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MEMBERSHIP**

**CONTESTING CARD HOLDERS**

1. Cardholders shall be rodeo participants in good standing with the ICA who hold a current membership card, entitling them all the privileges granted to members.
2. A contestant is an individual entered in any one of the following standard events: Bareback riding, tie-down roping, steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, dally team roping, barrel racing or breakaway roping.
3. Annual cardholder's dues for contestants will be \$85.00. Renewing members dues paid after April 1 will be assessed a \$10 late fee. Points for rodeos held in the fall after the ICA Finals are carried forward to the next season if cards are renewed by April 1.
4. Active directors will receive one complementary membership card.
5. If a Director or an Officer of the Association fails to attend three (3) meetings without advising the secretary, their seat shall be declared vacant and an alternate director shall fill his/her seat. Said Director or Officer of the Association will have to relinquish his/her free membership and will have to purchase a membership card for \$75 to maintain membership status.

**PERMITS**

1. A permit holder is an individual who has never held a card in any association, amateur or professional. Upon winning a total of \$250 on a permit, the permit holder must buy an ICA card to contest at an ICA approved rodeo or pay the additional \$10 Hometown fee.
2. If a permit holder desires to become a member of the Association, he shall return the permit before a membership card is issued and pay the current dues.
3. Annual permit contestant dues shall be \$25.00.

**ROOKIES**

1. In order to be eligible for the ICA rookie awards, a member must hold a contesting card, be in good standing with the ICA and never have held a card in any other rodeo association other than college, high school, Little Britches or Western States.
2. Rookie dues are \$75.00.

**NOVICE MEMBERS**

1. Novice membership is for bareback, saddle bronc and bull riding and the yearly dues will be \$40.

**NON-CONTESTING MEMBERS**

1. Non-contesting members shall be: timers, rodeo clowns, bullfighters,

announcers, judges, and committees. Their annual card fee shall be \$30.00. Stock contactors and photographer dues will be \$100.

2. In order to be a stock contractor in the Idaho Cowboy's Association, new contractors applying for membership must bring a minimum of one (1) new rodeo for approval into the Association, flowing the minimum added money requirements set forth in the current rules and regulations. The rodeo must be a new ICA rodeo that has not been sanctioned by the ICA within 12 months of the year the probationary stock contractor applies for their membership in the Association. The probationary stock contractor must also meet the minimum stock requirements of 15 bareback horses, 15 saddle bronc horses and 15 bulls and the herd must be available for inspection by a representative of the Board of Directors of the Idaho Cowboys Association. New contractors must pay an additional \$500 one-time membership fee in addition to yearly dues.
3. Timers and secretaries who are members of a committee are not required to have a card for that rodeo. (See section on Judges/Timers for card requirements)

#### **HOMETOWN CONTESTANTS**

1. Hometown contestants are individuals who do not hold an ICA card but may participate in a rodeo declaring himself "hometown". Hometown contestants will be allowed one (1) free rodeo a year, after that he must purchase a \$10 per rodeo Non-Card permit to compete at ICA rodeos.
2. Contestants entering a rodeo without being a member of ICA, ProWest, IMPRA or NPRA must pay their entry fees at time of entry with a visa or debit card.

#### **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

1. Any individual applying for membership in the Association must file an application form. No membership card or permit shall be issued until the application is on file with the association. Completed application and membership dues must be received in the ICA office prior to entries opening for the rodeo in order for points to count.
2. Any person under 18 years of age must have written release and approval signed by his parents or guardians giving notarized approval for him to contest at Association approved rodeos.
3. All memberships are subject to board approval and recall.
4. Once a card is issued the member releases to the Association the right to use his name and/or pictures for the betterment of the Association or the sport of rodeo.
5. Any person or committee upon becoming members shall be entitled to one vote at any general membership meeting.
6. Once an individual signs the application for membership and pays the membership dues, he agrees to abide by all rules and regulations of

the ICA, and release and hold harmless the Idaho Cowboy's Association, Inc., all members, stock contractors, rodeo committees, employees of same, and any or all persons in any way connected with all ICA approved rodeos, from losses, damages, or injury to himself/herself or his/her equipment resulting from participation in any or all events.

### **MEMBERSHIP DUTIES**

1. Any person becoming a member of the Association shall familiarize himself with the rules and by-laws and shall comply and be bound by the same.
2. Only members in good standing shall be eligible to participate in the activities of the Association and receive any awards or benefits offered by the Association.
3. The Board of Directors shall expect the cooperation of any member when called upon by one of the Directors to represent the Association interests regarding enforcement of the rules at any approved rodeo or in any matter of official business.

### **GENERAL STATEMENT**

1. The Idaho Cowboys Association provides its own Association rules for rodeo contests and will insist that all contestants and management follow them.
2. Discrimination of any kind against any Association member will not be permitted.
3. Other than the Finals Rodeo, all approved rodeos shall be open to all Association members in good standing.
4. For items not referred to in this rulebook, the membership shall follow the rules of the PRCA. In barrel racing if items are not referred to in this rulebook, the membership will follow the rules of the WPRA rulebook. (1999)

### **UNAPPROVED MEMBERSHIP CONDUCT**

1. Any member will be subject to fine, declared ineligible or both, for failure to abide by or disobedience to the Articles of Incorporation, bylaws or official rules.
2. Non-payment of financial obligations incurred during participation at an Association approved rodeo shall be an automatic \$100 fine in addition to the obligations.
3. Quarreling or fighting on the premises of the rodeo grounds will not be permitted.
4. Attempting to fix, threaten, bribe or influence judges, timers, rodeo secretary, officers, directors, or spokesmen of the Association at any time shall result in an automatic \$250 fine.
5. Any verbal harassment of a judge, secretary or timer (that point where the judge says "enough" because it interferes with his

- responsibilities) will result in an automatic \$250 fine.
6. Any physical harassment shall be subject to a \$200 fine.
  7. Judges, secretaries and/or timers shall be responsible for reporting all offenses to the I.C.A. office.
  8. Conduct, speech, appearance, or lack of financial responsibility detrimental to the Association or the sport of rodeo will not be allowed and subject to \$250 fine.
  9. All members will wear a cowboy hat, a long sleeved, button shirt, with a standard collar that must be tucked in (no knit pullovers allowed) and cowboys boots in the arena including behind the chutes and boxes. Failure to adhere to this dress code will result in a \$25 fine per article of clothing.
  10. Anyone not immediately leaving the arena (fences and chutes included) when asked by a judge or ICA official will be subject to a \$20 fine.
  11. Contestants shall be disqualified in any single event for the remainder of the rodeo for any of the following offenses:
    1. Being under the influence of liquor in the arena, mistreatment of stock, refusing to contest during a paid performance on an animal drawn for him, not being ready to compete when called upon in that event, cheating or attempting to cheat.
      1. Contestant can be disqualified for the above only by agreement of the rodeo judges.
      2. All fines incurred during the year must be paid by the end of the ICA fiscal year, if not paid by that time; fine will be increased by \$25 per offense.

### **INSUFFICIENT FUNDS CHECKS**

1. Any member issuing an insufficient funds check for entry fees at an Association approved rodeo, a debt incurred in the town during the time of the approved rodeo, or any check made payable to the ICA will be subject to the following fines and penalties:
  1. On the first offense he will receive an automatic \$25.00 fine and will be on the suspended list until the check is cleared.
  2. Any member issuing two NSF checks in any one rodeo year shall be placed on the suspended list, fined \$50.00 and placed on a cash only basis until such time the Board of Directors reinstates check privileges.

### **DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES**

#### **Actions Against Rodeo Personnel**

1. Any accusations against judges, secretaries, contestants or any rodeo personnel shall be handled in the following manner:
2. There must be at least 2 written complaints signed and mailed to the ICA office. No verbal complaints will be acted upon.
3. The board will act on the written complaint and take the appropriate

action.

4. The person whom the complaint was filed against will be notified and given the opportunity to meet with the board of directors and defend his/her actions.
5. Following this procedure the board will make a decision, as they deem necessary.
6. For all fines assessed for rule infractions, if a member feels a fine is not justified, he or she may appear before the Board. If the board decides in the member's favor, the fine money will be returned if it has been paid.
7. All fines are due and payable 7 days from date member is notified.
8. No member shall enter an approved rodeo while his name is on the suspended list unless cleared by the Association secretary.
9. Where a specific penalty is not fixed for a violation of any provisions herein, the Board of Directors, upon a guilty judgment of any member, may impose a fine not to exceed \$2500.00 and declare the person ineligible for a period of not more than 5 years.

## **TURN OUT PROCEDURE**

### **Notified Turnouts**

1. If the contestant notifies the rodeo secretary, association secretary, or central entry secretary that he or she is turning out before the performance he is to compete in and makes arrangements to have the entry fees to the rodeo secretary so they may be included in the payoff, the fine is \$10 per event to be collected and kept by the ICA.
2. If the contestant notifies the rodeo secretary, association secretary, or the central entry office that he is turning out before the performance he is to compete in, but does not make his entry fees available to the rodeo secretary, he must pay his entry fees plus a \$25 turnout fine per event to the ICA.
3. Rodeo secretaries are to include all entry fees of notified-turnouts (cardholder only) in the payoff if she is instructed to do so by the ICA secretary.

### **Non-notified Turnouts**

1. If the entry fees are not made available, and no notification is made, the amount of the entry fees and a \$50 fine is to be kept by the ICA.
2. Arena secretaries are not to include non-notified turnouts in the payoff.

### **Exceptions**

1. If contestant has valid reason for turning out, fine and/or entry fees may be waived at discretion of Board of Directors.
2. All contestants are liable for their entry fees, even if an alternate runs their cattle or mounts out their stock. Both entry fees go into the payoff, if available, and fines go to the association.

## **DRAW OUT**

1. When Central Entry is used contestants cannot draw out after the books are closed except in the following case: Anyone who enters a rodeo on an "out if" they don't get their first preference basis, will have a 2nd performance drawn for them if they don't get their first preference. At the time of call backs, if the contestant has received the 2nd preference, he will then have the option of keeping the 2nd preference or being drawn out of the rodeo all together without any fine being imposed. If the contestant receives a 2nd preference and he does not call back during the specified time, the entry secretary will automatically draw the contestant out of the performance and there will be no fine.
2. No one can draw out a contestant other than the contestant himself.

## **DOCTOR RELEASES**

1. If contestant is injured or sick and unable to compete, a signed release from the attending physician must be sent to the association office within 7 days of the injury.
2. Contestants with Doctor Releases must notify the rodeo or association secretary that he is unable to compete in the rodeos he has entered.
3. There will be no fees or fines due in the case of a valid medical release. The association may, at any time, check the validity of Doctor releases.
4. If Doctor release proves false, a \$250 fine will be imposed.
5. If contestant is unable to compete at any rodeo because of sickness or injury, and he has already paid his entry fees, his entry fee may be refunded if the event director and the judges approve this action.
6. A contestant will not be allowed to compete at any rodeo for 7 days after he has turned in a Doctor's release excusing him from paying entry fees or fines at another ICA rodeo. Entering and competing illegally will mean an automatic fine of \$25 for the first offense. Second offense will be fined at discretion of the Board.
7. No rodeo that completes its contract shall be responsible for returning a contestant's entry fee if he has contested in an event once during the rodeo. If contestant is entered in other events in which he is unable to contest, the entry fees for those events will be returned.
8. If, in the opinion of the judges, a contestant is unable to compete in a particular event because of injury, he may withdraw but this does not prevent him from competing in other events in which he is entered.

## **VETERINARY RELEASES**

1. Veterinary releases are valid to get barrel racers drawn out of rodeos. They will not release ropers or doggers. The association may at any time check the validity of vet releases.
2. If a vet release proves false a \$250 fine will be imposed.

3. A contestant who vet releases in the barrel racing shall not be eligible to compete in the barrel racing for 7 days beginning with the first performance the release is used. Any contestant competing sooner than the 7 day restriction will be subject to a \$100 fine and a 2 day suspension. She may, however continue to enter events that have entry closing during this time. It will be the contestant's responsibility to notify the ICA office of rodeos already entered so that she will be drawn out.
4. A contestant is allowed 4 vet releases per year (prime rodeos). Contestants must notify local secretary prior to the performance they are scheduled to compete in. If the secretary is not notified it will be considered a non-notified turnout.

### **APPLICATION AND APPROVAL OF RODEOS**

1. All rodeos must submit their prize money and entry fees to the Association office for approval by the Board of Directors.
2. The ICA shall not approve any rodeo that limits the number of timed event entries.
3. Any rodeo with ground rules contradictory to or in addition to Association rules must submit such rules to the Association for approval no less than 45 days prior to first performance.
4. Applications for approval must be submitted at least thirty days prior to the rodeo.
5. It is recommended that those rodeos seeking co-approvals from other associations (NPRA, WPRA) submit their approval forms to the ICA office no less than 60 days prior to their performances to allow adequate time for publication.
6. Permits will be honored at all rodeos.
7. The Association's secretary, upon approval, shall supply the committee with a list of qualified judges and timers.
8. If an All-Around Award is to be given, it must be stated on the application for approval, including how it will be awarded and advertised as such.
9. The Association may approve a rodeo outside the state of Idaho. If the Association solely approves the rodeo in another state, it shall be governed by the rules of the ICA.
10. The Association will honor membership cards from any other association if they do likewise and the Board of Directors so rule.
11. To be approved, any rodeo must have the (8) standard events listed on in rule I.A.2. with the exception of specific circumstances as approved by the board.
12. The submitting committee must approve any changes made to the terms of an ICA rodeo approval form. This includes any changes made by the contractor, ICA Board or Central Entry.
13. An ICA approved rodeo must have 2 pick-up men and 2 bullfighters that are ICA members in good standing. Those in non-compliance are

subject to a fine.

14. To be an ICA prime or co-approved rodeo all standard events must have a minimum of \$200 added money and equal added money in team roping.
15. At ICA prime rodeos, slack will not be scheduled after late afternoon or night performances without adequate lighting providing equal and fair opportunities to all contestants.

### **PERFORMANCE SET-UPS**

1. In multiple approved rodeos, all Association cards of the approving associations will be honored.
2. At ICA prime rodeos, the order of priority for performance set-ups will be 1. ICA Members, 2. Co-approving association members, 3. ICA Permit holders, 4. hometown contestants, 5. Co-approving association permit holders.
3. In Bull Riding, the order of priority will be 1. ICA cardholders in the top 10 of standings 2. Other ICA members, 3. Co-approving Association members, 4. ICA permit holders, 5. Hometown contestants and co-approving Association permit holders.
4. In bull riding only, a top 10 qualifier going into the new season has priority to bump any other bull rider for his preferred performance if he calls in during the time allotted for bull riding entries. (1994)
5. No alternates can be taken in the bull riding once the stock has been drawn. (1994)
6. Minimum number of Contestants. There shall be a minimum of 8 contestants for each performance in all events where slack is run, unless otherwise approved by the Board of Directors. If a rodeo does not have enough entries (8) to fill the performances in an event, the rodeo committee shall be notified by the entry office at the time the entries have closed. The rodeo committee will then have the option, before call backs to declare that the event will have 2 go-rounds in order to fill the performances. Entry fees and other charges will be doubled in events that have 2 go-rounds. Prize money will be divided by three and paid out for each go-round and the average. All prize money paid out will be counted in the year end standings. Stock must be drawn so contestants do not compete on the same animal in both go-rounds. A parameter of "out if 2" may be given at time of entry.
7. Contestants may make trades to accommodate set-ups at other ICA approved rodeos according to the guidelines to be set forth by the ICA judging director and approved by the ICA board.

### **ENTRY FEES**

1. Entry fees will be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.
2. Entry fees shall be scaled to added money as follows:

Added money Fees

\$100 - \$350 \$50

\$351-\$500 \$65

\$501-\$1000 \$80

\$1001-up \$100

Team roping will be as follows:

\$100-\$350 \$65

\$351-\$500 \$80

\$501-up \$100

1. Entry fees charged at the Finals Rodeo will be \$10 for every \$100 of added money. (1998)

### **RODEO ENTRY BY CENTRAL ENTRY SYSTEM**

1. All ICA Prime rodeos will use the ICA Central Entry system.
2. The entry dates and times will be listed in the association newsletter.
3. During advertised hours, call Central Entry and give them the following information:
  1. Name
  2. Card or permit number. (It is your responsibility to see that the number or numbers you give is correct.)
  3. Rodeo and events you want to enter.
  4. Your preferences when you want to be up.
  5. You must give two valid preferences before you can give an "out".
  6. You can give slack as a preference.
  7. Can give draw out parameter - if you cannot be up at a certain time you may say "draw out". If you don't get your preference you will be taken out of the rodeo.
  8. Names of buddies if you wish to buddy.
    1. Contestants may buddy up to a maximum of four (4) people. (This includes team ropers.)
    2. Bull riders cannot buddy outside of their event.
    3. The buddy system guarantees you someone to travel with but there must be room for all of you in your preferred performance in order to get your preference. If there is not room for all, then all of you will be placed somewhere else.
  9. Multi-eventers get all their events on the same day.
  10. If a multi-rodeo weekend, give information for all rodeos.
4. When entering other contestants, you must have their card numbers.
5. Central Entry will give a date and time to call back to see when you are up.
6. After entries close, all entries are drawn randomly by the computer and listed in the order drawn.
7. Next, going down the random lists, the contestants are set up at the rodeo according to their preference as much as possible.
8. If there are two or more rodeos in the same weekend, they can be done individually or "traded out". If traded out, the contestant who

cannot be given preference will be traded so that they can make both/all rodeos.

9. Because there is no advantage to being the first one entered, you may call anytime during the entry hours that are convenient for you.
10. If your name is placed on a waiting list when entering a rodeo, it is your responsibility to call back and see if you are entered. If you do not call back and you have entered, you will owe the entry fee plus the turnout fine.
11. Late entries called in after callbacks will be taken to fill performances and only for the benefit of the rodeo.
12. Bull riders are limited to 3 entries per phone call. If at central entry the entries for 3 rodeos all open at the same time, a contestant may enter himself (only) in all three rodeos with the same phone call, thus comprising his 3 entries. (1994)
13. If a contestant shows up to compete at a rodeo under the assumption that they are entered for that performance or slack and are not listed on the entry list provided by Central Entry the following procedure will be followed:
14. Try to contact Central Entry to verify if the contestant is entered.
15. If the Central Entry office is closed and the contestant is certain they are entered for that day, contestant will post a \$100 bond and any money the contestant might win will be held until Central Entry can be contacted to verify if there was a mistake made by central entry. If Central Entry made the mistake, the \$100 bond will be returned to the contestant and any money won will be paid. If central entry was correct and the contestant was wrong, the contestant will lose his \$100 bond, his entry fees and will not be paid any money won. The \$100 bond will be put in the ICA General account.

#### **PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES**

1. If requested, permit holders and local entries must pay cash, money order, or certified check by time first head of stock is drawn or be drawn out of the rodeo by the secretary.
2. All contestants must pay their entry fees before contesting.
3. Contestants shall pay in addition to their event fees, \$3.00 for judges/timers (per event), \$3.00 (per rodeo) to be used for added money at the finals, \$5 per entry for a committee fee, and a central entry charge.
4. Contestants entering a rodeo without being a member of ICA, ProWest, NPRA or IMPRA must pay their entry fees at time of entry with a visa or debit card.

#### **CONTESTANT PASSES**

1. Each contestant and contract person will receive, upon his payment of entry fees, an extra free seat and/or gate pass for the performance he is up.

2. If the management provides seats for contestants and family, the ICA will insist that such seats be utilized.
3. ICA Gold Card members should receive one pass to an ICA rodeo.

### **REQUIREMENTS OF CONTESTANTS**

1. Contestants in the arena must not interfere with the vision of the spectators.
2. Contestants cannot compete before or after their event is scheduled. The only exception would be with rerides and reruns.
3. Contestant can compete no later than the end of the section he or she is scheduled to compete in by the program and, under most circumstances stock should not be held after the last section of that event.
4. Slack will not be considered as part of the performance.
5. A \$5.00 committee charge will be assessed per entry at every ICA prime rodeo to help committees meet their expenses.
6. Contestant not Ready to Perform: Contestants name must be called by the announcer at least 1 time before their stock is turned out. In any event, a contestant not ready when called during a performance or section of slack will be fined \$25 for the first offense; \$50 for the second offense; and \$100 for the third and subsequent offenses, and/or may be disqualified from the rodeo where the offense is committed.
7. All entry fees must be paid before contestant competes in event, unless prior arrangements have been made with the rodeo secretary. If contestant competes and fees are not paid, a \$100 fine will be assessed.

### **ARENA REGULATIONS**

1. No unauthorized person shall be allowed in the arena during a rodeo performance.
2. The management assumes no responsibility or liability for injury or damage to the person, property or stock of any owner, contestant or assistant. Each participant by the act of his entry waives all claims against the management for injuries he or his property may sustain.
3. The management of each ICA approved rodeo shall be required to provide an ambulance and adequate first-aid facilities for all performances and contesting incident, including slack.
4. The management will be required to provide a slip to remove any animal hurt during a performance and slack.

### **DUTIES OF RODEO SECRETARIES**

Individuals with no experience as an ICA secretary must shadow an experienced secretary at a minimum of 2 ICA approved rodeos prior to doing an ICA rodeo unassisted by an experienced secretary. (2008)

1. Rodeo secretary shall report to the association the names of members

- not paying fees and the amount of unpaid fees.
2. Rodeo secretaries shall send all prize money checks which a contestant fails to pick it up or has not specified where he wants money sent to the ICA office the first business day following the final performance.
  3. The ICA will guarantee payment of NSF checks only for current cardholders of the association.
    1. The ICA will not make NSF entry fee checks good unless presented to the ICA office within 30 days after the check is written.
  4. The draw (including rerides) at all rodeos shall be posted where the contestants can examine it.
    1. When posting the draw in the rough stock, the animal numbers must be posted as well as the animal name.
  5. When a rodeo has slack, the events must run in the same order as in the performance.
  6. The secretary will collect a timers/judges fee from each contestant, in addition to his entry fees, \$3.00 per event or time he is entered. The fee shall be divided in the following manner: 60% to the judges and 40% to the timers.
    1. In the case of judges, this 60% shall be used to help meet the \$125 per performance minimum which the judge should be paid.
  7. The secretary shall also collect in addition to entry fees and judge/timers fees, \$3.00 from each contestant. This will be sent to the ICA office to be used for the added money for the finals.
  8. No one can alter or change anything on the secretary/judges books without the approval of the judges. If a change has been made without such approval from judges, the ICA Board of Directors shall fine the person(s) involved.
    1. Changes and corrections must be initialed by the judges overseeing the change.
  9. Fines relating to infractions of ground rules at rodeos.

#### **REPORTING OF RESULTS BY SECRETARIES**

1. Rodeo secretaries are required to prepare a result sheet showing all winners and amounts won, in addition to number of entries in each event. This result sheet, timer's sheets and judges sheets shall be mailed to the ICA office on the first business day following the last performance.
2. It is the secretary's responsibility to see that the draw, markings and times from each performance and slack are posted prior to the next performance for contestants to see.
3. It is the responsibility of the secretary to see that both the hand and eye times in the barrel racing are recorded and posted.

## **JUDGES AND TIMERS**

To be eligible to judge an ICA rodeo, the judge must meet the following requirements:

- a) Must attend and successfully complete an approved judges clinic
- b) Must have at least 2 years prior experience judging High School rodeo, College rodeo, Jr. rodeo, or at least one year of experience judging in another association (NPRA, ProWest, IMPRA, NRA). In lieu of experience requirement a prospective judge should have been a verifiable contestant for 5 years and must meet all other judging requirements.
- c) Have a written recommendation of the ICA Judges director.
- d) New judges must shadow an experienced judge at no less than two rodeos before being approved to judge a rodeo. Shadowing requirement could be waived with board approval and on recommendation of judging director.
  1. All judges and flagmen must be association members in good standing.
  2. Judges who meet ICA requirements will be paid a minimum of \$125 per performance. Judges will be paid for slack as follows: \$1/judge per actual run with a \$50 minimum. In the team roping a team will count as 1 contestant.
  3. All ICA Prime rodeos must have at least 1 timer who is a current ICA timer's cardholder. ICA Timers cardholders must attend and successfully complete an ICA approved timers clinic at least bi-annually.
  4. ICA Timers will be paid a minimum of \$75 per performance. Timers will be paid for slack as follows: 0.50 per actual run per timer with a \$25 minimum.
  5. Two handheld digital watches must be used in the timed events. Official time will be the average of the two times. In tie-down roping, team roping, and steer wrestling, timers will time to the 10ths and not 100ths or 1000ths. Timers are to drop the last digits on their watches and not round up or down on those digits. If one of the 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.
  6. In breakaway roping, timers are to time to 10ths.
  7. In barrel racing, when a hand held flag is used, times should be read to 10ths. See additional rules under WOMEN'S BARREL RACING.
  8. Timers and judges for a rodeo may not be changed after the first performance except for sickness of injury, by request of an ICA official because of timer or judge's incompetence, or through agreement of stock contractor, rodeo committee and association officials.
  9. Any member blacklisted shall not judge a rodeo for the period of one year unless authorized by action of the board of directors.
  10. A judge shall attempt to be present when stock is drawn.

11. A judge shall not ride in one event and judge another riding event.
12. The rodeo committees working in cooperation with the ICA Board of Directors shall select the judges from those that are cardholders in good standing and have annually attended a judge's school.
  1. All of the judges and timers must be approved by the ICA Board of Directors.
13. The ICA judging director will assist the committees in selecting ICA approved judges for each ICA prime rodeo.
14. No judge shall judge more than two consecutive rodeos for the same producer without approval of ICA Board of Directors.
15. During the slack only, the secretary, under the direction and instruction of the judges, may draw the timed event stock.
16. Line judge may compete in a timed event provided he has a qualified person watch the line for him while doing so.
17. Judges are required to carry a red, yellow or orange flag at all times. At moment contestant is disqualified or penalized, the judge is to drop the flag signifying disqualification or penalty.
18. Judges that have attended an approved judging clinic and have judged a few ICA rodeos but still lack the experience necessary, will be used at prime rodeos within the Treasure Valley, at the discretion of the Judging Director. These individuals will be paid \$40 per performance by the ICA. Duties will include: running the watch in bucking horse events, watching for fouls and disqualifications in all three riding events; watching the barrier and writing down penalties and times; flagging the barrel race or being the pattern judge; helping with the draw in the timed events; watching the off side in the breakaway roping for illegal head catches; and other duties that the senior judge may assign.

## **PAY-OFFS AND AWARDS**

### **YEAR-END AWARDS**

1. In the standings, contestants shall receive one point for every dollar won.
2. ICA event champions will be the contestants who accumulate the most points in any event over the rodeo season.
3. To be eligible for year-end awards, contestants must have been entered and competed in 40% of all ICA prime rodeos.
4. ICA all around champion will be that contestant who wins the most points in two or more events over the rodeo season.
  1. In enter twice team roping, if a contestant places twice at the same rodeo, only the highest amount won with one partner will count toward the ICA All Around standings for the year.

### **PAYOFFS**

1. Prize money shall be considered as the purse and entry fees totaled.
2. Added money shall be divided equally in each major event unless the

- Board of Directors approves otherwise.
3. If there is ground money to be paid in any event, it shall be split evenly among all qualifiers and paid to them. (1993)
  4. Contestant must compete on every head of stock drawn for him in an event to place in the average.
  5. All rodeos approved solely by the ICA shall withhold a four percent (4%) assessment. If jointly approved with another association, 3% shall go to the association whose rules govern and 1% to the other association. Triple approved rodeos shall have a 5% assessment with 3% to the association whose rules govern and 1% to each of the other associations. These assessments are to be withheld from total pay-off (added money included) before computing any pay-offs.
  6. If a committee desires a final ride-off in any event, the money is to be added separately and paid off as follows:
    7. \$100 or less: winner takes all
    8. Over \$100: two monies paid: split 60% - 40%
    9. All money won in a finals ride-off will count toward year-end awards.
  10. Prize money will be awarded to contestants in Bareback, saddle bronc, bull riding, Tie down roping, breakaway and barrel racking as follows:

**Dollars after percent is deducted.**

0 - \$300 Pay 2 places

First 60%

Second 40%

\$301 - \$750 Pay 3 places

First 50%

Second 30%

Third 20%

\$751 - \$900 Pay 4 places

First 40%

Second 30%

Third 20%

Fourth 10%

\$901 - \$1400 Pay 5 places

First 35%

Second 27%

Third 19%

Fourth 12%

Fifth 7%

\$1401 - \$3000 Pay 6 places

First 29%

Second 24%

Third 19%

Fourth 14%

Fifth 9%  
Sixth 5%  
\$3001 and up Pay 8 places  
First 23%  
Second 20%  
Third 17%  
Fourth 14%  
Fifth 11%  
Sixth 8%  
Seventh 5%  
Eighth 2%

In the team roping and Steer Wrestling pay as follows:

0-\$500 pay 2 places 60/40  
\$501-\$1000 pay 3 places 50/30/20  
\$1001-2000 pay 4 places 40/30/20/10  
\$2001-3000 pay 5 places 35/27/19/12/7  
\$3001-\$3500 pay 6 places 29/24/19/14/9/5  
\$3501-5000 pay 8 places 23/20/17/14/11/8/5/2  
\$5001-up pay 10 places 19/17/15/13/11/9/7/5/3/1

1. Payoff to include all entry fees available to the secretary, in addition to those for NOTIFIED TURNOUTS of cardholders (only) regardless of whether or not the contestant has actually competed.
2. The ICA office will reimburse the rodeo secretary for fees on Notified Turnouts of cardholders only. Non-Notified turnouts are not to be included in the payoff.

## **FINALS RODEO**

### **Selection of Contestants**

1. The top fifteen money winners in each event in the overall ICA standings will be eligible to compete at the Finals rodeo. If any person in the top fifteen will be unable to compete, the numerical standings will be used to fill any positions.
2. The Board of Directors reserves the right to change the number of contestants going to the finals if it deems necessary.

### **Selection of Personnel**

1. The ICA Board of Directors is the Committee for the Finals and the selection of the judges, stock, and all other rodeo personnel will be at the discretion the Board and of the specific event directors. Pickup men, bull fighters and announcers must have done 2 prime rodeos in that year to be eligible to work the ICA Finals.
2. Timers for the finals must have an ICA card and timed at least one ICA approved rodeo while having that card. (During that current rodeo season.)
3. Payment received by all finals personnel to be based on contractual agreement with the ICA.

4. Dates and location of the Finals are to be decided by the Board of Directors.

### **STOCK SELECTION FOR THE FINALS RODEO**

1. All timed event cattle and rough stock animals for the finals rodeo will be selected from ICA producers and have been run at least twice at an ICA approved rodeo. (Co-approved rodeos qualify). It will be the event director's responsibility to select the timed event stock for the finals. If there are no ICA producers with enough desirable animals for the finals, cattle from different ICA producers may be split to make an even pen if possible. If a contractor is leasing stock from a subcontractor and the stock have appeared at least 2 times at an ICA approved rodeo that stock will be eligible for the Finals.
2. At least 3 weeks prior to the Finals rodeo all ICA stock contractors must have submitted a list of all animals that they would like to have considered for the Finals rodeo. Included with the list of their stock they should nominate pick-up men and bull fighters to be considered for the Finals. A list of all stock nominated by contractors will be compiled. This list will be mailed out to the top 20 contestants in each event. This list should be mailed out at least 2 weeks prior to the Finals rodeo. During entries for the Finals each contestant will be asked to vote for the number of animals required for that event. Votes will also be taken at that time for pickup men, judges and bullfighters. The event director in coordination with the ICA secretary will go through the list to set priority to the list based on the number of votes for each animal. The stock with the most votes will be the stock for the Finals. It will be the event director's responsibility to contact the contractors with stock that needs to be brought to the Finals.
3. Stock for the Novice events will be voted on by the novice Finals contestants voting for a "pen" of stock per event rather than the individual animals.

### **DRAWING ROUGH STOCK**

1. In all events, stock shall not be drawn for a contestant if he has notified that he is turning out, or has been disqualified.
2. The drawing for riding events by the judges must be open to any contestant to witness. A complete go around must be drawn at one time in any riding event.
3. In the three riding events (bareback, saddle bronc, and bull riding) two (2) reride animals for each performance and each slack session will be drawn in the prescribed manner. The stock contractor is allowed to feature two animals in each performance or slack session that will be exempt from the rerides. The remaining animals will be put in a hat and two (2) animals per performance or slack session will be drawn as the designated reride animals for each specific

performance or slack.

1. Stock for rerides must be drawn before the regular draw.
2. The two (2) reride animals in each event will be given to the rodeo secretary.
4. If an animal runs off three consecutive times, it must be taken out of the draw.

#### **DRAWING TIMED EVENT STOCK**

1. Stock in the timed events shall be drawn by the judges of that event approximately two hours before the performance, on the rodeo grounds. Sick or injured timed event cattle should be replaced by extras providing they have been run equal number of times.
2. In case stock is sick, crippled, or already shipped, replacement will be drawn from re-run animals.
3. In timed events, no drawn stock can be held over from one performance to the next or overnight.
4. In all events, stock will not be drawn for a contestant if he has notified that he is turning out in that go-round, or has been disqualified.
5. When calves are not fresh, reruns will always be drawn from the whole herd used in the draw, not from those calves that are missed. When calves are fresh, reruns will be drawn from missed calves when reruns amount to less than 10% of the ropers entered at that rodeo. These reruns will be drawn from calves on which there is no time for that go-round up to the performance that ends the go-round, provided there are enough of these calves.
6. In timed events, stock will not be drawn except one run at a time.
7. All cattle in the draw will be run one time before any cattle will be run twice. When due to a split performance, this procedure becomes impossible the draw will include cattle remaining that have been run the least number of times. Immediately after a split performance, the draw will revert to the cattle that have been run the least number of times. In case of reruns, all the cattle in the draw will be run one time before being run twice, etc. Any animal drawn and not competed on shall be used for the first extra.
8. At enter twice Team Roping, stock may be chute run. Enter once Team Roping stock must and will be drawn.
9. In tie-down roping, steer wrestling, breakaway roping and Team roping the minimum number of useable and desirable cattle shall be 25% of the total number of contestants, entered in current year's rodeo, or the number of contestants in the largest performance, plus 1, whichever is greater. For each calf or steer the contractor is short, there will be fines as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> offense \$50 per head short, 2<sup>nd</sup> offense \$100 per head short, 3<sup>rd</sup> offense \$200 per head short, with the fines doubling with each subsequent violation.
  1. Definition of desirable cattle is as follows: must meet with all

- weight and horn limitations, must be of like or similar breed.
2. There will be no more than 3 runs per day on a single calf or steer, and no calf or steer may run more than once in a performance.

### **MISDRAWS**

1. If more than three (3) head are misdraws use the following procedure:
2. All stock shall be put back in the draw box and all redrawn.
3. If three (3) head or less are misdrawn use the following procedure:
4. First, place misdrawn stock numbers in draw box and draw positions for then (1st, 2nd, 3rd). Then place all the remainder of the stock numbers in draw box then draw stock for first contestant on the list that had a misdraw. He keeps that number and the contestant who had that number takes first number of stock on misdraw list. Continue until all misdraws are complete.
5. In case the number of stock is not equal to the number of contestants up in that draw, stock will be drawn to match number of contestants.
6. In case a misdraw is discovered after the start of a paid performance:
  1. If an extra(s) is available the contestant involved will automatically be assigned the extra, regardless of a possible difference in runs on the cattle.
  2. If no extra is available the contestant involved will not compete as scheduled, but later in the performance or immediately after. A replacement animal will be drawn from all animals left in the run.

### **JUDGING (ROUGH STOCK)**

1. Ride and animal are to be marked separately. Mark the ride according to how much the rider spurs the animal. Figures used in marking the riding events shall range from (1) one to (25) twenty-five on both bucking animals and rider, and use the full spread.
2. Judges in the riding events at all ICA rodeos will hand in their markings at end of each performance and these shall be termed official markings and these markings shall not be changed.
3. All markings on judge's cards are to be made in ink.
  1. To qualify, rider must have spurs over or in front of the break of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's front feet hit the ground, his initial move out of the chute.
  2. If a horse stalls coming out of the chute, either judge shall tell rider to take his feet out of the horse's neck and first jump qualification will then be waived.
  3. Stall is defined as when chute gate is at a ninety-degree angle and animal does not leave the chute immediately.
4. Rider shall be disqualified for not following judge's instructions to take feet from neck of horse stalled in chute.

5. If in the opinion of the judges, rider is fouled at the gate, at the judge's discretion, a reride may be given or the spurring-out rule may be waived.
6. Contestants may pull riggings, cinch saddles, and pull ropes from either side in all riding events. Middle flank belongs to bronc rider.
7. If an animal that is drawn in a riding event becomes sick or crippled before it is out that time, a judge must pass on the animal's inability to be used before it can be shipped or replaced in the draw.
8. One judge on the opening side of the gate shall serve as timer in the bull riding event. The judge's stopwatch reading shall be used as a means of verification when the length of the qualified ride is in question. The judge shall stop his watch when, in his opinion, the contestant has been disqualified for any reason, or when he hears the whistle or horn, whichever comes first. In any instance where the time is eight (8) or more seconds on the judge's watch, the contestant shall be entitled to a marking without penalty.
9. Judges will start time when animal's front feet hit ground on first initial move out of chute or when the inside shoulder breaks the plane.
10. Judges are to furnish and have their own stopwatches.

## **RERIDES**

1. Rerides will be given at the discretion of a judge. Reasons for possible rerides are as follows: if an animal stops, fouls rider, stock contractor's equipment fails, or performance of animal is inferior. Contestants may take same animal back, providing stock contractor is willing; or contestant may demand a reride animal be drawn. If contestant takes same animal back, he must take that marking. The only exception will be if contestant is fouled or there is an equipment failure.
2. If the pickup man or horse comes in contact with a bucking horse before qualified time has elapsed, reride will be given on the same animal, if stock contractor is not willing, reride will be drawn.
3. If reride is given, judge shall inform contestant of his marking and an option of a reride. Contestant may refuse reride and take marking. Contestant must notify judge immediately of his decision to accept or reject the option.
4. Contestants shall not influence the judges by asking for reride at anytime.
5. If an animal that runs off is already drawn for another contestant, that contestant must qualify on that animal before reride is given.
6. If, in the opinion of the stock contractor and judges, an animal needs to be taken out of the draw, the second contestant who had him drawn will automatically get the designated reride.
7. If, in the opinion of the judges, a rider makes two (2) honest efforts to get out on a chute-fighting animal and is unable to do so, the may

- have a reride drawn for him.
8. No reride will be given if a cowboy's own equipment breaks. If stock contractor's equipment breaks, a contestant may have a reride.
  9. In the case of riding-event stock injuries after the draw has been made, replacement stock should be the designated reride for the performance the injured animal was scheduled for competition. A replacement designated reride should be drawn immediately from notified turnouts for that performance. If there are not any turnouts, a reride should be drawn from all available animals. At the finals, reride animals should come from the same event they were voted for. (Example: A bareback horse cannot be used for saddle bronc reride.)
  10. If a riding-event animal stops after an initial start, and any outside help is used to start it again, contestant will not be required to qualify in order to be awarded a reride.
  11. In the riding events, use of prods and similar devices is prohibited. The only exceptions will be in the saddle bronc riding and in the bareback riding and only in the case of a known chute stalling animal, and only if agreed upon by the contestants, the stock contractor, and the judge before the contestant's competition begins. In this instance, the prod will not exceed 12 inches in length. Use of a prod without the agreement of the contestant, stock contractor, and the judge before the contestant's competition begins in the saddle bronc and the bareback riding, or use of a prod in the bull riding at any time shall result in a fine of \$250 to the contractor of record, and the contestant will receive an automatic option of a reride. Use of a prod in excess of 12 inches in length will result in a fine of \$100 charged to the stock contractor of record. After rerides and turnout stock have been spent, reride animals are to be drawn from available animals as per the contractor.

## **NOVICE EVENTS**

1. The ICA will encourage rodeos to have novice events in the bareback, saddle bronc and bull riding. Novice contestants cannot have won more than \$500 in open ICA rough stock events. Membership is not mandatory, but is necessary to be eligible for year-end awards.
2. Entry fees for novice events will be \$20 in the purse. In addition novice entries will pay the other associated fees as in other events (Finals Fund, Judges fee, Central entry fee, and committee charge).
3. Rough stock for the Novice events will be drawn for as in all ICA events.
4. All novice events will be governed by the ICA rulebook. Membership fees and entry fees will follow the scales established for the novice events.

## **TIMED EVENTS**

### **Barrier Regulations**

1. Ten-foot (10') tape must be on hand for the barrier judge. Height of

barrier in timed event shall be from thirty-two to thirty-six inches (32"-36"), measured at the center of the box. Knot behind pulley is required on all barriers.

2. Barrier judge is responsible to change barrier string whenever it may have been weakened, or on request of the next contestant.
3. Barrier judge shall keep a record of the length of the barrier trip rope each performance to assure the same start for the contestants each performance. Adjusting length of barrier trip rope will be accomplished only by tying knots in the rope on either end.
4. Ten-second (10) penalty will be added for breaking or beating the barrier. In timed events, a barrier will not be considered broken unless ring drops within ten feet (10) of post.
5. The 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 designated breaking point, decision is up to the barrier judge. If contestant obviously beats the barrier, but the staples are pulled or barrier rope is broken and string unbroken, barrier judge may assess a ten-second (10) penalty. Otherwise, this will not be considered a broken barrier.
6. Line judge may assess a 10 second penalty, if he feels barrier was obviously beaten whether or not barrier works.
7. If barrier flagman is used, animal to be flagged when animal's nose crosses starting line, or deadline in front of flagmen.
8. Barrier judge shall be sure that nobody can stand close enough to barrier or barrier equipment to tamper with same.
9. Once score has been set in timed event, it will not be changed at the rodeo, nor can length of box be changed.
10. In order for time to be considered official, barrier flag must operate.
11. If automatic barrier does not work but time is recorded, contestant or team will get time, but there will be no penalty for broken barrier, providing judges rule barrier was not beaten.
12. If automatic barrier fails to work and official time has not started, contestant or team will get stock back if stock is qualified on in the field.
13. If in the opinion of the line judge, contestant is fouled by barrier, ropers shall get their calf or steer back providing contestant declares himself by pulling up immediately. If barrier is broken before contestant is fouled, contestant gets animal back lap and tap but with the ten (10) second penalty.
14. If barrier neck rope stays around the animal a rerun will be given, if the contestant declares immediately by pulling up.
15. The suggested length of the barrier in Tie-Down Roping, Breakaway roping and Team Roping will be the length of the box less two(2) feet. Any deviations determined by type of cattle and length of arena.
16. The length of the barrier in Steer Wrestling; the score may be no longer than the length of the box minus five and half feet (5.5) feet.

There will be a 7-foot minimum barrier.

17. All scoreline lengths are to be set by the judge and or arena director in accordance with official rodeo rules and arena conditions, unless otherwise approved at time of rodeo approval. In all cases, scoreline lengths of 18' or more must be approved at time of rodeo approval. Once the scoreline has been set it shall not be changed at that rodeo, nor shall the length of the box be changed.
18. When measuring the length of barrier ropes when rope pulls from the top of chute - this would be any time rope pulls from five (5) feet high on the chute or over - judge should make sure flag is up and pin in place. End of barrier rope, with neck rope attached, should come to a point (24) inches behind score line and (24) inches "up" from the ground in steer wrestling and team roping. It shall be measured (18) inches behind and (18) inches "up" in tie-down roping, and breakaway roping. Barrier string height should be (32) to (36) inches high, measured in the center.
19. The flag on the barrier must be on the barrier rope.
20. When measuring score where barrier rope pulls from side of chute or under 5' high with a top pull length of barrier rope attached, shall be 24 inches behind scoreline in steer wrestling and team roping and 18 inches behind the scoreline in tie-down roping.
21. At all one (1) go-round rodeos, the catch pen gate will be open in the tie-down roping, team roping and breakaway roping.

### **Reruns**

1. If animals are chute run and contestant is given a rerun, he will come back at the end of that run. If the stock has been drawn, contestant must take same animal over, during or immediately after the same performance.
2. In any timed event, if an animal escapes from the arena, flag will be dropped and watches stopped. Contestants will get animal back with lap and tap start, and time already spent will be added to time, used in qualifying. If time is not recorded, the decision of the flag judge shall be final.
  1. If rope is on animal, roper will get animal lap and tap with rope on in chute.
3. Field judge must ask contestants if they want a second loop or jump. Once a man has been flagged out, he will receive no stock back.
4. If time is not recorded when a field flagger flags out a contestant who has a second loop or jump coming, the contestant has the option of taking the animal back lap and tap, with a ten (10) seconds added to the new time.
5. During any performance if an animal in a timed event escapes the chutes or pens before it is called for by contestant, or if automatic barrier fails to work and stock is brought back, contestant must take same animal over, during or immediately after the same performance,

and that animal will be returned by the arena director and labor crew during, or at the end of that performance in the same manner, he was originally worked or brought to the pens.

1. At least several head of animals will be brought back together. No animal may be re-penned by himself. Decisions will be made by arena director about when stock is re-penned.

### **Liners**

1. Liners can be placed up to 25 ft. past the score line at the discretion of the judge. Once liners positions have been established they cannot change during any performance. Liners positions can be different in different events depending on the cattle.

### **Positions of barrier and flag judges**

1. Flag judge shall position himself for tie-down roping towards the end of the arena and off to the side allowing him to come toward the roper.
2. In steer wrestling and team roping field flagger shall place himself against the wall on the left hand side of the timed event box.
3. In breakaway roping, field flagger shall place himself approximately halfway down the arena on the side that the rope is tied on.
4. Line judge should stand on the same side of the chute that contestant is competing from.

### **Other**

1. If an animal that is drawn in a pen in a timed event becomes sick or crippled before it is out that time, a judge must pass on the animals inability to be used before it can be shipped or replaced in the draw.
2. It is the line judge's responsibility to see that each contestant competes on the correct stock. If contestant gets wrong stock, the stock should be brought back for the correct contestant.
3. Within the confines of the timed-event box, it is the privilege of a contestant to dismiss someone from the box or have up to three (3) persons in the box for assistance. He may instruct the judge to either remove or allow other people in the box.
4. The man pushing the cattle in the timed events cannot leave the front of the chute until the animal has crossed the scoreline. If this occurs, the contestant will be fined \$25.
5. In roping events, a dropped rope that must be recoiled to be rebuilt is considered a thrown rope.
6. Neck ropes must be tied with string. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck rope in timed events. Adjustable slides shall be used on all neck ropes for cattle used in the timed events.
7. Animals belong to contestant when he calls for him, regardless of what happens, except in cases of mechanical failure. If contestant accepts animal, he accepts it as sound. Contestants will not be

required to compete on a crippled animal or on an animal with a broken horn. Animals should be inspected and objectionable ones eliminated.

8. There shall be two (2) timers, a barrier judge and a field flag judge. Time to be taken between two flags.
9. In order to protect the contestant's horse, the back and the side opposite the timed event chute of timed event boxes shall either have a lower rail which is no less than 3 feet above ground level and have no obstruction in the area from ground level up to the lower rail or be lined from ground level up to 3 ft. high with box pads. It is the responsibility of the general contractor to supply the box pads if the box does not meet the requirements.

### **Changes in roping order**

1. If splitting horses is necessary and contestant wishes to request a change in the performance competition order, such a request must be made to the rodeo judges at least 1 hour before the performance. Contestants can only be moved far enough to accommodate the split of a horse.
2. In all sections of the timed events, the original position must be maintained, unless contestants are riding the same horse and their positions must be split. In such case, the first contestant drawn for a position not riding this horse will be moved up to the position to be split, unless the judges authorize a further split because of arena conditions.
3. Neither timers, barrier judges, field judges nor riding judge may be changed during the course of the rodeo except in the case of sickness or by request of an ICA official in agreement with stock contractor and rodeo committee.
4. The decisions of any judges, flagman, or timers will be final and no protest by contestants will be permitted.
5. During any performance at any ICA Sanctioned Rodeo, if a contestant is not physically on hand and ready to compete when they are designated, he will be Turned Out.
6. If an animal is to be competed on more than once it must be competed on by the first contestant, before it is competed on again.
7. Timed event livestock shall be pulled off of feed and water 2 hours prior to a performance or slack.
8. a. All timed event livestock shall be run through chute at least one time prior to first performance. Fresh livestock shall be run through chute at least twice prior to first performance. Fresh calves must be tied prior to first performance, at first rodeo.
9. b. Any variation from the conditions set forth herein must be approved before the rodeo by the event directors or their assigned representative.

## **BAREBACK RIDING**

1. Riding to be done with one-handed rigging.
2. Rigging shall not be less than ten inches (10") in width at hand hold and not over six inches (6") at the "D" ring. Latigo cannot be blocked in "D" ring. Riggings will use a standard "D" ring to be set to sit flat on horse's back when cinched.
3. Rider may have a single layer of leather, not to be skived, under handhold, which will extend at least one inch (1") on both sides of the center of the handhold. It shall be glued down.
4. No fiberglass or metal in riggings or handhold. Only leather or rawhide allowed for handhold. Flat-head rivets and/or screws, and "t" nuts allowed to secure handhold; only other metal allowed will be the "D" -rings.
5. Cinches on bareback riggings shall be made of mohair and shall be at least eight inches (8") in width at the center, but it may be tapered to accommodate cinch-"D" or -rings.
6. Required bareback pads are to completely cover the underside of the rigging and are to extend a full two inches (2") behind the rigging.
7. Pads used under rigging must be leather-covered on both sides. If they are hair pads, they must be at least one inch (1") thick; and a foam pad, at least one-and-one quarter inches (1 1/4") thick.
8. In addition to the pad, a piece of leather a minimum of one-eighth inch (1/8") thick and four inches (4") square must be glued or sewed to the pad, and centered in comparison to the total body length of the rigging. This piece of leather shall be placed so that one-half (1/2") inch of it extends behind the rigging and the remaining two inches (2") are under the rigging.
9. Stock contractors will have the right to have judges pass on whether riggings are objectionable. Judges are to decide on all riggings and pads.
10. Rider's glove will be a plain glove with no flaps, rolls, wedges or gimmicks.
11. A palm piece may be used in glove, which will be at least one inch (1") wide and three inches (3") long, and will be glued in.
12. There will be no adhesive material other than dry resin used on rigging or on rider's glove. Benzoin may be used.
  1. A fine of \$25 will be assessed to any bareback rider who hangs up due to circumstances under his control. This will be left up to the discretion of the judges.
13. Rider may be given a reride on same horse if flank comes off or breaks, provided he completes qualified ride up to the point when the flank came off. Rerides will be decided by the judges.
14. Any of the following offenses will disqualify a rider:
  1. Riding with rowels too sharp, or locked in the opinion of the judges.
  2. Being bucked off.

3. Touching animal, equipment, or person with free hand. One arm must be free at all times.
4. Rigging comes off of horse, with or without breaking.
5. Not having spurs above the break of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's feet hit the ground in his initial move out of the chute.
6. Rider may not take any kind of finger tuck, finger wrap, or use finger tape. Violators will be disqualified and may also be subject to a fine.
7. Judges shall fine and/or disqualify a bareback rider who has been advised he is next to go, if he is not above the animal with his glove on when previous horse leaves the arena.
8. If, in the opinion of the pickup men and/or stock contractor a bareback rider is unable to free his hand from the rigging at any point after the eight-second (8) whistle, he shall be fined twenty-five dollars (\$25). The judges are required to report this offense.

### **SADDLE BRONC RIDING**

1. Riding to be done with saddle that complies with PRCA specifications listed below.
2. CONTEST Saddle Specifications
  1. Rigging: Three-quarter (3/4) double; front edge of "D" ring must pull not further back than directly below center of point of swell. Standard E-Z or ring type saddle "D" must be used, and cannot exceed five and three quarter inches (5 3/4") outside-width measurement.
  2. Swell Undercut: Not more that two inches (2"), one (1")inch on each side.
  3. Gullet: Not less than four inches (4") wide at center of fork of covered saddle.
  4. Tree: Saddles must be built on PRCA approved tree Specifications:
    3. Fork-Fourteen inches (14") wide
    4. Height-Nine inches (9") maximum
    5. Gullet-Five and three quarter inches (5 3/4") wide
    6. Cantle-Five inches (5") maximum height; fourteen inches (14") maximum width.
      1. Stirrup leathers must be hung over bars.
      2. Saddle should conform to the above measurements with a reasonable added thickness for leather covering.
      3. No freaks allowed
      4. Front cinch on bronc saddle shall be mohair, and shall be at least eight inches (8") in width at the center, but may be tapered to accommodate cinch "D" or -ring.
      5. Standard halter must be used, unless agreement is made by

- both contestant and stock contractor.
6. If stock contractor halter breaks, rider may have reride providing contestant has made a qualified ride up to the time the halter comes off.
  7. If contestant's halter breaks, no reride will be given.
  7. Riding rein and hand must be on same side.
  8. Horses to be saddled in chute. Rider may cinch own saddle. Saddles shall not be set too far ahead on horse's withers. Contractor or contestant has the right to call the judges to pass on whether or not horse is properly saddled and flanked to buck it's best. Middle flank belongs to rider, but contractor may have rider put flank behind curve of horse's belly. Flank cinch may be hobbled.
  9. If flank comes off, rider may have reride on same horse, providing rider has a qualified ride on the horse up to the point when the flank came off.
  10. If, in the opinion of the judges, a saddle bronc deliberately throws himself, the rider shall have the choice of the horse again or he may have a horse drawn for him from the reride horses.
  11. Any of the following offenses shall disqualify a rider:
    1. Changing hands on rein.
    2. Losing or dropping rein before eight-second (8) time limit.
    3. Wrapping rein around hand.
    4. Pulling leather.
    5. Losing stirrup.
    6. Touching animal, equipment, or person with free hand.
    7. Riding with locked rowels, or rowels that will lock on spurs.
    8. Not having spurs above the break of the horse's shoulders and touching horse when horse's front feet hit the ground in his initial move out of the chute.
  12. Dry resin may be used on chaps and saddle. Anyone using any other foreign substance shall be disqualified and declared ineligible for thirty (30) days; also subject to fine. (The judges will examine clothing, saddle, rein and spurs, and exceptions will be made if local rules make it necessary for the covering of spur rowels.)
  13. Judges will fine and/or disqualify a bronc rider who has been advised he is next to go, if he is not above the animal with his glove on, if used when previous horse leaves arena.

## **BULL RIDING**

1. Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold.
  1. No knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off bull when rider leaves him.
  2. Rope must have bell.
  3. Hooks or posts shall not be used on bull ropes.
  4. A ring may be used on a bull rope.

2. Riders who are knocked off at a chute or if bull falls, to be entitled to a reride at discretion of the judges.
3. A bull rider may have the option of a reride, or of accepting a marking if flank comes off the animal, provided the contestant has had a qualified ride up to the point when the flank came off. The reride may be given on the same animal, if the stock contractor is willing, or a reride animal if requested by the contestant.
4. The matter of rerides shall be decided by the judges, regardless of performance.
5. If rider makes qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.
6. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not bull is properly flanked to buck to the best of his ability.
7. Bell must be under belly of bull.
8. Rider not to use sharp spurs.
9. No more than two men may be on chute to pull contestants rope.
10. All bulls with horns must be tipped to the size of a .50 cent piece. Contractors will be fined \$100 for first offense on that animal.
  1. If horns are not tipped contestant can get a reride for that performance if he desires.
11. Rider will be disqualified for any of the following offenses:
  1. Touching the animal, equipment or person with free hand.
  2. Being bucked off.
  3. Using sharp spurs, or placing spurs or chaps under the rope when rope is being tightened.
  4. Not having a bell on bull rope.
  5. Judges will fine and/or disqualify a bull rider who has been advised he is next to go, if he is not above the animal when the previous bull leaves the arena.

### **TIE-DOWN ROPING**

1. 1. No Dragging of Calf. A neck rope must be used on the horse, and contestant must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent horse from dragging the calf. Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside. If the horse drags the calf at least five feet, field judge may stop the horse. The fine for unintentionally dragging a calf five feet but less than ten feet will be \$25. The fine for unintentionally dragging a calf ten feet or more shall be \$100. Intentionally dragging a calf, regardless of distance, will result in a \$250 fine for each offense, plus possible disqualification. Intentional shall be defined as caused by the contestant.
2. Rope must be tied hard and fast. Contestant must rope calf, dismount, go down rope and throw calf by hand and cross and tie any three feet.
3. To qualify as a legal tie, there shall be one or more wraps, and a half hitch.
4. If calf is down when roper reaches it, the calf must be let up to his

- feet and be thrown by hand. If roper's hand is on the calf when calf falls, calf is considered thrown by hand.
5. Roper must hold calf until roper gets hand on calf.
  6. Tie must hold and three legs remain crossed until passed on by the judge.
  7. Roper must not touch calf or the rope after giving finished signal until after judge has completed his examination.
  8. Roper will be disqualified for removing rope from calf after signaling for time, until the tie has been passed on by the field judge.
  9. The flagger will pass on tie of calves through use of a stopwatch, timing six (6) seconds from the time rope horse takes his first step forward after the roper has remounted.
  10. Rope will not be removed from calf and rope must remain slack until flagger has passed on tie. In the event a contestant's catch rope is off calf after completion of tie, flagger must watch calf during six (6) second period and will stop watch when a calf kicks free, using the time shown on the watch to determine whether calf was tied long enough to qualify.
  11. If tie comes loose, or calf gets to his feet before tie has been ruled a fair one, the roper will be marked "no time".
  12. Two (2) loops will be permitted catch-as-catch can and should the roper miss with both, he must retire and no time will be allowed. Roping calf without releasing loop from hand is not permitted. If roper intends to use two (2) loops, he must carry two (2) ropes and must use second rope for second loop.
  13. There will be a thirty-five second elapsed time in the tie-down roping. A whistle indicating no time shall be blown by the timer at the end of the 35-second span. Deviations must always be approved by the Tie-Down Director or designated representative.
  14. If after one go-round has been completed, fresh calf has to be used, the calf must be roped and tied before the drawing; but if extra calves have been tied at that rodeo, they will not be considered fresh.
  15. The weight limit of calf roping calves shall be no less than 200 pounds and no more than 280 pounds with fresh calves not to exceed a maximum of 260 pounds. Any deviations must be approved by the Tie-down event director or his duly appointed designee. There can be no more than 50-pound deviation in weight from the smallest to the largest calf in a given herd. If any individual calf does not meet the requirements, the Tie-down event director, judge, or the appointed designee has the right to remove (prior to establishment of the "herd") that calf from the herd for the duration of the rodeo, potentially subjecting the stock contractor to fine per head for being short of the required number of cattle. Each violation of undesirable calves will be subject to a \$50 fine per head.
  16. All Tie-down calves that do not have a record of being tied down at an ICA approved rodeo within two weeks of the performance will, at

the option of the judge, tie-down director or his duly appointed designee, be tied down at least 2 hours prior to the start of the rodeo. The tie down of these calves will be overseen by the judge of that rodeo, and or the tie-down director or his duly appointed designee. Calves tied down at a location other than the location of the rodeo will not be accepted unless approved by the tie-down director.

17. The length of horns on the tie down calves shall be no longer than 2 inches per side. If the stock contractor has cattle with 2" plus horns the judges or the tie-down director or his duly appointed designee will have the option of removing this animal from the draw. If this results in not having the proper amount of cattle for the draw, a \$25 per head fine will be assessed to the stock contractor.

### **STEER WRESTLING**

1. Bull doggers must advise the secretary, if possible, which horse he will ride so that back-to-back runs may be avoided. Secretary will have the authority to adjust the order to accomplish this.
2. Contestants must furnish own hazer and horses. Steer must be caught from horse. Only one hazer allowed.
3. If steer gets loose, dogger may take no more than one step to catch steer. After catching steer, wrestler must change direction or bring steer to a stop and twist down. If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown by wrestler putting animal's horn into the ground, it must be let up on all four feet and then thrown. Steer will be considered thrown only when it is lying flat on its side, or on its back with all four feet and head straight. Wrestler must have hand on steer when flagged. The fairness of catch and throw will be left up to the judges, and their decision shall be final.
4. Hazer must not render any assistance to contestant while contestant is working with steer. Failure to observe rule will disqualify contestant. Contestant and hazer must use the same two horses they leave chute with. Hazer will be disqualified for jumping at steer.
5. Any cattle that have been used cannot be held over from one year to the next for use in steer wrestling except by Board approval.
6. Fresh steers added to a bunch that have been used must be bulldogged from horseback and thrown down. It is the responsibility of steer wrestlers to throw cattle at a time mutually agreed upon with the stock contractor.
7. Ten-second (10) penalty shall be assessed in any case in which a flag judge rules that dogger's feet touch the ground before flag line is crossed.
8. If dogger misses or loses steer, flagman must ask dogger if he wishes another jump. Dogger must reply at once.
9. Cattle used in previous years for steer roping, cutting and other events shall not be used for steer wrestling.
  1. Contractors will be subject to \$100 fine per animal.

10. When fresh steers are used, any fresh steers not thrown down during competition will be thrown down at the completion of the go-round. Contestants will be responsible to throw down such steer under supervision of arena director.
11. The steer wrestling chute must have at least thirty inches (30") clearance inside the chute, and at the gate when in an open position.
12. Anyone jumping from the off side in the steer wrestling must notify the rodeo secretary and judges when entering, and if possible, the barrier should be arranged on the off side in the steer wrestling for such contestants.
13. Field flagger is required to watch contestants and steer until animal is turned loose. Contestant is required to turn steers head so he can get up. Arena director may report infractions.
14. Hazer must be an ICA member or co-approving association member in good standing.
15. The horns on steer wrestling cattle must be blunted to the size of a dime. The horns must be no less than 9 inches on each side. If the stock contractor has steer-wrestling steers with horns less than 9 inches the judges or steer wrestling director or his duly appointed disignee would have the option of removing this animal from the draw. If this results in not having the proper amount of steers for the draw, a \$25 per head fine will be assessed to the stock contractor.

#### **DALLY TEAM ROPING**

1. Contestants will start from behind a barrier. In all indoor rodeos, header must start from steer wrestling box. Team roper behind barrier must throw first loop at head.
2. Each contestant will be allowed to carry but one rope. Roping steers without turning loose the loop will be considered no catch. Ropers must dally to stop steer.
3. Time will be taken when steer is roped, both horses facing steer in line with ropes dallied and tight. Horses front feet must be on ground and roper must be mounted when time is taken.
4. Steer must be standing up when roped by head or heels.
5. 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.
6. If in the opinion of the field flagger, a heel loop is thrown before the header has dallied and changed the direction of the steer, team shall be disqualified.
7. Broken rope or dropped rope will be considered no time, regardless whether time has been taken or not.
8. If steer is roped by one horn, roper is not allowed to ride up and put rope over other horn or head with hands.
9. Neither roper is allowed to remove illegal loop with hands.
10. If heeler ropes the 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 the feet come out of the heel loop by the time the field judge drops his flag, time will be counted.

11. In case the field flag judge flags out a team that still legally has one or more loops coming, the judge may give the same steer back, lap and tap, and ten (10) second penalty will be assessed for each loop already thrown.
12. Any questions as to catches in this contest will be decided by the judges.
13. No ropes will be taken off in the arena without approval of the field flagger.
14. There will be only three legal head catches:
  1. Around both horns.
  2. Half a head.
  3. Around the neck.
  1. If a hondo passes over one horn and the loop over the other, catch is illegal.
  2. Any heel catch behind both shoulders is legal if rope goes up heels.
  3. One hind foot receives 5-second penalty.
  4. If loop crosses itself in a head catch it is illegal. This does not include heel catches.
  5. Heelers over the age of 50 years will be allowed to tie hard and fast.
  6. Horn wraps will protect all team-roping cattle. The horns on team roping cattle shall be blunted to the size of a dime. The horns on team roping cattle will be a minimum of 8 inches on each side. If the contractor has cattle with horns less than 8 inches the judges, team roping director or his duly appointed designee will have the option of removing this animal from the draw. If this results in not having the proper amount of steers for the draw, a \$25 per head fine will be assessed to the stock contractor.

#### **LADIES BREAKAWAY ROPING**

1. Boys 14 and under can enter the breakaway roping at any ICA prime or co-approved rodeo if eligible. Once the boy enters the tie down calf roping he will no longer be eligible to compete in the breakaway. The age of the boy shall be determined as of January 1st of the current year.
2. At all ICA prime rodeos the ICA secretary shall provide to the committee secretary, string and ribbon for the breakaway. The string shall be nylon based. The ribbon shall be at least 18" long, and will be surveyor's tape, preferably orange. Contestants must use the string and ribbon provided.
3. There will be a twenty second time limit.
4. The rope must be attached to the horn in such a manner as to allow the rope to be released from the horn when the calf hits the end of the

- rope. This will be contestant's responsibility.
5. The only legal catch will be a clean neck catch to the judge's inspection.
  6. Horns are to be no longer than 2 inches.
  7. The judge will flag the contestant when the rope breaks away from the horn and time will be taken.
  8. The contestant will receive no time should she break the rope away from the saddle horn by hand. However, if the rope should dally around the horn, the contestant may ride forward, undally the rope, and then stop her horse to make the rope breakaway.
  9. Breakaway roping director or breakaway roping representative specified by the director shall be allowed to cut undesirable calves from the draw prior to the first performance. The judges must be notified before the calves are drawn and posted prior to the first performance.
  10. In the breakaway roping, the catch pen gate will be open at all rodeos.
  11. At all ICA Prime rodeos, the breakaway roping will be one loop.
  12. All breakaway calves must be uniform in size and of like breed. Maximum weight should be 400 lbs. with a maximum 50 lb. variation in weight. There will be a \$50 fine per animal not in compliance.
  13. At all rodeos where there are not three judges, the judge that is flagging the breakaway will find an individual to watch the off side for illegal head catches. This does not have to be the same person for each performance.
  14. Breakaway roping times will be to the tenths (0.1) (2008)

#### **WOMEN'S BARREL RACING**

1. At all ICA Prime rodeos the barrel racing will not be run before any other timed events unless the ground is worked or raked prior to the other timed events. This will insure the safety of other contestants. Barrel racing may be run as the first event in slack.
2. There shall be 2 judges in the barrel race. One to act as Line Flag Judge and one as Field Judge to determine any irregularities that may occur in the arena. The judges will check each barrel once they are placed on the markers prior to the first run of a performance or slack.
3. Barrel racing is a timed event. The starting and finish line and the position for the barrels must be marked permanently for entire rodeo. The contestant is allowed a running start.
4. ANY TIME CONTESTANT CROSSES STARTING LINE, TIME WILL BEGIN.
5. At a signal from the starter, the contestant will run to barrel 1, pass to the left of it and complete a turn around it, then run to barrel number 2, pass to the right of it, and complete a turn around it; then run to barrel number 3, pass to the right of it and turn around it; then run to

the finish line, going between barrel 1 and 2.

1. This barrel course may also be run to the left.
6. Barrel must be set back on marker if it is rocked or bumped.
7. Barrels must be set with marker in the center of the barrel.
8. There shall be no reruns given at a rodeo when a horse falls.
9. It shall be the responsibility of the flagger to insure that the timers are ready before allowing contestants to compete.
10. The starting gate or gates will remain the same throughout the entire rodeo.
11. A girl may ask for the arena gate to be closed, if at all possible, immediately after contestant enters the arena and kept closed until her horse is under control.
12. More than one person may ride the same horse at a performance.
13. If for any reason day monies are paid, points will count for the standings.
14. Tampering with or moving ropes used as barrel markers will disqualify contestant for the balance of that rodeo, and a fine will be levied.
15. Contestants will be disqualified for not following pattern, or not being ready to contest when name is called.
16. Each performance will be limited to 12 contestants. If the committee chooses to run more than 12 in a performance they are responsible to rake after 12 and they will rake consistently in slack. When a rake is required, it will occur after the 12th contestant has run. If a committee chooses to run less than 12 in a perf, the ground in slack must be raked after equivalent number of contestants drawn for a performance.
17. There will be no assistance to WBR horses once they are past the entrance gate.
18. At a 2 go-round Finals rodeo the first go-round positions will be according to the qualifier's standings and will run from top to bottom. The second go-round will be reversed.
19. No contestant will work her horse around official pattern with or without barrels. Barrels will be set no less than fifteen (15) feet off of markers. \$50 fine. (1999) No barrels are to be in the arena 2 hours prior to the start of a performance.

#### **METHOD OF TIMING BARRELS**

1. Contestants will be assessed a five second penalty for knocking over a barrel. Touching barrel is permitted.
2. Should barrel be knocked over and it sets up on opposite end, the five-second penalty will be assessed.

#### **ELECTRIC-TIMER AND EYE BEAM**

1. Equipment necessary: complete electric eye timer plus one extra timing clock or stop watch to be operated manually.

2. Electric timer must be backed up by a flagman who will stand directly behind it in order to flag fairly.
3. The electric eye must be set at least five feet from fence.
4. Read out box times must be read and recorded by official timer or official judge. One timer will record the times that appear on the electric-eye controlled readout. Electric eye times will be recorded in the 1000ths. Additional timer will operate the back-up manual clocks or stop watches and will record the time shown thereon. They will operate from the flagman's signals, and record the time in 10ths, dropping the last digits and not rounding on them.

### **ELECTRIC TIMER FAILURE**

1. In the event of an electronic failure the contestant may take a rerun or let the manual backup time become her official time. The contestant's backup time **SHOULD NOT** be announced unless the contestant chooses to have the backup time as her official time. If she chooses to not take the manual backup time a rerun will be given.
2. When the manual back up times are to be used for those electronically missed, they will be used only to 10ths, with no rounding. The remaining digits will be dropped.
3. If the electric timer fails to work, regardless if it is the first performance, every attempt should be made to have the timer for the remaining performances.
4. If the electric eye fails, it must fail on over 50% before hand held times are taken, the back-up recorded times will be the official times for all contestants in that go-round.
5. If a contestant is given a rerun, her penalties from previous run will be added to her new time.
6. A rerun must be taken immediately following that section or at the end of the rodeo performance.

### **HAND TIME ON BARRELS**

1. Flag judge should flag each contestant's horse's nose at the start/finish line.
2. Once an event has begun, the line judge must remain stationary and be alert. (Picking up hats, bats, or setting up barrels will not be allowed.)
3. Both official and back-up timers will time off the flag judge. Both times will be recorded.
4. Hand-held times will be recorded only to 10ths.

### **RERUNS ON BARRELS**

1. Should for any reason the barrels not be placed on the markers or the flagman/timer not be in the correct place, things must be put in correct order and all contestants who ran on the incorrect course must be rerun with no penalties assessed.

2. Judges must make decision that barrels were not on marker.
3. Should this happen, girls and judges should be notified, then judge and arena director will set the time for rerun.
4. Should the girls know that the barrels are set wrong and there is not sufficient time to correct it, they must RUN, in consideration of the committee. They will be rerun after the performance.
5. Should the marker be gone and a tape measure is to be used to set up the barrel, that is sufficient, and no rerun will be allowed.

### **MARKING THE BARRELS**

1. Brightly colored 55 gallon steel drums with both ends in must be used.
2. Person measuring and marking the barrel positions must give a copy of the measurements to the rodeo secretary and a timer to be kept with timing sheets.
  1. Secretary is to post a copy of the measurements, along with the times, for the contestants to see.
3. Judges shall learn to operate the automatic timer. They shall be required to set barrel markers and timer markers before rodeo or slack. Markers shall be set to be as permanent as possible. (1999)
4. Local and novice barrel racers can run on the ICA markers, but must run after the ICA contestants.

### **Clover Leaf Patterns**

1. Standard courses should be used wherever possible. Pattern will be centered in arena if possible. The standard distances for Clover Leaf Barrel Race are:
  2. 90 feet between barrel 1 and 2. (minimum of 18 feet from fence.)
  3. 105 feet between barrel 1 and 3 and between 2 and 3. (minimum of 25 feet from barrel 3 to fence.)
  4. 60 feet from barrels 1 and 2 to scoreline. Scoreline should be at least 60 feet from the end of the arena.
  5. The following shall be used in smaller arenas:
  6. Barrels 1 and 2 must be a minimum of 18 feet from the side of the arena.
  7. Barrels 3 should be measured and set at least 15 feet longer than between the first and second barrels.
1. The following method of marking the barrels is satisfactory:
  1. You may use an 18 inch pointed metal stake or 12" spike with a rope attached on the head of it, covering the head of the stake and leaving only the rope on top of the ground.
  2. These stakes should be buried at the locations of each barrel. Pound top of stake down to ground level then dig down around marker several inches and then pound stake down so as several inches of dirt covers head of stake, leaving only the rope above the ground.

3. Permanent markers should be put in the ground for the electric timer. Electric timers should be placed on the score line no closer than the width of the first two barrels. Electric timers should be centered over marker in each performance.
2. The barrels may be marked using a 300-foot measuring tape. 300 feet will cover the entire distance of a standard course (90+105+105=300). The starting line must also be correctly measured back from barrel 1 and barrel 2, so the distance is the same to ensure barrel racers going either to the right or left have the same opportunity. Permanent markers shall also be placed on both sides to indicate starting line.

### **STOCK CONTRACTORS**

1. All timed event stock at a rodeo must be branded or ear tagged. No back tags with cement will be allowed. If animals are not marked, contractors will be assessed \$5 per animal per run for or each unmarked animal. Judges can allow up to two unmarked animals due to accidents i.e. ear tags torn out on the truck. It is the judge's responsibility to notify the ICA secretary of infractions.
2. All rough stock must be branded. A horse or bull can be paint branded for two rodeos, then must be hot branded if kept in the herd. There will be a \$100 fine per event that is in violation of this rule.
3. All stock/rodeo contractors must have liability insurance coverage for every ICA rodeo they produce, as well as for the ICA finals.
4. Copies of contractors liability insurance must be on file with the ICA office.

### **RULES TO INSURE HUMANE TREATMENT OF LIVESTOCK**

1. A licensed veterinarian should be on call at all events.
2. Animals for all events will be inspected before the draw, and no sore, lame, sick or injured animal or animals with defective eyesight shall be permitted in the draw at any time, at the discretion of the judges.
3. Should an animal become sick or injured between the time it is drawn and the time it is scheduled to be used in competition, that animal shall not be used in competition and another animal drawn for the contestant as provided in the Association rule book.
4. No sharp or cutting edges in cinch, saddle girth, or flank straps shall be permitted. Only sheepskin-lined flanking straps shall be used on bucking stock and shall be of the quick-release type. Sheepskin-lined flank straps shall be placed on the animal so the sheepskin covered portion is over both flanks, and the belly of the animal. Bull flanks should be soft cotton.
5. No locked rowels, rowels that will lock on spurs or sharpened spurs may be used on bareback or saddle horses.
6. Any animal that becomes excessively excited so that it gets 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, should be released immediately, at

the discretion of the judges.

7. No bucking horses will have shoes on, with the exception of a split hoof with a flat plate. The director of the event (or the judge) in which the animal is to be used shall have discretion as to this rule.

8. Contestant must adjust rope and reins in such a manner which will prevent horse from dragging calf. Roper will be fined in accordance with the rule book for dragging a calf more than five (5) feet.

9. Rope is to be removed from the calf's body as soon as possible after the 6 second time has elapsed.

10. Striking a horse in the head under any circumstances or abusive whipping in any event will result in a \$250 fine for the first offense plus a possible disqualification.

11. No animals shall be beaten, mutilated, or cruelly prodded. Standard electric prods (not to exceed 12" in length) shall be used as little as possible. Animals shall only be touched on the hip or shoulder area with prod.

12. A conveyance must be available to remove animals from the arena in case of injury.

13. No stimulants or hypnotics to be used or given any drawn stock used for contest purposes.

14. Chutes must be so constructed as to prevent injury to stock.

15. A contestant, contractor or association member who abuses an animal by any unnecessary non-competitive and competitive action (any where on the rodeo grounds) will result in a \$100 fine and/or disqualification. The announcer may announce why the contestant was disqualified. The fine will double for each offense thereafter. The board of directors will suspend, for a minimum of one (1) year, anyone found guilty of the same infraction more than three (3) times.

## **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF IDAHO COWBOYS ASSOCIATION**

### **ARTICLE #1 THRU #10**

#### **KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT:**

That we, the undersigned, citizens of the United States and residents of the State of Idaho do hereby associate ourselves together to form a non-profit organization, and in order to form a corporation for the purposes hereinafter stated under and pursuant to the provisions of Title 30, Chapter 10, Idaho Code and amendments hereinafter made thereto and the laws of the State of Idaho relating to the organization of corporations where pecuniary profit is not the object, and we do hereby certify and declare as follows:

#### **ARTICLE I**

The name of this corporation shall be: IDAHO COWBOYS ASSOCIATION, INC.

#### **ARTICLE II**

The principle place of business and post office address of this corporation shall be P.O. Box 47, Hammett, Elmore County, ID. The corporation may have such other places of business as the Directors shall henceforth

determine.

### **ARTICLE III**

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

### **ARTICLE IV**

This corporation is not organized for pecuniary profit or financial gain. The purposes and objects for which this corporation is formed is as follows:

- A. To promote, encourage and advance information and knowledge concerning the sport of rodeo.
- B. To raise and better the standards of rodeo contests so they may be among the foremost American sports.
- C. To secure competent, honest judges and officials for all rodeo events.
- D. To insure a just amount of prize money.
- E. To require that all entry fees be added to the prize money.
- F. To cooperate with and assist the management of all rodeos at which members contest.
- G. To disseminate information concerning rodeos, including the dates of rodeos, prize money, and any other particulars in which members are interested.
- H. To better the conditions and rules governing rodeo events in which the members of the corporation participate.
- I. To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to affect any or all of the purposes for which the corporation is organized.

### **ARTICLE V**

No member, officer, director, employee, authorized agent or attorney shall be personally responsible or liable for any debts, costs or judgements imposed upon or against or incurred by the corporation.

### **ARTICLE VI**

Proxy voting shall not be allowed in conducting the affairs of the corporation.

### **ARTICLE VII**

The corporation, acting through its Board of Directors, shall have the power to adopt and alter by-laws, amend its ARTICLES of Incorporation, adopt rules and disciplinary measures, and exercise every right, power and privilege necessary to operate the corporation under the laws of the State of Idaho.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

The affairs and management of this corporation are to be under the control of a Board of Directors consisting of no fewer than three and no more than seventeen members who shall be selected as prescribed in the by-laws.

### **ARTICLE IX**

The corporation shall have at least nine (9) Board meetings each year with annual meeting being held at a time determined by the Board and published at least twice in the association publication.

### **ARTICLE X**

The corporation shall have and use an official seal.

## **BY-LAWS**

### **A. Board of Directors**

1. The Board of Directors of the Association shall consist of the President, Vice President, and the following directors: saddle bronc, bareback, bull riding, tie-down roping, steer wrestling, team roping, breakaway roping, barrel racing, publicity, at large, producer, committees (3) judges, and contract act.
2. The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Association.
3. A vacancy on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the duly elected alternate director for the directorship vacated. In the event both positions are vacant, the directorship shall be filled by a vote of the remaining directors.
4. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Association and shall implement any policy approved by the Board of Directors.
5. The Vice President shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the President. In the event both are not in attendance, a member of the Board of Directors shall be chosen by those present to preside.
6. All Directors and the Vice President shall be entitled to cast one (1) vote. The President shall vote only in the event of a tie vote.
7. At all meetings, Robert's Rules of Order, as amended, shall be adhered to for conducting business.
8. A quorum shall be a majority of Directors physically present.
9. Cumulative voting shall not be allowed.
10. If a Director or an Officer of the Association fails to attend three (3) consecutive meetings without advising the secretary, their seat shall be declared vacant and his/her seat shall be filled by the alternate director.
11. The Board of Directors shall employ and fix a salary for a Secretary/Treasurer to keep all records, minutes, documents and papers relating to the Association. The Secretary/Treasurer shall prepare and disseminate all newsletters, issue cards and permits and prepare checks. Checks shall be issued only after receiving an approval of the Board of Directors or their designee(s).
12. The president and secretary shall receive a salary as determined annually by the board of directors.
13. All Directors and officers are entitled to a pass for any ICA rodeo performance at which they have official business.

### **B. Elections of President and Vice President**

1. The office of President will be a 2-year term, and the Vice President will be a 1-year term. The general membership will vote for a Vice President every year. When the President's position becomes vacant it will be filled by the Vice President, with the approval of the board. If the President wishes to serve more than one 2-year term the ICA Board and the general membership would vote on that decision. If the Vice President is unable to fill the Presidency, then a sitting board

member who has served on the board for at least 2 years may fill the Presidency at the approval of the board.

2. The outgoing President will sit on the board for one year after his term as President but will have no voting rights but will be there as an advisory position only. This should insure continuity from year to year and insure the ICA will continue to progress.

#### **C. Elections of Officers, Directors**

1. All officers, directors and alternate directors of the Association shall be elected at the annual meeting and convention. A nomination of at least two (2) individuals for any position must be made.
2. Only members in good standing in the Association may be elected by the membership.
3. The officers, President and Vice President, shall be elected by the membership for a period of one year.
4. The Directors and alternate directors shall be elected by the membership for a period of two years.

#### **D. Meetings**

1. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at least nine times each year. The meetings shall be called by the President or by any three of the Board of Directors.
2. All meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to the public and general membership.
3. Meeting notices shall be provided seven (7) days prior to any meeting to all directors by the Secretary of the Association.

#### **E. Amendments**

The bylaws of the Association may be amended by two-thirds majority vote of the general membership present at the annual meeting of the Association or by the Board of Directors if unanimous vote is obtained. Any changes to be made in the general rulebook, by-laws or articles must be submitted to the ICA office 30 days prior to the convention and must be published for the membership prior to the convention.

#### **F. Seal**

The Board of Directors shall provide a corporate seal, which shall consist of the words, "IDAHO COWBOYS ASSOCIATIONS, INC." encircling the words "Seal" and "Idaho".

#### **G. Fiscal Year Dates**

The fiscal year of the corporation shall be the calendar year beginning on the first day of April in each year and ending at Midnight on the thirty-first day of March of the following year.

