#### 2022 Rule Book

ICA members and permit holders acknowledge that rodeos are dangerous activities and that. participation in a rodeo as a competitor, an independent contractor, or volunteer, exposes the participant to a substantial and serious risk of property damage, personal injury or death. ICA members and permit holders acknowledge that participation in ICA-sanctioned rodeos will expose said member or permit holder to substantial and serious risk of property damage and/or personal injury or death, said member or permit holder hereby releases ICA, ICA sponsors, any ICA sanctioned rodeo production entity, their affiliated, related, or subsidiary companies, and the officers, directors, employees and agents of each entity or organization from liability for any and all property damage, personal injuries or death or other claims arising from participation in ICA sanctioned rodeos, including claims that are known and unknown, foreseen, and unforeseen, future, or contingent. ICA members and permit holders shall not now, or at any time in the future directly or indirectly, commence or prosecute any action, suit, or other proceeding against the before mentioned arising out of or related to the actions, causes of actions, claims and demands hereby waived, released or discharged by ICA member or permit holder. This provision shall be binding upon each ICA member or permit holder, his or her spouse, legal representatives, heirs, successors, and assignees.

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# **Articles of Incorporation/Bylaws**

# I. Membership

- A. Contesting Card Holders General
  - 1. Contesting Members shall be individuals 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, Ranch Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding, Dally Team Roping, Barrel Racing or Breakaway Roping.
  - 3. Annual contesting membership dues are \$100.00 until April 1st then it will increase to \$120.00 (Revised 2019)
  - 4. Points for rodeos held in the fall after the ICA Finals are carried forward to the next season if cards are renewed by April1st.
  - 5. Active event directors will receive one complementary contesting membership card.
    - a. 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.
    - b. Said Director or Officer of the Association will have to relinquish his/her free membership and will have to purchase a membership card for \$100.00 to maintain membership status.
  - 6. Complimentary Membership card is for the competing individual and not for a business. (2019)
  - 7. Any contestant under the age of 18 must be a member and have a notarized release signed by parent or guardian on file.

### B. Rookies

1. Rookie is someone in their first year of Full membership with their contesting membership card. (A rookie member is eligible for all the same benefits and is held to all the same rules as a contesting member).

- 2. 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 or Junior Rodeo Associations.
- 3. A Rookie will designate that they are a rookie on their membership application.
- 4. Rookie Awards will be given at the Finals for each of the primary sanctioned events.
- 5. Any contestant under the age of 18 must be a member and have a notarized release signed by parent or guardian on file.

#### C. Permits

- A permit holder is an individual who has never held a card in any association, amateur or professional. Once the permit is filled, the permit holder may continue to enter on that permit until the next season or they can buy an ICA card to contest at an ICA approved rodeo.
- 2. A Permit is for Timed event contestants only.
- 3. Points or Money won will count for the life of the contestant and will carry over from year to year. (2019)
- 4. 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.
- 5. Annual permit contestant dues shall be \$50.00.
- 6. Timed event contestants will receive one point for every \$ dollar won for the place received. Ground money will not count towards Permit points. (2019)
- 7. A permit will be considered filled once a contestant earns \$750 in points. (2019)

### D. Novice

- 1. A Novice card holder is an individual who has never held a card in any association, amateur or professional.
- 2. A Novice Card is for Saddle Bronc, Bareback, or Bull riding only.
- 3. Novice card holders will receive points for each place they receive (1st 4th).

- 4. Once the Novice rider wins over 40 points, the rider advances to the open events the next rodeo season. (2014). The exception would be if a rider is under 18. Riders under the age of 18 (as of Jan 1) may stay in Novice (Points reset to zero).
- 5. Rough Stock riders can be either gender (2014)

## E. Hometown/Non-Member Contestants

- 1. Hometown contestants are individuals who do not hold an ICA card. Contestants entering a rodeo without being a member of the ICA (or co approved association for that rodeo i.e., ProWest, IMPRA, or NPRA) must pay their entry fees plus a \$30 nonmember fee at time of entry. (2019)
- All Hometown/Non-Member Contestants must complete and provide a non-member release (available online @icarodeo.com) to the rodeo secretary. This provides contact information and all needed tax liability information. (Revised 2017)
- 3. Any non-member/Non-ICA card holding contestant under the age of 18 must have a notarized release in place with the ICA office prior to being able to compete.
- 4. If a non-ICA card holding contestant enters and cannot show proof of their current membership card with co approving association, they will be considered a non-member and will have to pay the \$30 fee to the ICA.
- 5. Non-Member contestants must pay with a secure form of payment at time of entry. (2019)

# F. Non-Contesting Members (revised 2019)

- 1. Non-contesting members shall be:
  - a. Judges, Timers, Secretaries, Announcers, Bull Fighters, Pickup men, Laborers and Committees and their annual card fee shall be \$30.
- 2. Stock Contactors, Sub-Stock Contractors and Photographer and their annual card fee shall be \$100.
- 3. Secretaries who are members of that rodeos committee are not required to have a card for that rodeo. If they secretary more than one rodeo or are hired by the committee or stock contractor, then they must purchase a card.

- 4. If a Non-Contesting member works a rodeo without first purchasing an ICA card, the non-Contesting member that worked a rodeo will be subject to a fine no less than \$100 per infraction and become ineligible to work other ICA events including but not limited to the finals. In the event the stock contractor hired the non-contesting member, they also will be subject to fine no less than \$100 per infraction. (2018)
- 5. All Non contesting members must check in at rodeo office with rodeo secretary prior to the performance and give current ICA card number. If this is not done prior to 1<sup>st</sup> performance or slack a \$25 fine will be assessed. (2019)
- 6. If a non contesting member does not pay fine, it will carry over to next year and must be paid prior to getting membership card. (2019)

## G. Gold Card Members (2014/2019)

- Any ICA member or past member that is NOT on the ICA ineligible list may be considered for a Gold Card. Normally a person to be nominated for a gold card has been or was a member of the ICA for several years, usually at least ten years or more. However, the length of a person's ICA membership may become insignificant upon consideration of their overall contribution to the Association.
- 2. Main areas to be considered for a Gold Card: a) The degree to which the nominee reflected a positive image on the ICA and the sport of rodeo in general.
- 3. The ability and the number of event championships that were won by competing members, and more importantly the quality of the champion, contribution to the ICA and the sport of rodeo. Nominees in this area c) In the case of non-competitors, one would be considered for the over-all will generally fall into categories of officers/directors and contract personnel such as secretaries, timers, judges, announcers, clown, bullfighters, stock contractors, committee members, sponsors, etc.
  Contributions may be in many forms such as monetary, personal time, influencing advancement/growth of the ICA or a specific activity such as the finals rodeo, etc.

- 4. Gold Card membership is for an individual membership and does not cover their business membership (I.e., Stock contractor, Sub Contractor, Photographer company etc.) unless approved by the Board and awarded to the business name. (2019)
- 5. Gold card members will be provided their membership cards free of charge to them each year. Gold card members will be admitted to any ICA rodeo without cost to them.
- 6. Selection process: A member must submit a written document to nominate someone, and they must give reasons of why the individual is worthy of a gold card. The ICA board votes on the nominees. A maximum of 5 cards are allowed to be given each year (Board Member Nominations do not count towards the 5 yearly cards to be given).
- 7. If a good standing board member has served on the board for 4 consecutive years, they will automatically be nominated for a gold card.

## H. Application for Membership

- 1. Any individual applying for membership in the Association must file an application form.
- 2. No membership card or permit shall be issued until the application is on file with the association.
- 3. If the contestant is under 18, then they must have a notarized application signed.
- 4. Money/dues and completed application need to be in the office of the association secretary by the date specified on the long listing for contestant to be able to enter rodeo as a member. If membership application is not received with approved payment by date specified, contestant will be charged the non-member fee for that rodeo.
- 5. If application for membership is received with secure payment prior to performance start, points will count for that rodeo. (2019)
- 6. Non-Member must give application to the Rodeo Secretary with secured payment (Credit card, cash or check if approved by ICA secretary) prior to rodeo start time.

- 7. If membership is purchased online, it must be done 24 hrs. prior to rodeo start time. (2019)
- 8. Contestants will still have to pay a non-member fee for that rodeo. (2019)
- 9. All memberships are subject to board approval and recall.
- 10. 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.
- 11. Any person or committee upon becoming members shall be entitled to one vote at any general membership meeting.
- 12. 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.

## I. 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.

# J. General Membership 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) In Ranch Bronc if items are not referred to in this rulebook, the membership will follow the rules of the WSRA rulebook (2019)

## **K.** Unapproved Member Conduct

- Any member contestant/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 and subject to a \$250 fine.
- 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 contact shall be subject to a \$1000 fine. 2nd offense member will be banned from the ICA.
- 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 a \$250 fine.
- 9. By the end of the national anthem 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 cowboy boots in the arena including behind the chutes and boxes.

- 10. Failure to adhere to this dress code will result in a \$25 fine per article of clothing.
- 11. 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.
- 12. Contestants shall be disqualified in any single event for the remainder of the rodeo for any of the following offenses:
  - a. Being under the influence of liquor in the arena.
  - b. Mistreatment of stock.
  - c. Refusing to contest during a paid performance on an animal drawn.
  - d. Not being ready to compete when called upon in that event.
  - e. Cheating or attempting to cheat.
- 13. Contestant can be disqualified for the above only by agreement of the Rodeo Judges.
- 14. 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.

### L. Insufficient Funds Checks

- Any member issuing an insufficient funds check, credit/debit card for entry fees at an Association approved rodeo, or any credit/debit card transactions that will not clear, or any check made payable to the ICA will be subject to the following fines and penalties:
  - a. On the first offense he will receive an automatic \$30.00 fine and will be on the suspended list until the check is cleared. (2019)
  - Any member issuing two NSF checks in any one rodeo year shall be placed on the suspended list, fined \$100.00 and placed on a cash only/credit card prepay basis until such time the Board of Directors reinstates check privileges. (2019)

## M. Disciplinary Procedures (Actions against Rodeo Personnel)

- 1. Any accusations against Judges, secretaries, contestants, or any rodeo personnel shall be handled in the following manner:
  - a. There must be at least 2 written complaints signed and mailed to the ICA office. No verbal complaints will be acted upon.
  - b. The board will act on the written complaint and take the appropriate action.
  - c. 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.
  - d. Following this procedure, the board will decide, as they deem necessary.
- 2. 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. Notification of disciplinary fines will be made by verbal contact to member and by certified mail. Documentation of all contact made will be kept by the association secretary. (To the current address on file within 15 days) (2019)
- 3. All fines are due and payable 7 days from date member is notified.
- 4. No member shall enter an approved rodeo while his name is on the suspended list unless cleared by the Association secretary.
- 5. 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 and declare the person ineligible for a period of not more than 5 years.

#### II. RODEO ENTRIES AND PROCEDURES

### A. Turn Out Procedure

- 1. Notified Turnouts (NTO)
  - a. The contestant must notify the ICA secretary, that he or she is turning out 3 hours prior to the performance they are 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 \$15 per event to be collected and kept by the ICA. (2019)
  - b. 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 \$50 turnout fine per event to the ICA. The committee will be paid a \$5 committee fee by the ICA. (2019)
  - c. Rodeo secretaries are to include all entry fees of notified turnouts in the payoff ONLY if they are instructed to do so by the ICA secretary.

# 2. Non-Notified Turnouts (NNTO)

- a. If the contestant does not notify the ICA secretary 3 hours prior to performance, then the turnout would be considered NNTO. If the entry fees are made available before the final payout, then the fee for a NNTO will be \$75 If the entry fees are not made available, and no notification is made, the amount of the entry fees and a \$100 fine is to be kept by the ICA. (2019)
- Rodeo secretaries are NOT to include non-notified turnouts in the payoff unless notified by the ICA secretary to do so.
- c. If the Entry fees are not included in the payout, once paid and after appropriate fees are deducted, the fee will be added to the finals fund for that event.

#### B. Draw Outs

- 1. When Central Entry is used contestants cannot draw out after the books are closed except in the following case:
- 2. Anyone who enters a rodeo on an "out if" they do not get their first preference basis, will be drawn out.
- 3. No one can draw out a contestant other than the contestant himself.

#### C. **Doctor Releases**

- 1. If a 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. If no notification is made prior to the event, the Contestant will be considered a Non-Notified Turn Out (NNTO). (2019)
- 3. There will be no entry fees in the case of a valid medical release. The association may, at any time, check the validity of doctor releases.
- 4. All Doctor Releases will be charged \$15 by the ICA office.
- 5. If Doctor Release proves false, a \$250 fine will be imposed.
- 6. If a 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.
- 7. 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. The second offense will be fined at the discretion of the Board.
- 8. In the event that the contestant receives a doctor's note allowing them to resume competition, they will be released to compete prior to the 7 days stated above. (2019)

- 9. No rodeo shall be responsible for returning a contestant's entry fee if he has contested in an event once during the rodeo. If the contestant is entered in other events in which he is unable to contest, the entry fees for those events may be returned at the discretion of the Judges.
- The \$15 Doctor Release fee and \$5 committee fee shall be deducted from the returned entry fee and kept by the committee or sent to the ICA by the committee, respectively. (2019)
- 11. 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 in that rodeo.

# D. Barrel Racing Releases

- 1. Barrel Racers shall be allowed three (3) releases per year (no longer vet or medical releases no requirement of proof or reason) (2013) Notification of release will be made to association secretary. Association secretary will notify rodeo secretary of approved release.
- 2. Notification of release must be made 3 hrs. prior to performance start time. (2019)
- 3. If the rodeo is deemed to have a safety risk by the event director, judges and ICA President, the contestants will be notified by the event director and may choose to release from that rodeo event without the release counting against their 3 releases. \$15 release fee will still apply. (2019)
- 4. The contestant shall send a Release Statement indicating the date of the release and a \$15 release fee **per rodeo** to the ICA office within 7 days of the release.
- 5. Failure to submit a Release Statement and the \$15 release fee will result in payment of fees and will count as the use of one (1) release and a \$25 fine will be assessed.
- 6. A contestant who releases shall not be eligible to compete in barrel racing for five (5) days beginning with the first performance the release is used. It will be that contestant's responsibility to notify the ICA office of rodeos already entered so that she will be drawn out. If a release is due to director

- approved conditions such as bad ground or natural disaster (such as fire/smoke), the 5 days wait period will not apply. (2023)
- 7. Failure to make notification of release to Rodeos you are entered in prior to performance will be considered a NNTO and all applicable fees will apply. (2019)
- 8. Competing in an ICA or any other co-approving association's rodeos within the (5) day period terminates that release. She may, however, continue to enter events that have entry closings during this time.
- 9. Competing in an ICA or co-approved event within 5 days of the release date will result in contestant being responsible for entry fees and will be subject to a fine of \$25 per event. (2019)
- 10. A release will stay in effect until the contestant competes again.

## E. Breakaway Vet Release

- 1. Breakaway ropers shall be allowed two (2) vet related releases per year in the event that their horse may become injured prior to a rodeo for which that contestant is entered.
- 2. A release from your veterinarian is not required, but it is the responsibility of the contestant to send in a release statement indicating the date of release and a \$15 release fee per rodeo to the ICA office within 7 days of the release. (Includes a \$5 fee paid to Committee)
- 3. Notification of release must be made 3 hrs. prior to performance start time. (2019)
- 4. If the rodeo is deemed to have a potential safety risk by the event director, judges and ICA President, the contestants will be notified by the event director and may choose to release from that rodeo event without the release counting against their 3 releases. Contestants will not have any restrictions preventing them competing in any other events. The \$15 release fee still applies. (2019)
- 5. Failure to submit a Release Statement and the \$15 release fee will result in payment of entry fees and will count as the use of one (1) release and be subject to a \$25 fine.

- 6. A contestant who is released shall not be eligible to compete in that event for five (5) days beginning with the first performance that release is used. It will be that contestant's responsibility to notify the ICA office of rodeos already entered so that she will be drawn out.
- 7. Failure to make notification of release to Rodeos you are entered in prior to performance will be considered a NNTO and all applicable fees will apply. (2019)
- 8. Competing in an ICA or any other co-approving association's rodeos within the five-day period terminates that release. The contestant may, however, continue to enter events that have entry closings during this time. Competing in an ICA or coapproved event within 5 days of the release date will result in contestant being responsible for entry fees and will be subject to a fine of \$25 per event. (2019)
- 9. A release will stay in effect until the contestant competes again.

## F. Team Roping Replacement of Partner

- 1. If a team roper doctor releases, draws out or turns out with visible injury prior to performance or slack, the individual entered with him may draw out or may get another partner from among those contestants that are entered at that rodeo.
- 2. If a team roper's partner fails to notify the ICA Secretary or Rodeo Secretary of a turn out or does not appear prior to the performance or slack. The individual who entered with him may, up until the time of his competition in the performance or slack of the team roping, obtain another partner from among those contestants that are entered at the rodeo, except those who are entered in the team roping. Or he may draw out, provided he is present at the rodeo.
- 3. In double entry Rodeos, a team roping partner may be replaced with an entered team roper who has only entered once. (2023)

- **4.** If an alternate team roping contestant is replacing a partner who has a Notified turned out and already paid their fees, that replacement will NOT be required to pay entry fees. (It **will be** deemed a NNTO if the contestant does not pay fees prior to rodeo start time for their notified turnout). (2023)
- 5. If an alternate team roping contestant is replacing a partner who has Dr. released, non-Notified turnout or been officially drawn out and not paid fees, that replacement contestant will be required to pay entry fees. The Turned-out contestant will be responsible for all fees assessed for the doctor or Non-Notified Turnout. (2023)

## **G. Performance Set Ups**

- 1. In Multiple approved rodeos, all association cards of the approving association will be honored.
- 2. At ICA prime rodeos, the order of priority for performance set ups will be:
  - a. ICA Members
  - b. Co Approving association members
  - c. ICA Permit holders
  - d. Non-Member contestants
  - e. Co approving association permit holders

# H. Entry Fees

- 1. Entry fees will be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.
- 2. The entry fee scale for the Breakaway Roping will be as follows:
  - a. Added Money Fees
  - b. \$200 -\$350 \$50
  - c. \$351-\$500 \$65
  - d. \$501-\$1000 \$80
  - e. \$1001-up \$100
- 3. The entry fee scale for the Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding and Ranch Bronc Riding will be as follows: (Revised 2017)
  - a. Added Money Fees
  - b. \$200 Up \$55

- 4. The entry fee scale for Team Roping, and Tie-Down Roping will be as follows:
  - a. Added Money Fees
  - b. \$200-\$350 \$65
  - c. \$351-\$500 \$80
  - d. \$501-up \$100
- 5. The entry fee scale for Steer Wrestling will be as follows: (Revised 2016)
  - a. Added Money Entry Fee
  - b. \$200 \$799 \$75
  - c. \$800 Up \$100
- 6. The entry fee scale for Barrel Racing will be as follows: (2011)
  - a. Added Money Fees
  - b. \$200 \$500 \$50
  - c. \$501 \$800 \$65
  - d. \$801 \$1000 \$80
  - e. \$1001 up \$100
- 7. Entry Fees in the Novice events will be \$55.
- 8. In addition to the entry fee listed on the entry fee schedule there will be an additional \$10 fee assessed to each Tie down Roper, Team Roper, Steer Wrestler, Breakaway Roper and Barrel Racer at each ICA prime rodeo that will be accumulated throughout the season and will be added to the added money for their respective events at the finals. (2014) (2020)
- 9. There will be an additional \$10 assessed to each Bull Rider and Ranch Bronc Rider at each prime rodeo to be added money at the Finals. (2011) (2022)
- 10. There will be an additional \$5 assessed to each Novice entry at each prime rodeo to be added to the added money in the Novice at the finals. (2019)
- 11. Entry fees charged at the Finals Rodeo will be \$10 for every \$100 of added money. (1998).

## I. Rodeo Entry by Entry System

- **1.** All ICA Prime rodeos will use the Entry system approved by the ICA Board of Directors.
- 2. The entry dates and times will be listed in the association newsletter and the ICA web site.
- An online entry system is used instead of "call in entries". ICA
  members in good standing can enter the rodeos any time prior
  to the close of entries. If contestants must call in their entries,
  those calls must be made only during the designated time to
  the ICA office. (2022)
- 4. Contestants must give 2 preferences. Slack can only be given as a second preference. (2023)
- 5. You can also give a draw out parameter for a second preference. When using an "out" if you do not get your first preference, you will be drawn out of the rodeo. If a contestant is drawn out, he has the option to call the entry office during the call back time (24 hrs following draw posting) to see if they can be fit into a different performance. Once the designated call back period has ended, the contestant loses the guaranteed opportunity to get back into the rodeo and the entry will be considered a late entry. (2023)
- 6. Buddy Groups: Contestants may form a buddy group of up to 4 people. (A team would include 2 of those people.) Therefore, if you have a team in your buddy group, you can only have 2 other people in the group. 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 the entire buddy group will be drawn into a performance or slack where the entire group will fit.
- 7. Contestants who are card holders and are entered in multiple events will receive all events in the same performance if so requested. If the same performance is not requested and the slack is immediately following a performance, then one event could be drawn in that slack, and one in the performance if needed to balance the performance.

- 8. Contestants who are "local" or do not have an association membership will NOT be guaranteed all their stock on the same day and will have no preference guarantee.
- 9. When the position draw for rodeos is completed, the draw will be posted on the ICA website and/or the web site for central entry. It is the contestant's responsibility to check the draw online for each rodeo he has entered to see what position he has drawn. If there is a problem, the contestant must call back during the designated call back time to resolve the issue. If the contestant fails to do so, the draw will stand. If you do not have access to the draw on the internet, then you may call back to the entry office during the designated call back time to find out when you are up. If changes need to be made, they must be done during the designated call back time that has been advertised. Because the DRAW is posted online there are no verification numbers given or necessary.
  - a. After entries close, all positions are drawn randomly by the computer and performance preference is sorted following the priority list below.
  - b. Members of the ICA (Contesting and Rookie),
  - c. Co approved members if the rodeo is co sanctioned,
  - d. Permit holders,
  - e. Non-Members.
- 10. Next, going down the random lists, the contestants are set up at the rodeo according to their preference with regard to section size and number of animals available as established by contractors and committees.
- 11. Entering online gives no advantage to the contestant but provides added convenience to be able to enter at any time day or night 7 days a week until the entries close.
- 12. Late Entries must be called into the ICA Office. Late entries called in after the entries close will be taken to fill performances and only for the benefit of the rodeo. **No late entries will be placed in the slack** unless requested by the contractor or committee and approved by the ICA Board.
- 13. The entry office will make no decisions for the contestants as to the "drivability" of their performance choice.

- 14. Contestants may buddy up to a maximum of four (4) people. (This includes Team Ropers, and a team counts as 2 people.)
- 15. 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.
- 16. In the event that the Rodeo does not fill an event to the specified performance limits, the rodeo committee has the option to choose to open up that event to late entries. This will be posted along with the draw and the contestants will have 24 hrs to call the ICA office and enter the event without being charged the late fee. After 24 hrs, the late fee will apply. This only applies to performances and late entry into slack will not be allowed. The spots will be filled in the order of calls and once filled the event will close. (2022)

# J. High Call Entry System (2022)

- 1. All Contestants must have a profile on the High Call app. (This includes non-member contestants)
- 2. All Entries must be done though either the High Call App or via phone directly through the ICA Office.
- 3. Contestants should have a bank account connected to the High Call App (There is no fee assessed for bank transactions (ACH).
- 4. Payouts will occur the Monday following the final performance of the Rodeo. Direct Deposit can be set up through a designated site so the funds will electronically transfer to your account.
- 5. If a paper check is requested, it will be mailed out within 72 hrs. following the final performance. No checks will be issued at the Rodeo events unless prior arrangements have been made with the ICA secretary.
- 6. Live Results will be posted following each performance and full official results/winnings will be posted within 24 hrs following the last Rodeo Performance.
- 7. The Draw will be posted on the High Call App allowing the contestants to see prior draws with results as well as current draw as soon as it is completed. The Draw will also be posted at the Rodeo office.

8. Contestants will be required to check in at each Rodeo event at the office and this will be where day sheets, contestant passes etc. will be given.

# K. Entry (Day of performance) (2019) (2022)

- 1. In the event that someone turns out, a contestant may pay their fees and walk up replace to compete in that spot on the animal drawn. You must place yourself on a waitlist with the Event secretary prior to the draw and will be notified as soon as the spot is deemed open/available. The contestant who turns out will be responsible for all entry fees and fines associated with the turn out.
- 2. Entry fees must be paid to be placed on the waiting list. If you are not drawn into the event, your fee will be returned to you. The Late entry fee will apply.
- 3. The Rodeo Secretary will place the contestant on the waiting list in the order they pay. The list will be turned over to the lead judge and he will be responsible for notifying the contestant that he has drawn into the rodeo and what his draw will be.
- 4. If a contestant has a conflict due to a College, Highschool or JR High sanctioned event, they can provide proof and may be drawn out of event with no fine being assessed. At the discretion of the Rodeo Judge and stock contractor, accommodation will be made to try to work around said conflict to allow contestant to compete when at all possible. Entry into slack is an option for these contestants if approved by ICA President/Event Director. (2021) (2022)

#### L. Double Entries

- A Rodeo committee may request to have Double Entries for their event. This must be specified in the Prime Rodeo application. This can be for all eligible events or for specific events.
- 2. If an individual rodeo does not initially approve to have double entries and does not have at least 10 contestants entered per performance after the Draw is posted, then the committee can elect to offer double entries to fill the performance.

- 3. Contestants will be able to call in and double enter during the posted call back time.
- 4. When a Rodeo is approved for Double Entries, all contestants will be allowed to double enter and all money won will count.
- 5. Only Highest Points will count for All Around
- 6. Novice sections will not have double entries allowed unless approved by the ICA Board and the Contractor.
- 7. Contestants are responsible for double turnout fees/fines if they double entered and have to Turn out of event.
- 8. In the event that a contestant/horse is injured on their first animal/run, they may be eligible for a refund of their entry fee minus the Med/Vet out fee with judge approval.
- 9. If a contestant wants to turn out, all rules apply for turnouts specified in this rule book. (If notification is not made in time specified by rule book, then it will be a NNTO and be subject to a fine.)
- 10. Barrel Racing is excluded from Double Entries unless approved by the ICA board. If barrel racing is allowed to have double entries, then 2 different horses must be used. (Horses cannot be run more than once per rodeo). (2022)

### M. Payment of Entry Fees

- Non-Member Contestants must pay With Credit Card, cash, money order, or certified check prior to rodeo by calling the ICA office. If not paid within 24 hrs prior to event, you may be turned out at discretion of the ICA. (2019)
- 2. All entry fees must be paid before the contestant competes in the event unless prior arrangements have been made with the rodeo secretary. If a contestant does not pay his fees before a \$50 fine will be assessed.
- 3. Contestants shall pay in addition to their event fees, \$10 for Judges and Timers (per event), \$8 for added money at the finals, \$5 for a committee fee, and \$7 for entry/office services. (Revised 2019,2023)

4. The ICA board has the right to enforce payment of entry fees for the betterment of the association due to technological advances such as online payment options becoming available. Ample announcements will be made prior to implementation of any deviation to the current payment process.

#### N. Contestant Passes

- 1. At the discretion of the Rodeo Committee for each rodeo, a companion pass may be given. Committees are to specify on the Rodeo Approval application if they are to offer a companion pass or not.
- 2. If a companion pass is given, then 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.
- 3. If the management provides seats for contestants and family, the ICA will insist that such seats be utilized.
- 4. Rough stock contestants will be eligible to receive one (1) chute helper pass. This gives permission for the "helper" to be behind the chutes for the contestants specified event only. This is considered the contestants one companion pass if applicable. Chute help must abide by all ICA rules to include member conduct and dress code, or the contestant and the helper may be fined.
- 5. ICA Gold Card members should receive one pass to an ICA rodeo. The Gold card must be shown to gain access.
- 6. ICA Board Members who are conducting business at the rodeo event should receive one pass to an ICA rodeo.

# O. 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 committee charge will be assessed per entry at every ICA prime rodeo to help committees meet their expenses.
- 6. Ready to Perform: Contestant's 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.

# P. Application for approval of Rodeo

- a. Prime Rodeo Approvals
- 2. All rodeos must submit a prime rodeo application.
- 3. All Committees must submit their added money amounts to the Association office prior to the last performance.
- 4. The ICA shall not approve any rodeo that limits the number of contestant entries in the sanctioned events/novice.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Applications for approval must be submitted at least thirty days prior to the rodeo. It is recommended that those rodeos seeking co-approval from other associations (NPRA, PWRA) submit their approval forms to the ICA office no less than 60 days prior to their performances to allow adequate time for publication.
- 7. Permits will be honored at all rodeos.
- 8. All ICA approved rodeos will have Judges and Timers assigned by the ICA Judging Director in cooperation with the ICA Board of Directors.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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.

- 11. The Association will honor membership cards from any other Associations who are co-approving of the event and if they do likewise the Board of Directors so rule.
- 12. To be approved, any rodeo must have the (9) standard events listed on in rule I.A.2 (Saddle Bronc, Bareback, Bull Riding, Ranch Bronc, Tiedown Roping, Steer Wrestling, Breakaway Roping, Team roping and Barrel Racing).
- 13. Exceptions to having the 9 standard events will be considered and must be approved by the board following the same approval process as a prime rodeo applicant. (2019)
- 14. 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.
- 15. An ICA approved rodeo must have 2 pick-up men and 2 Bull Fighters that are ICA members in good standing. Those in non-compliance are subject to a fine.
- 16. To be an ICA prime or co-approved rodeo all standard events must have a minimum of \$300 added money and equal added money in team roping. (2022)
- 17. 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.

### III. RODEO PERSONNEL

### A. Duties of the Rodeo Secretaries

- **1.** Need access to phone and/or email, if possible, to receive notifications of turnouts.
- **2.** Rodeo Secretary will call ICA secretary 2 ½ hours before each performance and slack to get list of notified turnouts, DR, or Vet releases.
- **3.** Mark on judge and timer sheets who the notified, DR or Vet releases are.
- **4.** Rodeo Secretaries will have a sign-in sheet available for noncontesting members to sign up with ICA Card numbers.
- **5.** Assist judges with drawing and see that the draw is posted promptly.
- **6.** After a performance or slack see that the times and scores are posted promptly

- 7. Individuals with no experience as an ICA secretary must shadow an experienced secretary at a minimum of two (2) ICA approved rodeos prior to doing an ICA rodeo unassisted by an experienced secretary. (2008)
- **8.** Rodeo secretary shall report to the association the names of members not paying fees and the amount of unpaid fees.
- **9.** Rodeo secretaries shall send all prize money checks which a contestant fails to pick up or has not specified where he wants money sent to the ICA office the first business day following the final performance.
- **10.** The ICA will guarantee payment of NSF checks only for current cardholders of the association.
- **11.** The ICA will not make NSF entry fee checks good unless presented to the ICA office within 30 days after the check is written.
- **12.** The draw (including rerides) shall be posted where the contestants can examine.
- **13.** When posting the draw in the rough stock, animal numbers must be posted as well as the animal's name.
- **14.** When a rodeo has slack, the events must run in the same order as in the performance.
- **15.** The secretary shall collect, in addition to entry fees, a Judges &Timers fee of \$10 from each contestant per event entered. This will be sent to the ICA office to be used to pay the Judges and Timers for that rodeo.
- **16.** No one can alter or change anything in the secretary/Judge's 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.
- **17.** Changes and corrections must be initiated by the Judges overseeing the change.

# **B.** Reporting of Results by Secretaries

1. Rodeo secretaries are required to prepare a result sheet showing all Winners, amounts won, and number of entries in each event. This result sheet, timer's sheets and Judge's 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.
- **3.** It is the responsibility of the secretary to see that both hand and eye times in the Barrel Racing are recorded and posted.

## C. Judges and Timers

- **1.** To be eligible to Judge an ICA rodeo, the Judge must meet the following requirements:
  - **a.** Must attend annually and successfully complete an approved Judges clinic.
  - b. Must have at least 2 years prior experience judging High School, College, 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 recommendation of Judging Director.
  - **e.** All Judges and flagmen must be association members in good standing.
- 2. (B)Judges who meet ICA requirements will be paid a minimum of \$175 per performance and for slack that is not held immediately after a perf. (A) Judge will receive \$225 per performance and for Slack that is not held immediately after a perf. Judges will be paid:
  - **a.** \$1 per actual run (team roping counts as 1 run) with a \$75 minimum (for slack held immediately following a perf).
- **3.** A/B Judge qualifications will be in line with PRCA judge criteria and subject to approval by the Judging director and must have ICA Board Approval.

- **4.** ICA timers must be a cardholder and successfully complete an ICA approved timer's clinic annually.
- 5. Timers who meet ICA requirements will be paid a minimum of \$150 per performance and for slack that is not held immediately after a perf. For Slack held immediately following a perf, Timers will be paid:
  - a. 1-69 runs: \$35
  - b. 70-125: \$75
  - c. Over 125 runs \$125.
- 6. Two handheld digital watches must be used in the timed events. Official time will be the average of the two times.
- 7. In Tie-Down Roping, Team Roping, and Steer Wrestling, and Breakaway Roping Timers will time to the 10ths.
- 8. Timers are to drop the last digits on their watches and not round up or down on those digits.
- 9. If one of the Timers misses the start or stop, 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.
- In Barrel Racing, when a handheld flag is used, times should be read to 10ths. See additional rules under Women's Barrel Racing.
- 11. Timers and Judges for a rodeo may not be changed after the first performance except for sickness or 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.
- 12. Any member blacklisted shall not Judge a rodeo for the period of one year unless authorized by action of the board of directors.
- 13. Stock will be drawn at a minimum of 2 hrs. prior to performance or slack by judge or judges.
- 14. A Judge shall not ride in one event and judge another riding event.

- 15. The Judging Director working in cooperation with the ICA Board of Directors shall select the Judges and Timers from those that are cardholders in good standing.
- 16. All of the Judges and Timers must be approved by the ICA Board of Directors.
- 17. Committees may request specific Judges and Timers through the Judging Director.
- 18. During the slack only, the secretary, under the direction and instruction of the Judges, may draw the timed event stock.
- 19. Line Judge may compete in a timed event provided he has a qualified person watch the line for him while doing so.
- 20. Judges are required to carry a red, yellow, or orange flag at all times. At the moment contestant is disqualified or penalized, the Judge is to drop the flag signifying disqualification or penalty.
- 21. Judges are to carry stop watches during all rough stock events. (2018)
- 22. 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 \$75 per performance by the ICA. Duties will include:
  - a. Running the watch in bucking horse events
  - b. Watching for fouls and disqualifications in all three riding events
  - c. Watching the barrier and writing down penalties and times
  - d. Flagging the barrel race or being the pattern Judge
  - e. Helping draw in the timed events.
  - f. Watching the offside in the Breakaway Roping for illegal head catches
  - g. Other duties that the senior Judge may assign.

### D. Rules to ensure 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 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.
- 5. 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.
- **6.** No locked rowels, rowels that will lock on spurs or sharpened spurs may be used on Bareback Riding or Saddle horses.
- **7.** 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.
- **8.** No bucking horses will have shoes on, with the exception of a split hoof with a flat plate. The Event Director, or the Judge, for which the animal is to be used shall have discretion as to this rule.
- **9.** 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.
- **10.** Rope is to be removed from the calf's body as soon as possible after the six (6) second times has elapsed.
- **11.** 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.
- 12. No animals shall be beaten, 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.

- **13.** A conveyance must be available to remove animals from the arena in case of injury.
- **14.** No stimulants or hypnotics to be used or given any drawn stock used for contest purposes.
- **15.** Chutes must be so constructed as to prevent injury to stock.
- 16. A contestant, Stock Contractor or association member who mistreats an animal by any unnecessary, non-competitive, or competitive action (anywhere 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.

#### E. Contractors

- 1. If a contracting Card holder does not have a Rodeo within a rodeo season, the contractors card goes into a probation period for that rodeo season. The contractor must pay for his card in order for the card to remain active. The year following the probation year, the contractor must have at least one ICA rodeo under said card, or that card will become invalid/deactivated. A contractor whose card is deactivated will be required to meet the requirements of a New contractor in order to reactivated said card.
- 2. Transferring of a Valid Card: If an active in good standing card is transferred to a new contractor, the card remains active and there is no probationary period. All Transfers of cards are subject to ICA Board Approval and new contractor must meet all contractor requirements.
- 3. If an approved contractor becomes inactive/ineligible for any reason, the contractor will have a set period to fix infraction to not exceed 14 days. In the event that the contractor does not fix infraction, any rodeos they were selected for will be allowed to pick an approved contractor for their event in order to maintain ICA sanctioning.

### IV. RODEO PAYOFFS AND FINALS RODEO QUALIFICATIONS

# A. Payoffs

- **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, and to be a contestant at the ICA finals, both contesting cardholders and Permit card holders must be an ICA member in good standing and have been entered and competed in 6 ICA prime rodeos per event as an ICA member. (Revised 2017)
- **4.** The ICA all-around champion will be that contestant who wins the most points in two or more events over the rodeo season. See points criteria in the payout section of rule book.
- **5.** 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.
- **6.** Prize money shall be considered as the purse and entry fees totaled.
- **7.** Added money shall be divided equally in each major event unless the Board of Directors approves otherwise.
- 8. If not, enough contestants qualify (or enter) for the number of places to be paid in any event, the remaining places shall be divided evenly among those contestants who did qualify (have a score or a time), That money shall be considered ground money and count for event points but not All- Around Points. IF NO ONE QUALIFIES for prize money in an event except the bareback riding, the purse will be paid to the rodeo committee. (Revised 2017)
- **9.** In the bareback event, if at any ICA Prime rodeo there are no qualified rides the entry fees paid will be sent to the ICA to be added in addition to the ICA finals money. (2018)
- **10.** Contestant must compete on every head of stock drawn for him in an event to place in the average.
- 11. All rodeos approved solely by the ICA shall withhold a four percent (4%) assessment. If co-approved with one association, 4% shall go to the ICA and 1% to the co-approving association. If co-approved with two associations, 3% shall go to the ICA and 1% to each of the other associations. If co-approved by

more than two associations, 3% shall go to the ICA and 2% shall be divided equally between the remaining associations. These assessments are to be withheld from total pay-off (added money included) before computing any payoffs.

- **12.** If a committee desires a final ride-off in any event, the money is to be added separately and paid off as follows:
  - a. \$100 or less: winner takes all.
  - **b.** Over \$100: two monies paid: split 60% 40%
  - **c.** All money won in a final ride-off will count toward year-end awards.
- **13.** Prize money, after percent is deducted, will be awarded to contestants in Bull Riding, Breakaway Roping and Barrel Racing as follows:
  - a. 0 \$300 2 places 60/40
  - **b.** \$301 \$750 3 places 50/30/20
  - **c.** \$751 \$900 4 places 40/30/20/10
  - **d.** \$901 \$1400 5 places 35/27/19/12/7
  - e. \$1401 \$3000 6 places 29/24/19/14/9/5
  - f. \$3001 and up 8 places 23/20/17/14/11/8/5/2
- **14.** Prize money, after percent is deducted, will be awarded to contestants in the Team Roping, Steer Wrestling and Tie Down Roping as follows:
  - **a.** \$0-\$500 2 places 60/40
  - **b.** \$501-\$1000 3 places 50/30/20
  - **c.** \$1001-2000 4 places 40/30/20/10
  - d. \$2001-3000 5 places 35/27/19/12/7
  - e. \$3001-\$4500 6 places 29/24/19/14/9/5
  - f. \$4501-up 8 places 23/20/17/14/11/8/5/2
- **15.** Prize money, after percent is deducted, will be awarded to contestants in the Saddle Bronc Riding, Bareback (2022) and Novice events as follows:
  - i. # of Contestants Placing
  - **b.** 1-2: 1 Place: 100%
  - **c.** 3-5: 2 Places: 60/40
  - **d.** 6-10: 3 Places: 50/30/20
  - **e.** 11-15: 4 Places: 40/30/20/10
  - **f.** 16-20: 5 Places: 35/27/19/12/7

- g. Over 21: 6 Places: 29/24/19/14/9/5
- **16.** Prize money, after percent deducted, will be awarded to the contestants in the Ranch Bronc Riding events as follows: 2022.
  - i. # of Contestants placing:
  - **b.** 1-2: 1 place 100%
  - **c.** 3-5: 2 places 60/40
  - **d.** 6-10: 3 places 50/30/20
  - **e.** 11-15: 4 places: 50/25/15/10
  - **f.** 16+: 5 places: 50/20/15/10/5
- **17.** All-Around year-end champion will be determined by points vs Money.
  - **a.** Prime rodeos will count as Follows:
    - i. 1st place 72 points
    - ii. 2nd place 66 points
    - iii. 3rd place 60 points
    - iv. 4th place 54 points and continues to decrease by 6 points per placing.
  - **b.** Co approved Rodeos will count as follows:
    - i. 1st place 36 Points
    - ii. 2nd place 33 points
    - **iii.** 3rd place 30 points and continue to decrease by 3 points per placing.

### V. FINALS RODEO

### A. Selection of Contestants

- 1. The top twelve 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 is unable to compete, the numerical standings will be used to fill any positions. (Revised 2017)
- 2. The Board of Directors reserves the right to change the number of contestants going to the finals if it is deemed necessary.

#### **B. 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 Judges must

- have worked two prime rodeos in the current season to be eligible to work the ICA Finals.
- Announcers must be cardholders in the same current season.
  Only announcer(s) eligible to be awarded the opportunity to
  contract the ICA Finals must have worked a minimum of one
  ICA prime and one co-approved ICA rodeo or two ICA Primes in
  the current season and agree to the Board of Director's criteria
  to be put on the ballot for voting and hiring. (Revised 2015,
  2018)
- 3. Timers for the finals must have an ICA card and timed at least one ICA approved rodeo while having that card, during the current rodeo season.
- 4. Payment received by all Finals personnel to be based on contractual agreement with the ICA.
- 5. Dates and location of the Finals are to be decided by the Board of Directors.

#### C. Selection of Stock

- 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.
- 2. It will be the Event Director's responsibility to select the timed event stock for the finals. If there are no ICA stock contractors or subcontractors who have provided cattle to at least two ICA rodeos with enough desirable animals for the Finals, cattle from different ICA stock contractors and subcontractors may be split to make an even pen if desired.
- 3. Tie Down Roping. Calves that have gone to at least two rodeos by the time the dates for the finals maybe too big or not desirable. If this is the case an ICA stock contractor or subcontractor who has provided tie down calves to at least two rodeos may put together a new herd.
- 4. New herd established; they must be prepared at least 48 hours before the finals.
- 5. Preparation of Tie Down Roping Cattle. Tie down roping cattle must be prepared by being roped and tied down in a controlled environment from a horse three times at least 48 hours before scheduled competition, under the supervision of

- the Tie Down Event Representative and/or the Judging Director. (2018)
- 6. At least 3 weeks prior to the Finals rodeo all ICA stock contractors must submit a list of all animals 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.
- 7. A list of all stock nominated by contractors will be compiled.
  - a. This list will be mailed out to the top 20 contestants in each event.
  - This list should be mailed out 2 weeks prior to the Finals rodeo. (Electronic email or paper copy may be used) 2019
  - c. During entries for the Finals each contestant will be asked to vote on the animals for their event.
  - d. Votes will also be taken for Pickup men, Judges and Bull Fighters. (Main rough stock events and Novice card holders can vote for Pickup men and Bull Fighters)
  - e. 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. Stock with the most votes will be the stock for the Finals.
  - f. It will be the Event Director's responsibility to contact the contractors with stock that needs to be brought to the Finals.
- Stock for the Novice events will be voted on by the Novice finals Contestants by casting a Ballot vote with their choice of contractor. Novice Stock must be provided by ICA approved contractor/s in good standing. More than one contractor maybe chosen at the discretion of the ICA Board of Directors. (2019)

# VI. JUDGING/DRAWING LIVESTOCK

## A. Drawing Rough Stock

 In all events, stock shall not be drawn for a contestant if he has notified that he is turning out or has been disqualified. The draw will be done prior to each performance, by the judges. Rough stock will be drawn using poker chips, resulting in the

- animal's number recorded on a chip. Drawing chips must be done from a bowl so all chips have equal opportunity to be drawn. Stock will be drawn 2 hrs. prior to the performance (2017)
- 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 Riding, saddle bronc, and Bull Riding) two (2) re-ride 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. No features will be allowed for a performance or section with less than three contestants (2011). The remaining animals will be put in a hat and two (2) animals per performance or slack session will be drawn as the designated re-ride animals for each specific performance or slack.
- 4. Stock for re-rides must be drawn before the regular draw.
- 5. The two (2) re-ride animals in each event will be given to the rodeo secretary.
- 6. If an animal runs off three consecutive times, it must be taken out of the draw.

# **B. Drawing Timed Event Stock**

- 1. Stock in the timed events shall be drawn by the Judges of that event two hours before the performance, on the rodeo grounds. (2017)
- 2. In timed events, no drawn stock can be held over from one performance to the next or overnight.
- 3. 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.
- 4. In timed events, stock will not be drawn except one run at a time.
- 5. All cattle in the draw will be run one time before any are run a second time except when splitting horses. 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.
- 6. At enter twice Team Roping, stock may be chute run. Enter once Team Roping stock must and will be drawn.
- 7. In Tie-Down Roping, Steer Wrestling, Breakaway Roping and Team Roping the minimum number of useable and desirable cattle will be whatever the largest number in a performance plus one extra. In an event where there is 8 or less contestants then one useable and desirable animal for each contestant plus an extra.
  - i. For each animal, the contractor is short, there will be fines as follows:
  - b. 1st offense \$50 per head short,
  - c. 2nd offense \$100 per head short,
  - d. 3rd offense \$200 per head short, with the fines doubling with each subsequent violation. (revised 2018)
- 8. Definition of desirable cattle is as follows:
  - a. must meet with all weight and horn limitations,
  - b. must be of like or similar breed.
  - c. If cattle do not meet the definition of desirable and they are still placed in the draw the Stock Contractor will be fined \$50 for each animal that does not match per run.
  - d. 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, except in the case of a re-run.

#### C. Misdraws

- Definition of misdraw: Any animal which must be replaced will be considered one misdraw. Examples of possible reasons for replacing an animal are:
  - a. Injured or unhealthy animal.
  - b. Animal not properly numbered or distinguishable
  - c. Animal not on premises after being drawn.
  - d. Duplicate brand and/or ear tag and animals not distinguishable prior to draw.

- e. Contestant left out of draw.
- f. Animal drawn incorrectly due to clerical error (examples: two poker chips with the same number; contestant drawn same animal twice; wrong run)
- g. Misdraw procedure when discovered prior to a performance, or any time during slack:
- h. If four (4) or more head are misdrawn, all unused stock shall be put back in the draw box and all redrawn.
- 2. If an extra is available, all unused animals below the misdraw, up to the end of the run on the cattle are used, including the extra. One animal is drawn, that being the animal assigned to the contestant with the misdraw. If the animal drawn for the misdraw is the extra, no other changes are made. If the animal drawn had originally been drawn by another contestant, the contestant who originally had that animal will be assigned the extra.
- 3. If no extra is available, all unused animals below the misdraw, up to the end of the run on the cattle are used with the last unused animal drawn in that run designated the extra. In this instance, Misdraw procedure when discovered after the start of a paid performance:
- 4. If an extra is available, the contestant involved will automatically be assigned the extra, regardless of a possible difference in runs on the cattle.
- 5. If no extra is available, the contestants 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.
- 6. Anytime these procedures have been used to correct a misdraw and then later another misdraw is found, treat them separately. Do not lump them together to create a completely new draw. There has to be four or more misdraws at one time to create a redraw.

# D. 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.
- 4. To qualify, rider must have spur rowel 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Stall is defined as when chute gate is at a ninety-degree angle and animal does not leave the chute immediately.
- 7. Rider shall be disqualified for not following Judge's instructions to take feet from neck of horse stalled in chute.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Contestants may pull riggings, cinch saddles, and pull ropes from either side in all riding events. Middle flank belongs to bronc rider.
- 10. 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.
- 11. 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.

- 12. Judges will start time when the inside shoulder breaks the plane. (2017)
- 13. Judges are to furnish and have their own stopwatches.

### E. Rerides

- 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 can be given on the same animal, if stock contractor is not willing, reride will be the designated reride. (2017)
- 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 any time.
- 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, they 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 Riding 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, the contestant will not be required to qualify in order to be awarded a reride.
- 11. In 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. 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 motion of a reride. Use of a prod more than 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.

#### F. Timed Events

- 1. Barrier Regulations
  - a. 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.
  - b. Barrier Judge is responsible to change barrier string whenever it may have been weakened, or on request of the next contestant.

- c. 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. (2017).
- d. 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.
- e. 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 staples are pulled or barrier rope is broken, and string remains unbroken, barrier Judge may assess a tensecond (10) penalty. Otherwise, this will not be considered a broken barrier.
- f. Line Judge may assess a 10 second penalty, if he feels barrier was obviously beaten whether or not barrier works.
- g. If barrier flagman is used, animal to be flagged when animal's nose crosses starting line, or deadline in front of flagmen.
- h. Barrier Judge shall be sure that nobody can stand close enough to barrier or barrier equipment to tamper with same. Once score has been set in timed event, it will not be changed at the rodeo, nor can length of box be changed.
- i. In order for time to be considered official, barrier flag must operate.
- j. 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.
- k. 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.

- 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.
- m. If barrier neck rope stays around the animal a rerun will be given, if the contestant declares immediately by pulling up.
- n. The 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. Set by the event director. (2017)
- o. The length of the barrier in Steer Wrestling; the score shall be no longer than the length of the box minus five and a half feet in a box seventeen and a half feet or less. In a box seventeen and a half feet or more the score shall be no longer than six feet minus the length of the box. Change upon the director's approval.
- p. All score line 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, score line lengths of 18' or more must be approved at time of rodeo approval. Once the score line has been set it shall not be changed at that rodeo, nor shall the length of the box be changed.
- q. 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.
- r. The flag on the barrier must be on the barrier rope.
- s. 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 score line in Steer Wrestling and team roping and 18 inches behind the score line in Tie-Down Roping.
- t. At all one (1) go-round rodeos, the catch pen gate will be open in the Tie-Down Roping, team roping and Breakaway Roping.

#### G. 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.
- 3. If rope is on animal, roper will get animal lap and tap with rope on in chute.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. At least several head of animals will be brought back together. No animal may be repenned by himself. Decisions will be made by arena director about when stock is repenned.

#### H. Liners

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

## Barrier Judge and Flagger Positions

- 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.

#### J. 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 t 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 score line. 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.
- 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.

# K. 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. Timed event livestock shall be pulled off of feed and water 2 hours prior to a performance or slack.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Any variation from the conditions set forth herein must be approved before the rodeo by the event directors or their assigned representative.

#### VII. EVENT RULES

## A. 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 horses 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.
- 4. Cinches on Bareback Riding riggings shall be made of mohair or neoprene and shall be at least eight inches (8") in width at the

- center, but it may be tapered to accommodate cinch-"D" or -rings. Latigos must be made of leather only.
- 5. Required Bareback Riding pads are to completely cover the underside of the rigging and are to extend a full two inches (2") behind the rigging.
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. Stock contractors will have the right to have Judges pass on whether riggings are objectionable. Judges are to decide on all riggings and pads.
- 9. Rider's glove is to be specifically designed for Bareback. (2019)
- 10. 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.
- 11. There will be no adhesive material other than dry resin used on rigging or on rider's glove. Benzoin may be used.
- 12. A fine of \$25 will be assessed to any Bareback Riding 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:
- 15. Riding with rowels too sharp or locked in the opinion of the Judges. Bucked off.
- 16. Touching animal, equipment, or person with free hand. One arm must be free at all times.
- 17. Rigging comes off of horse, with or without breaking.

- 18. Not having spur rowels above the break of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's feet hit the ground in his initial move out of the chute.
- 19. 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.
- 20. Judges shall fine and/or disqualify a Bareback Riding 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.
- 21. If, in the opinion of the pickup men and/or stock contractor a Bareback Riding 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.

## **B. Saddle Bronc Riding**

- 1. Riding to be done with saddle that complies with PRCA specifications listed below. Contest Equipment Specifications:
  - a. 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.
  - b. Swell Undercut: Not more than two inches (2"), one (1") inch on each side.
  - c. Gullet: Not less than four inches (4") wide at center of fork of covered saddle.
  - d. Tree: Saddles must be built on PRCA approved tree Specifications:
  - e. Fork-Fourteen inches (14") wide
  - f. Height-Nine inches (9") maximum
  - g. Gullet-Five- and three-quarter inches (5 3/4") wide
  - h. Cantle-Five inches (5") maximum height; fourteen inches (14") maximum width.
  - i. Stirrup leathers must be hung over bars.
  - Saddle should conform to the above measurements with a reasonable added thickness for leather covering. No freaks allowed.

- k. 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.
- I. Standard halter must be used unless agreement is made by both contestant and stock contractor.
- 2. If stock contractor halter breaks, rider may have reride providing contestant has made a qualified ride up to the time the halter comes off.
- 3. If contestant's halter breaks, no reride will be given.
- 4. Riding rein and hand must be on same side.
- 5. 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 its best. Middle flank belongs to rider, but contractor may have rider put flank behind curve of horse's belly. Flank cinch may be hobbled. 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. 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.
- 6. Any of the following offenses shall disqualify a rider:
  - a. Changing hands on rein.
  - b. Losing or dropping rein before eight-second (8) time limits.
  - c. Wrapping rein around hand.
  - d. Pulling leather.
  - e. Losing stirrup.
  - f. Touching animal, equipment, or person with free hand.
  - g. Riding with locked rowels, or rowels that will lock on spurs.
  - h. Not having spur rowel 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.
  - i. 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.)

7. Judges will fine and/or disqualify a Bareback rider, Saddle Bronc rider, Bull rider or Stock saddle 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 arena.

## C. Stock Saddle Bronc Riding (Ranch Bronc)

- 1. Ground Rules: (2019)
- 2. Eight (8) Second Ride
  - a. Rider may start one or two handed.
  - b. Spurs must be same as Bronc riders, 5-star, free rolling.
  - Standard saddle or slick fork with or without bucking rolls.
  - d. All Ranch Bronc saddles the back cinches if being used, must have a billet (with holes to accept the back cinch buckles) on both the right and left side. Latigos on either the right or left sides (on the back cinch only) will result in an immediate Disqualification. (2022)
  - e. No hobbling or binding of stirrups in anyway.
  - f. Horses maybe throat latched at the contractor's discretion.
  - g. Rein must be attached to halter.
  - h. No chapping a horse at the gate. (Throwing or slapping chaps or raincoat at horse.)
  - i. Same rein must remain on rein and must maintain control for the duration of the ride.
  - No spur out/mark out required (if they do it should be rewarded).
  - k. Fanning of hat is allowed but no quirts or whips.
  - I. Loss of stirrups is allowed but points maybe deducted for doing so.
  - m. If horse goes down to knee, belly, hip, or shoulder the rider must ride them down and ride them up. (May take away points for how long the horse is down.)

- n. If the horse goes down and touches both hip and shoulder on ground (lying flat) the rider must declare to receive a reride.
- o. Riders will be rewarded points for control, aggressiveness, exposure, length of spur stroke and drag time. The wildest, yet controlled ride should win.
- p. Rerides will be given according to rule Judging re-rides
- q. Stock Saddle Broncs must be drawn according to ICA riding event Drawing Livestock rules with one exception:
- r. Paint brands on animals are allowed. (2001)
- s. In Double Entry Events, a contestant cannot draw the same horse more than once per event. (2022)

## D. Bull Riding

- 1. Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold.
- 2. No knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off bull when rider leaves him.
- 3. Rope must have bell.
- 4. Hooks or posts shall not be used on bull ropes.
- 5. A ring may be used on a bull rope.
- 6. Riders who are knocked off at a chute or if bull falls, to be entitled to a reride at discretion of the Judges.
- 7. 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.
- 8. The matter of rerides shall be decided by the Judges, regardless of performance.
- 9. If Bull Rider makes qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.
- 10. 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.
- 11. Bell must be under belly of bull.
- 12. Rider not to use sharp spurs.

- 13. No more than two men may be on chute to pull contestant's rope.
- 14. 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. If horns are not tipped contestant can get a reride for that performance if he desires.
- 15. Rider will be disqualified for any of the following offenses:
  - a. Touching the animal, equipment, or person with free hand.
  - b. Being bucked off.
  - c. Using sharp spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rope when rope is being tightened.
  - d. Not having a bell on bull rope.
- 16. 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.

## E. Tie Down Roping

1. Contestant must rope calf, dismount, throw calf by hand and cross and tie any three legs. To qualify as legal tie, there shall be at least one wrap around all three legs and a half-hitch. 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. Rope must hold calf until Roper gets hand on calf. Three legs must remain crossed and tied for six seconds, as timed by the Judge, from the time the rope horse takes his first step forward after the Roper has remounted, until approved by the Judge. Roper must not touch calf after signaling that he is finished until after the Judge has completed his examination. Rope must remain slack until field Judge approves the tie. Unless instructed to do so by the Judge, Roper will be disqualified for removing rope from calf after signaling for time, until the tie has been passed on by the Field Judge. In the event a contestant's catch rope is off a calf after completion of the tie, the six second time period is to start when the Roper clears calf. Flag Judge must watch calf during the six second period and will stopwatch when a calf kicks free, using the time shown on the watch to

- determine whether calf was tied long enough to qualify. If tie becomes illegal by calf kicking, or calf gets to his feet before tie has been approved by the Judge, the Roper will be marked, "no time."
- 2. 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 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. There will be a twenty-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 25-second span.
- 5. 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.
- 6. The weight limit of Tie-Down 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.
- 7. 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, 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. (2017)
- 8. 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 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.
- 9. 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.

## F. Steer Wrestling

- 1. A full Performance in the Steer Wrestling shall be 8 Entries, except in the finals which will take 12.
- 2. Steer Wrestlers must advise the judge, which horse he will ride so that back-to-back runs may be avoided. Judges will have the authority to adjust the order to accomplish this.
- 3. Contestants must furnish own hazer and horses. Steer must be caught from horse. Only one hazer allowed.
- 4. If steer gets loose, Steer Wrestler 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Any cattle that have been used cannot be held over from one year to the next for use in Steer Wrestling except by event director approval (2010). All steer wrestling cattle must weigh a minimum of 450 pounds and a maximum of 600 pounds. Change upon director's approval. (2014)
- 7. 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.
- 8. Ten-second (10) penalty shall be assessed in any case in which a flag Judge rules that Steer Wrestler's feet touch the ground before flag line is crossed.
- 9. If Steer Wrestler misses or loses steer, flagman must ask if he wishes another jump. Steer Wrestler must reply at once.
- 10. Cattle used in previous years for steer roping, cutting and other events shall not be used for Steer Wrestling except by event director approval. (2010)
  - a. Contractors will be subject to \$100 fine per animal.
- 11. 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.
- 12. The Steer Wrestling chute must have at least thirty inches (28") clearance inside the chute, and at the gate when in an open position. (2017)
- 13. Steer Wrestlers must start from the left box and the Hazer must start from the right box. (2014)
- 14. Field flagger is required to watch contestants and steer until animal is turned loose.

- 15. Contestant is required to turn steers head so he can get up. Arena director may report infractions.
- 16. Hazer must be an ICA member or co-approving association member in good standing.
- 17. 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 designee would have the option of removing this animal from the draw. If this results in not having the proper number of steers for the draw, a \$25 per head fine will be assessed to the stock contractor.

## G. 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.
- 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:
  - a. Around both horns.
  - b. Half a head.
  - c. Around the neck.
- 15. If a hondo passes over one horn and the loop over the other, catch is illegal.
- 16. Any heel catch behind both shoulders is legal if rope goes up heels.
- 17. One hind foot receives 5-second penalty.
- 18. If loop crosses itself in a head catch it is illegal. This does not include heel catches.
- 19. Heelers over the age of 50 years will be allowed to tie hard and fast.
- 20. 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 number of steers for the draw, a \$25 per head fine will be assessed to the stock contractor.

# H. Ladies Breakaway Roping

 Boys 12 and under can enter the Breakaway Roping at any ICA prime rodeo if eligible. Once the boy enters any other ICA event, he will no longer be eligible to compete in the

- breakaway. The age of the boy shall be determined as of January 1<sup>st</sup> 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. Contestant MUST use the string 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. Catch must be clean neck catch only. Rope must draw up behind the head and ears and come tight around the neck only. Any front legs, body, band, and tail will result in a no time. (2017)
- 6. The only legal catch will be a bell collar catch.
  - a. Bell collar catch is defined as the calves' whole head with no extremities. Any legs or over the tail head or figure 8 on tail or ears or horns will result in a no time.
  - b. Horns are to be no longer than 2 inches from the base of the horn.
- 7. There will be a \$50 fine for each animal not in compliance.
- 8. The Judge will flag the contestant when the rope breaks away from the horn and time will be taken.
- 9. 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, un-dally the rope, and then stop her horse to make the rope breakaway.
- 10. 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.
- 11. In the Breakaway Roping, the catch pen gate will be open at all rodeos.
- 12. At all ICA Prime rodeos, the Breakaway Roping will be one loop.

- 13. All breakaway calves must be uniform in size and of like breed without the use of dairy cattle (Jerseys & Holsteins). Calves must be a minimum weight of 200 lbs. and a maximum weight of 400 lbs. with a maximum 50 lb. variation. There will be a \$50 fine per animal not in compliance.
- 14. At all rodeos where there are not three Judges, the Judge that is flagging the breakaway will find an individual to watch the offside for illegal head catches. This does not have to be the same person for each performance.
- 15. Breakaway Roping times will be to the tenths (0.1) (2008)
- 16. The string shall be attached to the very end of the rope and tied securely to the saddle horn. The rope shall be tied well enough to the saddle horn, with string to allow a tug by the barrier judge or his appointee and not break. The barrier judge or his appointee may request rope to be re-tied before permitting contestant to compete.

## I. Women's Barrel Racing

- 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 ensure 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.
- 4. The contestant is allowed a running start.
- 5. Anytime contestant crosses starting line, time will begin.
- 6. 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 turnaround 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.
- 7. This barrel course may also be run to the left.
- 8. Barrel must be set back on marker if it is rocked or bumped.
- 9. Barrels must be set with marker in the center of the barrel.
- 10. It shall be the responsibility of the flagger to ensure that the Timers are ready before allowing contestants to compete.
- 11. The starting gate or gates will remain the same throughout the entire rodeo.
- 12. 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.
- 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. If pattern is centered to the gate, contestant must keep forward motion toward the first barrel and forward when leaving arena. Member must be allowed to set up her run as necessary, without circling, spinning, or pivoting. (if you circle, spin or pivot there is a \$50 fine.) If the pattern is not centered to the gate, member shall be allowed to set up her run as necessary, without circling. (if you circle there is a \$50 fine.) A spin or pivot is acceptable.
- 17. 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 12<sup>th</sup> contestant according to the draw. If a committee chooses to run less than 12 in a performance, the ground in slack must be raked after equivalent number of contestants drawn for a performance.

- 18. The ground will be worked by a tractor before slack whether next day or after performance and once more before the barrel racing begins.
- 19. There will be no assistance to WBR horses once they are past the entrance gate. Violation of this rule will be cause for disqualification.
- 20. 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.
- 21. 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.

## 22. Timing Barrels

- a. Contestants will be assessed a five second penalty for knocking over a barrel. Touching barrel is permitted.
- b. Should barrel be knocked over and it sets up on opposite end, the five- second penalty will be assessed.
- c. Electric Time and Eye Beam
- Equipment necessary: complete electric eye timer plus one extra timing clock or stopwatch to be operated manually.
- e. Electric timer must be backed up by a flagman who will stand directly behind it in order to flag fairly.
- f. The electric eye must be set at least five feet from fence.
- g. 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.

#### 23. Electric Timer Failure

a. 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.
- b. 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.
- c. 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.
- d. If the electric eye fails, it must fail on over 50% before handheld times are taken, the back-up recorded times will be the official times for all contestants in that go round.
- e. If a contestant is given a rerun, her penalties from previous run will be added to her new time.
- f. rerun must be taken immediately following that section or at the end of the rodeo performance.

#### 24. Hand Time on Barrels.

- a. Flag Judge should flag each contestant's horse's nose at the start/finish line.
- b. 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.)
- c. Both official and back-up Timers will time off the flag Judge. Both times will be recorded.
- d. Hand-held times will be recorded only to 10ths.

#### 25. Reruns on Barrels

- a. 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.
- b. Judges must make decision that barrels were not on marker.
- c. Should this happen, girls and Judges should be notified, then Judge and arena director will set the time for rerun.

- d. Should the girls know that the barrels are set wrong and there is not enough time to correct it, they must RUN, in consideration of the committee. They will be rerun after the performance.
- e. 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.

## 26. Marking the Barrels

- a. Brightly colored 55-gallon steel drums with both ends in must be used.
- b. 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.
- c. Secretary is to post a copy of the measurements, along with the times, for the contestants to see.
- d. 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)
- e. Local and novice barrel racers can run on the ICA markers, but must run after the ICA contestants.
- 27. Standard courses should be used wherever possible. Pattern will be centered in arena if possible. The standard distances for Clover Leaf Barrel Race are:
  - a. 90 feet between barrel 1 and 2. (minimum of 18 feet from fence.)
  - b. 105 feet between barrel 1 and 3 and between 2 and 3. (minimum of 25 feet from barrel 3 to fence.)
  - c. 60 feet from barrels 1 and 2 to score line.
  - d. Score line should be at least 60 feet from the end of the arena.
- 28. The following shall be used in smaller arenas:
  - a. Barrels 1 and 2 must be a minimum of 18 feet from the side of the arena.
  - b. Barrels 3 should be measured and set at least 15 feet longer than between the first and second barrels.
- 29. The following method of marking the barrels is satisfactory:

- a. 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.
- b. 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.
- 30. 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.
- 31. 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.
- 32. Permanent markers shall also be placed on both sides to indicate starting line.
- 33. Unsafe Ground Conditions
  - a. If the arena conditions are deemed at any time to be unsafe by the arena/event director, judge or the primary stock contractor, competition may be stopped until such time as the arena conditions are deemed satisfactory by the individual who initially determined the arena conditions unsafe.
  - Additional equipment maybe brought in if needed to make conditions safe. Event/round can be rescheduled if conditions cannot be changed or improved.
  - c. If arena conditions were deemed unsafe. The runners that have competed in the that "unsafe" performance or slack will get a rerun after ground is improved. Runners will rerun in the original draw order.

- d. Pattern may deviate from the course measurements see rule #29 and #30 if the arena conditions don't allow this course.
- e. There shall be no reruns given at a rodeo if a horse falls, unless ground has been deemed "unsafe"
- f. The ICA/Event director can work with the committee to pursue incremental drags if desired. This does not have to be declared by the committee when their packets are due to the ICA. As long as it is confirmed prior to the first performance, drag changes will be allowed, as long as there are drags every 12 runners

#### J. Novice Events

- Committees are encouraged to offer Rough Stock permit sections in the following events: Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding and Bull Riding.
- 2. if Double entries are allowed in the Rough Stock Novice section, the contestant may only double enter in the Novice section.
- 3. Riders must have a Novice card in order to compete in Novice sections.
- 4. Stock contractors are encouraged to provide stock deemed "Novice" caliber stock for the Rough Stock events.
  - a. Bucking stock utilized in the novice sections are NOT to be utilized in the open section in same or any other performance during a given rodeo.
  - b. Bucking stock utilized in the Novice sections are to be of a developmental caliber with the understanding that beginning riders are inexperienced and our responsibility to keep them as safe as possible in an inherently dangerous sport will help to ensure the future of the rough stock events and the ICA as a whole.
  - c. Stock contractors using stock deemed excessive of being conducive to rider development by the event judges will be notified upon completion of the respective event, and said animal is to be removed from further draws until review is made by the board of directors. Upon review, the forementioned stock contractor may be

- subject to fine. The animal having been used may be subject to blacklist from the Novice sections moving forward. If said animal is again used prior to board review, a fine will be imposed.
- 5. Entry fees for Novice events will be \$20 in the purse. In addition, Novice event entries will pay the other associated fees as in other events (Finals Fund, Judges Fee, Central entry fee, and committee charge.
- 6. In the event that no one qualifies in a Novice event, the \$20 per contestant purse will be paid to the ICA and go directly into the finals fund for that event. Added money will be kept by the committee.
- 7. Rough stock for the Novice events will be drawn for as in all ICA events.
- 8. All Novice events will be governed by the ICA rulebook.

# VIII. 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 principal place of business and post office address of this corporation shall be 10209 Cherry Lane, PO Box 3008, Nampa ID 83653 in Canyon County Idaho. 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 Judgments 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 two (2) general membership meetings to be 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 Riding, Bull Riding, Ranch Saddle Bronc, Tie-Down Roping, Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Breakaway Roping, Barrel Racing, Novice, at Large, Contract Acts, Contractor, Finals, Committees (2), and Judging.
- A. Event Directors are to be voted on by the active members in that event only.
- 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 ensure continuity from year to year and ensure 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 (2022)
- 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.
- 4. Official business of the association can be conducted via teleconference or video conference and voting may be done via electronic ballot.

#### E. Amendments

1. 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 general membership meeting and must be published for the prior to the convention.

## F. Seal

1. 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

1. The fiscal year of the corporation shall be the calendar year beginning on the first day of January in each year and ending at Midnight on the thirtyfirst day of December of the same year.