

# PIKES PEAK OR BUST RODEO

## Ground Rules for 2018 WPRA Barrel Race

### 1. DEFINITIONS

**PIKES PEAK OR BUST RODEO (PPOBR)** references 5 days (Round 1 Qualifier & Round 2 Brackets/Performances & Finals/Shootout performances) of championship rodeo competition to be held at the Norris- Penrose Event Center (NPEC), Colorado Springs, CO, beginning June 25, 2018, and ending July 14, 2018. The PPOBR will feature a qualifier round for all entered barrel racers and four bracket/performances with 8 contestants in each bracket/performance and a Finals/Shootout Championship Round featuring 8 contestants. This format will result in 32 contestants advancing into the bracket/performances. Time must be read and recorded by official timer in 1000ths of a second.

#### 2018 PPOBR Performance Dates and Times

Round 1 Qualifier: Monday, June 25, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m. Round 2 Brackets/Performances Wednesday, July 11, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m. Thursday, July 12, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m. Friday, July 13, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m. Saturday, July 14, 2018 @ 12:30 p.m. Finals/Shootout Championship: Saturday, July 14, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.

The 2018 PPOBR is an independent production of the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo ("PPOBR").

1.1 **Contestant Agreement** references the binding legal agreement (PPOBR Contestant Agreement) between each contestant and PPOBR. Each contestant accepts the terms of the Contestant Agreement upon entering the PPOBR and the Contestant Agreement is executed by PPOBR upon PPOBR's acceptance of the contestant's entry application.

1.2 **RODEO RULES** Rodeo rules for Barrel Racing refer to the Contestant Agreement, Ground Rules for WPRA Barrel Racing and the WPRA Rule Book.

### 2. IF CONFLICT OF RULES

#### **Order of Precedence**

In the event of conflict, the Contestant Agreement prevails over the Ground Rules for WPRA Barrel Racing, which prevails over the WPRA Rule Book.

### 3. ENTRY FEES

3.1 PPOBR entry fee for the Round 1 Qualifier is \$71 (includes \$21 office charge) per contestant. PPOBR entry fees for Round 2 & Finals are \$500 per contestant. (see 3.2 immediately below).

3.2 In compensation for each contestant advancing from Round 1 Qualifier and agreeing to the terms, conditions and grant of rights detailed in the Contestant Agreement, PPOBR will pay Round 2 Brackets/Performances & Finals/Shootout \$500 2018 PPOBR entry fees (this is in addition to other monetary opportunities detailed in the Contestant Agreement).

### 4. ENTRY PROCESS

4.1 All 2018 WPRA card & permit holders (in good standing with the WPRA) can enter the PPOBR for the barrel race.

4.2 Entries are accepted online only through <https://pikespeakorbustrodeo.wildapricot.org>

4.3 Entries open on Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. (Mountain Time)

4.4 Entries close on Thursday, May 31, 2018 at 11:00 p.m.(Mountain Time)

4.5 The draw for the Round 1 Qualifier will be posted on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. (Mountain Time) on <https://pikespeakorbustrodeo.wildapricot.org>.

### 5. FORMAT/TRADE/REPLACEMENT/TIE-BREAKERS

### **5.1 Round 1 Qualifier.**

(A) All WPRA cards and permits are accepted in the \$500-added, \$71 entry fee qualifier (which includes a \$21 office charge). Positions will be drawn randomly. A hand rake will be provided after 5 contestants run with a tractor drag after 10 contestants run.

(B) The top 31 fastest times from the Round 1 Qualifier will advance to Round 2 Brackets/Performances.

(C) The 2017 Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo winner will be invited to be the 32<sup>nd</sup> contestant advancing to the Round 2 Brackets/Performances. If the 2017 Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo winner is not available, the invite will drop down to the next place in the 2017 Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo until filled through the invitation process.

(D) The Round 1 Qualifier pays out according to the Payout Schedule.

### **5.2 Tie- Breaker Policy for Round 1 Qualifier- Monday, June 25, 2018**

(A) Any ties for progressing to next round will be addressed by a random draw.

### **5.3 Trade Policy for Round 1 Qualifier**

(A) There are no trades allowed in the Round 1 Qualifier.

### **5.4 Release/Turn Out Policy for Round 1 Qualifier**

(A) All requests to release or turn out of the Round 1 Qualifier must be made through <https://pikespeakorbustrodeo.wildapricot.org> no later than June 24, 2018 at 5:00pm (Mountain Time). If you do not receive a confirming email back, your request was not received. You will be charged applicable fees and fines through the WPRA office.

### **5.5 Round 2 Brackets/Performances- July 11-14, 2018**

(A) There will be 32 qualifiers (31 from the Round 1 Qualifier & 1 from the 2017 Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo) in the Round 2 Brackets/Performances. Times do not carry over from the Round 1 Qualifier.

(B) There will be 8 contestants going into each of the bracket/performance.

(C) Positions will be drawn randomly.

(D) The winners of each bracket/performance will be determined by the fastest times.

(E) Each bracket/performance pays out according to the Payout Schedule.

### **5.6 Tie- Breaking Policy for Round 2 Brackets/Performances**

(A) MONEY: Official tied payout will be combined and split evenly between the tied contestants.

(B) Money: In the event that only one contestant gets a time, the entire payout will be paid to the first place winner.

(C) Money: In the event that no one gets a time, the money will be evenly distributed to all contestants within that bracket/performance.

(D) Advancement: If a tie occurs for first place in Round 2 Brackets/Performances, a random draw will determine the contestant that will advance to the Finals/Shootout Championship.

(E) Advancement: In case of a tie for second place, the contestant with the fastest time in the previous round will be the second place winner.

### **5.7 Trade Policy for Round 2 Brackets/Performances**

(A) Trades are allowed for those advancing into the Round 2 Brackets.

(B) Trades can only be made for those advancing into the Round 2 Brackets/Performances with the Rodeo Secretary in the 1-hour period following the Round 1 Qualifier.

### **5.8 Release/Turn Out Policy for Round 2 Brackets/Performances**

(A) 30 Hour Replacement Policy is in effect. All requests to release or turn out of the Round 2 Brackets/Performances must be made through <https://pikespeakorbustrodeo.wildapricot.org> no later than 30 hours (Mountain Time) prior to the start of each bracket/performance. If you do not receive a confirming email back, your request was not received. Otherwise you will be considered a non-notified turn out. You will be charged applicable fees and fines through the WPRA office.

(B) Even if you give 30 hours' notice fines will apply per the WPRA rule book.

(C) PPOBR will seek replacements until 24 hours (Mountain Time) prior to the start of each bracket/performance.

### **5.9 Finals/Shootout Round- PPOBR Championship Saturday, July 14, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. (Mountain Time)**

(A) The top two (2) contestants from each Round 2 Brackets/Performances, based on the fastest times, will advance to the Finals/Shootout PPOBR Championship Round.

(B) The Finals/Shootout PPOBR Championship Round will consist of 8 total contestants. Times do not carry over from any previous brackets/performances. The contestants will be drawn randomly.

(C) The Championship Shootout will consist of the top three (3) contestants with the order of competition randomly drawn.

### **5.10 Tie-Breaking Methods for Finals/Shootout PPOBR Championship**

(A) Times in the Finals/Shootout PPOBR Championship shall be kept in 1000ths of a second.

(B) If there is a tie for first place, the contestants will compete again, to determine the champion. They will be drawn randomly.

(C) If still a tie, Co-PPOBR Champions will be named.

(D) Ties for second or third place will be treated and reported as ties.

(E) Official tied place payout(s) will be combined and split evenly between the tied contestants.

## **6. PAYOUT AND PAYOUT PROCEDURES**

6.1 Total payout shall be \$35,500 plus the entry fees from the Round 1 Qualifier, minus 6% to the WPRA.

The payout shall be structured as follows:

(A) Round 1 Qualifier: Payout per rule # 11.1 p. 72-73 WPRA rule book.

(B) Round 2 Brackets/Performances: \$9,000 in total - \$2,250 each event per bracket/performance:

1st Place \$1,000 (Advance to Championship Round)

2nd Place \$750 (Advance to Championship Round)

3rd Place \$500

(C) Finals/Shootout Championship: \$26,000 in total

1st Place \$15,000  
2nd Place \$5,000  
3rd Place \$2,000  
4th-8th Place \$800

## **7. ORDER OF EVENTS**

7.1 The event order is as follows: First: Bareback Second: Steer Wrestling Third: Team Roping Fourth: Saddle Bronc Fifth: Tie-Down Roping Sixth: Barrel Racing Seventh: Bull Riding

**NOTE: The PPOBR Board reserves the right to change the order of events 48 hours before the entire run of the competition or for any given performance. Proper notice of a change of events will be given to the contestants along with an explanation of the reason for the change of event order.**

## **8. OTHER**

8.1 Every contestant winning a check agrees to be available for a check presentation, media interview, and a minimum one-hour autograph signing session immediately following his/her event.

8.2 Each contestant must complete a W-9 and give it to the Secretary prior to his/her first competition. PPOBR will not authorize payment of prize money to any contestant who does not have a valid W9 on file with PPOBR.

8.3 Stalls are available at the Norris-Penrose Event Center and will be assigned to contestants at check in at the NPEC Stall office. The stall fee is \$15.

8.4 Contestants must abide by PPOBR rules and regulations for entry and exit with animals. Individuals who violate animal entry policies will be subject to immediate ejection from the premises.

8.5 Contestants are prohibited from riding, leading, tying or stalling horses anywhere on the designated landscaped or lawn areas. The first violation of this rule will result in a stern warning from PPOBR. Failure to comply immediately with PPOBR or subsequent violations of this rule will result in breach of the Contestant Agreement (the offending contestant will be disqualified from any further PPOBR competition in 2018 or 2019).

8.6 No contestants may be in the arena during events except for the contestant(s) actively involved in a ride or run.

8.7 The Barrel Racing shall be governed by the Rules of the Women's Professional Rodeo Association.

8.8 Per PPOBR's standards of humane treatment of animals, the use of hot shots, electrical prods and/or sharp instruments, *excluding spurs*, are strictly forbidden in the chute areas and within the confines of the arena.

8.9 There will be two (2) qualified judges during all performances of the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo with the exception of the Qualifier at which only one judge will be used.

## **9. GENERAL**

9.1 Contestants agree to abide by all posted premises rules and regulations of PPOBR.

9.2 Contestants must wear back numbers which are visible at all times upon entrance to, and when in, the arena, whether competing or not.

9.3 No family members (including children), guests, escorts, etc., will be allowed in chute or arena areas. The only individuals who may be in those areas in addition to contestants shall be credentialed contestant helpers.

9.4 PPOBR will admit contestants who are entered in the competition to all facilities at no charge. Regardless of membership in various professional rodeo associations and rodeo sanctioning bodies, members who are not PPOBR contestants will not be given free admission, nor may they enter any area restricted only to contestants without proper PPOBR credentials. In addition, each invited contestant will receive one (1) companion pass which will be eligible to receive a ticketed seat during the performance in which the contestant competes, if available.

9.5 Contestants must enter facilities via the south entrance off of 8th Street.

9.6 Contestants should be aware that PPOBR is a family event. Contestants will perform in a manner that is not offensive to any social or ethnic groups and that is suitable for a family audience. Contestants will be mindful that the arena floor is covered by video cameras and microphones, with eight large center screens and monitors projecting throughout the clubs and public areas of Norris-Penrose Event Center.

9.7 PPOBR contestants agree to attend a mandatory meeting in the Contestant Hospitality Room (or other designated place) at 5:30 pm on weekdays, and 11:30 am on Saturday, prior to their qualifying performance. PPOBR judges will attend these meetings to answer contestant questions regarding the Rules of Competition. If a contestant is not able to attend the meeting, they must advise the Rodeo Secretary or PPOBR.

9.8 PPOBR is represented in the arena by the Rodeo Manager and the Rodeo Producer. Their decisions on non-scoring, production, performance and procedural issues are final.

9.9 Contestants must refrain from speaking to the judges while in the arena unless a judge initiates the conversation. Contestants must refrain from attempting to persuade or to intimidate the judges inside or outside of the arena – to include appeals for a re-run. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a breach of the Contestant Agreement, disqualifying the offending contestant from any further competition in PPOBR events in 2018 and 2019.

9.10 Contestants and traveling companions/assistants (whether entered at PPOBR or not) must comply with all PPOBR animal welfare rules and regulations as they pertain to their personal animals, the animals of PPOBR's stock contractors or any other animals with which they may come in contact. PPOBR's animal welfare, animal care, and animal injury rules and regulations will be posted at multiple locations in the contestant areas in the Norris-Penrose Event Center. Failure to comply with these rules and regulations will result in breach of the Contestant Contract and may result in criminal prosecution or citation if local and/or state animal welfare laws are violated.

9.11 PPOBR has strict policies prohibiting the use of animal prods of any type (to include, but not limited to, sharp instruments, hotshots, other electric shocking devices, joy buzzers or vibrators) within the confines of Norris-Penrose Event Center prior to, during, or after any PPOBR performance. Designated representatives of PPOBR's general stock contractor/rodeo producer may carry hotshots for use in the alleys, pens and dock loading areas to facilitate movement of animals if there appears to be imminent danger to any humans or animals. Failure to adhere to these policies will result in breach of the Contestant Contract.

## **10. Appearances, Press and Media**

10.1 Contestants must be photographed by PPOBR photographer and videographer at the time of entry check-in. These photos will be used for big-screen presentation, television, rodeo contestant wall and website. Contestants agree to allow their photograph to be used.

10.2 Contestants agree to be available to PPOBR for media interviews during the days/evenings that they are participating in the PPOBR QUALIFYING PERFORMANCES and the PPOBR CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND.

10.3 As stipulated in the Contestant Agreement, contestants agree to participate in promotional activities at Norris-Penrose Event Center (upon request of PPOBR with sufficient notice) which may include receptions, breakfasts, dinners and cordial "meet and greet" appearances in sponsor/client suites. PPOBR will be judicial in these requests and will limit the amount of time and number of requests made upon the contestants.

10.4 Contestants agree to make "best case" efforts to be available for public appearances that may be outside of Norris-Penrose Event Center. PPOBR agrees to cover out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Contestant in conjunction with appearances outside of Norris-Penrose Event Center plus an honorarium of \$100 per appearance if scheduled by PPOBR. If the appearance is not conducted on a day/evening in which the Contestant is competing (at PPOBR), an additional honorarium will be negotiated.

10.5 Autograph Sessions: Any contestant winning a check agrees to sign autographs in the "CINCH Fan Zone" for a minimum of one hour immediately following the performance in which the check was won.