Dear Contestant:

Congratulations! You have qualified to compete for a National Championship at the NHSRA Junior High Finals Rodeo. I look forward to seeing you at the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines, IA for the 19th Annual NJHFR June 23rd - June 29th, 2024.

Stock Requirements for bringing horses and goats into the state of Iowa (from the Iowa Animal Industry Board): All livestock entering Iowa from other states must have:

1. Name, address, and phone number of consignor; name and address of point of origination if different from consignor; name, physical address, and phone number of the consignee; name and physical address of destination if different than consignee information. The destination address is “National Junior High School Rodeo Committee, Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines, IA, 3000 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50317

2. Species of animal, age, sex, breed, number, purpose of movement, test results, etc.

3. Signature, address, and phone number of inspecting licensed accredited veterinarian.

4. Individual official identification listed as required.

5. Must be free of signs of infectious or contagious diseases.

Horses:

1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection within 30 days.

2. Official ID.

3. Negative Coggins or ELISA EIA Test within 12 months prior to entry, except foals under 6 months of age accompanied by their dams which meet the EIA test requirements. The name of the testing laboratory, laboratory accession number, and the date of test must appear on the CVI.

Goats:

1. a. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI). Must include the statement “the goats listed are for exhibition only and are not for resale”.

2. b. All sexually intact goats imported into the state that are registered, are used for exhibition, or have resided on the same premises with or been commingled with sheep must be officially identified with either ear tags or tattoos that meet the requirements specified in 9 CFR SS79.2 and SS79.3 and the Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules. If they are identified by tattoos, the statement “Herd participates in scrapie program” and listing the official tattoo registered to the herd.

Contestant Requirements:

a. Make copies of the Health Certificate, Coggins and Brand Inspection (if from brand area). DO NOT GIVE THESE DOCUMENTS TO YOUR STATE/PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

1. Original documents accompany your horse at all times in the truck or trailer while
traveling. **YOUR HORSE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE GROUNDS WITHOUT THESE DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE HORSE.**

2. Goats will not be allowed on grounds without Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (dated within 30 days prior to event start).

3. One set of copied documents should be kept in a safe place with you; make additional copies if needed.

4. Enough copies of the document should be made to turn in at check points, weigh stations, etc. as needed to comply with interstate health requirements.

b. **Be sure both parents sign the entry form on the line of each event you are entering as well as the appropriate places on the back of the form and the Minor’s Release Form.**

c. Be sure you have the entry form and release form **notarized.**

d. **Be sure to sign the entry form yourself in the spaces required on the front and back.**

e. Your State/Provincial Secretary must receive your form **IMMEDIATELY** following your state/provincial finals in order to meet all required deadlines.

f. Your state secretary must mail it to the National Office so that it is received within five (5) days of your state/province finals.

g. **W-9 forms are REQUIRED** if you are entering the Optional Added Money Jackpot. You **MUST** provide your social security number to be entered into the Rodeo Performance Jackpot. This is different than the practice/jackpot arena that is put on by the stock contractor. You will sign up for the practice/jackpot arena upon your arrival. If you are a team roper or ribbon roper, both header & heeler and roper & runner must enter the jackpot as a team (one cannot enter without the other).

h. Stall and camping reservations need to be made through your state secretary immediately after your state finals. One copy of the Stall Reservation form and Camping Reservation form should be given to your state/provincial secretary. You should keep the carbon copy for your records.

i. You must check in at the NJHFR before 7am Sunday, June 23rd, 2024. A **MANDATORY Contestants Meeting** will be Sunday, June 23rd at 11am in the main grandstands.

**DON'T FORGET**, if you have trouble on the way and feel like you may not be able to make the 7am check-in deadline, be sure to call the Rodeo Office and speak to the Rodeo Secretary. You may or may not be excused but you need to discuss your situation with the Rodeo Secretary.

**You must check-in by 7am, Sunday, June 23rd! THIS PERTAINS TO RODEO AND/OR SHOOTING SPORTS EVENTS CONTESTANTS!**

Rodeo Office Phone: **(515) 401-1616.** Keep this letter and phone number with you. I look forward to seeing you in Des Moines for the 19th Annual NJHFR!