CCA Finals Ground Rules

*Contestants **MUST REGISTER** before they will be allowed in the arena.

*Photo ID or wristband will be required to get into Kinetic Park and the rodeo. Only those with Photo ID will be allowed in the back pens. If you forget or misplace your contestant package there will be a cost of \$50 to replace the Photo ID ONLY. Companion wristbands will not be replaced.

*Contestants will be required to appear at all related CCA Finals events in accordance with the daily schedule found in this package.

*Contestants **MUST** attend the Contestant Orientation Meeting in the arena.

*Contestants and Personnel **MUST** conduct themselves in a Professional and Respectful manner at all times during the week while at Kinetic Park and the Magnus Newland Arena. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary actions.

*Contestants will not be able to arrive before Thursday September 23rd at 5pm. There will be a parking attendant there to park all trailers as there is limited space. There will be no tolerance for disrespect of the parking attendant.

*Timed Event horses will **NOT** be allowed at the arena any earlier than the time specified. Open riding for contestants will be Friday September 24th, Saturday September 25th and Sunday September 26th from 6:30am-8:00am. **No barrel work allowed.**

*Training horses will NOT be allowed at the arena during the week. Only horses used for rodeo competition may be brought on the Magnus Newland grounds.

*It is mandatory for a Veterinarian to be in attendance at all performances.

*The Canadian Pro Rodeo Sports Medicine Team will be on site to assist any contestants who require their services.

*Enter arena as you compete and leave immediately after your run unless the Timed Event maximum in the arena is 3-4 persons and/or 3-4 teams at one time. Finalists and Personnel shall refrain from loitering in the rodeo arena during the performance. The area behind the chutes must be kept clear and contestants are allowed ONLY ONE helper. Cameramen MUST be respected and given the right of way at all times.

*Contestants will be fined for any unnecessary delay in the rodeo production such as not being ready to compete when called upon to do so. As a result, a 45 second rule will be enforced by directors, and it will be the responsibility of the contestants to check the fine list at the office. Fines MUST be paid prior to competing in the next performance. Reasonable and justifiable delays will not result in a fine.

*Contestants may wear their own shirts, but the shirts must be respectable and in accordance with the Rule Book.

*Contestants MUST wear back numbers at all times.

*Contestants MUST attend and arrive for group pictures in the arena or a \$300 fine will be levied and you will not be allowed to compete until paid.

*Contestants MUST compete in the first performance of the CCA Finals Rodeo. A valid Doctor or Visible Injury Release will be accepted after the first performance. Section III, Rule 5 will apply to assign alternate(s) for that performance. If a second Doctor or Visible Injury Release is used, the finalist must forfeit their right to any further competition during the finals. *Once a Finals Contestant has entered the Finals on the designated entry day he/she has 6 days to do a straight turn out with no penalty. Straight turn outs provided after 11:00am on Tuesday September 21st will result in a \$500 fine.

*In the case where an event is down to nine contestants or less, there will be a limit of 2 alternates per event allowed to compete at the CCA Finals. Alternates do not qualify for the CCA Finals Championship; points awarded to non-alternates will coincide with the place they finish.

*Turned Out stock **MUST** go to the bottom of the re-ride list.

*The High Point Champion will be the contestant with the most accumulated points at the end of the CCA Finals Rodeo providing they were in the Top 10 High Point Standings prior to the finals. In the event of a tie in the High Point category, you will have to break the tie in your qualifying event at the finals unless you have qualified in more than one event. In this case, you may choose your event to break the tie.

*A three man judging system will be used for all riding events. Each judge will be allowed to use half points for the rider and the animal.

*Stalls and alleyways in the barns M**UST** be kept clean. Contestants will be assessed a \$50 fine if your stall area is not tidy. The rules implemented by the Barn Boss **MUST** be followed. Failure to comply will result in a \$50 fine.

*Do not block or tie horses in the alleyway.

*There will be no tying of calves by Tie Down contestants on the Kinetic Park Grounds prior to any of the Rodeo Performances.

*The catch pen will be left open during the Team Roping and Ladies Breakaway Roping events.

*Failure to comply with any of the ground rules will result in a \$50 fine and will double with each additional infraction. Fines MUST be paid prior to competing in the next performance of the Finals.

*Please take note of the Rules that will apply to the Junior Steer Riding Event at the CCA Finals:

Junior Steer Riding

1. Riding to be done with one (1) or two (2) hands and loose rope, with or without hand-hold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off steer when rider leaves it. Rope must have bell; no bell, no marking. Bell must be under belly of steer.

a. If a contestant starts with one (1) hand they must finish with one (1). If they start with two (2) they may change to one (1), but then rides under the one (1) hand rule.

2. It is mandatory for steer riders to wear a protective vest and a CSA-approved helmet and face mask while competing in the steer riding.

3. No more than two (2) people may help pull a contestant's rope. Rope may be pulled from either side.

4. Steer will be ridden eight (8) seconds; time to start when animal's inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute. If rider makes qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, they are to be marked.

5. Rider will be disqualified for any of the following offences: being bucked off; touching animal with free hand; using sharp spurs; or fouling animal by holding gate. Contestant touching the animal with head is a disqualification as well.

6. If a qualified ride is made until the flank comes off, a re-ride shall be optional, but not need to be on the same animal.

7. No bulls shall be used in the event. Suitable cattle must be steers, heifers or small cows. If suitable cattle are not available, the event will be cancelled. If a steer riding is held at an Association approved rodeo, the event must fall under the guidelines of the Association.

8. All cattle must be pre-conditioned, meaning cattle should be familiar with bucking chutes and leave arena in appropriate manner.

9. All cattle shall be preapproved by Bull Riding Director and or Board of Directors.

10. Draw will be made prior to Rodeo performance. Judges must inspect cattle prior to draw.