

**JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION
OF CALIFORNIA, INC.**

Official Rule Book



*Articles of Association
By-Laws and Official Rules*

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

The undersigned hereby certify that:

ARTICLE I

The name of this association is and shall be the: THE JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION OF CALIFONRIA, INC.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The Junior Rodeo Association of California, Inc. has been formed for the following:

1. To organize the Junior Rodeo Association of California for their mutual protection and benefit.
2. To establish and perfect an association not for profit, of all non-profit organizations and their representative within the State of California interested in the promotion of junior rodeo.
3. To elevate the requirements and standards of junior rodeo.
4. To develop within the youthful contestants a spirit of fair competition and appreciation of good sportsmanship.
5. To safeguard and protect the interests of the youthful contestants in the matter of advertised rodeo prize lists for which they compete.
6. To protect the health and welfare of contestants in competition.

ARTICLE III

BY-LAWS

Section 1

MEMBERSHIP DUES are \$50.00 for first child and \$30.00 for each additional child per year.

Adults are eligible for membership at their option. Adult memberships entitle members to general membership voting and privileges. ADULT MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE AT \$10.00 PER YEAR. Only active paid-up members may be nominated for Directors or Officer positions. (ARTICLE VI, Section 4, BOARD

OF DIRECTORS).

Every member will receive a rule book free with paid membership, each additional rule book or replacements will cost \$5.00.

To replace a J.R.A. card is \$5.00 for each new pass issued. If your current J.R.A. card is worn out you can turn in the old card and get a new card free.

To replace a parent's pass is \$5.00 for each new pass issued. If your current parents pass is worn out you can turn in the old pass and get a new pass free. Each family gets two (2) parents passes per year with the parents name on them.

ARTICLE IV

FEDERAL CORPORATION STATUS – EMPLOYER I.D. NUMBER 95-2941163 DETERMINATION

Section 1

Amendment dated June 24, 1976 Certificate of Amendment of Articles of Incorporation of The Junior Rodeo Association of California, Inc. RESOLVED: "That this Corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain of profit to the members thereof. That the Corporation is organized pursuant to the General Non-Profit Corporation Law of the State of California.

That the property of this Corporation is irrevocably dedicated to charitable purposes, and upon liquidation, dissolution or abandonment of the owner, after providing for the debts and obligations thereof, the remaining assets will not insure to the benefit of any private person, but will be distrusted to a non-profit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized, and operated exclusively for charitable purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code".

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Section 2 – Place Of Meeting

All meetings of the membership shall be held at the place so designated within the State of California as agreed upon by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 3 – Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the members shall be held on or before the 31st day of December in each year, if not a legal holiday, and if a legal holiday, then on the next succeeding business day, at the hour specified, at which time the members shall elect by plurality vote a Board of Directors, consider reports of the affairs of the corporation, and transact such business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

Section 4 – Special Meetings

Special meetings of the members, for any purpose whatsoever, may be called at any time by the President or by the Board of Directors, or by any two (2) or more directors thereof.

Section 5 – Notice Of Meeting

Notices of meetings, annual or special, shall be given to members entitled to vote by the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary, or if there be no such officer or in case of his neglect or refusal, by any director by posting on the bulletin board at any meeting. In the case of special meetings, as provided by the Corporations Codes of California, the general nature of the business to be transacted shall be included in the notice. Notices of any meeting of members shall specify the place, day and hour of the meeting, and shall also include the Agenda of the business to be transacted. Only those items on the Agenda will be discussed and acted upon, unless otherwise authorized by the President in the case of an emergency.

Such notices shall be given to the members not less than seven (7) days before such meeting.

When a meeting is adjourned for thirty (30) days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in case of an original meeting. Save, as aforesaid, it shall not be necessary to give any notice of the adjourned meeting other than by announcement at the meeting at which such adjournment is taken.

Section 6 – Quorum

Nine members present in person shall be requisite and shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the members for the transaction

of business except as otherwise provided by law, by the Article of Incorporation, or by these By-Laws. If a quorum is not present then a phone vote may be taken to complete the nine votes for the conclusion of that meetings business.

Section 7 – Regular Membership Meetings

Regular meetings are to be held on the specified rodeos at the place so designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 8 – Membership Cards

Members shall present their cards of membership upon entering a meeting.

ARTICLE V

NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

1. Nomination blanks will be handed out to all current members in good standing at the September rodeo.

Nominations will be taken from September 1st to September 30th of each year. Three candidates for each office receiving the highest number of votes shall be nominated, after the Association Secretary has first confirmed the willingness of said nominees to serve if elected.

If any nominee declines to serve then the fourth highest nominee, et sequence, shall be designated; provided that they are willing to serve as aforesaid.

Three members or less shall be nominated for the office of President and for Director of any of the events specified by Article VI section 4 in which a Director's term is expiring as provided.

2. No candidates' name shall appear on the ballot for more than one office. If a nominee should be nominated for more than one office, he shall prior to October 8th inform the Secretary of his preference and his name shall so appear on the ballot. If said nominee fails to inform the Secretary of his preference his name shall appear for the office in which he has the highest number of votes. Thereafter the nominee with the highest number of votes shall appear on the ballot where the withdrawal occurs.

3. No Stock Contractor or producer shall run for office on the Junior Rodeo Association Board of Directors, except for the office of Stock Contractors Representative.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. After the candidates are nominated, their names shall be published once in the Junior Rodeo News and a ballot shall be presented or mailed to each member in good standing at the last known address appearing on the record of the Association office. Ballots must be returned direct to the Official Association Auditor no later than November 15th of each year.

2. Only members in good standing shall vote for nomination or election of officers.

3. If a director is elected President while he still has one year of his Directors term to serve, the incoming Board will fill the vacancy by a majority vote at the first meeting. Such appointed director will serve for the unexpired term.

4. An appointed committee shall verify the results of nomination voting, and give a report to the Secretary, who shall certify the results and publish same in Junior Rodeo News. The same procedure shall be followed in election voting.

5. Ties in the election voting shall be decided by run-off vote open only to those who cast a vote in the original balloting.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

If the nomination process does not produce a candidate or producer a candidate who is not willing to accept the position then the elected board will appoint a member in good standing to fill the position.

ARTICLE VI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1 – Powers

Subject to the limitation of the Articles Of Incorporation, of the By-Laws and of the Laws of the State of California as to action to be

authorized or approved by the members, all corporate powers shall be exercised by or under authority of, and the business and affairs of this corporation shall be controlled by a Board of Directors.

Section 2 – Amendments to By-Laws and Rules

The Board of Directors shall have the power to make, adopt, alter, or amend the Rodeo Rules as hereinafter specified. Any changes must be voted on at the December or January Annual Rule Book meeting. Any member may submit a rule change to the Secretary or Board Member and may be present to discuss the proposed rule. At no time will the rules be changed after the annual Rule Book meeting, and subsequent rule change proposals will be carried over to the following year.

Section 3 – Number & Qualifications

The authorized number of Directors and Officers of the corporation shall be as follows: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Points Secretary, Reporter/Public Relations, Awards Chairman and a representative of each of the following events: Rough Stock, Polebending, Calf Roping, Chute Dogging (Steer Wrestling), Team Roping, Goat Tying, Barrel Racing, Breakaway Calf Roping, Calf Tying, Ribbon Roping, Steer Stopping and Pee Wee Roping.

Section 4 - Election and Tenure of Office

Only active, paid-up members may serve for Directors or President. President and Vice-President have to be former members of the Board of Directors. (Amendment to By-Laws dated February 19, 1969).

The President and Vice-President shall be elected by popular vote to serve a term of one (1) year. Directors shall be elected by popular vote to serve a term of two (2) years. The elections shall be staggered so that six directors shall be elected one year and six the next. Directors for Rough Stock, Polebending, Team Roping, Pee Wee Roping, Ribbon Roping and Goat Tying will take office in the even numbered years. Directors for Calf Roping, Barrel Racing, Chute Dogging (Steer Wrestling), Breakaway Calf Roping, Calf Tying, and Steer Stopping will take office in the odd numbered years.

The positions of Secretary, Treasurer, Points Secretary, Reporter/ Public Relations and Awards Chairman are to be appointed by the Board of Directors and will serve a term of one (1) year.

Section 5 – Place of Meeting

Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the place so designated as agreed upon by a quorum of the Board of Directors from time to time.

Any meeting shall be valid, wherever held, if held by the written consent of all members of the Board of Directors, given either before or after the meeting and filed with the Secretary of the Corporation.

Section 6 – Regular Meetings

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held upon the time and place so designated by the President.

If said day shall fall upon a holiday, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day thereafter. No notice need to be given of such regular meetings.

A Director who is unable to attend a scheduled board meeting shall appoint a member in good standing to represent his event or office by proxy. The proxy will only

be valid if the absent Board Member has telephoned the Secretary prior to the Board Meeting to name the person representing him by proxy. No official shall have more than one (1) vote. Any officer will have authority to represent any event or contract business in the absence of the duly elected Director.

The Secretary shall keep minutes and other official reports of the corporation. He shall conduct its official correspondence and shall keep all records, books, documents, and papers relating to the corporation at such place as shall be designated by the Board of Directors. The Secretary can pay all standard type association bills without the Board of Directors approval.

The Treasurer shall keep account of all monies received and shall

deposit in the name of the corporation in such depository as shall be designated by the Board of Directors. He shall not pay out or disperse any of the money of the corporation except by check and only for the purposes of the corporation. At each monthly meeting of the members he shall make a statement of the current financial condition and a detailed report of its condition for the preceding year. All checks issued to be signed by any two of the following three: Treasurer, Secretary or President, or any such Director of Officers duly authorized for signing powers by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors will fill any vacancy that occurs through the registration or removal of an Officer or Director. This shall be done by a majority vote at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

Each Director and the Officers shall have one (1) vote. Majority vote will decide an issue. In the absence of the President the ranking Vice-President shall cast a vote in the Presidents place.

ARTICLE VII

OFFICERS

Section 1 – Officers

.R.A. shall use a professional licensed accountant for tax and legal filings. The officers of the Corporation shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Reporter/Public Relations Representative, a Points Secretary, and an Awards Chairman. The corporation may also have, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, such other officers as the business of the Corporation may require, and each officer shall hold office for such period, have such authority and perform such duties as are provided in the By-Laws or as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine.

ARTICLE VIII

CORPORATE RECORDS & REPORT INSPECTION

Section 1 – Records

The Corporation shall maintain adequate and correct accounts, books and records of its business and properties. All such books,

records and accounts shall be kept at its principal place of business or at such place as is designated by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 2 – Inspection of Books and Records

All books and records provided for in Section 3003 of the Corporation Code of California shall be open to inspection of the Directors and members from time to time and in the manner provided in said section 3003.

Section 3 – Certification and Inspection of By-Laws

The original or a copy of these By-Laws, as amended or otherwise altered to date, certified by the Secretary, shall be opened to inspection by the members of the company, as provided in Section 502 of the Corporation Code of California.

Section 4 – Checks, Drafts, etc.

All checks, drafts or other orders for payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, issued in the name of or payable to the Corporation shall be signed or endorsed by such person or persons and in such manner as shall be determined from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Section 5 – Contract, etc. – How Executed

The Board of Directors, except as in the By-Laws otherwise provided, may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract to execute any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances. Unless so authorized by the Board of Directors, no officer, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the corporation by any contract or engagement, or to pledge its credit, or to render it liable for any purpose or for any amount.

Section 6 – Annual Report

Upon the request of nine (9) members the Directors shall cause to be sent to the members, no later than one hundred twenty (120)

days after the close of the fiscal or calendar year, a balance sheet as of the closing date of such year, together with a statement of income and profit and loss for such year. These financial statements shall be certified to by the President, Secretary, Treasurer or a Public Accountant.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF MEMBERSHIP

In order to apply for membership in the Junior Rodeo Association, you must fall within the following three (3) age groups:

CONTESTANTS AGE WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE AGE OF THE CONTESTANT AS OF JANUARY 1 OF THE RODEO YEAR APPLYING FOR. RODEO YEAR IS JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31.

Pee Wee: *Ages 4 thru 7*

Junior: *Ages 8 thru 13*

Senior: *Ages 14 thru 18 (or still in High School)*

1. Any applicant 18 years of age and out of High School will be determined ineligible. If the applicant is 18 years of age and can prove they are still in High School, and in good standings, will be determined eligible through the completion of their last year of High School.
2. The current rodeo year will be January 1st thru December 31st.
3. If a rodeo engagement falls after the current years' finals rodeo, those rodeo points will be applied to the upcoming rodeo years' records and standings. Graduating Seniors will compete for that rodeo awards only.
4. A Pee Wee is any contestant 4 to 7 years of age. Those members 7 years of age on January 1st of current Rodeo year will compete as a Pee Wee member.
5. Members 8 years old as of January 1st will compete as Juniors
6. Those current members 13 years of age on January 1st of the current rodeo year will compete as Junior members for the entire

7. Members 14 years of age on January 1st of the current rodeo year compete as Seniors. Those members 17 years as Senior members throughout the entire rodeo year. Those applicants who are 17 years of age on January 1st of the current rodeo year but have reached their 18th birth date prior to joining are ineligible to compete unless, they show proof that they are still in High School and on good standings with that school.

Contestants who have reached their 18th birthday on or before January 1st of the current rodeo year and are out of High School are ineligible to compete.

8. A further condition of membership required is members to participate in the annual fund raiser.

Adults are eligible for membership at their option. Adult membership entitles members to general membership voting privileges.

NON-MEMBER DAY PERMITS

Non-members may purchase a permit to enter any regular season J.R.A. rodeo at a cost of \$15.00 for a 1-day permit or \$25.00 for a 2-day permit. All day permit contestants will be required to pay with cashier check or money order. Permit fees and entry fees must be received by the Rodeo Secretary on or before the entry closing date for any rodeo covered by the respective permit. NO POST ENTRIES. Non-Member day permits are for "day points/awards" only and do not earn year-to-date points. All J.R.A. rules and regulations apply to day permit holders.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Honorary membership may be given to those who have done something extraordinary for the sport of rodeo.

Recommendations for honorary membership must be made in writing by a member in good standing and must be set forth in detail what the person recommended has done for the sport of rodeo.

Honorary memberships may be awarded only by action of the Board of Directors at a regular scheduled meeting.

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

Any Director who attends twenty-four (24) board meetings, where records are kept, shall be issued a GOLD CARD, or LIFE-TIME membership. This will entitle that member to newsletters and entrance to rodeo grounds without admission fees, or the requirements of paying annual dues.

JUNIOR RODEO ASSOCIATION RULES

Junior Rodeo Association competition is open to all junior contestants anywhere, irrespective of boundary lines, who are within the specified age limit.

No contestant shall be denied entry because of race, creed, color, or religion. Only contestants of single status (unmarried) may compete.

CONTESTANT/MEMBER INSURANCE

Every contestant and/or member entering J.R.A. arena must have adequate insurance and show proof thereof.

OFFICIAL RELEASE

Every contestant competing in J.R.A. rodeo must have one of his parents or guardian sign the release at the bottom of his entry form for each rodeo.

ASSOCIATION RELEASE

The Board of Directors of the J.R.A. will expect the cooperation of any member when called upon by one of the J.R.A. officials to represent the J.R.A.'s interest regarding enforcement of rules at any approved rodeo or in any matter of official business. Should an occasion arise requiring representatives at a rodeo, any member in good standing may call the J.R.A. office for instructions if no director or representative is present. Members shall not be required to contest or appear on television, radio, closed circuit television, film recording, visual and/or sound recording, or the like in connection with any approved rodeo unless the written consent of the J.R.A. has been acquired. Such consent must be obtained from the J.R.A.

prior to the first performance of the specific rodeo.

A member of the J.R.A. who participates in sanctioned rodeo events authorizes the J.R.A. to act in the members' behalf as well as in behalf of the J.R.A. in engaging the promotional activities relating to the conduct of the sport of rodeo.

The J.R.A. retains all rights in and to the filming, taping, radio or television broadcasting and all rights in all media forms and reproduction in any manner or form of any of its approved rodeos or any parts thereof. In this regard the member specifically authorizes the J.R.A. to enter into contracts for the filming of rodeo activities, both still shots and filming for television or other media use and further releases to the J.R.A. the right to use the members' name and public identification as part of said production. The J.R.A. does not, however, intend to use the name of any member for individual endorsements.

In addition to the forgoing, the participants in the sanctioned rodeo agree to release the J.R.A. to use all films, shots, broadcasting, radio, and all other types of promotion not covered for the benefit of the entire J.R.A. without consideration or payment for their personal involvement, releasing the J.R.A. of any indebtedness or demands upon for any proceeds earned or acquired or any other benefits derived from such use of any films, shots, broadcasting, and all other forms of advertising not covered.

JUNIOR DIRECTORS

The Junior Officials are composed of those contestants elected by the junior membership. If members don't nominate positions, the Board of Directors will appoint the officers. These offices will be Junior President, Junior Vice-President and Directors for each event. Their purpose is to provide liaison between the contestants' body and the J.R.A. Representatives will have no policing powers, no authority in management and no jurisdiction in the matter of rodeo personnel.

They are designated representatives to arbitrate and negotiate matters concerning the entire contestant body, or members thereof.

They are privileged to request application of rules, as written, and communicate with officials in regard to practices of safety and welfare of the contestants.

OFFICIAL RODEO RULES

STOCK CONTRACTORS

All stock contractors must be approved by the J.R.A. officials and Directors. Stock contractors must have sufficient amount of stock.

AMBULANCE

Sponsoring committee will furnish an attended ambulance and/or paramedic to stand by during the performance and during competition preceding and following each performance to properly take care of injured contestants. Every contestant will be assessed an ambulance and/or paramedic fee at each rodeo.

RODEO SECRETARY AND TIMERS

Secretary and timers must be approved by the Board of Directors before each rodeo. Timers will work from the same position during all contesting.

Timers for a rodeo may not be changed after the first performance except for sickness or injury, by request of a Association official because of timer's incompetence or though agreement of stock contractor, rodeo committee and Association official.

Timers may be changed after the completion of a go-around.

All rodeos are required to use watches in 1000ths of a second increments. There shall be a minimum of two

timers; one official, and one backup. There shall always be a minimum of one stop watch in 1000ths of a second utilized for all events, even when electronic clocks are operative. No times will be recorded other than the official time, either that of the electric eye or the official timer.

To be an official timer it is required the individual timer has timed a minimum of three (3) rodeos prior to officiating unless the individual is an approved I.P.R.A. or P.R.C.A. timer. Timers will use watches in 1000ths of a second in all timed events. Management must provide a place for official timers and announcers to work without obstruction or interference. Except for finals, rodeo entries must close no sooner than two (2) weeks before said rodeo. Arena Secretaries may require all contestants and contact people to show paid-up J.R.A. membership cards at time of entering a J.R.A. approved rodeo. Should contestants not have a paid-up card, they are to be refused entrance until they secure a J.R.A. card for the J.R.A. Secretary.

Rodeo Secretary is required to inform contestants when he will be through drawing stock and positions and shall stay at the rodeo office phone for the period stipulated by the unanimous approval of the Board of Directors. All current members will be advised of the stipulated entry and call-back hours or dates prior to rodeo entries opening. Entries shall be accepted by U.S. mail or by personal delivery if regulations on payment of entry fees are observed.

Contestants are privileged to see the records of all contestants in any event in which they take part at the end of each go-around, at a reasonable time so the Secretary and Judge may be present. The draw at all rodeos shall be posted where the contestants can examine it at all times. Rodeos that have contest stock to run before or after scheduled performances shall post the order of events on the bulletin board (or posting area) in the rodeo office. Any contestant that qualifies for the J.R.A. finals and does not compete, retains his points for the year end awards.

In all events only competitors horse is allowed in the arena (the box is part of the arena) during competition. Helper must be making every effort to exit the arena before the contestant starts or barrier is pulled.

Any rules not covered by the J.R.A. rulebook, when applicable will revert back to the C.H.S.R.A. rulebook and if not covered there will refer to the PRCA/WPRA rulebook(s).

DRAWING OUT AND ENTRY FEE REFUND

- 1.** There will be no drawing out after position or stock is drawn unless contestant has a doctor's release.
- 2.** A doctor's release from another rodeo will be honored if it is signed by both judges and the stock contractor of the rodeo at which member was injured. Secretary must be notified at injured man's expense before the first time he is scheduled to compete.
- 3.** If contestant is unable to compete at a rodeo because of sickness or injury away from any rodeo, his entry fee may be refunded if this action is approved by one (1) Association Official or Spokesman, the Judge and Arena Director. Such refund can be made only before payoff.
- 4.** If a team partner draws out after position is drawn in accordance with the regulations of the official rule book, or does not appear before the performance at which he is scheduled to compete, the man or men entered with him may draw out or may get another partner or partners from among any of the contestants entered at the rodeo, except team partners already entered the legal limit of times in the event.
- 5.** Team partners that are entered but do not have partners at the time the Secretary is ready to draw positions will have their names removed from the list. No position will be drawn for a single name; entry fee will be refunded.
- 6.** No rodeo that completes its contract shall be responsible for the returning of a contestant's entry fee if he has contested in an event once during the rodeo. If he is entered in other events in which he is unable to contest, due to injury, entry fees for those events must be returned.
- 7.** 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 only if contestant is available when his stock is loaded in position.

PLACING STOCK AND CONTESTANTS AND SPLIT PERFORMANCES

1. No contestant will ride two head in the same event during a performance, except for re-rides and a designated two-go rodeo.

a. If stock is placed: In a performance where one go-round ends and another starts, if a contestant in riding events has two head of stock drawn, a replacement for that contestant and animal will be drawn-out of remaining performances and positions will be traded.

b. If riders' position were drawn: If a go-round ends and next one begins in the same performance, contestants finishing the go-round will be dropped off start the next performance for their next head of stock.

2. In timed events positions will be drawn for the first go-around and reversed for the second go-round. Go-round will be determined by number of contestants in each individual event: 1 go-round = sixteen (16) or more contestants, 2 or more go-rounds = less than sixteen (16) contestants. Number of go-rounds being determined by the number required to fulfill performances.

a. If a go-round ends and the next one starts during the same performance contestants finishing the go-round will be dropped off and start the next performance for their next head of stock. If there are three (3) go-rounds, positions will be drawn for the third go-round. If there are four (4) go-rounds, a reverse order of the third go-round. Continue this procedure for subsequent go-rounds.

3. If there are three (3) or more go-rounds in TIME EVENTS and no re-run cattle, for the final go-around these contestants will be run slowest to fastest according to previous go-arounds. Barrels & Poles will be randomly drawn and goats will stay within the groups in a random draw unless fresh goats are furnished for each contestant they will be run slowest to fastest. If there are three (3) or more go-rounds in RIDING EVENTS, they will be run lowest accumulated score to highest accumulated score of the prior go-arounds.

a. If stock is placed: Contestants not in the high men who

draw animals placed the last performance will be replaced by high men drawn from proceeding performances of the go-round and positions will be traded.

4. A go-round must be finished before the next go-round starts, except for re-rides, or except for riding events when a go-round finishes and the next one starts in the same section of the same performance.
5. After positions are drawn for timed events, a list of these positions must be posted at the rodeo office.
6. In timed events a complete go-round must be finished before any contestant can compete on his next head of stock, except for stock that must be brought back.
7. In rodeos where there are two (2) or more go-rounds, set-ups will be allowed ONLY for school related functions with written verification from school official with prior Board approval. A set-up for the first go-round must be completed before the second go-round starts. A set up for the second go-round must be after the first go-round is completed, and the third go-round begins and a set-up for the third go-round must be taken after the completion of the second go, either before or after the third go-round is completed.

POINT SYSTEM

Any contestant that qualifies for the J.R.A. finals and does not compete retains his points for the year end awards. If a contestant is qualified for the finals in more than one (1) event, they have the right to choose which events they want to compete in, and shall not lose their year end points unless moved by another contestant.

If you compete at the finals whether invited or in the top ten (10) your points will count for all around and for year end points for any event.

The points for each rodeo are based on two hundred and six (206) possible points per event awarded to the 10th place.

1st = 48 pts	6th = 14 pts
2nd = 38 pts	7th = 10 pts
3rd = 32 pts	8th = 08 pts
4th = 26 pts	9th = 06 pts
5th = 20 pts	10th = 04 pts

For the finals, contestants will keep the years points and add their finals points to their total. The finals will award two or three (2 or 3) go-rounds, each worth two hundred and six (206) points, and average; average is worth one-and-one-half (1½) times the go-round. The average is determined by the fastest total time on two or three (2 or 3) goes or the highest score on two or three (2 or 3) rides. Finals buckles are given to the average winners.

Rodeo Secretary will be required to give rodeo sheets and points to Point Secretary within seven (7) days of rodeo.

FINALS QUALIFICATION

In order to qualify for finals and year end awards a contestant must compete in 55% of rodeos in that event and participate in annual fund raiser.

AWARDS

Choice of buckle or jackpot money in the amount of \$100.00 shall be awarded to 1st place in all Pee Wee, Junior, and Senior events. Also, choice of buckle or jackpot money in the amount of \$100.00 shall be awarded to All Around winners in each division Senior Boys, Senior Girls, Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Pee Wee Boys and Pee Wee Girls.

JUDGES

All Judges and Flagmen must be approved by the Board of Directors before each rodeo.

Judges must remain available to the rodeo office until the rodeo Secretary has made a final check of the books.

Judges shall make exact copies of each judge's book, and post the copies on the bulletin board (or posting area) at the end of each go-round.

1. Barrier Judges shall keep a record of all barrier lines.

They will be furnished a complete list of contestants by the Rodeo Secretary and their records and the Rodeo Secretary must correspond.

2. Markings must be totaled by the Judges and checked by the Secretary in presence of the Judges.

JUDGING

The benefit of the doubt shall go to the contestant in any judgment call.

RIDING EVENTS

1. Rider and animal are to be marked separately. Mark the ride according to how much rider spurs the animal. Figures used in marking the riding events shall range from one (1) to twenty-five (25) on both bucking animal and rider, and use the full spread.

2. To qualify, rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's front feet hit the ground first jump out of the chute.

3. If a horse stalls coming out of the chute, either judge shall tell rider to take his feet out of the horses' neck then first-jump qualifications will then be waived. Rider shall be disqualified for not following judge's instructions to take feet from neck of horse stalled in the chute.

4. If in the opinion of the judges a rider is fouled at the gate, at the Judge's discretion a re-ride may be given or the spurring out rule may be waived.

5. Rough Stock Judges will carry colored flags, to be used at the time a rough stock rider may be disqualified for slapping animal, missing animal out, or for whatever other grounds may be determined.

6. Contestants may pull rigging, cinch saddles, and pull ropes from either side in all riding events. Middle flank belongs to bronc rider.

7. If animal that is drawn in a riding event or is drawn in a pen in a timed event becomes sick or crippled before it is out of time, a Judge must pass on the animal's capability to be used before it can be shipped or replaced in the draw.

BARRIERS AND SCORE LINE

At Arena Directors discretion an automatic electric eye/barrier may be used in all roping events. Barrier, when possible will be at a height of 32 to 36 inches. A ten (10) foot tape must be on hand for the Barrier Judge. Barrier Judge is responsible to change barrier string whenever it may have been weakened, or on request of the next contestant.

Barrier Judge shall keep a record of the length of the barrier trip rope each performance to assure the same start for contestants each performance. Adjusting length of barrier trip rope will be accomplished only by tying knots in the rope on either end.

A ten (10) second penalty will be added for breaking or beating the barrier.

In all timed events, a barrier will not be considered broken unless the ring drops within ten (10) feet of the post.

Barrier equipment must be inspected by 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 Barrier Judge. If contestant obviously beats barrier, but the staples are pulled or barrier rope is broken and string unbroken, Barrier Judge may assess a ten (10) second penalty. Otherwise this will not be considered a broken barrier. If barrier flagman is used, animal to be flagged when crossing starting, or dead line, in front of flagman. Barrier Judge shall be sure that nobody can stand close enough to barrier or barrier equipment to tamper with same.

Once score line has been set in timed events it will not be changed at the rodeo, nor can length of box be changed.

In order for time to be considered official, barrier flag must operate.

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.

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 field.

If barrier equipment hangs on animal, the decision about getting animal back will be made by the Barrier Judge. If automatic fails to work, and stock is brought back, contestant must take same animal over during or immediately after the same performance.

If in the opinion of the line judge, contestant is fouled by barrier, roper shall get his calf or steer back providing contestant declares himself by pulling up immediately.

If contestant does not declare himself and goes on with a run; he must then “qualify” in the field to be eligible for a re-run.

FIELD FLAGGER

Judge is to flag time, then flag contestant out if run is not legal. In any time 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.

1. If a rope is on the animal, roper will get animal back lap and tap with the rope on it in the chute.

A Field Flag 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.

Neither timers, Barrier Judge, Field Flag Judge or Riding Judge may be changed during the course of a rodeo except in the case of sickness or by request of an Association Official in agreement with Stock Contractor and rodeo committee.

RULE INTERPRETION BY JUDGE

The decisions of any Judges, flagmen, or timers will be final, and no protest by any contestant will be permitted, except first through the Event Director or Arena Director. Such protest shall be made before the end of the performance or slack in which the question arose. If the Event Director or Arena Director determines that the protest is based upon a possible misinterpretation of an event rule, the Event Director or Arena Director shall, at the first convenient opportunity, describe the protest and the interpretation of the rule upon which it was based to the Judge. If the Judge agrees that an erroneous ruling was made and that the error is correctable, then the Judge shall modify the ruling accordingly. After the Judge has modified the ruling according to the way the rule reads, the Judge shall not be overruled by anyone. Should the Judge not modify the ruling, the ruling can only be overturned by no less than nine (9) Directors voting to modify the Judge's ruling. The decision of the Judge will stand if any less than nine (9) Directors vote to modify a Judge's ruling.

During any performance if an animal in timed events escapes the chutes or pens before it is called for by contestants, or if automatic barrier fails to work and stock is brought back, that animal will be returned by the Arena Director and the labor crew during, or at the end of that performance in the same manner he was originally worked or brought to the pen for contesting. At least several head of animals will be brought back together. No animal may be re-penned by himself. Decisions will be made by Arena Director about when stock is re-penned. Any Judges failing to comply with these instructions will be declared ineligible. In all events the contestant will be ready at the gate when their name is called. If a contestant is making a reasonable attempt to enter the gate or box, they will be considered ready at the gate. Should contestant not be ready at the gate, name will be called three (3) times and then they will be turned out.

DRAWING POSITION

1. Position must be drawn in all events or riding placed before the draw. THERE WILL BE NO PLACING OF CONTESTANTS.

There will be trading of positions (trade outs) allowed when specified by the Board of Directors.

a. If a contestant is unable to compete at a rodeo due to sickness or injury, he may be held until later in the go-round with written consent of both Judges and the Stock Contractor. No stock to be held past scheduled end of go-round, regardless.

b. Rodeos closing entries five (5) or more days in advance shall draw position at least forty-eight (48) hours before the first performance.

2. Stock contractors shall bring at least three (3) head of stock in the timed events into the chute according to position drawn at the start of each go-round. This pertains to scheduled and unscheduled performances.

DRAWING STOCK

1. All stock, rough and timed, in contest events must be drawn by number by a Judge. If the Judges are not present at the time specified or required to draw stock, then two (2) Directors may be present to draw bucking stock in place of the judges. There must always be as many as four exact copies made of the draw, one (1) to be posted, one (1) copy for each Judge, and one or more copies for the secretary's records.

Receptacle containing numbers to be drawn must be held above the drawing judge's head and numbers shaken between each number draw. Drawing must be conducted so that any entrant may witness the draw. In all riding events, a complete go-round must be drawn at one time.

a. In any final ride, contestants may draw their own animals in presence of judges if management desires.

b. The draw for finals and split performances will be a hand draw not a computer draw.

2. Stock for re-rides must be drawn before go-round and must be posted.

Feature animals may be held out of this drawing, and then returned

to the draw for the go-round. No more than two (2) feature animals allowed for each performance of go-round.

a. Any stock in original draw that is turned out, not bucked exhibition or contest automatically goes into the re-ride if needed.

b. Any animal drawn for a re-ride but not used in that go-round may be held out of the draw for re-rides in the following go-round along with feature animals then, will be returned for the go-round draw after the re-rides have been drawn.

c. Re-rides will not be drawn before end of event in which re-ride is given. All men who have re-rides for the event at that performance will have their re-rides drawn at the same time from all re-ride stock, including turned out stock, if necessary. An animal can be drawn for a re-ride only (1) time in go-round.

d. If an animal marked to go the last performance of the go-round is drawn into the re-ride stock, that animal's position must be traded with one marked to go the first performance before the go-round is drawn.

e. All re-rides used in finals at any rodeo must be drawn from all animals included in the draw for finals. May hold out two (2) feature animals.

3. Stock in timed events shall be drawn by either judges of that event not more than (1) hour before the performance.

a. If stock is not drawn in front of the chutes, time and place of the draw must be posted in the rodeo office and also at the chutes.

b. Once chute run stock is loaded in chutes it will be considered drawn.

4. In case stock is sick, crippled or already shipped, replacement will be drawn from re-ride animals.

a. In timed events, no drawn stock can be held over from

one performance to the next or overnight.

b. No pens of cattle may be drawn for more than one (1) day in advance. Pens of cattle shall be drawn by the Judge and Secretary shall provide judge with an exact copy of the draw.

c. In timed events, stock will be drawn for a contestant until he has actually been disqualified or turned stock out.

5. When calves are not fresh, re-runs will always be drawn from the whole herd used in the draw, not from those calves that are missed. When calves are fresh, re-runs will be drawn from missed calves when re-runs amount to less than ten (10) percent of the ropers entered at that rodeo. These re-runs will be drawn from calves on which there is no time for that go-round up to the performance that ends the go-round, provided there are enough of these calves.

a. If there are not enough calves with no time in, that go-round up to the performance that ends the go-round, the re-runs will be drawn from all calves being used except for any drawn for the performance that ends the go-rounds.

6. No contestant may compete on the same head of stock twice at any one rodeo in the same event.

7. All cattle in the draw will be run one time before any cattle will be run twice, etc.

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 then revert to the cattle that have been run the least number of times. In case of re-runs all cattle in the draw will be run one time before being run twice, etc.

8. Chute Run Procedure: If deemed necessary by the Board of Directors stock may be chute run at any rodeo except Finals Rodeo. Secretary will randomly draw positions for contestants prior to event, without disclosing to anyone the order, until events begin and then only three (3) contestants at a time.

RE-RIDES

Re-rides may be given only when stock fails to break, stops or fouls the rider.

The J.R.A. Board of Directors has the right to declare any stock unsatisfactory, and any stock so declared will be taken from the draw.

Contestant shall not influence the judges by asking for a re-ride during performance.

If animal fails to break, stops, or fouls rider, rider may take same animal back, providing Stock Contractor is willing or he may have re-ride drawn.

Judge shall inform contestant he is entitled to a re-ride. Contestant may refuse re-ride and take marking.

If that is the fourth consecutive time the animal has run off, he must be taken out of the draw and an animal drawn for the second contestant out of the re-rides.

If an animal that is drawn for a re-ride is already drawn for another contestant in the same go-round, the contestant with the animal drawn will take it before the man who draws the animals for re-ride.

If an animal is drawn for a re-ride is already drawn for another contestant in a later go-round, the contestant with the re-ride in the prior go-round will take the animal first.

If in the opinion of the judges a rider makes two honest efforts to get out on a chute fighting animal and is unable to do so, he may have a re-ride drawn for him.

When a final head is to be ridden in riding events, at least two (2) additional head of stock will be available for re-rides.

After drawn re-rides and those animals that are turned out are used for re-rides all stock out that go-round except feature animals and animals already doubled back will be put in the hat and additional re-rides for go-round drawn. Stock out of the last performance of a go-round may be held out of the draw for additional re-rides if it becomes necessary to draw back at all animals out in the go-round

to get enough re-rides.

Re-rides in the Rough Stock contest at all rodeos shall be drawn from all animals in the draw with no more than five (5) feature animals excluded. Feature animals equaling in half the number of final riders may be held out of the re-rides draw.

CONTESTANT DISQUALIFICATION

1. Abuse of stock, officials, or other contestants.
2. Tampering with rodeo stock or chutes.
3. Cheating by contestant.

If rider takes same animal back he must take that marking. If an animal that runs off is already drawn for another contestant, that contestant must take the animal already drawn.

a. Any member caught cheating will be immediately disqualified and will forfeit all awards, fees paid, and points earned for that entire rodeo. Any member caught cheating a second time will be immediately disqualified (as for 1st offense) and will be suspended from the Association for the remainder of the year. Member must appear with parents before the Board of Directors to be considered for reinstatement.

4. Refusing stock drawn.
5. Every contestant entered at a J.R.A. rodeo shall be ready to compete in his event when called. They will be called three (3) times only, and then turned out.
6. Misrepresentative, or illegal entry.
7. Quarreling or rowdyism by contestant.
8. Use of unapproved equipment (covered in rules).
9. Evasion of financial obligation, bad checks, etc.
10. Any J.R.A. contestant that is caught drinking any alcoholic beverage or taking any drugs within any rodeo function shall be suspended from that rodeo and all stock and awards will be forfeited.

And said member will be required to appear with parents before the Board of Directors for consideration of being reinstated. On second offense, contestant is automatically suspended.

11. Emotionally or physically unable to compete. (At the judge's discretion).

12. Contestant will not be disqualified for refusing or turning out stock at any time except during a paid performance. Contestant turning out stock at any time except during paid performance will receive no time or marking for that go-round, but will be eligible to compete in all other stock. (Excludes turn-outs during slack).

13. Such contestants will not be eligible for average money in the event in which he has turned out stock.

14. Contestant can be disqualified only by agreement of the rodeo Judges and a J.R.A. Director. A majority decision of the three will decide.

15. All personnel inside the arena must either be identified by association vest, or Arena Director as working, or they will be asked to leave. Any abuse of entrance into arena other than while competing will be grounds for disqualification.

16. Not wearing a cowboy hat and long sleeve shirt and boots in the arena during a performance or slack whether competing or not. Only exception to this rule will be in the Rough Stock events, rider may roll up sleeve of riding arm to elbow only.

17. Not wearing contestant numbers, when available, within area while contesting.

18. Use of profanity or any act of vulgarity on or around rodeo grounds or function property.

19. Malicious tampering or damage to any property owned, controlled or rented by the J.R.A.

20. Any contestant who does not cooperate with requirements of the J.R.A. (work crew, raffle ticket sales, etc.) risks suffering disciplinary action, per J.R.A. disciplinary action rules.

CONTESTANT INQUIRY

A Junior or Senior contestant or Pee Wee and parent must make all inquiries to Director at the end of the event. Contestants' questions will be addressed to the Director as soon as possible or before the end of the event. The Event Director shall take contestants inquiry to the Judge if necessary. Further, the Event Director shall at anytime the Judge is unclear of a specific rule, use the J.R.A. Rule Book to clarify such rule. All inquires must be made and finalized the day of said rodeo.

WORK CREW

All contestants are assigned a work crew at each rodeo.

Contestant will have the Event Director sign to verify they worked that day. Failure to appear will result in the following penalties:

First offence: Trash duty. The Event Director of the work crew must sign off that trash duty was completed.

Second offence: You will become ineligible for the next rodeo.

RODEO ATTIRE

Each contestant must wear a long sleeve western shirt with collar, western pants, boots, and a western hat. Contestant must wear hat/helmet at all times when entering the arena for all events. In the event a hat/helmet falls off while entering the arena, the hat/helmet must land inside the plane of the arena gate, or a 5 second penalty will be added on to time in the timed events. Girls must wear boots in goat tying and ribbon runners must wear boots during ribbon roping. No running in tennis shoes.

Contestants will be required to ride in the grand entry and also wear acceptable rodeo attire.

Contestant Numbers: Contestant numbers, when available, must be worn visible to the timer at all times in the arena. Contestant numbers must be worn on the contestant, not the equipment or horse. All contestant numbers must be worn while at the rodeo function.

PAYMENTS

The J.R.A. will honor personal checks, money orders, drafts and cash from all current paid-up members. All personal checks are accepted on "good faith". If any check is returned there will be a \$20.00 fine for reprocessing. On second offense the member will have to pay the fine and will no longer be allowed to pay entries or other costs by check. **CASH OR MONEY ORDER ONLY WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED.** Any returned check will have to be cleared up within two (2) weeks or the member will be placed on the suspension list and will lose all his points for that rodeo. Any contestant sending mail, via certified mail will be fined \$25.00 per offense payable to receiver.

EVENT RULES SENIOR DIVISION

SR. BOYS TIE DOWN ROPING

1. Calves must weigh between 150 and 250 pounds. All calves must be as even as possible.
2. Rope may be dallied or tied hard and fast either is permissible; contestant must rope calf, dismount, go down the rope and throw calf by hand and cross and tie any three feet.
3. To qualify as legal tie there shall be one or more wraps, and a half hitch.
4. If calf is down when roper reached it, the calf must be daylighted and thrown by hand. If roper's hand is on calf when calf falls, calf is considered thrown by hand.
5. Rope must hold calf till roper gets hand on calf.
6. Tie must hold and three legs remain crossed until passed on by the judge, and roper must not touch calf after giving finish signal until after judge has completed his examination. If tie comes loose or calf gets to his feet before the tie has been ruled a fair one, the roper will be marked no time.
7. Animal belongs to contestant when he calls for him, regardless of what happens, except cases of mechanical failure.

8. If any part of the pusher breaks the plain of the chute gate before the calf releases the barrier, the contestant receives a no time.

CATCH AS CATCH CAN

Two (2) loops will be permitted 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.

NO DRAG RULE

Contestant must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent horse from dragging calf. Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside. If horse drags calf over 6 feet after roper has called for time the roper will be assessed 10 second penalty. Intentional excessive dragging of calf by contestant and or horse, contestant will be disqualified.

NO JERK DOWN RULE

“Jerk Down” shall be defined as over backwards, with the calf landing on his back or head with all four feet in the air. Jerk down will result in a three (3) second penalty assessed by the Judge only.

The Field Judge will pass on the tie of calves through use of a stop watch, timing six (6) seconds from the time the rope horse takes his first step forward after the roper has remounted. ROPE WILL NOT BE REMOVED FROM CALF AND ROPE MUST REMAIN SLACK UNTIL FIELD JUDGE HAS PASSED ON TIE.

Flagger must watch calf during the six (6) second period and will stop watch when a calf kicks free using the time shown on the watch to determine whether calf was tied long enough to qualify.

Under any circumstances, roper will be disqualified for removing rope from calf after signaling for time, until the tie has been passed on by the Field Judge.

If roper intends to use two (2) loops, he must carry two (2) ropes and must use second rope for second loop.

Automatic barrier must be used at all rodeos for calf roping. At indoor rodeos length of score line may be no longer than length

of roping box minus three (3) feet unless other arrangements are approved by the Calf Roping Director or a man of his choice.

Neck ropes must be tied with string. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck ropes in the timed events.

There shall be two (2) or more timers, a Field Flagger (judge), and a Barrier Judge. Time to be taken between two (2) flags. Arena conditions will determine score, length of score to be set by Arena Director and time event spokesman or Director, if present. Animals used for this event should be inspected and objectionable one eliminated.

If there must be a re-run of calves to complete a go-round, all calves must be tied down before any stock is drawn. If after one go-round has been completed, a fresh calf has to be used, the calf must be roped and tied before the drawing, but if extra calves have been tied at the rodeo they will not be considered fresh.

A forty-five (45) second time limit will be applied in calf roping.

SR. BOYS STEER WRESTLING

1. Contestants must furnish their own hazer and horses. Only one hazer allowed. Hazer must be a J.R.A. member in good standing.
2. Hazer must not render any assistance to contestant while contestant is working with steer. Failure to observe this rule will disqualify contestant. Contestant and hazer must use the same two (2) horses they leave chute with. Hazer will be disqualified for jumping at a steer.
3. Steer must be caught from horse.
4. Animal belongs to contestant when he calls for him regardless of what happens, except cases of mechanical failure.
5. If steer gets loose dogger may take no more than one step to catch steer.
6. After catching steer, wrestler must change direction or bring steer to stop and twist down. If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown before being brought to a stop or is thrown by wrestler

putting animals horns into ground, it must be let up on all four feet then thrown.

7. Steer will be considered down only when it is laying flat on its side, or on its back with all four feet and head straight. Wrestler must have a hand on steer when flagged.

The fairness of catch and throw will be left to the judges, and their decision will be final.

8. When a barrier is used in the steer wrestling, an automatic barrier must be used and there must be at least a twelve-foot box. If box is shorter, steer wrestling must be lap and tap.

9. Any cattle that have been used cannot be held over from one year to the next for use in steer wrestling.

10. A weight limit shall be placed on dogging cattle, a minimum of 400 pounds and a maximum of 650 pounds.

11. Ten second penalty shall be assessed in any case in which Flag Judge rules that doggers' feet touch the ground before flag line is crossed. If dogger misses or looses steer, flagman must ask dogger if he wishes another jump. Dogger must reply at once. There will be one pass only at regular rodeos, in the finals there will be two passes. Hazer cannot bring horse back to steer wrestler or catch it for him.

12. Cattle used for steer roping, cutting, or other events shall not be used for steer wrestling.

13. When fresh steers are used, any fresh steer not thrown down during competition will be thrown down after completion of go-round. Contestants will be responsible to throw down such steers under the supervision of the Arena Director.

14. Neck ropes must be tied with string. No metal snaps or hardware shall be used on neck ropes in timed events.

15. The steer wrestling chute must have at least a thirty (30) inch clearance inside the chute and at the gate when in an open position.

16. Arena conditions will determine score, length of score to be set

by Arena Director and Time Event Director or spokesman, if present, subject to the conditions set forth herein. In steer wrestling the score may be no longer than the length of the steer wrestling box minus six (6) feet unless other arrangements are approved by the Steer Wrestling Director or a man of his choice.

17. There shall be two (2) or more timers, a Field Judge and a Barrier Judge. Time is to be taken between two flags.

18. Animals used for this contest should be closely inspected and objectionable ones eliminated. Contestants will not be required to compete on a crippled steer or a steer with a broken horn. If a contestant jumps at a steer, he accepts him as sound.

19. Contestants will be disqualified if they attempt in any way to tamper with a steer or chute.

20. Anyone jumping from the off side in the steer wrestling must notify the Rodeo Secretary when entering and, if possible, the barrier should be arranged on the off side in the steer wrestling for such contestants.

21. Field flagger is required to watch a contestant and steer until the animal is turned loose. A contestant is required to turn a steer's head so he can get up. Arena Director may report infractions.

22. A 45 second time limit will be applied in steer wrestling.

SR. BOYS CHUTE DOGGING

1. Chute dogging contest will be for boys only—ages 14-18 Senior division.

2. Once stock is drawn, the director will announce a time for contestants to throw down steers prior to competition. Each contestant may only throw down the steer he has drawn at that rodeo. If the contestant fails to comply with the above, his steer will not be thrown down by any other contestant or substitute. No exceptions.

3. There will be a forty-five (45) second time limit.

4. Score line starts at 10 feet from chute gate in a closed position. When using a bucking chute, two gates will be used.

5. With steer loaded in bucking chute, dogger gets beside the steer, right hand in front of or behind right front shoulder. When dogger calls for the steer the chute gate will be opened. Dogger must keep right hand in front of or behind shoulder until the steers' nose crosses the score line. If dogger moves into throwing position or touches either horn before steers' nose crosses score line there will be a ten (10) second penalty added to time. If steer is thrown before crossing the score line the dogger will be disqualified.
6. There will be two (2) flaggers and the Director.
7. Cattle will be numbered and drawn.
8. Score line should be marked using gypsum.
9. Animal belongs to contestant when he calls for him regardless of what happens, except in cases of mechanical failure. Contestant is considered working with steer when steer leaves the chute.
10. After catching steer, wrestler must change direction or bring steer to a stop and twist down. If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown down before brought to a stop or is thrown by wrestler putting animal's horns into the ground, it must be let up to all four(4) feet and then thrown,
11. Steer will be considered thrown down only when it is laying 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 to the judges, and their decision will be final.
12. A weight limit shall be placed on dogging cattle – minimum of 350 pounds, and a maximum of 500 pounds.
13. There shall be two (2) or more timers. Time taken between two (2) flags.
14. Animals used for this contest should be closely inspected and objectionable ones eliminated. Contestants will not be required to compete on a crippled steer or a steer with a broken horn. If contestant takes steer, he accepts him as sound. Contestant will be disqualified if he attempts in any way to tamper with steers or chutes.

SR. BOYS BULL RIDING

1. Riding to be done with one (1) hand and loose rope, with or without handhold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off bull when rider leaves him. Rope must have bell, no bell, no marking.

Bull will be ridden eight (8) seconds; time to start when animal leaves chute.

2. Riders who are knocked off at chute or if bull falls, are to be entitled to a re-ride at discretion of judges.

3. If flank comes off, a re-ride must be given and must be taken on the same bull provided rider has qualified until the time the flank comes off the bull, the re-ride will still be given, regardless of performance.

4. If rider makes a qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not bull is property flanked to buck to best of his ability. Bell must be under belly of bull. The matter of re-rides shall be decided by the judges, regardless of performance.

5. Hooks, rings, or posts shall not be used on bull ropes. Bulls shall be property started out of bucking chute, unless otherwise requested by individual contestant. If not property started and bull fails to buck, then no re-ride shall be given.

6. Contestants will be disqualified for:

- a.* Being bucked off
- b.* Illegal hand hold (such as finger tucks)
- c.* Touching animal with free hand
- d.* Sharpened rowels
- e.* Not being ready when called

7. All riders must wear mouthpieces and protective vest to compete.

8. Helmet is recommended in bull riding. Contestants' must

provide his own sport certified, hockey type helmet.

9. Stock may be; bulls, heifers or steers to be used at the discretion of the Event Director and Judges.

SR. BOYS BAREBACK RIDING

1. TIME LIMIT:

- a.* Horses must be ridden for 8 seconds.
- b.* Time to start when the animal's inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute.

2. GENERAL RULES:

- a.* Contestant is not to use sharp spurs.
- b.* Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not animal is properly flanked to buck the best of his ability.
- c.* Fall-if any part of rider contacts ground, animal has fallen.
- d.* No contestant will ride two head in the same event during a performance except for rerides.
- e.* Contestants may pull riggings from either side.
- f.* Contestants must compete on stock drawn for them. In the event of a mistake, stock drawn for must be run during that perf. and only that time or score taken.

3. EVENT RULES:

- a.* This event is open to boys only.
- b.* To qualify, the rider must have spurs overt the break of the shoulders and touching horse when horse's front feet hit the ground on its initial move out of the chute.
- c.* Contestants will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not horse is properly flanked and cinched.
- d.* Rigging must lie flat on horses back while rigging is being cinched.
- e.* Stock contractor may call on judge to pass on whether

rigging is being set or cinched in a manner that might hurt horse's back.

f. Judges may require contestant to take his hand out of rigging after a horse is cinched. If handhold is too tight rigging will be declared illegal. Stock contractor may request to take such action.

g. One arm must be free at all times.

h. The judge on the latch side of the chute gate shall serve as a back up timer in the bareback riding event or a person assigned by Arena Director may serve as the back-up timer. 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 either instance, the judge will refer to his watch for a time verification on each ride. In any instance where the time is eight seconds or more on the judge's watch, the contestant shall be entitled to a marking without penalty. In the instance the whistle blows before the eight seconds, the judge must go with the whistle.

JUNIOR DIVISION

JR. MIXED STEER RIDING (*Boys & Girls 11-13*)

1. Riding to be done with one (1) hand and loose rope,

With or without handhold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off steer when rider leaves him. Rope must have bell; no bell, no marking. Steer will be ridden seven (7) seconds; time to start when animal leaves chute.

2. Riders who are knocked off at chute or if steer falls, are to be entitled to a re-ride at discretion of judges.

3. If flank comes off, a re-ride must be given and must be taken on the same steer provided rider has qualified until the time the flank comes off of the steer, the re-ride will still be given, regardless of

performance.

4. If rider makes a qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand he is to be marked. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not steer is properly flanked to buck to best of his ability. Bell must be under the belly of steer. The matter of re-rides shall be decided by the Judges, regardless of performance.

5. Hooks, rings, or posts shall not be used on steer ropes. Steers shall be properly started out of bucking chute, unless otherwise requested by individual contestant. If not properly started and steer fails to buck, then no re-ride shall be given.

6. Contestants will be disqualified for:

- a. Being bucked off
- b. Illegal hand hold (such as finger tucks)
- c. Touching animal with free hand
- d. Sharpened rowels
- e. Not being ready when called

7. All riders must wear mouthpieces and protective vest to compete.

8. Helmet is recommended in steer riding. Contestant must provide his own sport certified, hockey type helmet.

9. Stock may be: bulls, heifers or steers to be used at the discretion of the Event Director and Judge.

CALF RIDING (*Boys & Girls 6-10, Inclusive*)

1. Calves must not exceed 450 pounds, all stock equal as possible.

2. Calves must be ridden six (6) seconds for full score.

3. Two hands are optional. If rider starts with one hand he must finish with one hand. A rider that elects to ride with two (2) hands will have an automatic deduction of ten (10) points.

4. All calves will be flanked.

5. Helmet is mandatory in Calf Riding. Contestants must provide their own sport certified hockey type helmet.
6. All calves must be ridden six (6) seconds to get a score.
7. All judges must have a stop watch.
8. All riders must wear mouthpieces and protective vest to compete.
9. Calf Riders will have the option of taking one wrap at their own discretion.

BREAKAWAY CALF ROPING

(Jr. Division Boys & Girls and Sr. Girls)

1. Breakaway roping shall require regulation loop, with rope tied to saddle horn (director shall provide string or twine). Line Judge or Director to verify all ties. Loop must be clean catch, passing completely over the animals head, then catch-as-catch-can. Time flagged when rope breaks at saddle.
2. Ropers will be allowed two (2) loops if two (2) loops are carried. If they miss with both loops they will retire from the arena and receive no time. Roping calf without releasing the loop will be considered a no catch.
3. Contestant will receive a no time when he breaks the rope from saddle horn by hand. HOWEVER, if the rope should dally around the horn, the contestant may ride forward, and un-dally the rope to enable the rope to breakaway.
4. When calf escapes arena area flagman will stop time, roper will begin in chute, lap and tap with same animal adding first time to the additional time required to rope the calf.
5. Rope must be broken from saddle horn by weight of calf.
6. A forty-five (45) second time limit will be applied in breakaway roping.
7. Field Judge shall at all times be on horseback, preferably on right side of arena.
8. Rope must be tied snugly to the saddle horn, with nylon string at

the knot of the rope with no tail and no slack in tie. Rope may not be run through bridle, tie down, neck rope or any other device.

9. Contestant is allowed to ride off or turn off to break string away from horn.

10. Only a white cloth flag may be used.

11. If any part of the pushers breaks the plain of the chute gate before the calf releases the barrier, the contestant receives a no time.

GOAT TYING (*Boys Only*)

1. Refer to Girls Goat Tying Rules with the following addition:

a. Boys will be required to tie goats with a piggin' string only.

b. Contestant must string front leg and then cross and tie any three legs with a piggin' string. There must be at least one wrap around all three legs and finished with a half hitch or hooley. A hooley is a half hitch with a loop, the tail of the string may be partly or all the way pulled through.

PEE WEE DIVISION BOYS AND GIRLS AND JUNIOR & SENIOR DIVISIONS GIRLS ONLY

BARREL RACING

1. Girls may go either right or left barrel first, but must make two (2) left circles and one (1) right circle, or two (2) right circles and one (1) left circle. (See Figure 1– Page 46)

2. Contestant will be assessed a five (5) second penalty for knocking over a barrel.

3. Contestant will be disqualified for not being ready to contest when name is called.

4. Touching barrel is permitted.

5. Should barrel be knocked over and it sets up on opposite end, the five (5) second penalty will be assessed. The judge will reset any barrel that is knocked over.

6. The starting and finish line and the position for the barrels must be marked permanently for entire rodeo. The horse's nose will be flagged as it passes the score line each way.
7. Contestant will be disqualified if she crosses back over the finish line before completing the cloverleaf pattern.
8. A 5 second penalty will be assessed if the contestant enters the arena without her hat on her head.
9. The Director will have the discretion of the entry gate procedure. There are two types of procedures; the arena conditions will contribute to the decision. The entry procedure will be the same for all the contestants at that rodeo.

PROCEDURE #1

Closed gate policy: The contestant must approach the gate in a controlled manner. Not at a run, not at a fast trot. The contestant must pass through the threshold of the gate before the horse begins to run.

PROCEDURE #2

When safe and approved by the Director. A contestant may run in and out of the gate.

10. No practice runs will be permitted after the barrels have been staked closer than fifteen (15) feet from markers. No practice runs permitted after arena is worked for a performance.
11. Barrels are to be raked at the discretion of the Director.
12. Electric eye will be used when available. A backup hand timer will be used on all runs. If the electric timer fails, the hand time will be used.
13. Not following the barrel pattern will receive a no time. A broken pattern shall be defined as a breaking their forward motion to retrace their tracks to finish the pattern and/or passing the plane of the barrel on the offside.

Example: Should a contestant run past a barrel and have to

back up or turn around to finish the pattern this would be considered a broken pattern.

14. A barrel horse shall not be ridden by more than one contestant in this event/division.
15. There is a sixty (60) second time limit, excluding the Pee Wee Division.

CLOVER LEAF BARREL RACING PATTERN

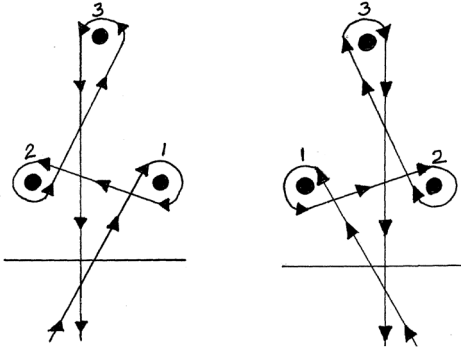
The following method of marking the flag stands and barrels has proved satisfactory to all concerned.

1. The standard distances for the clover leaf pattern are:

- a. 30 yards (90 feet) between barrels 1 and 2.
- b. 35 yards (105) feet between barrels 1 and 3.
- c. 20 yards (60) feet from barrels 1 and 2 to score line.
- d. Maximum distance of 30 yards (90 feet) between barrels 1 and 2 and 35 yards (105 feet) between barrels 2 and 3. Score line must never be more than 30 yards (90 feet). There will be a minimum 25 yards (75 feet) pull-up.
- e. The arena conditions will enable you to determine the distance that the barrels can be apart, provided they are at least 20 feet from the fence.
- f. The pattern size will be determined by the event director & arena director for safety reasons.

2. A contestant may only make three (3) complete circles during their run. More than three (3) circles results in disqualification.
3. Contestant must be mounted when she enters the arena.

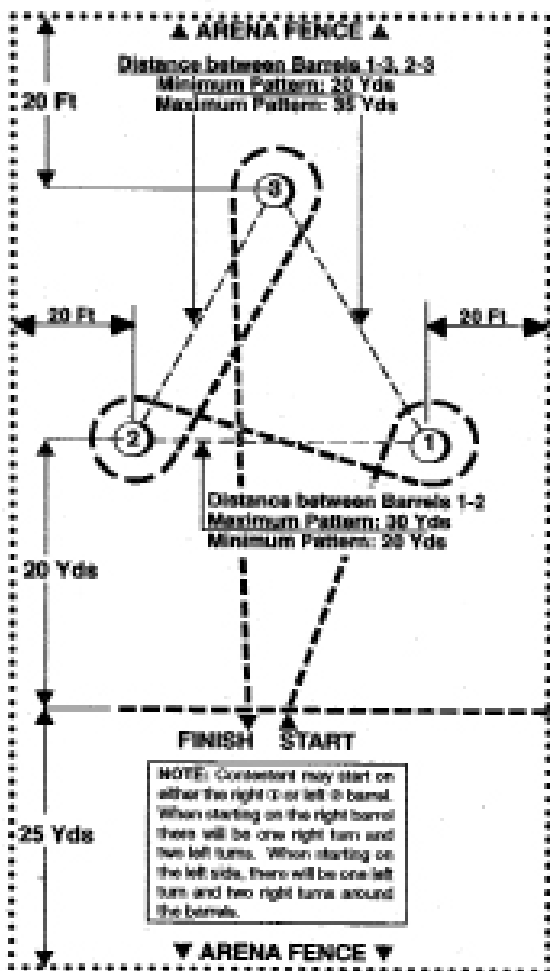
FIGURE 1
DIAGRAM OF PERMISSIBLE
CLOVERLEAF BARREL PATTERN



Option #1:
One (1) Right & Two (2) Lefts

Option #2:
One (1) Left & Two (2) Rights

BARREL RACING PATTERN



GOAT TYING

1. Designated score line will be used as the starting line. The goat will be tied to a stake with a ten (10) foot rope. Distance from starting line to goat will depend on arena condition. Staked a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from back of arena.
2. Judges, handlers, Directors, etc. must stand directly behind goat in order to give contestant dismounting from either side an equal opportunity. Handler will release goat as soon as the Line Judge drops the flag.
3. The contestant must be mounted on a horse and must ride from the starting line to the goat. Rider dismounted must throw goat by hand and tie any three (3) feet together. Contestant can use leather thong, pigging string, or rope to tie with. To qualify as legal tie, there shall be one or more wraps, and a half hitch. The tie will be passed on by a Field Judge, and if it is not secure for six (6) seconds, the contestant will receive a no time. Time will be taken with a stop watch. Contestant must stand back three (3) feet from the goat after tying before Judge will start the six (6) second time limit on the tie. Contestant will receive a no time for touching the goat or tie string after signaling he/she is finished.
4. Timing will start when the contestant crosses the starting line and will stop when she signals the completion of the tie. There will be a sixty second (60) time limit.
5. Should the horse come in contact or crossover the rope or the goat prior to the contestant signaling for time, a ten (10) second penalty will be assessed. If the goat should break away through fault of the horse, she will be disqualified. If the goat should break away any other time, it will be left to the Judges' or Directors' discretion whether she will get a re-run.
6. If the goat is down when girl reaches it, the goat must be day lighted or let to its feet and be thrown by hand. Goat cannot be dropped to render them breathless and immobile or girl will be disqualified. If there is a discrepancy with the definition of a throw, the ruling will be determined by judge.

7. Under no conditions will Pygmy goats be used in J.R.A. If goats cannot be located that rodeo, then the next rodeo will be two (2) go-rounds.
8. After goat has been numbered, a draw shall be made to position the goat on the right or left of arena and the event will start on the right. If a contestant is turned out their goat will be flanked and tied by someone before continuing.
9. As a safety precaution and for time efficiency a rider may be mounted at the back of the arena against the fence. The Arena Director shall designate the rider. The same person/rider shall remain in the same area throughout the entire event.

PEE WEE & JUNIOR DIVISION BOYS AND GIRLS AND SENIOR DIVISION GIRLS ONLY

POLEBENDING

1. The polebending pattern is to be run around six (6) poles. Each pole is to be twenty-one (21) feet apart and the first pole is to be twenty-one (21) feet from the starting line. Poles shall be set on top of the ground, six (6) feet in height and with no base more than fourteen (14) inches in diameter. Poles must be in a straight line. Poles and starting line shall be permanently marked for all performances.
2. A horse may start either to the right or left of the first pole and then run the remainder of the pattern accordingly.
(See figure 2 - Page 50).
3. A five second penalty will be assessed for each pole knocked over. Failure to follow the course will receive a no time. A 5 second penalty will be assessed if the contestant enters the arena without her hat on her head.
4. The Director will have the discretion of the entry gate procedure. There are two types of procedures; the arena conditions will contribute to the decision. Entry procedure will be the same for all

the contestants at the rodeo.

5. Contestant must be mounted when they enter arena.

Procedure #1

Closed gate policy: The contestant must approach the gate in a controlled manner. Not at a run, not at a fast trot. The contestant must pass through the threshold of the gate before the horse begins to run.

Procedure #2

When safe and approved by the Director, a contestant may run in and out of the gate.

6. Touching poles is permitted by horse or contestant.

7. A clearly visible starting line shall be provided. Electric eye will be used for timing when available. A hand timer will also be used as backup. If electric timer fails, the hand time will be the official time.

8. Western type equipment must be used. Use of a hackamore or other types of bridles is the optional choice of the contestant. However, the Judge may prohibit the use of bits or equipment that he may consider severe.

9. No flags to be used on poles.

10. A sixty (60) second time limit will apply in polebending, excluding Pee Wee Division.

11. No excessive circles.

12. If a pole is knocked down and the contestant does not follow the weave pattern around the original base position of the fallen pole, it is considered a broken pattern.

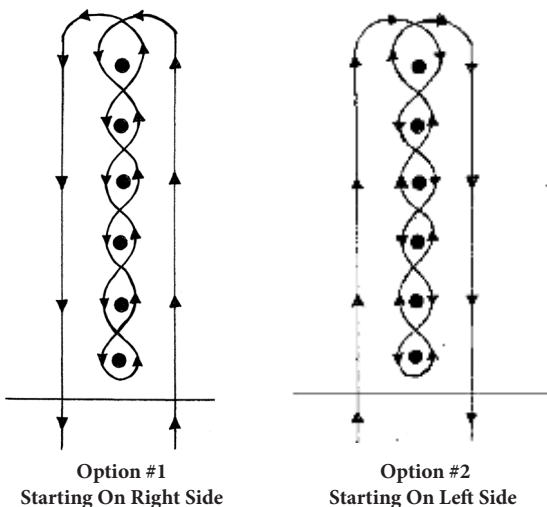
13. Not following the polebending pattern will receive a no time. A broken pattern shall be defined as breaking their forward motion to retrace their tracks to finish the pattern and/or passing the plane of the pole on the offside

Example: *Should a contestant run past a pole and have to*

back up or turn around to finish the pattern; this would be considered a broken pattern.

14. If a pole is knocked down and the contestant does not follow the weave pattern around the original base position of the fallen pole it is considered a broken pattern.
15. A polebending horse shall not be ridden by more than one contestant in this event/division.

FIGURE 2
DIAGRAM OF PERMISSIBLE
POLEBENDING PATTERN



OPEN EVENTS – (AGES 8-18)

TEAM ROPING

1. Contestant will start from roping box. Each contestant will be allowed to carry one (1) rope. Each team is allowed three (3) throws in all. Roping steers without turning loose of the loop will be considered no catch. Roper must dally to stop steer, no tied ropes allowed.
2. Time will be taken when steer is roped and both horses are facing in line with ropes dallied and tight. Horses' front feet must be on the ground and ropers must be mounted when time is taken. Steer must be standing up when roped by head or heels.
3. In all events, animals must not be handled abusively; contestant may be disqualified if in the opinion of the Judge animal was handled abusively.
4. Broken rope or dropped rope will be considered no time, regardless whether time has been taken or not.
5. If the heeler ropes a 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 feet come out of the heel loop by the time the Field Judge drops his flag, time will be counted.
6. If header or heeler switches ends during event, points remain as entered.
7. If any part of the pusher breaks the plain of the chute gate before the steer releases the barrier, the contestant receives a no time.

LEGAL CATCHES

1. There will be only three (3) legal head catches:
 - a. Head or both horns.
 - b. Half a head to include one horn.
 - c. Around the neck.
2. If hondo passes over one horn and the loop over the other, catch is illegal.
3. Any heel catch behind both shoulders is legal if rope goes up heels.

4. One (1) hind foot receives a five (5) second penalty.
5. If loop crosses itself in a head catch it is illegal. This does not include heel catches.
6. Open to girls.
7. A forty-five (45) second time limit will be applied in team roping excluding penalties.
8. Team Roping: Team Ropers to enter once.
9. For the Finals: Top qualifiers: Headers rope with the top qualified heelers, the next qualified header or heeler must be taken if there are not enough to fill finals positions. If no qualifier is eligible, then partner must pick a member who has competed in team roping once in the current year.
10. Any heel loop thrown in the switch will be considered crossfire and no time will be recorded.
11. Heading & Heeling are separate point events.

RIBBON ROPING (*Calves or Steer*)

1. Boy and Girl teams only. Roper & Runner are separate point events. The roper will start from roping box. When roping steer, there will be only three (3) legal head catches:

1. Head
2. Both horns
3. Half a head to include one horn around the neck.

When roping calves there will be only one (1) legal catch:

1. Around the Neck.
2. Boys and girls can do either event but if they switch during the year, their points are not switched.
3. Runner can leave circle when time starts.

4. Time will start when the animal crosses the starting line and will stop when dallies are free from horn and runner has returned to starting circle, with any part of the ribbon. Dallies must be free from horn.
5. Runner will start and finish from a circle drawn no further than 1/3 down the arena from the ropers' box.
6. Any roper tying hard and fast will be disqualified.
7. The ribbon roper cannot turn away from the steer or calf and drag or lead; he can back up but cannot drag back. Dragging of the cattle will disqualify the roper, at the discretion of the Judges.
8. Animal must be on feet before ribbon can be removed.
9. Roper can use one loop only.
10. No mugging. Roper must stop from a forward motion. Dallies must be taken before you can remove ribbon. Dropped ropes are out.
11. Color of ribbon to be changed after each go-round.
12. A forty-five (45) second time limit will be applied in ribbon roping.
13. If the ribbon falls off the animal at any time, a re-run will be issued by the Field Judge.
14. The circle will be on the right-hand side of the arena from the roping box. All ribbons shall be the same length and shall be in the same position on tail.
15. Runner must show ribbon to Judge to receive qualified time.
16. For the Finals: Top qualifiers, Ropers rope with the top qualified runners, the next qualified roper or runner must be taken if there are not enough to fill finals positions. If no qualifier is eligible, then partner must pick a member who has competed in Ribbon Roping once in the current year.
17. If any part of the pusher breaks the plain of the chute gate

before the calf releases the barrier, the contestant receives a no time.

MIXED STEER STOPPING

1. There will be two divisions of Mixed Steer Stopping; Junior and Senior.
2. Roper will have one loop only.
3. In the Junior division there will be three legal head catches:
 1. Head with both horns
 2. Half head to include one horn.
 3. Around the neck.

The Senior division will have only one legal head catch:

1. Clean around the horns.
4. Time will be flagged at the time the horse is fully stopped with all four feet on the ground; steer is on its feet. The Senior Division will have only one legal head catch: with forward momentum stopped; and the horse and steer are face to face with rope tight. Roper may not turn horse off to stop or turn steer.
5. A thirty (30) second time limit will apply to Steer Stopping, excluding penalties.
6. To receive a time the rider must stop the steer. Steer must change direction at the end of a tight rope.
7. In all events, animals must not be handled abusively; contestant may be disqualified if in the opinion of the Judge animal was handled abusively.
8. If any part of the pusher breaks the plain of the chute gate before the steer releases the barrier, the contestant receives a no time.

PEE WEE DIVISION

PEE WEE GOAT TYING

1. Pee Wee tying is open to all Pee Wee contestants; both boys and girls.

2. Designated score line shall be fifteen (15) feet from tie down stake.
3. Goat will be tied to a stake with a ten (10) foot rope.
4. All other rules pertaining to Junior and Senior goat tying will apply to Pee Wee Goat Tying.
5. A sixty (60) second time limit will apply in Pee Wee goat tying.

PEE WEE ROPING

1. Pee Wee Roping is open to all Pee Wee contestants; both boys & girls.
2. The foul line will begin at the back feet of the dummy.
3. Each contestant will receive three (3) loops at the first line. All ties will move back eighteen (18) inches and the roping will become progressive (one (1) loop each). The dummy will continue to move eighteen (18) inches to break all ties until one roper remains. There will be a determined foul line.
4. Loop must leave the hand. Roping the dummy without turning loose of the loop will be considered no catch.
5. The loop must go over the horns before touching ground to be a legal catch.
6. Fishing is legal. There is a twenty (20) second time limit on fishing.
7. Points are as follows:

<i>Around the horns</i>	<i>3 pts</i>
<i>Neck catch</i>	<i>2 pts</i>
<i>Half-head</i>	<i>1 pt</i>

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The following rule has been adopted by the Board of Directors of the Junior Rodeo Association of California, Inc. on February 20, 1989.

1. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to suspend, discharge, remove from premises or otherwise discipline any contestant, participant, member, or any parent, sibling, friend, or family member of any contestant whose conduct is considered detrimental to the best interest of the Junior Rodeo Association, (hereinafter JRA). Must be approved by 2/3 vote of the Board of Directors present.

a. Said authority shall extend for the length of time deemed reasonable and necessary by said Directors, but in no event longer than the rodeo where the offense occurred.

b. Prior to disciplining anyone under this rule, the Board, must first verbally warn the offender that his or her conduct is detrimental to the best interest of the JRA, and request they voluntarily cease and desist from such conduct, unless the conduct is so flagrant that the Board believes in good faith that immediate removal from the grounds is required to ensure the peace and safety of its members, contestants, officials, spectators, equipment or livestock. If the person refuses to abide by such warning, then the Board may discipline the offender in accordance with the above actions.

c. If the person refuses to obey or comply with the discipline directed by the Board, then the contestant, child, sibling, friend or relative may be further disciplined by the Board as follows:

1. The contestant may be stripped of his/her points for the event

and/or;

2. May be stripped of his/her points for that entire rodeo and/or;

3. May be disqualified from any further participation in that rodeo and directed to leave the rodeo grounds.

2. The Board of Directors authority to suspend, discharge, or remove anyone from the premises, or otherwise discipline any contestant, participant, member, or any parent, sibling, friend, or family member of any contestant whose conduct is considered detrimental to the best interest of the Junior Rodeo Association, its officials, members, contestants, spectators, or any equipment or livestock, may include additional penalties ranging from warning, suspension, to dismissal. All contestants are required to read the rules carefully. **FAILURE TO UNDERSTAND WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AS AN EXCUSE. (NOTE CAPITALS)**

a. Warning may be verbal or written. The offending person is to be advised of the offense, and that any further incidence of the offense will result in a more severe penalty including disqualification of a participant.

b. Suspension is an actual disqualification from participating in the JRA for a certain number of rodeos or days.

c. Dismissal is the actual removal from the JRA for the remainder of the year.

d. A Participant who has not violated any rules of conduct, but whose parents, siblings, friends or relatives display conduct the Board considers detrimental to the best interest of the J.R.A. may also be subject to Warning, Suspension or Dismissal.

3. Any member who willfully causes trouble inside or outside the ranks of the J.R.A. by excessively complaining, willfully causing disturbances or unnecessarily aggravating J.R.A. Officers, Directors, Committees, Secretaries or Judge or any spouse, parent, relative or person having a relationship with a J.R.A. competitor whether related or not complaining or interfering to Management, Director, Committee or Judge on behalf of their competitor make said competitor responsible and liable to this subsection.

4. If anyone is subjected to a penalty of suspension for longer than one (1) rodeo or dismissal, he/she shall be entitled to a hearing before a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors. Said hearing must occur before the next scheduled JRA Rodeo. If the person is a minor, his/her parents must be invited to attend. Said person shall be allowed to produce witnesses and evidence in his/her behalf.
5. A person subject to suspension for more than one (1) rodeo or dismissal shall be mailed to the address on the record with JRA, notice of the meeting and his/her right to attend and produce witnesses and evidence.
6. Any penalty of suspension for more than one (1) rodeo or dismissal must be approved by two-thirds (2/2) vote of a duly constituted Board of Directors present.

GRIEVANCE CLAUSE

Whenever a member of the J.R.A. has a grievance against the Association, its Board of Directors, or a Director individually or a fellow member due to an official act or failure to act or misconduct or infraction of the rules, that member shall submit the grievance, in writing, citing the applicable by law, to the Board of Directors. Said member must then attend the next Board of Directors meeting where the charges stated will be addressed or forever forfeit their ability to request action. A grievance can only be filed when all other resources, such as Contestant Inquiry etc., have been exhausted.

Rulebook will be revised every 2 years or as needed.

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