

- Inappropriate posts on social media that are detrimental to the NHSRA &/ AHSRA will not be tolerated and will be considered an infraction of the conduct rule and will be dealt with accordingly.

The following is a rules that are made for safety reasons for all sanctioned AHSRA events:

- You will not be allowed to run horse(s) down the arena or lope circles prior to your run in the rodeo arena. If you do not follow this safety rule, you will be disqualified from that event and asked to leave the arena.
- ...that for safety and insurance issues there will NOT be any doubling on horses and is subject to further discipline.
- No one will be allowed to ride a horse at any AHSRA sanctioned event on the grounds, bareback, in a halter and if found breaking the rule, is subject to further discipline. A full bridle is required. This is safety protocol required by insurance companies the AHSRA do due diligence for all safety practices.

SCHOLARSHIPS

...that beginning the new 2014-2015 seasons the scholarship dollars to be awarded for ticket sales would be \$275.00 per member, with no difference between the high school and the junior division members. 2nd and carried. (scholarship criteria must be met for scholarships to be awarded)

TEAM ROPING & RIBBONROPING!! ALBERTA DOES NOT USE THE OPTIONAL DRAW PARTNER RULE !!

.....AHSRA implement only 2 loops in the team roping events, province wide and check with nationals to see if we can follow the same process at the provincial finals. 2nd and carried. This change will be implemented at the beginning of the 2014-2015 season and forward.

UPDATE: After confirmation from the NHSRA and the rules committee Alberta will implement the 2 loops only in the team roping at the provincial finals. (beginning 2015 finals and forward)

NOVEMBER 2014

Clarification on 2 loop rule in the TR for both divisions: Confirmation received from the NHSRA, yes, Albertan can implement the 2 loop rule for finals as it's an animal welfare issue and the AHSRA has 3 long goes and no short go. AHSRA previously implemented this rule at all qualifying rodeos.

TO BE IMPLEMENTED IMMEDIATELY BY MOTIONS PASSED AT THE NOVEMBER TURN OUT POLICY (JUNE 2015)

Discussions regarding the high number of turn **outs** committees are getting in resulted in the following policy approved by the AHSRA board June 2015. Any contestant turning out of any event must contact their district or division secretary.

If notification of a turn out is given prior to 48hrs before the rodeo the fine is only your entry fee (\$20 for non stock or \$30 for stock events). Any turn out

notified or un notified after the 48hr time limit will be fined your entry fee x 2. (for non stock events \$40 and for stock \$60) All fines are payable to the host committee. The district secretary will look after the turn outs and collecting the fees and getting them back to host committee. If a contestant has outstanding fees from a weekend and they are already entered in the next weekend rodeo's they must pay all fees before they get to compete at that rodeo. If the fees are not collected the contestant will be placed on the black list and shared with other associations.

2014 MEETING REGARDING **ENTRIES FOR PROVINCIAL FINALS** AND FORWARD. From entries closing up to 5 days prior to the finals there will be no fines to turn out of finals, but the \$100 entry fee will be payable by the contestant. The contestant must notify the district secretary within this time frame if they are a turn out. If a the contestant notifies the district secretary after the 5 day window closes up until the mandatory check in closing with a turn out they will be responsible for the entry fee plus \$100 fine, with the exception of a MED or VET release (must have written note)

If it is a documented VET/MED the contestant will pay the entry fee only. If there are any turn outs the district secretary will notify the provincial secretary of the changes and tentative roll ups would be done. Any roll up positions will be filled by a contestant from the same district as the turn out. Roll ups will not be pulled from other districts provided they had entered the finals. Any roll ups coming in will go to the bottom of the district for points and the turned out contestant points will become non-existent.

24 hours before the mandatory contestant check in closes all roll up opportunities close. If there are any no shows at check in at finals the position the position will not be filled with any one. If a contestant is at finals and turns out after finals have started will be fined \$200 unless a documented MED/VET out is provided. The contestant loses eligibility for the national finals.

All fines must be paid or the contestant will be put on black lists until they are paid. All TO fines will be forwarded to the host committee.

ADDITIONS TO THE RULE BOOK MADE AT THE NHSRA MWM JANUARY 2015

Ground Rule for all NHSRA sanctioned events;

Helmets used in the Bareback and Saddle Bronc Steer Riding must have a face mask. Helmets MUST used Bull Riding in the High School and Junior High Division.

All deadlines for scholarship applications, qualifying rodeo entries, provincial finals entries, raffle ticket returns, & report card submission **deadlines are FIRM.**

There will be **no exceptions** for missing any deadlines set by the association. There are no exceptions granted and there are consequences for missed deadlines.

THE AHSRA IS GOVERNED UNDER THE NSHRA RULEBOOK. IT IS AVAILABLE
FROM YOUR DISTRICT SECRETARY OR ON LINE AT WWW.NHSRA.ORG.
PLEASE READ IT AND KNOW THE RULES

**Failure of not knowing or understanding the rules will not be
accepted as an excuse.**

READ ALL THE INFO IN THE MEMBERSHIP PACKET

If you have any questions or need clarification on any of the rules or motions please ask any member of the executive.

Please pay close attention to all deadlines, (eg. entries, applications, scholarships and tickets.) All of deadlines must be met to maintain good standing in the association.

SEE NEXT PAGES FOR NEW RULES TO BE ADDED TO RULEBOOK

Any contestant or member will be disqualified from the rodeo, NHSRA Event or other function for any of the following offenses. If they are disqualified for any of these offenses, they will be disqualified from all events or other participation in the rodeo, NHSRA Event or other function.

- (1) Having any association with alcoholic beverages, narcotic or other non-medicinal drugs while in attendance at any approved High School Rodeo, whether at a motel or on rodeo grounds or going to or from the rodeo or at any rodeo function.
- (2) Contestants will be disqualified for the use of tobacco products while in the arena during any rodeo performance. (Tobacco products are illegal for minors)
- (3) Rowdyism, quarreling or fighting in the actual domain of the arena at any time, or any place during the duration of the Rodeo.
- (4) Conduct or speech of any kind detrimental to the best interests of the National High School Rodeo Association or the sport of rodeo while in attendance, or coming to and going home from a rodeo.
- (5) Motel or property damage by contestants or their associates; damage must be reported to their State's/ Provinces National Director and if damage is not reported, contestant will be banned from High School Rodeo Association permanently and reported to law authorities for prosecution.
- (6) Contestants will be disqualified for vandalism at any place or any time.
- (7) Cheating or attempting to cheat.
- (8) Any contestants or parents attempting to fix, threaten, bribe, influence, harass or coerce any rodeo official at any time between opening and closing of a rodeo.
- (9) Missing any mandatory meeting, safety seminar or equipment check.
- (10) Contestants must wear numbers on their backs and

number must

be visible at all times while competing in their events, when at rodeo or rodeo grounds or any rodeo function and at the motel.

(11) Contestants will be disqualified Conduct or speech of any kind detrimental to the best interests of the National High School Rodeo Association or the sport of rodeo while in attendance, or coming to and going home from a rodeo.

(12) Western attire per dress code is required for contestants for all

NHSRA approved activities to include rodeos, safety and instructional clinics, meetings.

(13) No tobacco or alcohol patches, stickers or advertising allowed on contestant's attire or equipment.

(14) Mistreatment of Rodeo Stock or contestant's horse.

SEE BELOW FOR NEW RULES TO BE ADDED TO RULE BOOK

GROUND RULES for 2016 State/Provincial Finals, NJHFR & NHSFR

#1 – BB-SR, Page 71, VI, #4

No fiberglass or metal will be allowed in riggings or hand-holds. Only leather or rawhide is allowed for hand-hold. Motion to accept the new resin handle bareback rigging to be used in the Junior High Steer riding events only.

2 – Judges and Safety Committee, Bareback Riding, Page 67, VI, #4

No fiberglass or metal will be allowed in riggings or hand-holds. The rest to remain the same. Wildman Riggins are allowed in the Junior High Steer Riding Event.

#3 – Chute Dogging, Page 88, Event Rules, III, #2

(Mid paragraph). If dogger moves into throwing position or touches either horns (add: or either ear) before steer's nose crosses the score line, there will be a ten (10) second penalty added to time.

#5 – Goat Tying, Page 63, Event Rules, III, #14

If you are holding a single performance rodeo and the entire goat tying contestants are run at one time, you must have an extra goat in case one of the other goats get injured. Extra goats must be drawn for.

#16 – Officials, Page 43, #3

All judges and flagman for the National High School Finals Rodeo, except the Queen Contest, (add: Reined Cow Horse), and Cutting Horse Event Judges must be PRCA/CPRA (remove: members in good standing) (Replace with: Pro Officials), and must have attended an NIRA or Judging Seminar, sponsored by the PRCA, NCHA (add: or NRCHA), prior to judging a NHSRA Finals. RULE TO READ: All judges and flagman for the National High School Finals Rodeo, except the queen contest, must be PRCA/CPRA judge in good standing, and must have attended an NIRA or judging seminar, sponsored by the PRCA, prior to judging a NHSRA Finals.

#18 – Officials, Page 43, #6

Cutting Horse Event Judges must be certified NCHA judges to be able to be a judge of the Cutting Horse Event (add: and Reined Cow Horse Judges must be certified NRCHA judges to be eligible to judge the Reined Cow Horse Event), at the National High School Finals Rodeo.

#19 – General Rules, Page 109

REINED COW HORSE will use NRCHA rules when not in conflict with NHSRA rules. Contestant may change horses in the Reined Cow Horse (add: throughout the season. A contestant may not change horses between the rein work and cow work portion of an event).

#21 - General Rules, Page 109

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#22 – Event Rules, Page 110, #5

Change to 6: last sentence. A total score of more than (delete: sixty) (replace with: one hundred and ten) will be required to receive placing or points.

#23 – Reined Work, Page 113

Mid-way of the paragraph. The best reined horse shall be easily guided or controlled with little or no resistance. Bad manners exhibited by the horse will be penalized. All deviations from the exact given pattern (remove: must be considered a loss of control and marked down accordingly.) (add: will result in an automatic score of fifty and the run may be subject to further penalties.)

#24 – Reined Work-Penalty Points, Page 115

3 point penalties: (Delete 2nd sentence - Failure to complete the pattern as given (i.e. over or under spin more than ¼).

#25 – Reined Work-Penalty Points, Page 115

Between 10 point penalty and 0-Score (add: -50-Score. Failure to complete the pattern as given (i.e. over or under spin more than ¼ may be subject to further penalties).

#26 – Cow Work, Page 116

Approximately ¼ down the paragraph: When enough cows are available, the contestant should receive a new cow if the cow drawn is unreasonable difficult or unworkable. Allowing the horse to quit working before the judge signals for a new cow will result in a zero score. Once a rider has committed to circling a cow, if the cow falls down no new cow will be awarded. The rider should complete the run by riding around the fallen cow to fulfill circling requirements. (add sentence: If the horse turns tail to the cow at any point during the cow work, an automatic score of fifty will be given and the run may be subject to further penalties.)

#27 – Circling, Page 117

Maneuvering the cow smoothly at least 360 degrees in each direction without interference from the fence. The circle's size, symmetry, speed and relative balance from right and left show control. Tightening the circles down with fast head-to head speed will be a credit situation. (add: Once a rider has committed to circling a cow, if the cow falls down no new cow will be awarded. The rider should complete the run by riding around the fallen cow to fulfill circling requirements.) The circles should be completed before the cow is exhausted.

#28 – Cow Work-Penalty Points, 1 Point Penalty, Page 117

Delete # S. Slipping a rein.

#29 – Cow Work-Penalty Points, 3 Point Penalty, Page 118

Add # D. Dangerous Position.

#30 – Cow Work-Penalty Points, 5 Point Penalty, Page 118

Delete # D. Turn tail.

#31 – Cow Work-Penalty Points, Page 118, between 5 point penalties and 0-score

Add D. Turn tail (may be subject to further penalties).

#36 – NRCH-NHSRA Reining Pattern, Page 133

Add Reined Cow Horse Pattern 11 Lope (marked attachment #2) and Reined Cow Horse Pattern 12 LOPE (marked attachment #3).

#37 – Contestant Disqualification's, Page 27, Attire, (2)(a)

The only exception to this rule will be in bareback riding and bull riding: a rider may roll up sleeves (delete: two rolls, not to exceed the elbow) (add: as necessary to eliminate either a hang up or to accommodate necessary wrapping and/or support for the elbow. After competition, contestant must adhere to attire rules.) Be sure to include: this rule refers to the riding arm. The other sleeve must be rolled down.

#38 – Point System, Page 35, #13

Delete in its entirety. Replace with new #13: Contestant must enter their event at the state/province finals. A contestant with enough points or scores, using the accumulative point system, but because of injury cannot compete in the state/province finals, will maintain his/her position through the average and will receive points and awards for their final placing in the event. Contestant MUST have a medical documentation and must be present for the entirety of the finals, unless the medical condition so prohibits.

#40 – TV Rights, page 124

Add as a second paragraph: Any State or Province that participates in a national television production initiated by the national office, will agree to only place national sponsor's banners in the arena during the days of filming. Does not apply to non-conflicting National Sponsors; these can still be displayed.

#43 – Reined Cow Horse, Page 110, Event Rules (d)

There must not be any consultation between judges (add: or Scribes) until after score cards are turned in and after turned in there will be no changes. Mathematical correction can be made (add: by the Judge only) within one hour of the class ending.

#44 – SPONSOR RELATED AWARDS – Clarification, Page 127

When purchasing awards for state/provincial finals rodeo, (add: and district regionals finals rodeo), state/province must solicit bids from NHSRA sponsors in the following categories, if the plan to award such items at their state/provincial finals (add; and district/regional finals) rodeos: saddles, buckles and trophy jackets.