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- 24 **4.1.3.** The Board of Directors shall be as follows: the President and Vice President, twelve (12) twenty four (24) regional Circuit Directors, a WPRA National Roping Director, and three Business Directors (any of which may also be a director of another classification). The total number of the Board of Directors shall be up to eighteen (18). The President shall preside at all meetings except in her absence the ranking Vice President shall preside. In the absence of both President and Vice President the Board members present shall elect from among their number a temporary presiding President.
- 39 **8.11.1.6** amend: A rake is mandatory. If a contestant is moved from a performance or slack to the next performance or slack due to a conflicting finals there will be a hand rake or tractor drag in the same order as the other contestants have ran...ie if there is a drag after 6 runners there will be a drag or hand rake after the initial drawn positions then depending on how many contestants are added based on a priority list there will be a drag after the next 6 added to the competing contestants and so forth.
- 45 **9.2.10.** amend : If any horses slip, trip or fall during a performance or a slack, contestants are allowed to pull their horses up and trot the pattern without being fined.
- 46 **9.2.13** amend to add: Unless there is no entry gate and the setup for the first is wide open, then the contestant my be led to 70 feet prior to starting line (timer eyes)
- 46 **9.2.16.1** amend to note: now that we can turn out online on the website Turnout must be done 3 hours prior to start of slack so if the slack time begins at 7 am the contestant would be able to turn out at 3:59 am online.
- 51 **9.3.16.2.** No WPRA member shall participate in an invitational barrel race held at a PRCA approved rodeo without Board approval. WPRA members found guilty of participating in a open or invitational barrel race are subject to a major rule infraction. **Penalty will consist of the major rule infraction fine and amount of winnings won at the rodeo.**
- 55 **10.1.13** to read: For breakaway roping, there shall be a minimum of 10 head for each paid performance in all events where slack is run, unless otherwise approved by the WPRA Roping Director.

Take current **10.1.13 and renumber to 10.1.14**

55 10.1.13. The stock contractor providing calves for WPRA Breakaway Roping must be a PRCA member in good standing, unless approved by the WPRA Roping Director

10.4.1.8

1) Cap the official rodeo count at 50. This would allow the needed time off for our horses to recover from a hard 4 to 6 weeks the road.

60 A) By Not counting the few HUGE money rodeos (\$50k added or more) for NFR and World Standings, this would prevent event domination, and allow a 50 cap to be realistic in a balanced field of competitors.
B) If any of your 50 Official Rodeos does not offer safe ground conditions in the CONTESTANT'S opinion, then she may have the CIRCUIT WPRA Director sign an authorization form allowing her to change that rodeo to UNOFFICIAL & TURN OUT for the WELLBEING of the horse. This designation form must be submitted no later to the WPRA office than Monday 5pm after said rodeo.

64 **10.4.3.1** amend to 3 contestants in the same event

64 **10.4.3.2.** Amend to up to 2 buddies

68 **10.6** Trade limits will be up to 10 trades a year. Unless a conflict exists drawn upon by Procom. Conflict must be sent to the Wpra office in an email and date and time stamped prior to the trade. OR if the contestant is at a rodeo where it is not possible to make the drive (showing proof of the route in miles from the previous rodeo to the next rodeo with time stated performance and slack times) as long as conflict was not made at entry time by the contestant. Any trade started by the same contestant thereafter that does not conflict will be a \$200 fine each trade if proof of conflict or of driving range does not exist.

68 **10.6.** Trade Rule Amend: Contestants cannot trade the same Wpra member at more than 3 rodeos in the same competition year. \$500 fine for each instance thereafter if there is verifiable proof from tradeslists Begins January 2022.

71 **10.7.1.2** amend If More than 10 individual rodeo (meaning each rodeo released out of) vet releases/medical releases occur in the same competition year the Wpra Member must receive a formal vet or doctor release from a qualified veterinarian or physician with a letter and letterhead releasing the horse and contestant From the rodeos naming each rodeo releasing. This letter must be sent to the wpra within 20 days of the last release or the releases will be changed to turn outs. OR if more than 2 vet or doctor releases are used the contestant must submit a formal vet or doctor release from a qualified veterinarian or physician with a letter and letterhead releasing the horse and /or contestant From the rodeos naming each rodeo releasing to avoid the fine and minor rule infraction. Four (4) results in a major rule infraction.

72 **10.7.2.1.** Amend: Up until 10 min of competition time if a horse has a visible injury or ailment noticeable to the on-site veterinarian or any judge in the arena, the contestant may be allowed to turnout of said rodeo without paying a turnout fine. Amend to add also on **10.7.2.5.** A contestant may be held back to the end of a go-round, with approval, due to injury of contestant if contestant or if the horse was injured at a PRCA/WPRA approved rodeo contestant will have the option to move competition to the next performance or slack at the same rodeo. (Reasoning horses have been known to tie up where they are unable to run but may be okay to run the next day. Many barrel racers only have 1 horse they can run)

74 **10.9.1** Amend to add: if the pattern in total is off by more than 1 foot

82 **12.4.1.1.** Judges are responsible for marking the barrel racing pattern as per the WPRA Rule Book prior to the first performance or slack. Judge(s) shall initially set barrels on markers. Judge(s) shall check barrel and eye markers with a tape measure prior to each rodeo performance.

Proposal is: Adding after performance-

And are required to see that alleyway is clear all obstacles, people and vehicles.

86 **12.1.4.** amend: can you expand? 2 contestants can ride the same competition horse? Then change to : if they are immediate relatives.

89 **12.5.1.1.** When rerun is given, the time will be set by the judge and the section will run in the order originally drawn **with original drags**, with a thirty (30) minute time span if the contestant so desires. **A tractor drag must be provided prior to the start of the rerun(s).**

89 **12.5.1.1** amend to add: judges must notify all contestants and it must be announced by the announcer

2.11.2.5. A “run out” alley may be included as part of the stopping distance, when necessary, or when the overall length of the arena does not allow for sixty (60) feet stopping distance. An open gate into a “safe” alley may be used as part of the sixty (60) feet stopping distance when necessary. A “safe” alley must be a minimum of ten (10) feet wide, meaning that there will be a minimum of ten (10) feet between any obstructions in the alley. Alley way and any subsequent crossbars must be approximately twelve (12) feet high. Any bars, boards, wires or cords crossing the alley floor must be reasonably covered to protect the horse and rider. The alley must be well lit, free of people and horses and have a dirt floor.

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Proposal:

Remove-reasonably covered

Replace with buried

Proposal:

Replace last sentence with-

Judges are responsible to see that alley is well lit, free of people and vehicles and have sufficient dirt.

12.5.3 Amend this DOES apply to unsafe ground conditions. If the contestant is fouled due to ground conditions in a performance they must continue trotting the pattern and talk to a judge immediately to address their concerns. Edit to add if more than 2 contestants are fouled due to ground conditions or by the same occurrence (whether it be a barrel on the wrong marker or a dog in the arena) the race will be immediately stopped and reran at the least 30 min after the occurrence.

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12.12.9 Barrel Stakes

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13.1 times to 1000's/stop flagging

91 **12.8.1.** amend: Contestant will be fined \$50 and/or disqualified for not being ready to contest when her name is called by the judge or announcer. WPRA barrel racing contestants have a 2 min limit to get into the arena with a horse that is refusing. In addition if the horse or contestant is struggling at the entry gate, the gate judge is allowed to help the contestant into the arena.

94 **12.9.1** amend to committee must provide examples of their equipment and note the amount of drags they will provide prior to approval

94 **12.10** amend: If more than 2 contestants/or horses slip, trip or fall on the same barrel or particular place in the pattern, the barrel race will be immediately stopped and the judges will immediately call a director and/or discuss reworking the ground.

94 **12.9.2.2** amend to add: the number of contestants dragged must be noted prior to the rodeo approval in ground rules

94 **12.10.1.** amend: If the arena conditions are deemed at any time to be unsafe by the arena director, judge or the primary stock contractor, or if all competitors in the particular performance or slack are in agreement that competition may be stopped until such time as the arena conditions are deemed satisfactory by the individual or individuals who initially determined the arena conditions were unsafe. If arena conditions cannot be changed and improved to make conditions safe (Refer to rules 12.9.1., 12.9.6., 12.9.6.1.), event may be cancelled by judge, stock contractor or arena director
Add: and entry fees will be returned to the contestants.

97 **12.11.1.1** amend : No pattern that is larger than a Wpra standard pattern will be allowed to count for Wpra prorodeo or circuit standings. The rodeo may only count for Wpra divisional standings even if the rodeo is a pro-tour rodeo.

100 **13.1.2.** If an official is available (at PRCA events, 3 or more judges), An official PRCA Judge will designate a spotter for each performance and slack if there are not more than 3 or more judges available. The spotter will be positioned on the opposite side from the judge, to watch for extremities in the loop, when the string breaks..

152 **Amend 20.1.2** Divisional Circuit co-approval fee is \$5 per WPRA Divisional tour contestant. Payment does not have to be made until 3 days after the race has ended by the producer.

152 **20.1.2 amend: If the divisional tour race is a PRIME approval wherein the WPRA is providing insurance for the race then the fee for a prime approval is \$45 flat fee due 3 days after the event has ended.**

16.10 Winnings from contest with less than 2 entries will not be included in any standings.

-change "entries" to "contestants"

204 -many co-sanctioned events are allowing 1 contestant to enter twice. That would be two entries. We need two contestants.

NEW A \$5 "drag fee" will be added onto every entry fee at those rodeos that decide to drag at half of what that rodeo performance is set at. This "drag fee" will go directly back to said committee.

NEW NEW Walk up replacement rules through the WPRA will mirror PRCA walk up replacement procedures.

NEW NEW: Circuit directors will propose fundraising to circuit members for awards and added money for circuit finals prior to June 1 of each year. The amount paid out of pocket for circuit finals awards by each circuit finals contestants cannot be more than 200% of regular PRCA circuit dues. Circuit directors cannot require fundraising by each contestant and must permit them to compete at a circuit finals regardless of fundraising. It is however encouraged that each circuit finals contestant does participate in fundraising.

NEW NEW: Drags AFTER the rodeo has been drawn. If the rodeo listing/committee states the rodeo will hand-rake after every runner the rodeo will not be changed to drag after every 6 runners once the competition order has been drawn through procom.

NEW NEW No finals (circuit finals or divisional approved finals ect) can count for standings for the following rodeo season.

NEW NEW No divisional tour barrel race can count for prorodeo or prorodeo circuit standings.

NEW NEW Any regular season rodeo with qualifications and more than \$45,000 added will have a qualifying round where at least 2 qualifier contestants will be allowed to compete at the rodeo. OR the regular season rodeo must allow all cards to enter. The qualifying round entry fees shall not be more than \$100 and cannot be outside of a 50 mile radius to the said rodeo, nor can it be more than a month prior to said rodeo.

NEW NEW Wpra members cannot compete at more than 8 total Wpra tour rodeos. The top 7 Wpra tour rodeos will count for standings Wpra tour

NEW

NEW: No arena that has a surface of grass will count for Wpra circuit standings or Wpra prorodeo standings.

NEW

NEW If in a performance OR slack ALL WPRA contestants that are present are in agreement that the performance or slack ground must be reworked due to dangerous conditions then the ground will be reworked by the committee or grounds person.

If a rodeo committee drags half way through their performance (and follows accordingly in slack) then they are allowed to “condense” their drags. That is, they can pull out all notified turnouts and releases. Any non-notified turnouts will remain in the drag (so that ladies can know their actual run positions and be prepared).

The “condensed’ drag will be determined by the secretary after the turnout release deadline prior to each performance/slack. They will have a two hour window in which to do this. The “condensed” drag must be posted no later than one hour prior to the start of the performance of slack.

NEW

**One thing that must be addressed is if a lady who is released or notified turned out decides to show up and run. Right now the rules say that they may do so if notifying the secretary/judge. So we would need to account for this situation in one of two ways:

1. change the rule to state that if you turnout or release it will be final at the three hour period by which you need to do it

Or

2. If you release or turn out and decide to run you go to the bottom of the draw with NO drag.

**Rodeos that will drag half way through a performance will be set up as 10 or 12 ladies. IF they wish to run FOURTEEN in a perf and drag at 7, this must be approved by the circuit director. (The reason for allowing 15 in a perf is that it will allow more ladies to get their preference!)

NEW

I would like to submit a new rule that there is walk up replacement in the barrels and breakaway roping just as in the PRCA.

NEW

New rule that judges who flag breakaway flag the breakaway roping on the Roper’s roping hand side so that they can see the flag break from the saddle horn. Flagging from the opposite side is not effective in an accurate flag which ultimately effects the ropers time.

NEW

New rule. Breakaway should be times in one hundreds. This would be more accurate time and also cut down on splits.

NEW

New rule. Breakaway should have the walk up replacement rule. This way if there are turn outs a breakaway roper at the rodeo could be able to take their spot and compete.

NEW

Additional Rule: Each circuit shall elect a separate Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping Director. Each circuit shall have 2 circuit directos.

NEW

Additional Rule concerning the election of Circuit Breakaway Roping directors: Due to the nature of the newness of the Breakaway Roping event at PRCA events and the number of contestants that are entering on permits due to lack of opportunity in the past, I propose that all permit and card holding members should be considered in the next 2 years (2022 and 2023) for nominations for circuit director positions. There are many members that could serve as very educated ropers that have not filled permits and purchased cards. Those nominations will be voted on by the membership of the circuit for the director position. The position of circuit director will be for 2 years duration.

NEW

Additional Rule: If a Circuit is having the Breakaway Roping as an event in the Circuit Finals and year-end awards, all circuit rodeos in that circuit should provide Breakaway Roping as an event.

