

2021 Heart O' Texas Rodeo (One HOT Rodeo) October 8-9 & 14-16, 2021 GROUND RULES

I. QUALIFICATIONS & LIMITS

The 2021 Heart O' Texas Rodeo (RODEO) will have the following qualifications and limits:

- A.** Bareback Riding: Limited to the top 60 contestants in the PRCA World Standings as of the final standings on September 15, 2021. If 60 entries are not received at close of entries then the number of contestants shall be 30. If 30, then the top 30 in the PRCA World Standings will be accepted. All other entries will be drawn out. No permits will be accepted.
- B.** Saddle Bronc Riding: Limited to the top 60 contestants in the PRCA World Standings as of the final standings on September 15, 2021. If 60 entries are not received at close of entries then the number of contestants shall be 30. If 30, then the top 30 in the PRCA World Standings will be accepted. All other entries will be drawn out. No permits will be accepted.
- C.** Bull Riding: Limited to the top 60 contestants in the PRCA World Standings as of the final standings on September 15, 2021. If 60 entries are not received at close of entries then the number of contestants shall be 30. If 30, then the top 30 in the PRCA World Standings will be accepted. All other entries will be drawn out. No permits will be accepted.
- D.** Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Tie-Down Roping: Per Rule 1.4.3, 2 go rounds if less than 90; if 90 or more, 1 go round. Slack will be October 12, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. No permits will be accepted.
- E.** WPRA Barrel Racing: One go-round with 60 contestants in the five (5) rodeo performances (12 contestants per perf) and the remaining contestants in slack on Monday, October 11, 2021 at 6 p.m.

II. GENERAL

- A.** Each person who enters to compete must also complete and sign the "PRCA/WPRA Release and Waiver and Choice of Venue" form, and this document must be received by the Rodeo Secretary prior to the first scheduled competition in order to be eligible to compete.
- B.** A contestant in each event will be chosen to represent a sponsor team. Sponsor team participants will be selected Thursday night prior to the rodeo beginning. There will be a total of 30 teams and each contestant will be designated to a sponsor team. Each

team member will be required to wear a sponsor back number and make one appearance at the sponsor's place of business, if requested, during the RODEO.

- C. Each contestant will be furnished a RODEO back number, which must be worn and displayed in its entirety at all times when in the competition arena. If a contestant has an existing patch sponsorship involving the cantle/yoke of the shirt, then that contestant may wear the RODEO back number immediately below the existing cantle/yoke patch. If a contestant elects to wear a protective vest or jacket, then that contestant must wear the RODEO back number in the same location on the vest or jacket. Failure to wear the RODEO back number in its entirety as outlined above will result in a fine of \$1,000.00 for the first offense, \$2,000.00 for the second offense, \$4000.00 for the third offense, and disqualification for the fourth and subsequent offense. A contestant may be fined without warning and may be subject to immediate disqualification if the offense takes place during the semi-finals or finals.

III. CHECK-IN

- A. Contestants, RODEO Officials, and RODEO Contract Personnel are required to check-in at the Contestant Check-in and the Rodeo Secretary's office at the Extraco Events Center in Waco, TX between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. prior to the performance. At the Contestant Check-in, each contestant will receive a packet of information and credentials. Failure to check-in during this time may result in loss of bonus money and/or prizes.
- B. Contestants will receive no more than one free ticket for each performance.
- C. Stalls will be on a first come, first served basis. All contestant horses must be removed from the stalls no later than Noon on Sunday, October 17th, 2021. Failure to do so shall result in a \$500.00 fine per horse left in the stalls past the deadline.
- D. Steer wrestling contestants are to report the name of their hazer and their PRCA card number to the Rodeo Secretary at the time of check-in. Any hazer who is not already a contestant must have a back number, which entitles only that person access to the arena area. Hazers for the RODEO must have been active PRCA members in the 2020 rodeo year.

IV. FORMAT

- A. The RODEO will be a five-performance rodeo plus slack for timed events. WPRA see IV.A.4.
 - 1. Saddle Bronc & Bareback: 60 contestants maximum 1 head. If not 60 entries then draw down to 30 maximum contestants 2 head back to back, performance to performance. THERE IS NO AVERAGE IF 30.
 - 2. Bull Riding: 60 contestants maximum 1 head with finals. If not 60 entries then draw down to 30 maximum contestants 2 head back to back, performance to performance. THERE IS NO AVERAGE IF 30.

3. Steer Wrestling, Tie-Down Roping and Team Roping: If less than 90, 2 go rounds, if more than 90, 1 go round with slack on October 12, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.
4. WPRA Barrel Racing: See I.E.

V. TIMED EVENTS

- A. All contestants with animals must have the following documents for their animals in order to participate in the RODEO:
 1. All Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) requirement must be followed based on current rules, laws and orders.
 2. Minimum requirement: Current Coggins test within the last 12 months.
 3. Out of state competitors should refer to TAHC for the current requirement.
- B. Selected timed event stock contractors will provide one half enough animals for the contest contestants plus extras.
- C. Timed event contestants will enter and exit the arena as directed by the Manager of Production.
- D. There shall be no more than one man in the box if so, requested by the contestant. Only one horse in the box will be permitted.
- E. The RODEO Committee shall designate a time for extras in each of the timed events to be run.
- F. If a timed event animal escapes the chute prior to the contestant calling for him, that contestant will automatically receive the first extra and will compete on that animal in the performance. The escaped animal will be put back into the herd.
- G. In the team roping, only two loops will be allowed.

VI. RIDING EVENTS

- A. Two Judges will be used to score each ride.

VII. BARREL RACE

- A. Barrel Racers must run in and run out. Venue specific ground rules will be posted in the secretary's office.
- B. All contestants with animals must have the following documents for their animals in order to participate in the RODEO:
 1. All Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) requirement must be followed based on current rules, laws and orders.

- 2.** Minimum requirement: Current Coggins test within the last 12 months.
- 3.** Out of state competitors should refer to TAHC for the current requirement.
- C.** Barrel Racing contestants will enter and exit the arena directed by the Arena Director.
- D.** Arena crew will use a tractor and drag to dress the ground after 4 contestants during the rodeo performances and slack.