



Women's Professional Rodeo Association
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2023 WPRA WORLD FINALS ROPING GROUND RULES

I. Quick Tips:

Read the rules outlined below

- Keep a copy of your entry when you enter.
- If you want to stall together, one person must buy the stalls on one entry. No exceptions! If you have a special request (stallion stall, etc.), send an email to entry@elitebarrelracing.com
- Upon your arrival, you should visit the stall office to present your coggins/health papers (if applicable). You will also receive your stall assignment, RV assignment, contestant bag and back number. The stall office is open 24 hours during the event.
- It is not necessary to check-in with the Main Office located in the Coliseum. We encourage all contestants to visit the event board located outside of the Main Office to confirm their race positions and results. Draw numbers for your entry can also be found on www.wpra.com prior to the event. Event times listed are subject to change. Check www.wpra.com.

II. Entries:

- a. Online — Entries open September 11, 2023 and will close October 30, 2023 11:00pm MT. You may enter online at www.wpra.com.
- b. Roping Events to Enter:
 - i. \$5,000 Added Breakaway Roping - \$450 Entry Fee
 - ii. \$2,500 Permit Breakaway Roping (NEW) - \$375 Entry Fee
 - iii. \$5,000 added Team Roping/ side - \$450 Entry Fee
 - iv. \$5,000 Tie Down Roping - \$450 Entry Fee
 - v. All Around Barrel Race — \$100 Entry Fee (must be entered in World Finals Roping)
 - vi. American Contender Series Qualifier Breakaway Side Pot off of World Finals Average — \$400 Entry Fee Refer to section VII.f.

III. Drawing Out:

- a. Draw-out deadline is 8:00 am CT, Thursday November 9, 2023.
 - b. The draw-out Form must be returned to the show office or email by the deadline to receive a draw-out refund.
 - c. The draw-out form is for entry fees, stall fees, and RV fees, less a 25% draw out charge regardless of when draw out was submitted/processed.
 - d. No Doctor or Vet release paperwork is needed.
 - e. After the deadline, no refunds will be given for any reason.
- * A draw-out Form can be found on www.wpra.com

IV. Stalls and RVs

- a. Barn will open for check-in Tuesday, November 7, 2023 5:00pm.
- b. You may check into your reserved stalls and/or RV spaces on the date reserved. Shavings must be purchased in the stall office. No outside shavings allowed. No portable panels or tying horses to trailers overnight is allowed.
- c. All stalls will be pre-assigned. If you are traveling in a group and would like for the horses in your group to be stalled near each other, one of the members in your group must reserve all needed stalls to guarantee your stalls will be together.
- d. YOU MUST STALL AT NIGHT — after 11:30 PM, horses must be stalled at the Extraco Event Center or taken off location. Tie-outs or the use of portable fences (electric or panel) is strictly prohibited anywhere on the facility. If caught violating, you will be fined \$100 per occurrence and cannot compete until the fine is paid.
- e. Stall Pricing
 - i. Tuesday — Sunday: \$135
 - ii. Wednesday — Sunday: \$110
 - iii. Thursday — Sunday: \$90
 - iv. Friday — Sunday: \$65
 - v. Saturday — Sunday: \$35
- f. RV Pricing
 - i. Tuesday — Sunday: \$185
 - ii. Wednesday — Sunday: \$150
 - iii. Thursday — Sunday: \$115
 - iv. Friday — Sunday: \$80
 - v. Saturday — Sunday: \$45

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V. Health Certificates & Coggins

- a. Coggins: Both in and out of state must have a current coggins test.
- b. Health Certificate: All out of state horses are required to have a current health certificate. In state horses must comply with any Texas requirements.

VI. Contestant Requirements

- a. Contestants are responsible for having knowledge of applicable WPRA rules, and procedures in events entered. These Ground Rules supersede any other rule contained in the WPRA RULEBOOK.
- b. All members entering WPRA classes must be financially eligible at the time entries close or they will be drawn out.
- c. All bills associated with the WPRA World Finals must be settled with the show office before you leave the Extraco Event Center. Failure to settle your bills will result in a \$50 service charge.
- d. When you are called you must be ready within 60 seconds after which you will be disqualified.
- e. All contestants must have a back number and it must be worn while competing.
- f. Dress code is required while in the holding pen.
- g. The WPRA at its discretion may video any and all competition runs. They are for WPRA purposes only and do not replace the judge's decision.
- h. Horse abuse on the event grounds will not be tolerated.
- i. If a contestant is scheduled to compete in both the Coliseum Arena and the Show Pavilion Arena in separate competitions at the same time, the Coliseum Arena will take priority. It is entirely the responsibility of those contestants in possible conflict to bring the situation to the Roping Arena Secretary beforehand so arrangements can be made.

VII. Roping Event Information and Eligibility

a. Breakaway Roping — \$450 Entry Fee. \$5,000 added

- i. 2023 & 2024 WPRA Card, Pro Rodeo Breakaway, Active Gold Card, and Permit members
- ii. 3 long rounds. The fastest 3 run aggregate (total on 3) determines the 2023 WPRA World Finals Average Champion.
- iii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.
- iv. Breakaway Payoff per WPRA rules 6.1.3, 6.4.4.
- v. Money won in the Breakaway Roping will count toward 2024 WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings and 2024 Pro Rodeo Breakaway Texas Circuit Standings. (Must have Pro Rodeo Breakaway or WPRA card for points to count.)
- vi. Top 2 ladies in the World Finals Average will qualify for 2024 Rodeo Houston. Please see Rodeo Houston ground rules for complete details.
- vii. Top 10 ladies in the World Finals Average will qualify for the 2024 Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo

b. (NEW) Permit Breakaway Roping — \$375 Entry Fee. \$2,500 added

- i. 2023 & 2024 Permit Holders only
- ii. 2 long rounds. The fastest 2 run aggregate (total on 2) determines the 2023 WPRA World Finals Average Champion.
- iii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.

c. Team Roping — \$450 Entry Fee. \$5,000 added (per side)

- i. 3 long rounds. The fastest 3 run aggregate (total on 3) determines the 2023 WPRA World Finals Average Champions.
- ii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.
- iii. Payoff per WPRA rules 6.1.2

d. Tie Down Roping — \$450 Entry Fee. \$5,000 added

- i. Breakaway, Team Roping and Tie Down will be 3 long rounds. The fastest 3 run aggregate (total on 3) determines the 2023 WPRA World Finals Average Champions.
- ii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.
- iii. Payoff per WPRA rules 6.1.2 (Tie Down & Team Roping), 6.1.3, 6.4.4 (Breakaway)

e. All Around Barrel Race — \$100 Entry Fee (must be entered in World Finals Roping)

- i. 1 run in the Roping Arena (Pavilion).
- ii. Counts towards the 2023 All Around Standings and towards filling a permit if applicable (actual money won only).
- iii. 2023 All Around Barrel Race points will be awarded towards the 2023 All Around standings and will be calculated as if there were equal money and entry fees as the other roping events. The 2023 All Around Barrel Race points will be based on 5000 points (corresponding with Roping \$5,000.00 added) and 337.50 points per entry (corresponding with Roping adjusted entry fee)
- iv. 75% of the entry fees go into the purse.
- v. All Around Barrels Payoff: Up to \$1000: 4 places, \$1000.01-\$2000.00: 6 places, \$2000.01-\$4000.00: 8 places, \$4000.01-\$9999.99: 10 places, \$10,000 to \$15,000.00: 12 places, \$15,000.01 and up: 15 places.
- vi. Per the payoff scales, a minimum of 10 places of All Around points will be awarded

f. \$2,500 All Around Bonus (NEW)

- i. Contestants must win money in 2 or more events at the WPRA World Finals to be eligible for the All Around Bonus
- ii. Bonus will pay the top 2 places in the World Finals All Around - \$1,500 to the All Around Average Champion and \$1,000 to the All Around Res. Average Champion

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g. American Contender Series Qualifier Breakaway Side Pot — \$400

- i. Entries only accepted through https://tetonridge.formstack.com/forms/athlete_registration
- i. Entries open September 11, 2023 and close at noon on Thursday, November 9, 2023 (1 hour prior to start of competition)
- ii. Advancement and points awarded off of the 3-head average of the World Finals
- iii. Contender Tournament (Qualifying) Regional Events Automatic Advancement Positions and Point Allocations:

Event Entries	Automatic Advancement	Points Awarded (40 pts - 1 pt)*
1-2	None	1st - 2nd places
3-5	1st place (1 total)	2nd - 5th places
6-10	1st - 2nd places (2 total)	3rd - 10th places
11-20	1st - 3rd places (3 total)	4th - 20th places
21-30	1st - 4th places (4 total)	5th - 30th places
31-50	1st - 5th places (5 total)	6th - 35th places
51-70	1st - 6th places (6 total)	7th - 36th places
71-100	1st - 8th places (8 total)	9th - 38th places
101+	1st - 10th places (10 total)	11th - 40th places

* Ties will be split with the average points to be awarded for all tied places being split equally between all tied Athletes.

** Must have a qualified time to earn advancement or points.

- iv. See www.americanrodeo.com for more information

VIII. Roping Contestant Requirements/Awards

- a. Roping Reception, Contestant Meeting & Circuit Recognition — 10 am Thursday, November 9, 2023 in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed In Room in the stall barn).
- b. Roping Awards Presentations — Saturday, November 11 at 5:00pm in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed In Room in the stall barn).
 - i. Dress code is required for all award presentations.
 - ii. If the Year End World Champion or World Finals Average Champion is not present at the World Finals, awards will be shipped to her (at her own expense) or provided to someone that she has designated to receive them for her.
 - iii. All Year End & World Finals Average award recipients (Reserve Champion — 5th) must be present to receive awards. If not present at the time of presentation, the awards will be forfeited, or provided to someone that she has designated to receive them for her. There are no exceptions.
- c. World Titles, WPRA All Around Cowgirl Title and Rookie Titles will be awarded to the 2023 contestant who has won the most money in their category throughout the year and at the Finals event combined. At the conclusion of the World Finals, if Title leaders were not entered and are not present, title will remain and Championship awards will be shipped at Title winner's expense or provided to someone that she has designated to receive them for her.
- d. Circuit Titles will be named based on the contestant in each circuit who has won the most money by the point cut-off date in their respective event. Circuit winners are not required to enter the World Finals to receive their circuit awards. Point Cut-off date is September 30, 2023. (Unless a Breakaway Divisional Circuit Finals is held.) Circuit champion awards will be presented to those in attendance at the a. Roping Reception, Contestant Meeting & Circuit Recognition — 10 am Thursday, November 9, 2023 in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed In Room in the stall barn).
- e. Value of the awards may be taxable. Cumulative total of all winnings and prizes from the WPRA \$600 and over will be issued a 1099.
- f. A coin toss will break any ties for awards.

IX. ROPING RULES/REQUIREMENTS

- a. Equine Medication testing can or will take place on event grounds.
- b. Contestants will be allowed one (1) cattle pusher, and one (1) assistant in roping box (If needed). Contestant is responsible for the behavior and appearance of their pusher and/or assistant. All pushers/assistants must be in WPRA dress code at all times while in arena and in chute. Pusher and assistant must be in chute and/or box when contestant is called.
- c. Contestants must be ready when called upon. Contestants have 60 seconds once the arena is cleared and steer/calf has neck rope on and barrier is pinned to call for stock; contestant will be turned out and/or fined \$100 for exceeding the 60 seconds. Judges will have final authority.
- d. Contestants will be allowed in the arena at specified times. Circling before and between events is prohibited with a \$100 fine. A warm up arena will be provided.
- e. Tie Down Roping If roper fails to get calf up per rule 12.2.3, a 10 second penalty will be assessed. Judge will signal timer of the penalty.
- f. Breakaway contestants will be required to use colored string provided by Breakaway Director.
- g. Team ropers will not be allowed to switch ends with the same partner.
- h. Cattle extras will be designated rather than part of whole herd.
- i. One loop will be allowed in the tie down roping and the breakaway roping and two loops allowed in the team roping.
- j. If a contestant is scheduled to compete in both the Coliseum Arena and the Show Pavilion Arena in separate competitions at the same time, the Coliseum Arena will take priority. It is entirely the responsibility of those contestants in possible conflict to bring the situation to the Roping Arena Secretary beforehand so arrangements can be made.
- k. Pushers and assistants must leave the box/arena immediately after contestant performs. Pusher/assistants are bound to all WPRA rules of conduct and must follow instructions from arena director.

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X. SCHEDULE/ROUNDS — Refer to the most current schedule at WPRA.com for order of events and updated times

- a. There will be 3 rounds.
- b. Roping Reception, Contestant Meeting & Circuit Recognition—Thurs, November 9, 2023, 10:00 am Contestant Lounge (Glassed In Room in the stall barn).
- c. Round One — Thursday, November 9, 2023 in the Show Pavilion Roping Arena**
 - i. Slack will begin at 1:00 pm
 - ii. Evening performance will begin at 7:00 pm
 - iii. Order of events will be Team Roping, Tie Down Roping, Permit Breakaway, and Breakaway Roping.
 - iv. Round One will be drawn lowest to highest based on season earnings going into the Finals as of the September 30, 2023 cut-off date. For Team Ropers, order is based on the total money won as a team. If you do not have money won your order will be randomly drawn among others with no money won and placed at the beginning of the order of Round One.
 - v. Top 20 contestants/ teams will compete in the 7pm performance. Remaining contestants will compete in slack.
- d. Round Two — Friday, November 10, 2023 in the Show Pavilion Roping Arena**
 - i. Slack will begin at 1:00 pm
 - ii. Evening performance will begin at 7:00 pm
 - iii. Reverse Contestant order of round 1 final 20 contestants/ teams will compete in the 7pm performance. Remaining contestants will compete in slack.
 - iv. Order of events will be Team Roping, Tie Down Roping, Permit Breakaway, and Breakaway Roping.
- e. Round Three — Saturday, November 11, 2023, in the Show Pavilion Roping Arena**
 - i. Slack will begin at 8:00 am
 - ii. Afternoon performance will begin 2:00 pm
 - iii. Round 3 will be run slowest to fastest in the aggregate (total on 2) based on the first two rounds. Top 20 contestants/ teams will compete in the 2pm performance. Remaining contestants will compete in slack.
 - iv. Order of events for slack will be Team Roping, Tie Down, and Breakaway Roping.
 - v. Order of events for performance will be Grand Entry, Team Roping, All Around Barrels, Tie Down, and Breakaway.
- f. Awards reception will begin at 5:00 pm in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed In Room in the Stall Barn, Refer to section VII).
- g. Contestants should notify secretary of contestants riding the same horses at least 1 hour before the rodeo to split runs.
- h. Contestants with conflicts in the Coliseum Barrel arena should immediately notify WPRA World Finals Office/Roping Director. Cattle may be held back per arena director's specifications.

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