TIE DOWN ROPING


GROUND RULES FOR NATIONAL FINALS

BULL RIDING – HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH

- [Page 96] – Equipment #4: All contestants must wear functional helmet appropriate for bull riding, with attached full facemask with chin strap, no defects. It is up to the contestant and his parents or legal guardian to select headgear that satisfies the foregoing and meets safety criteria appropriate for bull riding. The NHSRA or state/province or country sponsoring the event reserves the right, in its discretion, to exclude any contestant that it believes is not adequately protected, but in no event shall the NHSRA or state/province or country sponsoring the event be responsible for a failure of the selected headgear.

BULL RIDING – JUNIOR HIGH

- [Page 96 & Page 97] – Livestock Requirement #1 Change To: (a) Bulls, steers, heifers may be used. (b) All horned bulls, steers and heifers must have horns tipped to at least the size of a half dollar. Horns must be cut back or kept out of the draw. (c) Only bulls will be used at the Junior High National Finals.

JUNIOR HIGH BAREBACK RIDING

- [Page 84] – Re-Rides Add #11: If a steer is a sulking animal, it may be drawn out of the 1st run of cattle, but may be put back in the 2nd run or each succeeding run from where the draw out occurred.
- [Page 85] – Equipment #14: All contestants must wear functional helmet appropriate for bareback riding, with attached full facemask with chin strap, no defects. It is up to the contestant and his parents or legal guardian to select headgear that satisfies the foregoing and meets safety criteria appropriate for bareback riding. The NHSRA or state/province or country sponsoring the event reserves the right, in its discretion, to exclude any contestant that it believes is not adequately protected, but in no event shall the NHSRA or state/province or country sponsoring the event be responsible for a failure of the selected headgear.

JUNIOR HIGH SADDLE BRONC RIDING

- [Page 90] – Event Rules Add #2: To qualify, the rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching animal when animal’s front feet hit the ground on it’s initial move out of the chute.
- [Page 92] – Re-Rides Add #12: If a steer is a sulking animal, it may be drawn out of the 1st run of cattle, but may be put back in the 2nd run or each succeeding run from where the draw out occurred.
- [Page 93] – Equipment #4: All contestants must wear functional helmet appropriate for saddle bronc riding, with attached full facemask with chin strap, no defects. It is up to the contestant and his parents or legal guardian to select headgear that satisfies the foregoing and meets safety criteria appropriate for
saddle bronc riding. The NHSRA or state/province or country sponsoring the event reserves the right, in its discretion, to exclude any contestant that it believes is not adequately protected, but in no event shall the NHSRA or state/province or country sponsoring the event be responsible for a failure of the selected headgear.

**ALL ROUGH STOCK EVENTS**

- [Page 78 BB / Page 82 JHBB / Page 86 SB / Page 90 JHSB / Page 94 BR] – **GENERAL RULES – REPLACE WITH:** PRCA R9.3.3.12 Falling Animal. In the riding events a fall will be considered: An animal falling or stumbling to at least its front knees or slipping in the hind end where the animal’s hocks come in contact with the ground. The contestant may take the marking or have the option of taking a re-ride.

- [Page 80 BB #12 / Page 84 JHBB #12 / Page 88 SB #13 / Page 92 JHSB #13 / Page 95 BR #12] – **RE-RIDES CHANGE TO:** Contestants who are fouled at chute may be entitled to a re-ride at judges’ discretion, or spurring out rule may be waived.

**BARREL RACING & POLE BENDING**

- [Page 65] – **SCORING & PENALTIES DELETE #7:** If contestant’s horse breaks timer light, by backing through before starting pattern, time will be considered started.

- [Page 68] – **SCORING & PENALTIES DELETE #6:** If contestant’s horse breaks timer light, by backing through before starting pattern, time will be considered started.

**BREAKAWAY ROPING**

- [Page 71] – **EVENT RULES #3:** A solid color (no pattern/printing) flag that is visible to the flagman or judge must be attached at the knot end of the rope. First part of the rule to remain the same.

- [Page 71] – **EVENT RULES #9:** Only a solid color flag (no pattern) must be attached to the rope at the saddle horn so the judge can tell when the rope breaks from the horn.

- [Page 71] – **EVENT RULES #10 REPLACE WITH:** The only qualified catch will be a bell collar catch. If there is/are any leg(s) or tail head in the loop once it breaks free of the saddle the result will be a NO TIME. Only ONE loop is allowed. This applies to high school only.

- [Page 74] – **JH GIRLS & BOYS BREAKAWAY ADD:** The calf’s head must pass through the loop. The loop must draw up on any part of the calf’s body behind the head.

**GOAT TYING**

- [Page 75] – **EVENT RULES #6:** Change (3) feet to (3) legs – rest of the wording to remain the same.

- [Page 77] – **RERUNS ADD #5:** If contestant competes on the wrong animal, no penalties from wrong run will be carried forward.

**TEAM ROPING & RIBBON ROPING**

- [Page 112] – **EVENT RULES #3 DELETE:** This option is available only four times. Thereafter, the team roping contestant must enter with a partner.

- [Page 118] – **EVENT RULES #16 DELETE:** This option is available only four times. Thereafter, the ribbon roping contestant must enter with a partner.

**ALL TIMED EVENTS**

- **RERUNS – ADD:** Rope will not be put on stock lap and tap.