. The loop must be released from hand to be a legal catch. The horse must clear the box before a loop is thrown.
13. The contestant can have a helper pushing the calf or helping horse in the roping box, but once the calf is pushed or horse leaves the roping box the helper is not to go into the arena.
14. No calves with horns in excess of three inches will be used.
15. See same barrier rules in Calf Roping.

Saddle Bronc Riding

1. Contestant cannot use to sharp spur rowels or locked.
2. Saddle bronc riding shall be for 8 seconds.
3. Time will start when the animal's front inside shoulder passes the plane of the chute.
4. Riding rein and hand must be on the same side.
5. Horses to be saddle in chute.
6. Rider may cinch own saddle
7. To qualify, rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's front feet hit the ground on its initial move out of the chute.
8. A rider will be given a no score for any of the following reasons:
 - Being bucked off.
 - Changing hands on reins.
 - Wrapping rein around hand.
 - Pulling leather.
 - Losing stirrup.
 - Touching self, animal, saddle rein, ect. with free hand.
 - Riding with locked or sharp rowels.
9. Dry rosin can be used on chaps and saddle. No homemade rosin.
10. Vest and mouth piece are mandatory.
11. If chest or brisket, belly, side or rump contacts the ground animal will be considered fallen, Knee is not considered fallen.

Chute Doggin

1. If you are in the junior division you may still chute dog and all around points acquired will be kept for the junior division all-around. If you are a senior contestant your chute doggin points will be kept for the senior division.
2. Score line will be 10 feet from the chute and marked with flour.
3. The line (barrier) judge will flag the start when the animals' foot crosses the score line. Contestant must let any one of the steer's front feet cross score line.
4. There will be a designated helper assigned by the Arena Director. The helper cannot pass the plane of the chute gate. Contestant is considered working the steer when the steer leaves the chute.
5. After contestant and steer crosses score line, contestant must bring steer to complete stop or change direction. Contestant must then twist steer down by applying hold to head or horns. Steer will be considered down only when it is lying flat on its side, with all four feet clear from under him in the same direction.
6. If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown before being brought to a stop or is thrown by wrestler putting animal's horns into the ground, it must be let up to all four feet and then thrown.
7. A steer falling in the opposite direction the steer wrestler is attempting to throw him (dog fall) the contestant may choose to turn the steer's head to correspond with the leg position to make this a legal fall.
8. Total 30-second time limit.
9. There will be a line flagger and a ground flagger.
10. **Mouthpiece is mandatory.**
11. You will need to nod to call for the gate.

Goat Tying (Junior & Senior)

1. **Contestants are Girls Only.**
2. ****Juniors Time Limit is 60 Seconds**
3. ****Seniors Time Limit is 30 Seconds**
4. Time will begin when horse's nose crosses starting line and will stop, when tie is complete and judge has dropped flagged.
5. No Billy goats will be used.
6. Positions will be drawn. If contestants are riding the same horse, they should notify the secretary during call in.
7. Contestant must throw goat by hand, cross and tie three legs. No Wire will be allowed in the string.
8. If goat is down when contestant reaches it, the goat must be elevated high enough that it has the opportunity to regain its feet. If the contestant's hand is on the goat when it goes down, it will be considered thrown.
9. Goat must remain tied for 6 seconds. This time will not begin until the contestant has stepped back from the goat. Judges discretion will be used if the contestant is caught in the rope or under the goat.
10. Contestant may not touch the goat, string or make any clapping noises in any way after contestant has signaled that they're done.
Contestant has signaled they are done once their hand are in the air either up or out away from the rope.
11. If the horse crosses over the rope, touches the rope or the goat, the contestant will receive a **10 second penalty.**
12. If the contestant slams goat maliciously, contestant will be warned the first time. Second offense will result in a fine.
13. String cannot have loop made/tied in it before entering arena.
14. The starting line will be 100 feet from the stake.
15. Goat handlers must stand directly behind goat. Judges and directors will position themselves so they are able to have a clear view of the goat rope. Standing on left side unless contestant is left handed.
16. If contestant is left handed, contestant should inform arena director before the event starts to position judges correctly.

Goat Tying (Peewee)

The same rules will follow in peewees that are juniors and senior goat tying except for the following:

1. **Contestants can be boys or girls.**
2. **Total time limit is 60 seconds.**
3. Goat will already be thrown and held down with three legs crossed.
4. Position of the goat on the ground will depend on whether the contest tying the goat is right or left handed.

5. If the goat is to be tied by a left handed contestant, the contestant/parents will need to notify the arena director before the event, so goat will be switched to the correct position
6. If the horse crosses over the rope, touches the rope or the goat, the contestant will receive a **10 second penalty.**
7. A white line in flour will be drawn out 20 feet from the goat stake. The contestant will dismount horse and not touching horse before crossing this line. If contestant does not dismount horse before crossing the line contestant will be disqualified.

****Cowboy Goat Tying (*Junior*)**

1. **Contestants will be boys only.**
2. **Total 60 second time limit.**
3. The goat will be staked in the arena.
4. Piggin String must be used
5. Contestants must throw/flank the goat by hand and must string the front leg and cross tie three legs. Tie must be finished with a half hitch or “hooey”. No wire will be allowed in the string.
6. If goat is down when contestant reaches it, the goat must be elevated high enough that it has the opportunity to regain its feet. If the contestants hand is on the goat when it goes down, it is considered thrown.
7. Goat must remain tied for 6 seconds. This time will not begin until contestant has stepped back from the goat. Judges discretion will be used if the contestant is caught in the rope or under the goat.
8. Contestant may not touch the goat, string or make clapping noises in any way after contestant had signaled for their time.
9. If the horse crosses over the rope, touches the rope or the goat the contestant will receive a **10 second Penalty.**
10. If the contestant slams the goat maliciously, contestant will be warned the first time. Second offense will result in a fine.
11. Pigging string must be used.

Barrel Racing (*Peewees, Junior & Senior*)

Barrel pattern enclosed in back of rulebook

1. **Contestants can be girls and boys.**
2. Judges are responsible for measuring and staking of the barrels and score line before the beginning of the first performance and thereafter measure off by judges before each performance from such stakes, to determine if stakes are still in their original places. Measuring to be done with tape measure. Judges must turn in barrel stake and score-line measurement, in feet and inches to rodeo secretary for recording before the first performance. Barrels must be atleast 20 feet from the fence.
3. The front two barrels will be 20 yards, (60 feet) from the starting line as required by arena conditions.

4. The max distance between the two front barrels shall be 30 yards, (90 feet) arena conditions permitting. The max distance between the two front barrels and the back barrel shall be 35 yards (105 feet) arena conditions permitting.
5. Minimum of 75 feet allowed for stopping, from starting at required by arena conditions.
6. The start and finish line and the positioning of the barrels must remain the same during the event.
7. Barrels will be set on the inside of the stakes in the cloverleaf pattern.
8. Barrel pattern may not be used before the event begins. Contestants during intermission should stay 10 feet from barrel and not turn any barrel.
9. Contest or horse may touch barrel, but if barrel falls down, there will be a 5 second penalty for each barrel down.
10. Contestant may either run to the right or left barrel first. A qualifying run will consist of making one turn around each barrel of the three barrels in a cloverleaf pattern and keeping a forward motion.
11. The flagman will flag the horse's nose at the starting line and the horse's nose at the finish line. The starting line and the finish line are one and the same.
12. The following will result in disqualification:
 - Turning before a barrel instead of around it.
 - Failure to turn all three barrels.
 - Coming back across the timer line before turning all three barrels.
 - Breaking the cloverleaf pattern
 - Hat comes off before entering alleyway. Alleyway is part of the arena.
13. Contestant will be called 3 times and 3 times only. After the third time, they will be disqualified.
14. If rerun is to be given for any reason, the contestant will wait until the end of the event.
15. **Peewees only.** An adult can lead the contestant in the arena through the cloverleaf pattern but adult can not touch the barrel at any time. If the contestant is lead around the barrels a 10 second penalty will be added to final time.
16. If battery digital timers malfunction a rerun will be given but will carry any penalties.
17. Rerunning horses again to correct your horse is at your arena director's discretion.

POLE BENDING: (PEEWEE/JUNIORS/SENIORS) (BOYS & GIRLS)

Pole pattern enclosed in back of rulebook

1. Six poles placed 21 feet apart and 21 feet from the starting line & a minimum of 21 feet off of the back fence.
2. Time will start when the horse's nose crosses the starting line and stop when the horse's nose crosses it again.
3. Touching poles is allowed and contestant can try and keep poles from falling. There will be a 5 second penalty for each pole that is on the ground when contestant crosses time line.
4. Contestant may run on either left side or right side of poles, after rounding the top pole at the opposite end of the starting line, weave through all poles then turn the last pole at starting line end and weave back through all poles then after turning the top pole run all the way back down to cross the finish line.
5. **DISQUALIFICATION**
 1. Any deviation from the pattern.
 2. Failure to follow the course; loss of course includes negotiating poles in any other than specified order; the wrong direction; stopping, circling, backing or reversing direction of movement to correct improper passing of a pole.
 3. Hat comes off before entering arena or in alley way.

6. Horse must continue a forward motion.
7. If battery digital timers malfunction a rerun will be given but will carry any penalties.
8. Poles shall be set on top of the ground, six feet in height, and with no base larger than 14 or less the 12 inches diameter.
9. There shall be a minimum of 75 feet allowed for stopping, from start line in poles back to arena fence as arena conditions allow.
10. End pole must be at least 20 feet from the fence.

TEAM ROPING

1. Both contestants must pay an entry fee. Contestants may enter twice; roping with different partners or changing ends at each rodeo
2. Contestants will be allowed to carry one loop each.
3. There are only three (3) legal catches: (1) around the horns, (2) around the neck, (3) half the head. All other head catches are illegal.
4. Header will start behind the barrier using either box, header must throw first.
5. Team roping header has to rope as the header and heeler as the heeler is called in or will be disqualified. No switching up in the middle.
6. The header cannot rope steer until the score line judge drops the flag.
7. There will be a 5 second penalty for roping only one heel.
8. Total 30 second time limit.
9. Contestants must hold dallies until flag judge passes catches.
10. No re-runs will be granted due to hanging a horn or horns in the chute.
11. Time is to be taken when steer is roped by both ends, in a direct line, horse is on all fours, horses facing steer in "L" or better, with ropes tight and dallied
12. Steers used for team roping must have head wraps when roped.
13. **DISQUALIFICATIONS**
 - a. Animals not on feet when roped by either end.
 - b. Failure to head and change directions of steer 90 degrees before healing, (cross firing).
 - c. Unnecessary rough treatment of steers.
 - d. Illegal head catches.
 - e. Lost or broken rope.
 - f. If contestant intentionally dismounts during the contestant run, team will be disqualified.
 - g. If rope is dropped.
14. Roping a steer without turning loose of the loop will result in a no time.
15. A barrier will be used.
16. Mistake by the flagman will result in a rerun.
17. Heeler only throw his loop after the header has changed directions.
18. Animal belongs to contestant after crossing score-line. (Exceptions: If animal gets out of arena, flag will be dropped and time will be stopped. Contestant gets animal back, lap and tap, with same head catch of animal has been roped. Time when animal left arena will be added.
19. Time stops when rope is pulled tight and both horses are facing each other.
20. Loop must be released from hand.
21. No tied ropes allowed.

22. An automatic barrier will be used, and once score line has been set in timed events, it will not be changed in that go, nor can the length of box be changed.
23. Should the barrier breaks and any point other than designated breaking point, the decision is up to the barrier judge to determine if 10 seconds penalty or faulty barrier.
24. If contestant beats the barrier under any circumstances, and the barrier string is unbroken, this will not be a broken barrier.
25. If barrier equipment hangs on animal and contestant tries the animal, he accepts the animal. If contestant pulls up he will receive the same animal back for a re-run.
26. If barrier fails to work the stock will be brought back and contestant must take same animal over, during or immediately after the same performance.
27. If contestant is fouled by barrier, stop and declare themselves to receive a re-run.

JUNIOR BULL RIDING

1. Contestant must ride 6 seconds for it to be a qualified ride.
2. A mouthpiece and vest is mandatory!
3. **DISQUALIFICATIONS:** Riders will be disqualified for any of the following offenses:
 - a. Being bucked off.
 - b. Using sharp spurs or locked rowels.
 - c. Touching animal or himself with free hand or assisting himself with free hand/arm by touching animal.
4. Riders may use dry rosin only on glove and rope.
5. No assistance will be allowed past the plane of the chute for a qualified ride. There will be an arena director to enforce this rule. One person will be allowed on the chute to assist the rider.
6. The time starts when the inside front shoulder of the animal breaks the plain of the chute.
7. See Senior Bulls for additional rules.

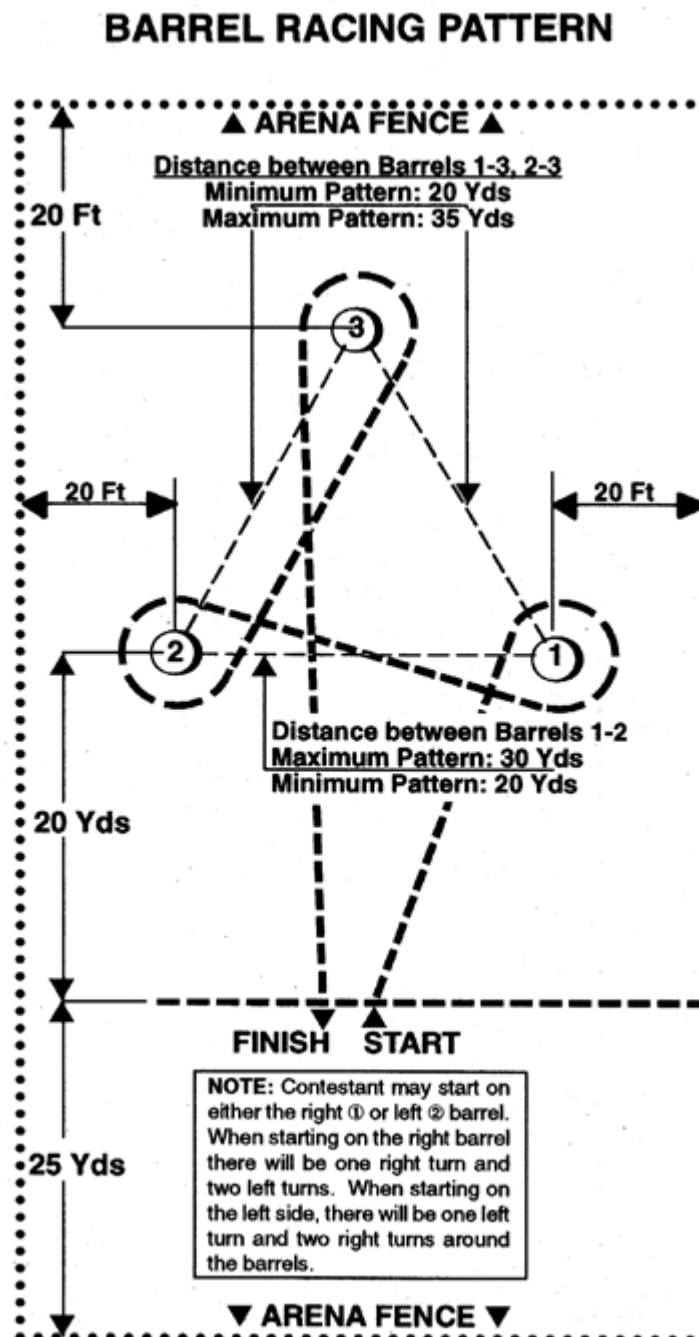
SENIOR BULL RIDING

1. Contestant must ride 8 seconds for it to be a qualified ride.
2. Riding to be done with one hand and loose braided rope, with or without handhold. No knots or hitches to prevent rope from coming off of bull when rider leaves bull will be permitted. Rope must have a bell when bull leaves the chute. No bell, no marking. Bell must be under the belly of the bull or no score.
3. Dry rosin may be used on the glove or rope.
4. No assistance will be allowed for a qualified ride pass the plane of the chute. There will be an arena director/ back judge to enforce this rule. One person will be allowed on the chute to assist the rider.
5. **DISQUALIFICATIONS:** Riders will be disqualified for any of the following offenses:
 - a. Being bucked off.
 - b. Using sharp spurs or locked spurs.
 - c. Touching animal or himself with free hand or assisting himself with free hand/arm by touching animal.
6. If a flank comes off a bull, contestant has the privilege of accepting his marking, or having a re-ride on the same bull. Decision must be made immediately.
7. The contestant may receive a re-ride at the discretion of a judge.
8. Ropes must have a bell or no marking will be given.

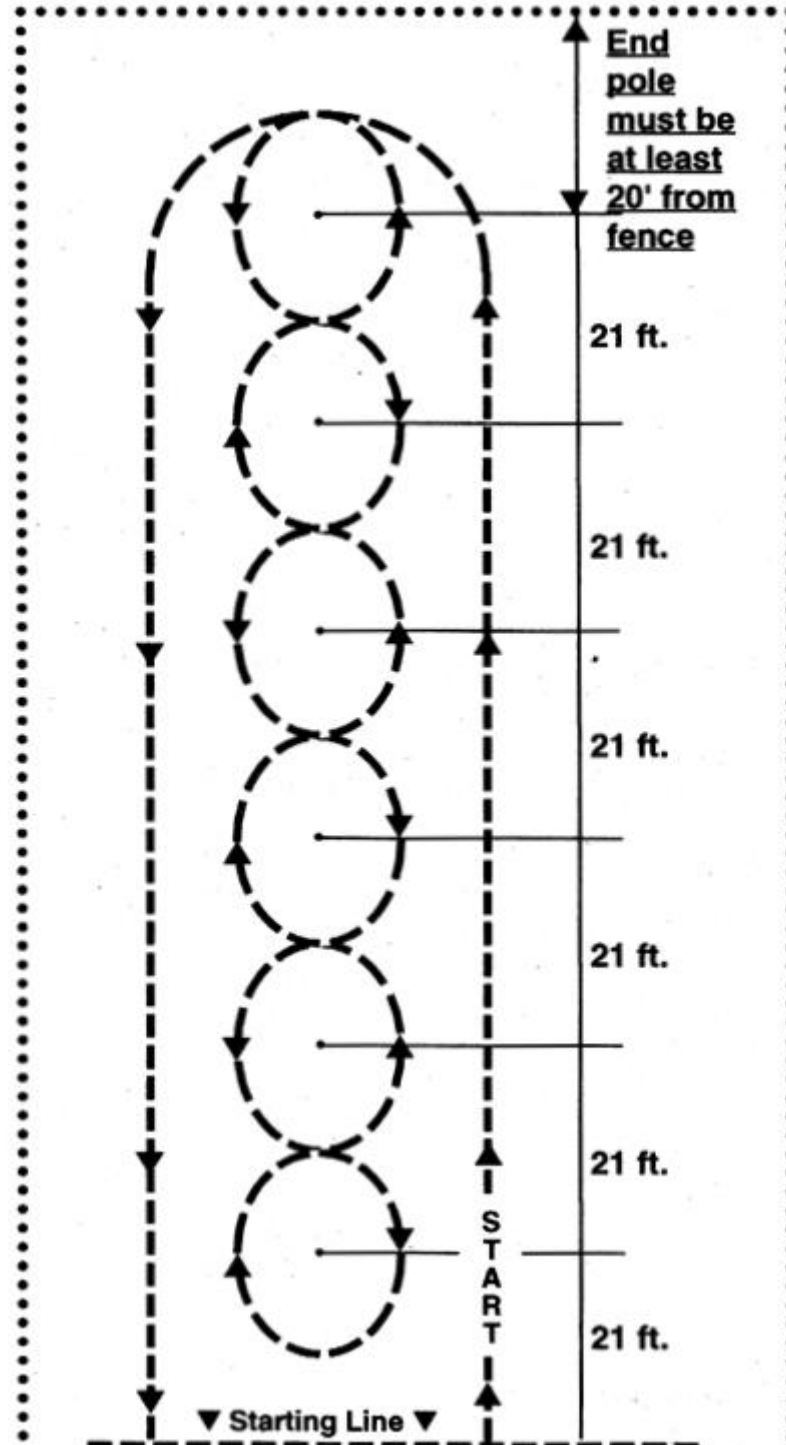
9. If the contestant makes a qualified ride with any part of the bull rope in his hand before he hits the ground, he will receive a marking.
10. Mouth piece and vest is mandatory!
11. In case of animal fouling himself or contestant, contestant must declare himself within 2 jumps by double grabbing the bull or no re-ride will be given. Fouling will be determined by the judge.
12. Contestant will have the right to know his score before he makes his decision to accept or reject a re-ride.
13. The time starts when the inside front shoulder of the animal breaks the plain of the chute.
14. Judges may disqualify a bull rider who has been advised he is next to go if he is not above the animal with his glove on when the previous bull leaves the arena.

15. Re-given fails to fouls
16. If in the makes to get and is he ride belly, ground fallen. fallen.
17. If belly, ground fallen. fallen.

rides may be only when stock break, stops, or the rider. the opinion of judges, a rider 2 honest efforts on a chute fighting animal unable to do so, may have a re-drawn for him. chest or brisket, side or rump contacts the animal will be considered Knee is not considered



POLE BENDING PATTERN



Score Line Diagrams

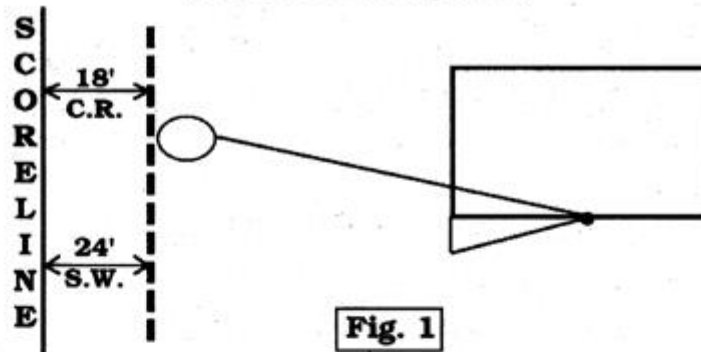


Fig. 1

SCORE LENGTHS: Length of the score line to be determined according to the livestock, the length of the arena, and the arena conditions. All score lengths are subject to Directors' or representatives' approval.

CR,BK: Minimum length of score will be the length of the roping box minus four (4) feet. Maximum length of score will be eighteen (18) feet.

SW: The score may be no longer than the length of the steer wrestling box minus six (6) feet, unless the box is less than fourteen (14) feet. In that instance the length of the score would be a maximum of the length of the box minus five (5) feet.

TR: The minimum length of the team roping score line shall be the length of the box minus two (2) feet.

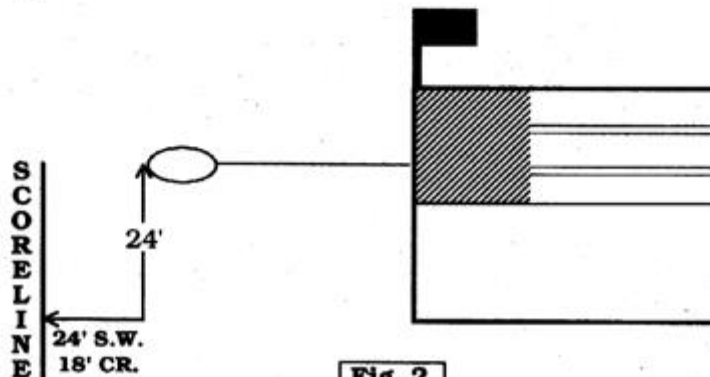


Fig. 2

(MEMBER COPY)

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the North Carolina Youth Rodeo Association Member Rulebook: _____ (please initial)

I have read and understand the contents of this rulebook and will act in accordance with these policies and procedures as being a registered member of said Association.

I understand that if I have questions or concerns at any time about the rulebook I can take my concerns to any board member at any time.

I understand that a new Board will be nominated and voted on by registered members of the association at the end of each calendar season.

I understand that the rules of this rulebook can be amended at the end of each calendar season.

By signing this agreement I acknowledge that these rules will be enforced and understand that they are for my protection and or protection of my child.

Contestant Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

