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1. ENTRIES & MEMBERSHIP

1.2 Book Closure - Event entry books close after the time of the call/text in, producers may continue to take late entries until performance is filled.

1.4 Membership Dues Payment – Member Dues are \$100 per season to receive tour points and qualify for finals. Membership must be purchased prior to an event for points to count. Winning Bull Riders/Barrel Racer must purchase membership if not already a member.

1.5 Sign Membership Application and if under eighteen (18) have it notarized. Each member shall, at the time of joining the association, sign a statement (included on the membership application) relieving the association, producers, stock contractors, rodeo committees, and all others of liability in case of injury. Members less than eighteen (18) years of age must have membership application signed by their parent or legal guardian and notarized.

1.6 Right to use name, photo, biography. Each member of RRT Tour releases the right to use their name, photograph, biography, and/or all other information pertinent.

1.7 Enter by Close Time - Close time will be the time specified in the RRT schedule.

1.8 Entry Fee Payment - Entry fees must be paid unless drawn out due to legitimate Doctor release or if you have notified the event secretary one (1) day prior to the performance you are competing.

1.9 Check In - Contestants must check in with the event secretary at least 60 minutes prior to the event show time. Contestants not checking in or paying entry fees will be replaced by available alternates 30 minutes prior to the performance.

1.10 Membership dues automatically deducted – If a contestant wins 1st place and is not currently a member the event secretary will automatically deduct \$100 from the prize money. The money won will count in the tour standings.

2. TURNOUTS

2.1 Notified Turn Outs (NTO) - Any contestant wishing to make a NOTIFIED-TURNOUT must do so by contacting the event secretary/producer one (1) days prior to the event performance they are competing in. Turnouts within 24 hours must pay entry fee before competing in future events.

2.2 NON-NOTIFIED TURNOUT (NNTO) - A NNTO will result in contestant having to pay the entry for that event performance. Contestants will not be able to compete in an RRT event until all fines/fees are paid.

2.3 Short Round Turnout - If an event has a short round and a rider qualifies back for the short round and cannot compete due to an injury, he must notify a judge that he will not be competing within two bulls being bucked. This will enable the next highest marked man to be moved up to the short round. The next man with highest score will advance to the short round and will receive that turn out bull. If the contestant is injured, he will still be eligible for payout and win the event if it is a visible injury AND notifies judge within two bulls being bucked. **If the contestant simply wishes not to compete, he WILL NOT be eligible to WIN the event and will drop to last hole paid regardless of long round score.** This same rule applies to a two head event.

2.4 Doctor /Releases – Only medical releases, or death in immediate family will be accepted as excuse for failure to pay entry fee.

2.5 No Refund of Entry Fees - Contestant entry fees will not be refunded once a contestant has competed.

2.6 Injury Draw-out due to injured in the chute - When injured and physically unable to compete due to being injured in the bucking chute in the (long go only), an injured contestant can draw-out or be drawn-out and entry fees less the sanctioning fee and stock fee (if applicable) will NOT be refunded.

3. DRAWING PROCEDURES

3.1 Stock Draw - Stock will be drawn with at least one judge and/or staff member present.

3.2 Short Go Round Stock Draw – Bulls will be prior listed on judges' sheet and filled in highest score down.

3.3 Draw Back Procedure for Short Go Round - If not enough qualified rides for the short round the Judges will take contestants back on time to fill the remaining positions. This is done by determining the riders who rode the longest without making an 8 second qualified ride.

3.4 In Case of a Tie for the Last Hole in Short Round - In the case of ties resulting in more than the pre-set number of positions in the short go round, a coin flip with only two contestants, random draw with three or more will decide which contestants will advance to the short go round. A contestant eliminated from short go round due to flip/random draw is eligible for average payoff.

3.5 Drawn Bull Becomes Sick or Crippled - A judge must decide on a bull's ability to be used if a bull that is drawn becomes sick or crippled. The bull will be replaced in the draw if the judge or stock contractor decides the bull cannot be used.

4. BULL RIDING

4.1 Scores - The rider and the bull are to be scored separately. The rider will be scored according to the degree of control exhibited by the rider and the degree of difficulty of the bull. Figures used in scorings shall range from zero (0) to twenty-five (25) (including quarter, half and three-quarter points) per judge on both the bull and rider. The total may reach a maximum of one hundred (100) points.

4.2 Timing - Each ride shall be timed for eight (8) seconds. The time starts when any portion of the bull passes the plane of the chute gate (excluding horns, ears and tail.) The contestant must complete the 8 second qualification limit to be eligible for a score.

4.3 Judges Official Scores - Judges will submit to the event secretary their scores for each ride for that performance immediately following the completion of the performance. The scores will be termed official scores when posted and/or verified by the judges and may not be changed once submitted.

4.4 Riding Requirements - Riding must be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold.

4.5 Knots or Hitches - No knots or hitches to prevent the rope from falling off the bull when the Contestant leaves the bull will be used.

4.6 Bell - The rope must have a bell. Bell must be under belly of bull when the contestant leaves the chute entering the arena.

4.7 Hooking Bull Ropes or Loops with Spurs or Rowels - Hooking bull ropes or loops leaving the chute with spurs or rowels will result in disqualification of the ride.

4.8 Requirements of Scoring - A contestant will receive a score if he makes a qualified ride with any part of the rope in the riding hand.

4.9 Sharp Spurs will not be allowed - Contestants may be disqualified and/or fined if sharp spurs are worn.

4.10 Pulling Contestants Rope - No more than one (1) persons may be used to pull the contestants rope.

4.11 Disqualification of Rider - Any of the following shall disqualify a rider:

A. Being bucked off

B. Touching bull, equipment or person with free hand

C. Using sharp spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rope when rope.

D. Not having a bell on bull rope.

E. When a rider has been advised, he is next to go and is not above the bull with his glove on when previous bull leaves the arena.

F. Intentionally leaving chute with spurs hooked or lodged on the bull rope loop(s).

4.12 Excessive Time in Chute - Riders taking too long in chute before calling for bull. This will be determined by both judges. Judges have the authority to disqualify rider at judge's discretion after giving two warnings in the chute.

4.13 Protective Vests - Protective vests are required at all RRT events.

4.14 Bull Tails - The bull tail will not be allowed under the flank straps.

4.15 Short Round & (2) Two Head Event Riding Requirement - When an event has a short round or is a two header the rider is required to make an honest attempt on the second bull to be eligible for the payoff. The honest attempt will be at the Judge's discretion. Mount out does not count as an honest attempt.

5. RE-RIDES

5.1 Re-rides - Event Producers / Stock Contractors have the option to use the re-rides as they see fit. (Example- The first turn out bull may be used, or they can go to the set re-ride pen.

5.2 Judge Shall Inform Contestant of His Options - If re-ride is given, judge shall inform contestant of his score and an option of a re-ride. Contestant may refuse the re-ride and take the score. Contestant must notify judge immediately of his decision to accept or reject the option upon learning which bull would be used as a re-ride and the time of the re-ride. If the rider accepts the re-ride, the judge must clearly mark RR or Option on the judge sheet.

5.3 Discretion of Judge - Re-rides will be given at the discretion of a judge. Reasons for possible re-rides include the following: if a bull stops or fouls rider, stock contractor's equipment fails, performance of a bull is inferior. No re-ride will be given if contestants own equipment breaks.

5.4 Options of Contestant - If a contestant is granted a re-ride, he may take the same bull for a re-ride, provided the stock contractor is willing. If a contestant opts to accept the re-ride on the same bull, he must take the markings for the re-ride, unless there is a foul or the stock contractor's equipment fail on the re-ride.

5.5 Inferior Bull Performance - If a bull's performance is inferior and that bull is already drawn for a contestant that contestant must qualify on that bull before re-ride may be given. If, in the opinion of the stock contractor and judges that bull needs to be taken out of the draw, the contestant who had him drawn will be given the designated re-ride.

5.6 Chute Fighting Bull - If, in the opinion of the judges, a rider makes three honest efforts on a chute fighting bull and is unable to do so, he may have a re-ride.

5.7 Bull Riders knocked off at the Chute, Fence, or Bull Falls - Riders who are knocked off at the chute, who are fouled or whose bull falls will be entitled to a re-ride at the discretion of the judges.

5.8 Flank Strap comes off the Bull - A bull rider may have the option of a re-ride, or of accepting a marking, if flank comes off the bull, providing a contestant has qualified up to the point the flank coming off. The re-ride may be given on the same bull, if the stock contractor is willing, or a re-ride bull, is so requested by the contestant.

5.9 Bull Stops - If a bull stops, provided the contestant has qualified up to the point of the stop, the contestant may pull his wrap and will be awarded a re-ride. The contestant may have the option of a re-ride, or upon qualifying, of accepting a score.

5.10 Bull Hips Himself - If, in the opinion of the judges, a bull hips itself while leaving the chute and the cowboy declares himself by getting off as soon as this happens, he will receive a re-ride.

5.11 Bull Injury or Bull Not Shipped - Designated Re-ride - In the case of bull injuries or bulls not shipped after the draw has been done, replacement stock should be the designated re-ride for the performance for which the injured bull was scheduled for competition.

5.12 More Re-rides are awarded than bulls available - If all the bulls have been used, the contestant may take his last score or be drawn-out and entry fees less the sanctioning fee, the stock fee (if applicable) will be refunded. Or accept a bull selected by stock contractor.

6. JUDGES

6.1 Changing Judges - Event judges may NOT be changed during an event except in the case of an illness or emergency.

6.2 Scores - Scores will be totaled by both judges, verified by the event secretary, and posted after each performance.

6.3 Turnouts - Must mark TO on judge sheet.

6.4 Judges Stop Watches - Each judge carries a stopwatch with a latch side arena judge being the prevailing decision. The judge should stop his watch upon disqualification or the horn sounds, whichever comes first. If horn is short of 8 seconds, judge must go with horn. Judge must keep time on stopwatch until contestant leaves the arena.

6.5 Judges Decision is Final - Judges have the authority to have interfering individuals removed.

6.6 Sign & Date each judge's sheet - Be descriptive about turnouts, visible injury, and doctor releases. Record buck-off times & mark the bull.

6.7 Judge Cards - A Judge must buy a membership card to be eligible for the tour finals. Judge must work three (3) events to be eligible for tour finals.

6.8 Grievances - Grievances may be submitted in writing to RRT, any contestant protesting event procedures or judge's decision and will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. Grievances filings must be received within 30 days of the incident in question.

6.10 Judges Authority - RRT Judges have full authority to remove animals, personnel, media or any individuals that interfere with the safety or quality of the event.

6.11 Judges on site 2 Hours before Event Starts -

Event judges are required to be at the event 2 hours before the start time. Judges are to check all bull horns for the required diameter of the horns, the arena ground, and the bucking chutes and back pens for unsafe conditions.

7. STOCK CONTRACTORS & LIVESTOCK

7-1. Numbering

All livestock identification numbers must always be readable. Must have EID ear tags for proper identification.

7-2. Unsatisfactory Bulls

Judge may declare bulls unsatisfactory. Upon verbal notification, the stock contractor or producer must eliminate the bull(s) from the draw.

7-3. Blunting of Horns

All horn bulls will have their horns blunted to at least the diameter of a quarter. Bulls not meeting this requirement will be removed from the draw until the requirements are satisfied.

7-4. Tipping Bull Horns

Stock Contractors are prohibited from tipping bull horns at any RRT Event. Horns must be tipped before arrival at the event the bull. The bull will be removed from the draw and the Stock Contractor is subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, a fine of \$100 per bull not tipped correctly. The Stock Contractor may also face ineligibility in addition to fine.

7-5. Humane Treatment

No sick or injured bull will be used in competition.

7-6. Prods / Hot Shots

Use of a prod / hot shot or similar device is prohibited once a contestant is over the bull in the chute, no exceptions.

7-7. Flank Straps

The tail of the flank strap cannot be more than three (3) feet long after completely pulled.

7-8. Stock Contractor Fees

Stock Contractors must pay their dues to be eligible for bulls to be considered for the Year-End Finals and awards.

7-11. Drawn Bull Becomes Sick or Crippled.

A judge must decide on a bull's ability to be used if a bull that is drawn becomes sick or crippled. The bull will be replaced in the draw if the judge decides the bull cannot be used. The rider has the option to accept the re-ride bull or be drawn out of the event. If the rider chooses to be drawn out, the entire entry fee will be refunded.

7-12 Bull of The Year.

All Stock Contractors will nominate 3 bulls to be voted for bull of the year at the finals. They must have a minimum of 3 outs during the season. They also must have at least one out during the finals.

8. CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION

8-1. Discipline.

All members may be subject to reprimands, fines, suspension, or expulsion for the violation of the RRT rules.

8-2. Alcohol and Illegal Drugs.

Being under the influence of or consuming alcoholic beverages and/or drugs prior to competing at a RRT Event will result in a result in major disciplinary action and rider will not be allowed to compete.

8-3. Fighting and Horseplay.

Fighting and Horseplay in the arena will result in disqualification, and/or expulsion. Judges at the event will determine the appropriate discipline.

8-4. Obscene gestures or cursing out loud.

Making obscene gestures or cursing out loud while in the arena or on the chutes will result in a disqualification or suspension. This will be determined by the two event judges.

8-5. Conduct.

RRT reserves the absolute right to discipline individuals whose:

(a) Honesty, integrity, and professionalism do not reflect the image expected of Members of RRT.

(b) Personal conduct reflects badly upon RRT, its Members, and/or the sport of bull

riding. Proper and Respectable Conduct is expected when members are representing RRT at promotional functions, staying at host hotels and dining at host restaurants. Complaints will be reviewed, and disciplinary action determined.

8-6. Dress Code.

All competitors must wear a long sleeve western shirt, cowboy hat and cowboy boots at any RRT Event.

Anyone assisting that is visible on, behind the bucking chutes, or in the arena must adhere to the dress code, including cowboy hat. Bull Riders free hand must be covered with long sleeve shirt and riding hand shirt must be down just below elbow.

9. BULL FIGHTERS

9-1. Bull Fighters Card.

A bull fighter must buy a card to be eligible to work the finals. Finals bull fighters will be selected by a vote from the top 15 contestants that qualified for the finals. There must be two (2) or more bull fighters working per performance. Bull Fighters must work a minimum of three (3) RRT performances to be eligible for finals and have purchased a membership.

10. SECRETARY/PRODUCER & PAYOFF PROCEDURES

10-1. Sanctioning Fee.

There is a 10% sanctioning fee taken from the total payout that goes towards the tour finals with 100% being paid back to contestants as added money/awards.

10-2. Results.

RRT is responsible for recording and posting all results from the event.

10-3. Payoff Errors.

The event secretary/producer will be responsible for reviewing the individual event results and correcting any errors before posting. An error may occur and may not be found until after the prize money has been awarded. In this case, RBRC will be responsible for correcting the payout error. Contestants who have been underpaid will be paid the appropriate amounts. Those who were overpaid will be notified and required to reimburse RRT for the overpayment.

10-4. Call in Procedure.

RRT will be responsible for taking entries unless stated otherwise. Members have 1st priority during set call in time. Non-Card Holders will be accepted after members.

11-6. Double entry procedure. If there are open spots, we may allow double entries to fill these spots.

\$5000 Added Money and less

Place	6 Rides	5 Rides	4 Rides	3 Rides	2 Rides	1 Ride
1st	33%	33%	40%	50%	60%	100%
2nd	25%	25%	30%	30%	40%	
3rd	18%	19%	20%	20%		
4th	12%	13%	10%			
5th	7%	10%				
6th	5%					

\$5001 + Added Money

Place	8 Rides	7 Rides	6 Rides	5 Rides	4 Rides	3 Rides	2 Rides	1 Ride
1st	30%	32%	33%	33%	40%	50%	60%	100%
2nd	23%	24%	25%	25%	30%	30%	40%	
3rd	17%	17%	18%	19%	20%	20%		
4th	11%	11%	12%	13%	10%			
5th	7%	7%	7%	10%				
6th	5%	5%	5%					
7th	4%	4%						
8th	3%							

- **If no qualified rides all monies will be added to payout at the tour finals.**

11-12. Event Cancellation.

If event is cancelled due to weather etc. the payout will apply to those who have made a qualified ride. Those who did not have the opportunity to compete will have their entry fee refunded minus sanction fees.

12. RRT Finals Event

12-1. Finals Contestants.

RRT will take the top 15 bull riders and barrel racers to the finals. The Top Bull Riders taken to the Finals will be determined by points earned (each dollar won is equal to one point). If you do not compete at the Finals you are NOT eligible for any awards, titles even with a doctor release.

12-2. Number of Events Required.

A bull rider must enter at least 5 (5) separate RRT tour events following the purchase of his membership to be eligible for the finals.

12-3. Finals Awards.

Any bull riders that qualify for the finals must compete in the finals to receive any awards he or she has earned.

12-4. Year-end Finals Bulls.

RRT will select stock contractors and bulls for the finals.

12-5. Stock Qualifications for Finals.

A bull must be bucked at least three (3) performances to be considered for the year-end Finals and awards.

13. PASSES

13.1 All contestants who pay entry fees shall be entitled to admittance for themselves during all performances.

The contestant shall only be entitled to admittance for one additional person during the performance in which they compete. All guests must accompany contestant when entering the event.

13.3 The event secretary will furnish a list of contestants and other personnel to be admitted to each event to the person on the contestant gate.

13. Barrel Racing

12.1 Alleys. Events run in and run out unless otherwise posted. Must maintain forward momentum through alley or gate. No circling before or after running, or barrel racer will be disqualified.

12.2 Dress Code. Intentionally knocking off hat will be a \$25 fine. You must wear western jeans, boots, long sleeve shirt with collar. Dress code failure is a disqualification.

12.3 Horses. Horse cannot be ridden by more than one person at an event.

12.4 Touching. Contestants are allowed to touch barrels.

12.5 Ground. The Ground will be drug/raked after 15-barrel racers.

12.6 Timers. Electric eyes will be used with a judge's stopwatch as backup in the event of electric eye failure.

12.7 Run Order. Once the run order is set it cannot be changed due to no shows/turnouts. Run order will be posted at event only and not prior.

12.8 Penalty. Knocking over a barrel will be a five (5) second penalty for each barrel knocked.

12.9 Pattern. Breaking a pattern or recrossing score line will be a disqualification.

12.10 Reruns. Re-runs from a foul will be run after the performance in slack. If no slack after that performance the re-run will be during the performance.

12.12 Time. Barrel racers will have 45 seconds to start their run or will be disqualified.

12.13 After entries close those in perf and slack will be posted online, this is NOT the run order. Run order will be posted at the event at check in.

Events can have a scenario arise in which there is not a written rule that applies. In these cases, the two judges and producer will discuss and make the decision with a majority rule. Report the information to the RRT to review for possible rules update.

*Rules subject to change based on board approval