

# Canadian Cowboys Association

## BYLAWS & RODEO RULES



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## OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION

### The objectives of the association are:

- (a) To organize rodeo contestants for their mutual benefit and protection.
- (b) To cooperate, insofar as possible, with the management of all rodeos at which members contest.
- (c) To protect members against unfairness on the part of any rodeo management;
- (d) To bring about honest advertising by the rodeo association so that the public may rely on the truth of advertised events in which it is claimed that members of the association will participate.
- (e) To work for the betterment of conditions and of rules governing rodeo events in which members of the association take part.

## BYLAWS

### INTERPRETATION

1. The expressions defined hereinafter shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the following meanings:
  - APPROVED RODEO means a rodeo that is approved by the association.
  - ASSOCIATION means the Canadian Cowboys' Association which is also referred to as CCA.
  - CASH LIST means a list of members who must pay their entry fees, dues or other payments by cash, money order or certified cheque.
  - GUARANTEED LIST means a list of members whose entry fees are guaranteed by the association.
  - JUDGES LIST means a list of persons who are approved by the association as qualified judges.
  - MANAGEMENT means the rodeo committee or the stock contractor.
  - MEMBER means a person who has been granted a membership in the association.
  - RECOGNIZED RODEO ASSOCIATION means the CPRA, CRA, FCA, ICRA, IRA, MRCA, NARC, NRA, BRC and/or LRA.
  - RODEO ARENA means the entire working area for a rodeo.
  - SUSPENDED LIST means a list of members and others who cannot enter and compete at approved rodeos.
  - UNAPPROVED RODEO means a rodeo with paid admission and /or having more than three major events, which is not approved by the association or by a recognized rodeo association.
  - EXECUTIVE means a committee comprising of the President, Vice President, and at least two or more directors.
2. The seal, an impression whereof is stamped in the margin hereof, shall be the seal of the CANADIAN COWBOYS' ASSOCIATION.
3. All mention of fees, dues, and fines within this document will contain the applicable federal and provincial taxes as required by the said fees, dues, and fines.

### MEMBERSHIP

4. Membership in the association shall be limited to persons interested in furthering the objects of the association and shall consist of anyone whose application for admission as a member has received the approval of the board of directors of the association.
5. All members shall be subject to all the bylaws, rules and regulations of the association.
6. Each member shall pay an annual membership fee.
  - a) The annual membership fee shall be determined at the annual meeting of the members of the association.
7. Each member shall upon payment of his membership fees and compliance with membership criteria be given a membership card in a form approved by the board of directors.

8. Any person who applies for a membership in the Association shall file with the Association his written application and release in such form as may be prescribed from time to time by the executive and, if the applicant is under eighteen (18) years of age, the application shall be consented to in writing by both parents (if living) or all his guardians.
9. The board of directors will not accept a Membership Application from anyone who is known to be on the suspended list of any other recognized rodeo association.
10. Once you have been accepted as a member of the association, you will be considered a member of the association until that time when you register a letter of resignation to the association or have not paid your annual dues for a period of two consecutive years.

#### **HEAD OFFICE**

11. The Head Office of the association shall be in the City of Regina in the Province of Saskatchewan.

#### **MEETINGS**

12. The annual or any other general meeting of the members shall be held at the head office of the association or at any place as the board of directors may determine and on such day as the board of directors shall appoint and at a time to be determined by the board of directors.
13. At every annual meeting, in addition to any other business that may be transacted, the report of the directors, the financial statement and the report of the auditors shall be presented and a board of directors elected and auditors appointed for the ensuing year. The members may consider and transact any business either special or general at any meeting of the members. The board of directors, the president or vice-president shall have power to call, at any time, a general meeting of the members of the association.
14. At least seven days prior notice of the time and place of holding any meeting of the association shall be given to each member by written notice.
15. No error or omission in giving notice of any annual or general meeting or any adjourned meeting, whether annual or general, to the members of the association shall invalidate such meeting or make void any proceedings taken thereat and any member may at any time waive notice of any such meeting and may ratify, approve and confirm any or all proceedings taken or had thereat. For the purpose of sending notice to any member, director or officer for any meeting or otherwise, the address of the member, director or office shall be his last address recorded on the books of the association.
16. A notice calling any meeting of the association other than the annual general meeting shall specify or indicate the nature of the business which it is proposed to discuss or deal with at such meeting.
17. The President, or in his absence, the Vice-President of the Association shall preside at every general meeting.
18. If there is no President or Vice-President of the association or if at any general meeting neither of the officers is present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for the holding of the meeting, or is unwilling to act as chairman, the members present shall choose one of their numbers to be chairman.
19. Members present in person at a meeting shall constitute a quorum.
20. (a) The regular meetings of the executive shall be held at least once every two months at such time, on such date and at such place as the board of directors shall determine.  
(a) Special meetings of the board of directors may be called by the President or Vice-President at any time.

#### **VOTING**

21. Each voting member present at an annual or any other general meeting other than the chairman of the meeting shall have the right to exercise one vote. Voting members may vote for President, Vice-President, Two Year Directors and for the Director that represent their event, or membership classification. Voting members are contestants, contractors, and working personnel that purchase a senior membership. Junior members, permit members, non-contestant members and associate members are not eligible to vote.
22. All matters arising or to be dealt with at any meeting of the members of the association or the board of directors shall be carried or decided by a majority of those voting and no one shall have a deciding or casting vote except the Chairman who shall only vote in the event of

a tie.

(a) One representative from each senior rodeo stock contracting firm and one representative from each rodeo committee will be allowed to vote at the CCA's annual general meeting.

#### **AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS**

23. (a) A bylaw of the association may only be enacted, repealed or amended by a resolution previously passed by a majority of the board of directors and duly confirmed by a majority vote at a general meeting of the association.

(b) Notwithstanding subparagraph 22(a) of these bylaws a bylaw may be enacted, repealed or amended at an annual general meeting of the association provided that the majority of the members of the board of directors present are in favor of the enactment, repeal or amendment and such enactment, repeal or amendment will have the same effect as if it had been previously passed by a resolution at a meeting of the board of directors.

(c) Notwithstanding otherwise contained in there bylaws no enactment, repeal or amendment of a bylaw not embodied in the letter patent shall be enforced or acted upon until the approval of the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs has been obtained.

(d) That bylaw changes and rule changes may be brought to the annual meeting by the CCA membership, whereby these changes will be discussed and recommendations can then be forwarded to the board of directors for final approval.

#### **OFFICERS**

24. The officers of the association shall be a President and Vice-President and any such other officer or officers as the board of directors may by resolution determine including, but without restricting the foregoing, a secretary, a treasurer, and an executive secretary or general manager. Any two offices may be held by the same person.

25. The President and Vice-President shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members. Officers other than the President and Vice-President shall be appointed by resolution of the board of directors following each annual meeting of the members.

(a) Nominations and elections for all positions may be conducted by mail in ballot with reasonable notice served to all members.

26. The officers of the association shall hold office for two years from the date of appointment or election or until their successors are elected or appointed in their stead whichever shall occur sooner. Election of President shall be held on every even numbered year and election of Vice-President shall be held on every odd numbered year.

27. In the event of a vacancy occurring in the position of President or Vice-President prior to the normal expiration of that officer's term of office that board of directors may, by resolution, fill such vacancy for the balance of that officer's unexpired term.

28. No person may assume the office of President until that person has been a member of the board of directors for at least two years.

29. Each retiring officer shall be eligible for re-election.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

30. The applicants for incorporation shall become officers and directors of the association whose term of office shall expire at the close of the first annual meeting of the association.

31. The affairs, business, rules, regulations and activities of the association shall be under the control, management and direction of a board of directors consisting of the elected officers of the association and the directors listed below.

32. Only members of the association in good standing are eligible for election to the board of directors.

33. (a) There shall be three directors appointed by the applicants for incorporation whose appointments shall expire at the close of the first annual meeting of the association.

(b) The position of these three directors shall be filled at the first annual meeting by directors whose position shall expire at the close of the second annual meeting.

(c) Thereafter these positions shall be filled by directors whose positions expire every two years at the close of the annual meeting at which their replacement is elected.

34. (a) There shall be three directors appointed by the applicants for incorporation whose appointments expire at the close of the first annual meeting of the association.

(b) The positions of these three directors shall be filled at the first annual meeting by directors whose positions shall expire at the close of the third annual meeting.

(c) Thereafter these positions shall be filled by directors whose positions expire every two years at the close of the annual meeting at which their replacement is elected.

35. There shall be the following event directors appointed by the applicants for incorporation. These event directors shall be as follows:

Saddle Bronc

Bareback Riding

Tie Down Roping

Team Roping

Bull Riding

\*whose positions shall be elected every even year.

Steer Wrestling

Ladies Barrel Racing/Junior Girls' Barrel Racing

Ladies Breakaway Roping

\*whose positions shall be elected every odd year.

36. There shall be two rodeo committee representatives who shall be directors.

(a) The rodeo committee representative shall be appointed by the applicants for incorporation with one representative elected every even year, and the other representative elected every odd year.

(b) The position of rodeo committee representative shall be filled by an election to be held at the meeting of rodeo committees as called by the association.

37. There shall be a stock contractor representative who shall be a director.

(a) The stock contractor representative shall be appointed by the applicants for incorporation and his appointment shall be elected every odd year.

(b) The position of stock contractor representative shall be filled by election held at the meeting of stock contractors as called by the association.

38. Meetings of the board of directors shall be held upon written or oral notice given by the Secretary under instructions from the President, or in his absence, from the Vice-President at least twenty four hours before the time appointed for the meeting provided however, that a meeting may be called on shorter notice with the consent of all members of the board of directors.

39. If a director is not in attendance at a meeting (not in person or not on the phone), they need to reply to the minutes of the meeting within 1 week of receiving them to confirm they have been read. The first time confirmation is not received they will receive a warning and thereafter will be a \$50.00 fine each time.

40. A quorum for the purpose of meetings of the board of directors shall be a majority of the current members of the board of directors provided that in such quorum there is at least one officer.

41. All matters arising or dealt with at any meetings of the board of directors shall be carried or decided by a simple majority of those voting thereon. At such meeting the chairman shall not have a vote except in the case of a tie at which time he shall cast a tie-breaking vote.

42. A resolution signed by all members of the board of directors shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a duly called meeting of the board of directors. The board of directors shall cause minutes to be made and kept in the books provided for that purpose, of:

(a) All appointments and elections of officers and members of the board of directors;

(b) All names of members present at each meeting of the board of directors; and

(c) All resolutions and proceedings at all meetings of members of the association and of the board of directors and of all committees.

43. The board of directors shall cause true accounts to be kept of:

(a) the assets of the association and;

(b) the sums of money received and expended by the association and of matters in respect of which such receipts and expenditures took place.

44. The board of directors may from time to time appoint such committees as it may deem advisable and all such committees may in addition to the members of the board of directors on such committee, appoint such other persons to act in an advisory capacity as it may deem advisable.

45. If the position of a public relations person is deemed feasible, the board of directors has the authority to hire someone for the position and negotiate a salary.

46. The office of director or officer shall be automatically vacated:

- (a) If a director or officer shall resign his office by delivering a written resignation to the secretary of the association;
- (b) If he is found to be a lunatic or becomes of unsound mind;
- (c) If at a special general meeting of members a resolution is passed by a majority of the members present at the meeting that he be removed from office; and
- (d) On death.

#### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

47. The President shall preside at all meetings of the association and of the board of directors,

48. In the case of the absence or disability of the President, the Vice-President shall perform his duties. In the case of the absence of both President and Vice-President, a chairman may be selected from the quorum.

49. (a) The secretary shall keep the minutes and other reports of the association and the board of directors.

(b) He shall conduct the official correspondence and be responsible for the safe custody of all records and documents relating to the association.

50. (a) The Treasurer shall keep a thorough and accurate account of all money received by him and shall deposit the same in the name of the association in such depository as shall be designated by the board of directors.

(b) He shall not disburse any of the monies of the association except by cheque drawn on such depository and signed by him on behalf of the association.

(c) At each annual meeting he shall make a full report of the financial condition of the association which must be audited by the association's auditor between the end of the fiscal year and the next annual meeting.

51. All officers and members of the board of directors shall, in addition, perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned to them by the board of directors.

52. The books and records of the association may be inspected by any member in good standing at the office of the association at all reasonable times on reasonable notice during regular office hours.

#### **REMUNERATION**

53. Directors and executive committee members, as such, shall not receive any stated remuneration for their services, but, by resolution of the board of directors, expenses of their attendance may be allowed for their attendance at each regular or special meeting of the board of directors. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any directors from serving the association as an officer or in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore. The directors shall serve as such without remuneration and no director shall directly or indirectly receive any profit from his position as such; provided that a director may be paid reasonable expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties; and provided further that any director who is engaged in or is a member of a firm engaged in any business or profession may act in and be paid the usual professional costs and charges for any professional business required to be done in connection with the administration of the affairs of the association.

#### **FISCAL YEAR**

54. The fiscal year of the association shall end on the last day of December in each calendar year.

#### **RODEO YEAR**

55. The rodeo year shall end at such time as the board of directors shall determine having consideration to the proper planning for the finals rodeo. The next ensuing rodeo year shall commence immediately upon the expiration of the preceding rodeo year.

#### **INDEMNITIES TO DIRECTORS AND OTHERS**

56. Every director or officer of the association or other person who has undertaken or is about to undertake any liability on behalf of the corporations or any company controlled by it and their heirs, executors and administrators, and estate and effects, respectively, shall from time to time and at all times, be indemnified and saved harmless out of the funds of the association,

from and against:

(a) All costs, charges or expenses whatsoever which such director, officer or other person sustains or incurs in or about any action, suit or proceedings which is brought, commenced or prosecuted against him, or in respect of any act, deed, matter or thing whatsoever, made, done or permitted by him, in or about the execution of the duties of his office or in respect of any such liability:

(b) All other costs, charges and expenses which he sustains or incurs in or about or in relation to the affairs thereof, except such costs, charges or expenses as are occasioned by his own willful neglect or default.

57. In these bylaws and in all other bylaws of the association hereafter passed unless the context otherwise requires, words importing the singular number or the masculine gender shall include the plural number or the feminine gender, as the case may be, and vice versa, and references to persons shall include first and corporations.

#### **EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS**

58. Contracts, documents or any instruments in writing requiring the signature of the association, shall be signed by any two officers and all contracts, documents and instruments in writing so signed shall be binding upon the association without any further authorization or formality. The directors shall have power from time to time by resolution to appoint an officer or officers on behalf of the association to sign specific contracts, documents and instruments in writing. The directors may give the association's power of attorney to any registered dealer in securities for the purposes of the transferring of and dealing with any stocks, bonds, and other securities of the association. The seal of the association when required may be affixed to contracts, documents and instruments in writing signed as aforesaid or by any officer or officers appointed by resolution of the board of directors. The secretary shall be the custodian of the seal of the association, which he shall deliver only when authorized by a resolution of the board to do so, and to such person or persons as may be named in the resolution.

#### **RULES COMMITTEE**

59. The board of directors shall be the rules committee and also the trophy committee.  
60. The rules committee may amend, delete or incorporate rules.

### **SECTION I – CCA RULES**

#### **A. MEMBERSHIPS**

1. All memberships must comply with the fee schedule outlined in Appendix A.
2. All memberships must be processed by 4 pm on Friday prior to Monday entries. If entries are taken other days than Monday, the membership must be processed by 4 pm the day before entries close. Competing memberships may be processed on the day of entry at an additional charge of \$100.00 to the member. This charge will be limited to one per family.
3. Members will get the same CCA card number annually.
4. Members are the only contestants who can work the major events and haze at approved rodeos, with the exception of local contestants.
5. (a) Members who qualify may enter High School, IRA, Little Britches, College, Old Timer and All Girl rodeos, providing said rodeos are approved by the corresponding associations.  
(b) Senior contestant members are the only members eligible for CCA standings and series awards, with the exception of junior card members for junior events and for juniors who purchase their full membership prior to August 1 of the current rodeo year.
6. (a) The CCA may issue life memberships with full regular membership privileges with such memberships to be issued at the discretion of the CCA board of directors.  
(b) The CCA may issue honorary memberships with or without full regular membership privileges with such memberships to be issued at the discretion of the CCA board of directors.
7. Any member who chooses to upgrade their membership, will pay the difference in cost between the two memberships.
8. Membership cards will be sent electronically.

#### **A. 1. CONTESTING PERMITS**

- (i.) Permit holders may enter any CCA rodeo, until he/she has won a total of one thousand

(\$1000) dollars in the current year or two thousand (\$2000) cumulative, whereupon he/she will be required to purchase a full CCA membership.

- (ii.) Permit standings will be kept and an award given to the top permit holder at year end.
- (iii.) CCA senior and junior contesting members will be given priority over permit holders when entering the same number of rodeos, however a permit holder entering more rodeos than a member will receive priority.
- (iv.) Permits must be accepted in all CCA events
- (v.) Only money won after buying a senior contesting membership will count for finals qualification standings.

#### **A. 2. JUNIOR MEMBERSHIPS**

- (i.) Junior members will be allowed to enter junior events subject to age qualifying rules per junior events.
- (ii.) Junior members will be allowed to enter any major event subject to qualification rule where applicable.
- (iii.) Junior members entering major events cannot tag as a junior, you will be considered as part of the four man buddy group.
- (iv.) To be eligible to compete in a major event at the CCA rodeo finals, a junior contestant must purchase a senior contesting membership before August 1. He/she will carry forward any points (standings) that were won on the junior membership. Insurance dues only need to be paid one time.
- (v.) If a contestant qualifies for CCA finals on their junior membership they must upgrade to an open card and if the open card was not purchased by August 1<sup>st</sup> of that year the contestant will forfeit their rookie year. Once a contestant competes at the CCA finals in an open event they can never purchase a junior membership again. All standings are retroactive to the beginning of the season.

#### **A. 3. NOVICE MEMBERSHIPS**

- (i.) Novice members will be allowed to enter novice and/or open events on any card subject to age requirements (ie. Jr card).
- (ii.) Novice cardholders can enter and compete in the CCA Finals in an open event but must purchase their full card by August 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.
- (iii.) Novice cardholders must be age 16 or over as of Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year and have not won more than \$2000 in any open event.
- (iv.) Once a contestant has won \$2000 in a novice event in one year, he will be allowed to finish the year in the novice event however the following year he will be ineligible to enter that novice event.

#### **A. 4. STOCK CONTRACTOR**

A Stock contractor is defined as any person or company responsible for the complete production of a rodeo as set out by policy, rules and bylaws of the CCA and meeting the requirements of a contractor as set out in these rules.

- (i.) All persons or companies applying for a new stock contractor membership must purchase a permit to produce their first and second CCA rodeo. Upon completion of the second rodeo, the person or company will be eligible to apply for a full stock contractor membership pending approval by the CCA Board of Directors. A person or company applying for a permit for the purpose of producing CCA rodeos must comply with the following:
  - (a) One person shall be identified and named responsible for the membership.
  - (b) The applicant must produce proof of stock leased or owned sufficient to produce a complete rodeo. Eighty percent (80%) of stock on that list must be present at the first permit rodeo.
  - (c) permits will be considered only for new rodeos defined as follows:
    - i) A rodeo that has not been active with the CCA in the year prior to the current season.
    - ii) A rodeo that was previously produced by a stock contractor who is no longer actively producing rodeos in the CCA.
  - (d) The cost for the first permit will be equal to the price of a full stock contractor membership. No further charges will be issued for the second permit or full production membership providing all applications take place within one rodeo season.
  - (e) Application for a stock contractor permit card indicates agreement to abide by all rules,

- bylaws and policies of the CCA.
- (f) There will be a fourteen day processing period on all stock contractor permit memberships.
  - (g) A rodeo seeking approval with a new stock contractor will be granted approval pending the Board's granting of membership to the contractor.
    - i) Written notice will be given to the person identified as responsible for the regards to any sanctions or actions affecting the same.
    - ii) A stock contractor must renew their membership annually and produce a minimum of one rodeo per season to maintain an active contractor status. Noncompliance will require repeating the permit process.
  - (h) In the event that an existing contractor wishes to sell their contracting business and card, the board of directors will accept an application for transfer. Each application for transfer must be accompanied by a certified cheque in the amount of \$3000.00. This administration fee constitutes the representation of lost revenue from not adhering to the qualifying rules to become a stock contractor through the production of two new rodeos.
  - (i) Sub-contractors purchase a Permit card for \$208.75. Carded Stock Contractors will be responsible for providing a list of sub-contractors they are using for each rodeo when they send in the stock list

#### **A. 5. CONTRACT PERSONNEL**

1. Pick-up men, Announcers, Bull Fighters, Barrel men, Secretaries and any Contract Acts/Personnel excluding timers, will be required to purchase a Contract Personnel card. A CP will precede a Contract Personnel membership number.
2. Timers will be required to purchase a non-contestant membership.
3. Rodeo personnel can compete in one timed event at the same rodeo in which they are working if they can be suitably placed (via judge approval) with the exception of the CCA Finals.
4. Bull Fighters will be issued a card which will have BF in front of the number and will remain on review at all times, and can be revoked at any time at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
5. Clowns and Barrel men must have a full membership before working any CCA rodeo.

#### **B. GENERAL**

1. All contestants are required to read the rules carefully, particularly those relating to the contests or events in which they enter. Failure to understand the rules will not be accepted as an excuse.
2. (i.) Members are the only contestants who can work the major events at approved rodeos with the exception of local contestants.  
(ii.) A member or person applying for membership who has been reported to the CCA Board of directors as having been injured at a rodeo or elsewhere, or who has not competed in the CCA for a period of 1(one) year or more, may be required at the members or applicants cost, to provide to the CCA a "Proof of Physical Fitness", signed by a doctor who is a specialist. Once a person has been notified by the CCA of the need to provide the "Proof of Physical Fitness", the person will not be allowed to enter or compete at a CCA rodeo until the form is signed and on file at the CCA office.
3. (i) An individual may enter only one rodeo as a local contestant. Determination of local entries will be at the discretion of the committee. Payment and collection of local entry fees and insurance will be the responsibility of the committees. Each local entry will be charged an additional \$25 to cover their insurance fees.  
(ii.) No individual may enter a rodeo as a local contestant unless that individual, if over 18 years of age, has signed a release or, if under 18 years of age, that individual's parents or guardian has signed a release. The release must be in a form satisfactory to the CCA.  
(iii.) Individual rodeo committees, at their discretion may or may not accept local entries.
4. Should any contestant fail to meet any financial obligation to a member rodeo, that fact shall be reported to the association and the contestant shall be barred from competing in any member rodeo until obligations are met.
5. Complaints of breaches of sub clause (a), (b), (c) and (d), shall be referred to the alleged offending member before being considered by the board and the alleged offending member shall be given the opportunity to be heard by the board, before the board determines what

action, if any, is to be taken.

- (a) Nonpayment of entry fees.
  - (b) Members and/or contestants will be fined or suspended for attempting to fix, threaten, bribe, verbally abuse or harass the judge(s), rodeo organizing committee, CCA Board Members and CCA employees. Any harassment of CCA employees will result in a minimum fine of \$250.00, will double with each following offence and will include suspension on third offence.
  - (c) Conduct or speech of any kind detrimental to the best interest of the association or the sport of rodeo.
  - (d) Failure to abide or disobedience of the articles, bylaws and/or rules of this association.
6. Contestants who turn out stock in a slack or paid performance cannot place in the average of that event nor can he win the All Around award at that rodeo.
  7. No carded CCA member, including bullfighters, is allowed to participate in any way in the "Ring of Death", "Bull Poker", etc. A fine will be levied by the Board of Directors.

#### **C. CASH LIST**

1. CCA first year members cannot write a cheque for entry fees or anything else at approved CCA rodeos unless:
  - (a) The new member has a written guarantee by a CCA member in good standing. This member cannot be on the cash list. If the new guaranteed member defaults, the guarantor will be issued a letter from the CCA office and will be given 30 days to cover the amount defaulted.
  - (b) The new member posts a \$500.00 bond with the CCA office.

#### **D. NSF CHEQUES**

1. For knowingly or unknowingly writing and passing cheques of non-sufficient funds.(NSF)
  - (i.) Writers of NSF cheques must make restitution to the CCA for the amount of the cheque and also pay a fine of \$50.00 plus applicable bank charges;
  - (ii.) Writers of NSF cheques will automatically be placed on the association's suspended and cash lists:
  - (iii.) Any member having his or her name on the association's cash list may have his or her name removed by providing evidence that it was a bank error or by posting a deposit of \$500.00 with the CCA for a period of one year. This deposit will be returned to the member at the end of one year providing there are no further NSF cheques written by that member during that time otherwise the full deposit will be forfeited.
  - (iv.) Members on the cash list may be taken off if a member in good standing submits a letter to the CCA guaranteeing the offender's entry fees for one year prior to the entry closing time of the first rodeo of that year. This does not apply to anyone who goes back on the cash list a second time.

#### **E. CONDUCT**

1. By becoming a member of the association, a person releases to the association the right to use his name and/or picture for the good of the association or for the sport of rodeo as long as there is no commercial endorsement or resale involved.
  - (a) At such time as any member of this association is approached by a rodeo committee for the purpose of asking that member to sign autographs, interview on radio or TV, etc., for the purpose of advertising, the member will be expected by the association to co-operate to his utmost.
2. The board will expect the co-operation of any member when called upon by one of the associations officials to represent the association's interests regarding enforcement of rules at any approved rodeo or in any matter of official business.
3. Any CCA member found guilty of damage to hotel property, or other physical damage that is reported to the association, will be suspended until the reported damages are made good to the satisfaction of the executive.
4. A lawyer will be retained by the CCA for the purpose of providing legal advice.

#### **F. COMPANION PASS**

1. (a) A companion pass can be purchased for \$126.00 from the CCA office and is available

only to senior, junior, stock contractor, and contract act members at the limit of one per member.

(b) Companion passes are not transferable.

## **SECTION II - TROPHIES AND AWARDS**

### **A. YEAR END**

1. (a) The association shall award the year end championship in each year to the All Around Cowboy, Hi-Point winner, Top Permit Holder, Rookie of the Year, and to the winners of the Saddle Bronc, Bareback, Bull Riding, Tie Down Roping, Steer Wrestling, Ladies Barrel Racing, Team Roping, Ladies Breakaway Roping, Junior Steer Riding, and Junior Girls Barrel Racing, Novice Bull Riding, Novice Bareback Riding, and Novice Saddle Bronc.  
(b) CCA championship awards and trophies and those approved by the association (i.e.: Junior Girls' Barrel Racing and Junior Steer Riding) will be the only ones presented at the association's annual awards presentation.
  - (i.) Each trophy/award winner is expected to express his appreciation by writing personal thanks to the donor.
  - (ii.) All annual trophies will be displayed in the CCA office, unless the donor wants to keep them for display purposes.(c) Rodeos approved by the CCA shall be the only rodeos at which money may be won for qualifying for the association's above mentioned year end championship awards.

### **B. ALL AROUND AND HIGH POINT**

1. To qualify for the All Around title, a member contestant must place at least twice in at least two major events in that season, one must be the same timed event and one must be the same riding event.
2. To qualify for the High Point title, a member contestant must place at least twice in at least two major events in that season.

### **C. ROOKIE**

1. An award shall be made to the CCA Rookie of the year.
  - (i.) This award shall be based on money won in the major events only, during the current regular rodeo season.
  - (ii.) Winnings at the association's sudden-death finals rodeo will not have an effect on the Rookie of the Year title.
  - (iii.) To qualify for the Rookie of the Year award, the contestant must be a first year senior member of the association and must not have previously been a senior member of any other rodeo association.
  - (iv.) August 1 of the current rodeo year will be the cutoff date for junior contestant members to purchase a regular membership in order to qualify for the Rookie of the Year award, with all open event points earned as a junior contestant up to that date to be counted towards the Rookie of the Year award.

### **D. COWBOY/COWGIRL OF THE YEAR**

1. The Cowboy/Cowgirl of the year awards will be presented to association members (one male and one female respectively) according to the criteria and percentage weighting listed below:
  1. Leadership – 25%
  2. Sportsmanship – 23%
  3. Contributions to CCA (BOD Member, Volunteer) – 18%
  4. Cooperation with CCA, Stock Contractors, Judges, and Media – 15%
  5. Ability – 12%
  6. Appearance – 7%
  - (i.) Each criterion will be marked and awarded on a one to ten scale and then multiplied by the weighting above.
  - (ii.) The nominees (one male and one female) with the greatest score (out of a possible 100%) will be the recipient of the award. Nominations will come from current CCA members and submitted in the form of letter or short essay describing why the person should be considered for the award. Each aspect of the criteria should be addressed in

- the nomination. August 1 to October 1 will be the time period for nominations.
- (iii.) The nominees must be current CCA members.
  - (iv.) Candidates will be marked by a panel consisting of vice president, stock contractor rep, trophy committee rep, BOD at large, and a current CCA judge. The panel will choose a judge to sit with them every year. The panel will make a decision 2 weeks prior to the CCA Finals, and hold the name in confidence until the Finals when the award will be given.

#### **E. STOCK OF THE YEAR AWARDS**

1. There will be an award for each timed event to recognize the top voted horse in that event for that year.
2. There will be an award for the Saddle Bronc Horse of the Year, the Bareback Horse of the Year and the Bull of the Year.
3. The CCA will send out ballots to the top 15 in the timed and riding events each year. These votes will be tallied and used to award the awards, as listed above. Cut-off dates for voting on these awards to be left to the discretion of the CCA executive.

### **SECTION III - CCA FINALS RODEO**

1. All contestants who qualify for the CCA Finals Rodeo for 2022 must have competed at 10 of the season rodeos (special events are not included in the rodeo count)ent of a rodeo cancellation due to weather the contestants and stock entered at the rodeo will be able to count that rodeo towards the Finals as one of their rodeos, required to qualify for the Finals. The top 15 contestants in the open events, and the top 10 in the junior events must submit their picture for the finals program by September 15 of that year. If their picture is not received in the CCA office by that date they will be assessed a \$100.00 fine.
2. Contestants in position 13 to 15 in each of the Open events and positions 7 to 10 in each of the junior events at the end of the season are to enter the Finals rodeo on the day of the entry for the Finals and be placed on an alternate list. Should a finalist become unable to compete during the Finals, the alternate list will be called upon in order of season standings and given the opportunity to replace the finalist, with the knowledge that they will compete for day money only and cannot win the finals.
3. In the event of not enough qualified contestants to compete at the Finals as per rule Section III – CCA Finals Rodeo #1, the BOD will allow the contestant with the most money won in that event to enter the finals. That qualifying contestant will be eligible for all Finals Awards.
4. The following rules shall be used for determining CCA champions at the sudden-death finals rodeo:
  - (a) A specified number of the top money winners in each of the eight major events and such other events as may be included at the sudden-death finals rodeo at the conclusion of the current rodeo season shall be eligible to compete for the association championships at the finals rodeo.
  - (b) Qualifiers for CCA Finals shall carry no previous earnings into the finals rodeo, but each contestant shall start on an equal basis.
    - (i.) The association champions in each event will be the finalist contestant earning the most points at the finals. Points awarded on a forty, thirty, twenty, ten point system for first, second, third and fourth place finish in each go round respectively. If an average is used, points to be awarded same as above.
    - (ii.) In the event that two or more finalist contestants in an event are tied for an event championship at the end of the scheduled number of go-rounds, those tied shall compete on extra stock until tie is broken and a champion declared.
    - (iii.) If there is a tie for any runner-up positions the tie will be broken on the basis of association standings at the end of the regular rodeo season.
  - (c) The CCA Finals Hi-Point championships will be decided at the finals rodeo on a sudden-death basis.
    - (i.) Those contestants at the CCA sudden-death finals rodeo who have become eligible for the All Around and Hi-Point standings during the regular rodeo season shall be eligible for the association's All Around and Hi-Point championships being the contestant who earns the most points at the sudden-death finals.

(ii.) It is not necessary that those eligible for the All Around and Hi-Point championship qualify in more than one event at the finals, nor are they required to earn points in more than one event at the finals to win the championship.

(iii.) In the event of a tie for the Hi-Point title, the championship will be decided on the basis of association standings in the Hi-Point category at the end of the regular rodeo season.

(d) If there are fewer qualified rides/runs than there are payoff positions, remaining payoff positions will be split equally between those who have made a qualified ride or run. If there are no qualified rides/runs, CCA board reserves the right to decide payout procedure.

(e) The association may establish other ground rules as may be necessary for the efficient functioning of the CCA's sudden-death finals rodeo. See Appendix B

5. Before anyone will be considered as a judge and/or field flagman, pick-up man, timer, bullfighter for the CCA Finals rodeo, that person will have been required to work at least two CCA approved rodeos during the current rodeo year before being eligible to work at the association's Finals rodeo.
  - (a) Voting on judges will be done by the top 15 contestants in the 8 major events. Roughstock contestants in the open events will mark ballots with their 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice. Counting of the vote will be done as follows: A #1 choice gets 2 points, #2 gets 1 point. Timed events with vote for their favorite judge the people with the most points will be the judges for the Finals.
  - (b) Voting on pick-up men will be done by the top 15 contestants in the Saddle Bronc and Bareback events, voting on timers will be done by the top 15 contestants in the Tie Down Roping, Steer Wrestling, Ladies Barrel Racing, Team Roping, and Ladies Breakaway Roping, and voting on bullfighters will be done by the top 15 contestants in the Bull Riding. Contestants will mark their ballots with their first choice being #1 and their second choice being #2. Counting of the vote will be done as follows: #1 choice gets 2 points and #2 choice gets 1 point. The two people with the most points in each category will be the contract personnel for the Finals.
6. A medical release can be in effect for one performance and the contestant can still compete on the rest of his stock in the remaining performances however, a medical or visible cannot be applied to the first performance of the CCA Finals.
7. Once a Finals Contestant has entered the Finals on the designated entry day he/she has 7 days to do a straight turn out with no penalty. Straight turn outs provided after this seven days will result in a \$500.00 fine.
  - (a) If you are entered in the CCA Finals and turn out of any performance to compete in another rodeo the fine shall be \$750.00 and you will not be able to compete in any additional performances.
8. Top 15 contestants must enter the CCA finals on the designated entry day set by the CCA Office. If a contestant from the Top 11 in the open events or the Top 6 in the junior events misses entry day they will be subject to a \$500.00 fine.
9. There will be awards for the Bucking Horse of the Finals, the Bareback horse of the Finals, and the Bull of the Finals.
10. The bucking stock of the Finals award recipients will be selected from finals stock during the CCA finals with voting to take place at the conclusion of the last performance of the CCA finals by the judges of the Finals.
11. (a) Saddle Bronc, Bareback Broncs, and Bulls going to CCA Finals must be bucked a minimum of two times, at a CCA approved rodeo(s), during the current rodeo season. In the event of a rodeo cancellation due to weather the stock in the draw at that rodeo will be able to count that rodeo towards the finals as one of the two required to qualify for the CCA Finals. Animals bucked at a rodeo produced by a permit contractor will not qualify under this ruling.
  - (b) If necessary, stock contractors can substitute one head of stock before the draw is made. Stock being substituted for, must be replaced with stock from the same contractor with mutual agreement between that event director and the contractor. Maximum one head per event. Riding events only.
12. The CCA Finals Ground Rules are in a separate document approved by the Board of Directors and is uploaded on the CCA Website. A copy of the ground rules will also be included in contestant packages at the CCA Finals.

## SECTION IV - AWARDING OF POINTS

1. Standings in each approved event will be based on the amount of money won by each contestant in each event at all approved rodeos.
2. The All Around category will be open to contestants who have met the necessary qualifications in the major events. Once a contestant has qualified for the All Around standings, all the money he has won in all approved events will count in his total money standings.
3. At rained out or otherwise incomplete rodeos, money won in all completed go-rounds will be added to the contestant's earning record, but money for the All Around category will not be considered if any go-round in the above mentioned events is not completed.
4. Money won in events which have had the entry fee changed from the listed amount, without proper notification, will not be added to the contestant's earnings record.

## SECTION V - REGULATIONS FOR RODEO APPROVAL

### A. GENERAL

1. Rodeo committees that held a CCA rodeo the previous year must have their approval submitted to the CCA office at the beginning of the current rodeo year. The rodeo approval fee is \$160.00 per performance.
  - (a) All rodeo results must be sent to the CCA office the day following the final performance of that rodeo.
  - (b) The rodeo approval fees will not be refunded to rodeo committees for cancelled rodeos or for cancelled performances.
  - (c) All rodeo pay-off will be done out of the CCA office.
  - (d) Any rodeos wishing to engage in a finals must be approved by the CCA board of directors. Application for approval must be submitted to the CCA office no later than 90 days prior to the rodeo date.
  - (e) When a CCA Rodeo is dual approved and the CCA is the mother or lead association, the rodeo will run and be administered under CCA rules. If an association wants to dual approve with the CCA being the mother or lead association, the CCA requires a completed CCA rodeo approval form, and the Rodeo Committee to pay \$250.00 approval fee per performance.
2. The association reserves the right to withdraw its members from competition in any rodeo which does not conform to these rules, providing that an agreement cannot be reached between the rodeo management and the association director(s) present.
3. All CCA members whose membership number ends with C are on the association's guaranteed list, in that their entry fees are guaranteed at all CCA approved rodeos. Cheques that are accepted from members by a rodeo secretary not having cheque writing privileges will not be guaranteed by the CCA.
4. A member producing a valid, numbered CCA membership card and a companion bearing a valid CCA companion pass, are to be admitted free of charge to a CCA approved rodeo, provided that the member is a contestant or official at that rodeo. (Officials to include secretaries, timers, judges, bullfighters, announcers, and directors).
5. The CCA and the rodeo management assume no responsibility or liability for injury or damage to the person, property or stock, of any owner, contestant or assistant. Each participant by the act of their entry, waives all claims against the CCA or the rodeo management for injuries their property may sustain.
6. Any rodeo with ground rules in any event, in addition to association rules, must have these rules approved by the director of the event in which they apply and must have them announced before that rodeo starts.
7. Rodeo clowns will not be allowed the use of shotgun or explosives in an indoor arena unless approved by the rodeo committee or an association director.
8. A slack performance may be split into two separate slacks and paid as one slack performance.
  - (a) The order of events for slack will be: roughstock (if needed), ladies barrel racing, junior girls barrels, tie down roping, steer wrestling, breakaway roping and team roping.
9. All timed events except for Ladies Barrel Racing is to be timed in tenths of a second. For the timing of Ladies Barrel Racing, refer to the section of the same.

- (a) Whatever times are written on timers' cards are to be used as the times for the payoff.
10. Management is required to provide a place for official timers and announcer to work without obstruction or interference.
  11. All CCA approved rodeos will be paid off according to CCA payoff percentages, as spelled out in Section XVII.
  12. All rules for paid performances will be implemented for all slack performances.
  13. All turn out fines assessed will be split equally between the stock contractor and the CCA.
  14. All Around and Hi-point awards at rodeos must be determined from the eight major events.
  15. (a) The stock contractor and the organizing committee of each CCA approved rodeo shall be jointly responsible for providing an emergency medical technician or equivalent qualifications and an ambulance must be in attendance for each performance as well as during slack. Qualified personnel to comply with local health authority definition of emergency medical worker.  
(b) Rodeo will not proceed until a certified ambulance is in attendance.  
(i.) There will be a fine levied at the discretion of the Board if a certified ambulance is not in attendance at slack and all rodeo performances.
16. When any rodeo is required by the Association to place prize money in escrow, the Association may also require that rodeo to place in escrow money to cover any stock contractor signed with an Association member. In the case of a CCA Rodeo committee not upholding their financial obligations with regard to prize money, the CCA will make every effort that these obligations be upheld. However, in the event that these obligations are not fulfilled by a committee, the CCA would not be liable.
  17. All committees putting a CCA Rodeo on, need to accept all membership types.
  18. Junior events will not be granted approval if the age limits vary from those spelled out in Section VII.

## **B. EVENTS**

1. There must be eight major events held within each regular performance in order to obtain rodeo approval.
  - (a) The eight major events are: Saddle Bronc, Bareback, Bull Riding, Tie down roping, Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Ladies Barrel Racing, and Ladies Breakaway Roping.
  - (b) In addition to the eight major events, other approved events include Second Division Riding events, Junior Bull Riding, Junior Girls Barrel Racing, Novice Saddle Bronc, Novice Bareback and Novice Bull Riding.
  - (c) Other events such as Wild Horse/Pony Race and Wild Cow Milking may be added to the program if the management wishes.
  - (d) Jackpot events may be included at a rodeo with the required number of approved events. No points are credited to winners of jackpot events.
  - (e) Other unapproved events may be held during intermission providing they last no longer than thirty minutes in duration.
2. The association cannot tell a rodeo committee what events to have except that in order to be approved they must have at least the eight major events as spelled out in this section above.
  - (a) Wild Horse Racing is not an approved event, but rules for it are listed in this rule book as a guide for rodeo committees.
3. The rodeo date(s), list of events, prize money, entry fees etc. must be sent to the CCA at least 60 days prior to the rodeo date(s) so that all members may be notified of its approval. Exceptions may be made at the discretion of the board of directors.

## **C. DUAL APPROVED RODEOS**

Only CCA approved rodeo associations seeking dual approval must meet requirements of CCA Board of Directors.

- (i.) Money won at dual approved rodeos will count for CCA standings
- (ii.) The lead association will determine which rule book is in force for that approved rodeo.
- (iii.) Dual approvals will be given and received at a 1:1 event ratio
- (iv.) When dual approving, each association must accept the entire membership

## **D. PRIZE MONEY & ENTRY FEES**

1. (a) The minimum prize money added for each major event is \$600 per rodeo.

(b) The prize money for all eight major events must be equal, except that selected major events may be featured at additional prize money. If it is the first year a major event is added in the CCA, the committee only needs to put up the minimum required added money for that first year (\$600) and must be equal for all years after that. CCA rodeos with a finals performance must have a minimum prize money added of \$1000 per event.

(c) The minimum entry fee per contestant for each of the major roughstock events must be no less than \$40. Where prize money exceeds \$600 the entry fee shall not exceed ten per cent of the prize money in those events.

(d) The minimum entry fee for all major timed events is a minimum of \$100 (in the team roping it will be \$100 per man per team) Where prize money exceeds \$1000 the entry fee shall not exceed ten per cent of the prize money in those events.

(e) The minimum entry fee for approved junior events is \$50.00. Where the prize money exceeds \$500 the entry fee shall not exceed ten per cent of the prize money.

(i.) The minimum prize money for approved junior events must be \$50 per event per performance.

(g) The minimum entry fee for approved novice events is \$20.00. Where the prize money exceeds \$200 the entry fee shall not exceed ten per cent of the prize money.

(l.) The minimum prize money for approved novice events must be \$150 and cannot exceed half of the prize money in a major event.

#### **E. SALARIES**

1. The association has no set price for salaries of timers, arena directors, secretaries, announcers, etc. except that certain minimum salaries have been established.
  - (a) The minimum salary for timers is \$5.00 per event per performance and slack.
  - (b) The pay for judging shall be \$350.00 per performance for each judge. The rodeo committee shall pay \$250.00 and the balance will be paid by the CCA.
  - (c) Each judge shall be paid \$100 flat fee for slack unless the slack performance has over 125 contestants then the salary will increase to \$150.00 This shall be paid by the CCA.
  - (d) If a slack performance occurs prior to the first performance of a rodeo, the judges shall be paid \$350 each. The rodeo committee shall pay \$250 and the balance will be paid by the CCA.
  - (e) Each judge shall be paid \$350.00 for one day Special Events. \$250.00 to be paid by the Rodeo Committee and the balance to be paid by the CCA.

#### **F. BARRIER**

1. Automatic barriers must be used when barriers are required.
2. There must be someone designated to run the timed event end and tie neck ropes other than a judge.
3. CCA Judges will be responsible for the approval and setting of the barrier at all rodeos. At rodeos where the Contractor or Committee requests the use of the Judges equipment, a fee of \$50.00 will be paid by the stock contractor to the Judge supplying the barrier equipment. If the Contractor or Committee has furnished a good barrier system it will be used by the Judges, providing it is set up and ready to use excluding the setting of score lines.

#### **G. BULLFIGHTER**

1. To be allowed to work any of the sanctioned Canadian Cowboys Association (CCA) rodeos, bullfighters must have a current membership with the association.
  - (a) An insurance fee of \$25.00 must accompany the membership application for bullfighters who are not yet on the "B" list.
  - (b) A bullfighter card will be issued with a BF in front of the membership number. It will remain on review at all times, and can be revoked at any time at the discretion of the CCA Board of Directors.
  - (c) If a bullfighter allows his membership in the Canadian Cowboys Association to lapse one year, it must be reviewed by the Bull Riding Director and the CCA Board of Directors or Board Executive.
2. To acquire a "B" List Bullfighters Card with the Canadian Cowboys Association, all bullfighters must complete a "B" List Bullfighter Approval Form by shadowing 3 CCA approved rodeos and obtaining the signature of the Stock Contractor for each of those rodeos.

- (a) Once the "B" List Bullfighter Approval Form has been completed, it must be submitted to the CCA office along with the balance of your CCA membership fees before working any further CCA Rodeos.
3. To acquire an "A" List Bullfighters Card with the Canadian Cowboys Association, all bullfighters will have first completed the "B" List Bullfighter Approval Form as stated above, and then complete the "A" List Bullfighters Approval Form by obtaining signatures from two CCA approved "A" list bullfighters plus the signature of the CCA Bull Riding Director. Final approval for the "A" list will be at the discretion of the CCA Board of Directors or Board Executive.
4. If a bullfighter is active in another association, they can apply for their "A" List Bullfighters Card by completing the New "A" List Bullfighter Application Form and submitting it along with their membership form and fees. The Bull Riding Director, plus the Board of Directors or Board Executive can approve an "A" list application based on the bullfighter's references and credentials.
5. The Stock Contractor is responsible for ensuring that a CCA approved bullfighter be in attendance during the bull riding event. Any violation of this rule will result in a minimum fine of \$250 per performance.
  - (a) "A" List Bullfighters must be given the first right of refusal before the Stock Contractor can call a Bullfighter from the "B" List. Any violation of this rule will result in an initial fine of \$250 per performance and will increase with each infraction.
  - (b) If a Bullfighter, after signing a contract with the Stock Contractor, does not show up or send a suitable replacement to a rodeo, he will be assessed a minimum fine of \$250.00 per performance. The fine must be paid to the Association before the bullfighter can contract or work another CCA approved rodeo.

#### **SECTION VI - CONDUCT OF RODEO**

1. If numbers are furnished by the management, contestant must wear them while competing so that the numbers are visible to the judges and spectators.
2. Contestants in the rodeo arena must conduct themselves in such a way so as not to interfere with the vision of the spectators.
3. Timers for a rodeo may not be changed after the first performance except for sickness or injury, or by request of an association official because of the timer's incompetence or through agreement of the stock contractor, rodeo committee and association official.
  - (a) The timer who times the first performance of a riding event must time that riding event for the duration of that rodeo, except as provided above in this rule.
4. If there is a complaint on the condition of the arena it must be made to the rodeo committee by either a member of the CCA board of directors or the stock contractor no later than two hours prior to rodeo time.
5. If the stock contractor wants the rodeo arena clear of contestants' horses for the hour prior to the rodeo, the contestants must move their horses when asked to do so.

#### **SECTION VII - JUNIOR CONTESTANTS**

1. The age limits for junior events are as follows: Junior Steer Riding 15 years and under as of January 1 of the current year and Junior Girls Barrels - 15 yrs. as of January 1 of the current year.
2. If you are too old to compete in a junior event then you can not purchase a junior card.
3. Junior cardholders are able to enter senior events
4. To qualify for any junior event at the CCA finals must have competed at 50% of the total number of rodeos as of July 10, to a minimum of 15 rodeos-
5. To be eligible to compete in a major event at the CCA rodeo finals, a junior contestant must purchase a senior contesting membership before August 1. He/she will carry forward any points (standings) that were won on the junior membership. Insurance dues only need to be paid one time.

## **SECTION VIII - CONTESTANT DISQUALIFICATION**

1. Contestants will be disqualified for any of the following offences:
  - (a) Being under the influence of liquor in the rodeo arena.
  - (b) Rowdiness or quarreling in the actual domain of the rodeo arena.
  - (c) Mistreatment of stock.
  - (d) Refusing to contest on stock drawn for him.
  - (e) Not being ready to compete when called upon.
  - (f) Cheating or attempting to cheat.
  - (g) Unnecessary delay in taking stock. This action to be enforced by the judges when a legitimate complaint has been lodged by the chute boss or the man in charge.
2. All contestants with horses must ride in the Grand Entry if requested to do so by the stock contractor or management, otherwise they will be disqualified and their entry fees forfeited.
3. Riding event contestants will be disqualified for:
  - (a) Being bucked off;
  - (b) Changing hands on rein;
  - (c) Wrapping rein around hand;
  - (d) Pulling leather
  - (e) Losing stirrup
  - (f) Touching animal or anything else with his free hand;
  - (g) Two handed junior steer riders touching his head with any part of the animal
  - (h) Riding with locked rowels, with rowels that will lock on spurs in the bareback and saddle bronc, or with sharpened rowels IN ANY EVENT.
  - (i) Not following judge's instructions to take feet from neck of horse stalled in the chute;
  - (j) Ignoring judge who had advised him that he is next to go, if he is not above stock with his glove on (if glove is used) when previous stock leaves the arena;
  - (k) Delaying the rodeo
  - (l) Setting bareback rigging too far ahead (to an extreme).
  - (m) Fouling stock by holding gate or side of chute.

## **SECTION IX – POSTPONEMENT AND CANCELLATIONS**

1. If, due to weather conditions, attendance at any rodeo is substantially reduced, then the members of the association who have entered as contestants at the rodeo may appoint a committee of three of their members to negotiate with the management of the rodeo, said committee shall be empowered to agree to such reduction in day money as the circumstance may warrant.
2. Any contestant wishing to compete at a rodeo that has been postponed for more than two days must send in new entries.
3. No cancellation of a performance will be permitted unless in the unanimous opinion of the committee chairman, the stock contractor and an association official, unless it is a physical impossibility to hold the performance.
4. If a rodeo is cancelled part way through, due to weather, etc., prize money will be paid for the portion completed minus the entry fees refunded to the contestants who did not have a chance to compete due to the cancellation.
  - (i.) Only the entry fees for the events in which the contestant(s) were unable to contest due to the cancellation are to be refunded.
  - (ii.) If events are cancelled due to weather, either cancel all events, or no events.
5. If a meeting of representatives is held to discuss the cancellation of a rodeo or rodeo performance the minutes of that meeting must be recorded and sent to the CCA office.
6. If a rodeo or performance is postponed due to weather, contestants may draw out of a rodeo, but must pay RIDE fees.
7. If a rodeo performance is cancelled due to weather, entry fees will be waived but administration fees will still have to be paid for all contestants who were drawn for that performance. Contestants will have thirty (30) days to pay the administration fees for the cancelled performance before they become ineligible and placed on the suspended list. Payout would be adjusted accordingly.
  - (a) If a contestant is moved by the contractor to a performance (other than that which was

- drawn for him by RIDE) and that performance rains out, the contestant is responsible for all fees. This would not apply if a contestant had made a trade.
8. In the Ladies Barrel Racing event only, if a contestant does not wish to compete due to unsafe ground conditions, contestant must get both judges to sign off thereby allowing that contestant to visible and not be fined a turn out fee.

### **SECTION X- RULES TO INSURE HUMANE TREATMENT OF LIVESTOCK**

1. No locked rowels or rowels that will lock on spurs may be used on bareback horses and saddle broncs. No sharpened spurs can be used in any event.
2. No animal shall be beaten, or cruelly prodded.
  - (i.) Electronic Prods are not allowed on the arena floor in any manner. This includes behind the roughstock chutes as well as the timed event chutes.
  - (ii.) No wooden paddles may be used on stock, however, straps are permissible.
3. (a) A neck rope must be used in the tie down roping and a calf must not be busted.
  - (i.) If a horse stops and the calf hits the end of the rope in such a manner that the calf busts himself, the roper will not be responsible.
  - (b) Contestant must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent the horse from dragging the calf.
  - (c) Rope to be removed from calf's body as soon as possible after tie is deemed official.
4. The placing of fingers in eyes, lips or nose of steers while steer wrestling is forbidden.
5. Animals for all events may be inspected before the draw.
  - (i.) No sore, lame, sick, or injured animal or animals with defective eyesight shall be permitted in the draw at any time.
  - (ii.) Should an animal become sick or be injured between the times it is drawn and the time it is scheduled to be used in competition, another animal shall be drawn for the contestant as provided in the rules.
  - (iii.) An official veterinarian should be available at all times.
  - (iv.) A judge must pass on the animal's inability to be used before it can be replaced in the draw.
6. A conveyance must be available to remove animals from arena in case of injury.
7. No sharp or cutting objects in cinch, saddle-girth or flank straps shall be permitted.
  - (i.) Only sheepskin-lined flanking straps shall be used on bucking stock and such straps shall be of the quick-release type.
8. Disqualification will result from the use of an electronic device during a performance.
9. No stimulants or hypnotics to be used, or given to any animals used for contest purposes.
10. (a) Chutes must be constructed so as to prevent injury to stock.
  - (b) Maintenance men and equipment shall be stationed at chutes to assist in the removal of any animal should it become caught.
11. The rodeo arena shall be free of rocks, holes and obstacles which might cause injury to stock.
12. Clowns are not to abuse stock in any way.
13. No small animals or pets will be allowed in the rodeo arena where restraint is necessary or where they are subject to injury or attack by another animal.
14. Livestock is to be removed from the rodeo arena after completion of entry in contest.
15. Use of fireworks to frighten animals is prohibited.
16. Any unnecessary roughness used in rodeo competition will result in disqualification and/or suspension.
17. When artificial horns are used on team roping cattle, they must be removed immediately after each performance.
18. There will be an automatic \$100 to \$1200 fine as well as probation/suspension, levied by judges or the board of directors for any mistreatment of a rodeo animal. Fines for repeat offenders will double and the board can reassess any situation and levy a higher fine or probation/ suspension.

### **SECTION XI - JUDGES AND JUDGING**

1. Judges, timers and flagmen must be people of experience. Rodeo committee's may request their judges, but final approval will come from CCA. All judges who judge CCA rodeos must

- be on the prior or approved judges' list. All judges on this list must be approved by the CCA board of directors.
2. The CCA Judging Commission will assign at least two judges for each CCA approved rodeo from the CCA approved judges list and submit names of said judges to the RIDE office to pass on to committee and/or secretary.
    - (a) In cases where assigned judge(s) is/are unable to attend a rodeo and where the Judging Commission cannot be contacted, replacement judge(s) may be nominated and elected by contestants.
    - (b) A member who is on the suspended list cannot accept any judging job.
    - (c) Any rodeo committee that wishes to have a 3<sup>rd</sup> judge may do so at their expense.
  3. Whenever it is necessary to make exception to the rules due to unusual circumstances, the judges must confer with the CCA executive members present to discuss the possibility of unfair treatment to rodeo contestants entered at said rodeo.
  4. One judge must be present prior to the rodeo for the marking of barrel positions for the ladies' barrel racing and must sign the barrel measurement slip supplied for that purpose by the rodeo secretary. The judge will be responsible to check the barrel pattern after the first performance instead of having barrel reps for the second and third performances.
    - (a) One Judge must be at the electric eyes to flag, the other does not have to be in the timer booth. They can be at the gate or wherever is best suited for the arena setup.
  5. A riding event judge, barrier or field flagman cannot be changed during the course of a rodeo unless due to sickness or injury.
    - (a) If a judge is unable to judge or flag all events, he must pay his replacement for those events.
    - (b) A judge may enter a timed event at a rodeo he is judging, but that judge would be responsible to ensure his responsibilities are taken care of while he is competing.
  6. The decisions of any eligible judges, field flagmen or timers will be final and no protests by contestants will be permitted.
  7. (a) Markings must be totaled by the judges and checked by the secretary in the presence of the judges.
    - (i.) Judges must also remain available to the rodeo office until the rodeo secretary has made a final check of the books.
    - (b) Judges must make decision on All Around champion or High Point champion before leaving the rodeo office.
  8. It is the responsibility of the judges to see that a contestant takes his right stock.
  9. Marks and times must be posted after each performance and cannot be changed after being posted.

#### **A. RIDING EVENTS**

1. (a) Ride and animal to be marked separately.
  - (i.) All riding event judges must use a stop watch to time duration of rides.
  - (b) Mark the ride according to how much the rider spurs the horse.
    - (i.) Mark the ride from one to twenty-five and use the full spread.
    - (ii.) The animal is to be marked from one to twenty-five and use the full spread.
2. Contestants may pull riggings, cinch saddles and pull ropes from either side in all riding events.
  - (i.) Middle flank belongs to bronc rider, within reason.
3. (a) To qualify, rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching the horse when the horse's front feet hit the ground the first jump out of the chute.
  - (b) If a horse stalls coming out of the chute, either judge may tell a rider to take his feet out of the horse's neck for a "free roll", with the first-jump qualifications being waived.
    - (i.) Rider may be disqualified for not following judge's instructions to take feet from neck of horse stalled in the chute.
4. (a) If in the opinion of the judges, stock in the riding events deliberately throws itself, the rider shall have, with the approval of the stock contractor, the choice of that same stock again, or he may have stock drawn for him from the reride stock.
  - (b) Riders who are knocked off at the chute will be entitled to a reride at the discretion of the judges.
  - (c) It is the judges who shall decide on all matters of rerides.
  - (d) Entry fees will be refunded to contestants who do not get a chance to take their re-ride

the same day they are entered due to lack of stock.

## **B. TIMED EVENTS**

1. (a) The riding event judges must also be field flagmen and barrier judge respectively for the timed event or find suitable replacement(s).
  - (b) The barrier judge is responsible for:
    - (i.) Inspecting barrier equipment, if equipment is faulty, it must be replaced;
    - (ii.) Making sure that nobody can stand close enough to the barrier or barrier equipment so as to tamper with same;
    - (iii.) Changing the barrier string and seeing that the neck rope is on properly at the request of the contestant.
  - (c) Should a barrier break at any point other than its designated breaking point, decision is up to the barrier judge.
    - (i.) If contestant obviously beats barrier and the staples are pulled or barrier rope is broken, but string is unbroken, barrier judge may assess a ten second penalty.
  - (d) Barrier judge must record all barrier infractions onto the official barrier copy. He must check these infractions with the timers copy immediately following each performance and slack.
  - (e) Flagman cannot rope, dog or haze in the event he flags.
  - (f) The people appointed to flag are the judges for the timed events regardless of who judges the riding events and are the only persons authorized to deliver a decision or draw stock in the timed events.
  - (g) Once a contestant has been flagged out, he will receive no stock back.
2. There shall be two timers, a field flag judge and a barrier judge for all timed events.

## **C. RODEO LIVESTOCK**

1. All rodeo livestock used in the riding and timed events must be numbered and drawn for.
2. (a) Tie down ropers at any CCA approved rodeo may elect a representative from amongst themselves, with said representative being empowered to cull unsatisfactory calves, providing that such culling must take place at a reasonable time before the rodeo starts.
- (b) Unsatisfactory cattle at one rodeo cannot be used at any further rodeos, subject to the discretion of the CCA director(s).
3. Only calves and steers that are available for use in the first go-round may be put into the draw for the second or subsequent go-rounds.
4. Calves for roping must weigh not less than approximately 150 pounds and not more than 300 pounds and must be strong and healthy.
5. Steers used in the steer wrestling event must be suitable steers weighing not more than 550 pounds at the time of the first CCA approved spring rodeo.
6. If a reride is given for an animal four times in a row, the said animal will automatically be declared unsatisfactory and must be replaced.
7. Steers used in the team roping must be horned cattle, attachable, artificial horns permitted.
8. Rough stock animals that are removed from the draw due to injury or sickness cannot be used for the remainder of the rodeo.
9. Suitable cattle must be supplied in the timed events at the discretion of the timed event director, if not complied with; the contractor will be fined by the CCA Board. Fines are to be levied at the CCA Boards discretion.
10. All calves and dogging steers should be as uniform in size as possible.

## **D. BARRIERS AND SCORELINE**

1. A ten second penalty will be added for breaking or beating the barrier.
2. In all timed events, a barrier will not be considered broken unless the ring drops within ten feet of the post.
3. In the timed events, the pusher must be clear of stock before the barrier is tripped.
4. Once score line has been set in timed events it will not be changed at that rodeo, nor can the length of the box be changed.
5. In order for time to be considered official, the barrier flag must operate.
6. When using an automatic barrier, neck ropes must be tied with string.
7. (a) If automatic barrier malfunctions in any way contestant must take rerun provided the contestant has made a qualified run or claims animal.

- (b) If automatic barrier equipment hangs on animal or fouls horse or neck rope fouls contestant, then contestant must pull up and declare himself in order to get the animal back.
- (c) If the automatic barrier fails to work and stock is brought back, contestant must take the same animal over during or immediately after the same performance.
- 8. In any timed event should an animal escape from the rodeo arena, the flag will be dropped and timer's watches stopped.
  - (a) Contestants will get animal back with lap and tap start and time already spent will be added to time used in qualifying.
  - (b) If time is not recorded, the decision of the flag judge shall be final.
  - (c) If rope is on animal, roper will get lap and tap with rope on animal in the chute.
  - (d) If flag is not dropped or if timer misses flag and time is not recorded, contestant will get animal back or spare, if drawn, with any initial barrier infraction added to the time.
- 9. If a contestant ropes and ties a calf or dogs a steer without the presence of a flagman in the field he will get a re-run on the same stock unless a spare has been drawn.
- 10. The minimum standard measurement for timed event boxes is twelve feet in length and eight feet in width.
- 11. To measure score line correctly put barrier up with pin in the barrier ring, holding the pin in place, measure from the post where the barrier pin goes to a point where the barrier rope touches the ground. Set the barrier eighteen inches beyond that point.

#### **E. DRAWING STOCK-GENERAL**

- 1. (a) Stock for a complete go-round in the riding events must be drawn up at one time with the exception that stock for one performance may be drawn if the same stock is drawn in both or subsequent performances.
  - (b) In the tie down roping, steer wrestling, ladies breakaway roping, and team roping events, stock may be drawn for a complete performance at one time.
    - (i.) All timed event stock must be rotated for drawing purposes. All remaining timed event stock must go to the top of the draw for the next section.
- 2. (a) In any finals performance, riding event contestants may draw or pick their own animals in the presence of the judges, if the rodeo management desires.
  - (b) All timed event cattle that were qualified on will be used in drawing stock for the finals performance of a rodeo and if there are not enough cattle, then stock on which the next fastest times were recorded will be added to the draw.
- 3. Any stock that was placed on in the long go must be used in the short go in the timed events.
- 4. When calves are not fresh, reruns will always be drawn from the whole herd used in the draw, not from those calves that are missed.
- 5. Any stock in the original draw, that is turned out (not bucked exhibition or contest) automatically goes into the reride if necessary.
- 6. Any animal drawn for a reride, but not used in that go-round may be held out of the draw for rerides in the following go-round along with feature animals but then will be returned for the go-round draw after the rerides have been drawn.
- 7. (a) Rerides may be drawn at any time after the reride has been granted.
  - (b) Rerides will be drawn from reride stock, including turned out stock if necessary.
  - (c) An animal can be drawn for a reride only once in a go-round.
  - (d) Rerides will be granted in the horse riding events, if the rider makes a qualified ride up until the flank comes off
  - (e) Rerides will be granted In the bull riding, if the rider makes a qualified ride up until the flank comes off or the bull stops
- 8. No contestant may compete on the same head of stock twice at any one rodeo in the same event.
- 9. The CCA board of directors has the right to declare any stock unsatisfactory and any stock so declared will be taken from the draw.
- 10. In case that stock is sick, crippled or already shipped, replacement will be drawn from reride animals.
- 11. A contestant, in any event, who takes the wrong stock, will get his right stock later.
  - (i.) It is the judges' responsibility to see that the contestant takes his right stock.

#### **F. DRAWING STOCK - TIMED EVENTS**

- 1. Stock in timed events must be drawn by the flag judge or barrier judge not more than two

- hours before the performance at the roping chute or the rodeo office.
- (a) If mistake is made in drawing timed event stock, redraw will be made from the mistake down.
2. In timed events, no drawn stock can be held over from one performance to the next or overnight.
  3. Only calves and steers that are available for use for the first run can be put into the draw for the second or subsequent runs.
  4. In the timed events, all cattle in the draw will be drawn one time before any cattle will be drawn for a second time. When the number of animals is equal to or exceeds the number of contestants in that performance, no stock will be run twice in the same performance.
  5. In the timed events, if a contestant has advised the secretary that he will be turning out his stock, no stock will be drawn for such a contestant.
  6. The judges shall inspect all timed event stock and are empowered to cull unsatisfactory stock provided that such culling must take place at a reasonable time before the rodeo starts.
  7. In timed events, a complete go-round must be finished before any contestant can compete on his next head of stock, except for stock that must be brought back.
  8. When it is necessary to make a cut in the cattle in timed events, the weaker end will be taken out of the draw.
  9. During any performance if an animal in the timed events escapes the chutes or pens before it is called for by the contestants, or if automatic barrier fails to work and stock is brought back, that animal will be returned by the arena director and the labour crew during or at the end of that performance in the same manner he was originally worked or brought to the pens for contesting. One steer or calf cannot be brought back alone.
  10. In the tie down roping, steer wrestling, team roping, and ladies breakaway events, the stock may be drawn for a complete performance.
  11. (a) Spares will be automatically used in the event of a re-run (i.e.: animal escapes, barrier malfunction, bad gate, gate left open). The spare will not be posted and will be kept confidential by judges.  
(b) If contestant did break barrier on first run, he will take re-run with no barrier in place and will carry forward his penalty to the lap and tap time.
  12. In timed events (tie down roping, steer wrestling, team roping, and ladies breakaway roping) when a contestant gets moved to another performance without a trade, he will be first in order for drawing stock and for competing, in the Ladies Barrel Racing the contestant will run last.

#### **G. RERIDES**

1. Rerides must be given in all three riding events.
2. Rerides will be given for stock that:
  - (i.) Fails to break;
  - (ii.) Fouls rider;
  - (iii.) Runs off; or
  - (iv.) Stops or falls.

(b) If a reride is given, the judges must have the reride and the mark given, announced and the contestant has the right to refuse the reride before the reride is drawn or accept the marking.

(c) The first reride given and accepted must be drawn first.
3. For rerides, the contractor has the option to use the designated rerides or any of the turned out animals, and order of usage of reride animals must be given to the judge by the stock contractor prior to the performance starting.
4. If an animal runs off, stops or falls, the rider has the privilege of taking the same stock back, providing that the stock contractor is willing, or the rider may have a reride drawn.
5. (a) Rerides may be issued at any time after the reride has been granted.  
(b) An animal can be drawn for a reride only once in a go-round.
6. If a rider makes two (2) honest attempts to get on a chute fighting animal and is unable to do so. If it is deemed that a sulking animal is not giving the contestant a chance to make an honest attempt, the judge can award a re-reride even if two (2) attempts have not been made.
7. In the horse riding events, if the flank comes off, the rider may accept the marking or a reride drawn from the reride pen, provided the rider has completed the eight second qualified ride.
8. In the bull riding event, if the flank comes off and the rider completes a qualified ride or if the bull stops, he may accept the marking or have the option of a reride.

- (a) To be eligible for a reride, the rider must make a qualified ride to the point of the flank coming off.
- (b) If a reride is taken, it must be taken on the same bull, if the stock contractor consents.
- 9. Riders who are fouled at the chute, or by the animal itself, must claim the animal by double grabbing or dismounting immediately so as to obviously indicate a foul in order to claim a reride.
  - (i.) Final decision to be made by the judges.
- 10. Rerides or reruns will not be given if the contestants own equipment breaks or fails.
- 11. If no reride stock is designated, then rerides are to be drawn from the herd.
- 12. (a) If, in the opinion of the judges, stock in the riding events deliberately throws itself, the rider shall have, with the approval of the stock contractor, the choice of that stock again or he may have the stock drawn for him from the reride stock.
  - (b) Riders who are knocked off at the chute will be entitled to a reride at the discretion of the judges.
    - (i.) It is the judges who shall decide on all matters of rerides.

## **SECTION XII - RODEO SECRETARIES AND TIMERS**

### **A. SECRETARIES**

1. Rodeo secretaries will fall under the responsibility of the stock contractor/committee. This includes hiring, job performance, and discipline.
2. The CCA retains the right to approve and train all rodeo secretaries. All approved rodeo secretaries are required to purchase a CCA membership.
3. Rodeo secretaries must follow and comply with all rules and guidelines as set out by the CCA office. Any fines or costs associated with violations of the rules, missed deadlines, or kit outages by the secretary will be invoiced and reported directly to the stock contractor/committee who hired them.
4. Contestants will not suffer disqualification because of mistakes made by the rodeo secretary.
5. The rodeo secretary must supply any office materials he/she will need for the efficient running of the rodeo office, as well as clipboards for the judges and a backup stop watch and whistle for timers.
6. The rodeo secretary will not accept entry fees from a local contestant, or committee on that local contestant's behalf until said person signs a liability release form included in the kit from the CCA office.
7. Rodeo office must be open one hour prior to rodeo start time and remain open one hour following the performance.
8. Any lateness in submitting unofficial results will result in a fine.
9. Rodeo secretaries are not allowed to use personal bank accounts to deposit entry fees and submit cheques for those said entry fees to the CCA. Any violation of this rule will result in immediate suspension of their secretary card.
10. Secretary kits must be accompanied by no more than two cheques. One cheque from the rodeo committee for purse, committee RIDE charge, and judge fees, and a second cheque for contestant entry fees. Violation of this rule will result in a \$300 fine, and any subsequent infractions will be reviewed by the CCA Board of Directors.
11. Secretary kits must be sent by courier no later than 2:00 pm the day following the rodeo or a fine may be levied.

### **B. TIMERS**

1. Timers must be CCA trained and approved.
2. A non-carded timer will be allowed to work one rodeo per season providing the other timer is an approved CCA carded timer.
3. Rodeos must use two timers in timed events. Times are to be added then averaged. If there is one tenth of a difference, time will be recorded by the lowest time. All events with the exception of Ladies and Junior Girls Barrel Racing must be timed in tenths. Barrel racing must be timed in hundredths.
4. In riding events, the second timer is to back up the first timer.

## SECTION XIII - RODEO INSTANT DIRECT ENTRY

### A. POLICY AND PROCEDURE

1. No changes may be undertaken or implemented with respect to RIDE without prior approval and/or consent from the CCA board of directors.
  - (a) The RIDE system will be in operation for all CCA approved rodeos, except in the case of dual approved rodeos where the CCA is not the lead association. The lead association will look after entries and all related procedures.
  - (b) All entries, except for local entries and entries for unapproved events (i.e. Wild Horse race) will be taken through the RIDE office at the telephone number on the back of the CCA contestant card
2. All rodeo entries and callback and entry closing times will be taken according to local time at the RIDE office.
3. The entry closing times listed in the rodeo approvals section of CCA Website under Rodeo Information shall be official.
  - (a) Should telephone service disruption cause a delay in the taking of entries, the RIDE office shall remain open for a corresponding period of time, beyond the official entry closing time.
4. Contestants when entering must have valid, correct CCA membership numbers or they will not be entered.
  - (a) Contestants must give RIDE operator their membership number, and list the Rodeos and events they wish to enter and preferences.
  - (b) Contestants must also notify the RIDE operator of their intention to buddy.

Any four contestants may buddy, however, team roping contestants are asked to keep in mind the fact that they already have a buddy in the person of their team roping partner.
  - (c) Contestants may enter rodeos through RIDE on the basis of "one head or one run only" or automatically be drawn out before priority list and stock draws begins for an extra \$25 (labelled as an "out fee").
  - (d) Contestant may enter for a specific performance providing there are two or more rodeos on that day and he is willing to work any one rodeo.
5. No person on the CCA Suspended List will be permitted to enter any CCA approved rodeos. Anyone who has entered while on the suspended list will be drawn out at entry closing and will not be allowed to remain on the entry list until callback day.
6. All Rodeo Fines must be paid in full to the CCA Office on or before the Friday before the Day of Entries. Turn Out Fines may be paid on the same day as entries but a \$50.00 Administration fee will be added.
7. Local entries will close at the same time as RIDE entry closing time and local entries must be given to the RIDE office immediately upon the closing of entries.
  - (a) Locals may be entered by a member in good standing. This member is responsible for all charges incurred by local. Any charges must be paid within 30 days or member becomes ineligible.
  - (b) Locals are not allowed to buddy, but may be a team roping partner to either member or another local.
  - (c) Members who wish to enter with a local, must call the local entry number to enter all of their events for that rodeo.
  - (d) The number of local entries being put in a rodeo performance will not exceed thirty percent of the performance size. The remaining local entries will be put in a slack performance.
8. All Rodeo Committees accepting local entries will be responsible for the Contestants Entry Fees and Turn Out Fines if that contestant does not show up or pay his entry fees at the rodeo.
9. In the case of duplicate entries, the latest entry will be accepted.
10. The fees charged to contestants for the use of RIDE shall be as follows and cannot be increased without the approval of the CCA board of directors.
  - (a) The amount of \$12.00 per entry per rodeo, which shall entitle the contestant to a toll free call to enter and a toll free callback.
11. All contestants entering CCA approved rodeos are required to pay RIDE fee.
12. The drawing of the priority list will be made on the basis of contestants entering the greatest number of rodeos on entry day.
  - (a) The drawing of stock for riding events and positions in the timed events will be made at

- entry closing.
13. Contestants will go to our website for callbacks to check the draw for when they are entered. If there are any errors with their entry, then they must contact the office prior to the callback deadline.
  14. Harassment or the use of foul language to CCA employees will result in a \$250.00 fine to the member and will double with each additional offense, with suspension on the third offense. Fine will be levied by the CCA office and member will have 30 days in which to pay before he/she becomes ineligible to enter.
  15. Cardholders of other recognized rodeo associations are allowed to enter CCA rodeos under their approved rodeo card for an additional \$50 fee. There is no limit on the number of rodeos a contestant can enter under another rodeo card. No single event cards will be accepted (ex: Alberta Barrel Racing Association, Team Roping Canada, etc). The Board of Directors and CCA office personnel have the right to refuse entry of certain cards.
  16. Local entries and contestants entering under the \$50 non-member rule get put at the bottom of the draw in Barrel Racing and at the top of the draw in the other timed events in each performance/slack. If the rodeo is dual approved, those dual approved cardholders get scrambled with the rest of the CCA card holders.

#### **B. STOCK CONTRACTORS AND THE DRAW**

1. If the number of entries at a rodeo in any major event is 10 or less, the committee will have the option of going two head in that specific event and each contestant will have the option of entering again. Both draws will be in the same performance. Contestants will pay 2 entry fees and prize money will be a straight payout on each entry (ex: a contestant can win first and second in a single event.) All money won will count to standings.
2. Stock contractors must submit the necessary stock information for drawing purposes to the office by 11:00am CST Wednesday or a fine of \$100.00 will be levied. This fine will double each time it is breached.
  - (a) The submitted stock information must include a minimum of one re-ride per performance for each event.

#### **C. DRAWING POSITIONS**

1.
  - (a) In the timed events, positions will be drawn for each performance.
    - (i.) A list of these positions must be posted where it is available to the contestants.
    - (ii.) The top three in each event in slack will have to go in order drawn.
  - (b) If trading is allowed, permission must be obtained from both contestants.
2. If contestant is injured at a rodeo, he may be held back at the same rodeo until later in the go-round with consent of both the judges and the stock contractor.
3. No contestant will be allowed to take two head of stock in the same event in one day, with the exception of re-rides or reruns, unless there are two complete go-rounds in that day.
4. Rider's position may be drawn or they may take the number stock they have drawn as it appears in the chute.
  - (i.) If pens aren't available for sorting stock, then it may be run in as it comes and the riders who drew that stock must be notified that their stock is in the chutes.
5. If any rodeo with three performances, where two go-rounds are necessary, contestants may go back to back, but cannot compete twice in the same event in each or any performance.
6. If splitting of horses is necessary and contestant wished to request a change in the performance competition order, such requests must be made to the arena secretary. Contestants can only be moved far enough to accommodate the split on a horse.
  - (a) The original position order must be maintained, unless contestants are riding the same horse and their positions must be split. In such case, the first contestant drawn for a positions not riding this horse shall be moved up to the position to be split, unless the judges authorize a further split because of arena conditions.
  - (b) The first drawn contestant in the draw must stay in their position.
  - (c) Splits are allowed for the safety and wellbeing of the horse.

### **SECTION XIV - TURN OUTS**

## **A. TURNING OUT**

1. When a contestant enters a rodeo through RIDE, he/she may state two preferences as to the day he/she would like to compete. If a contestant chooses to turn out of a certain rodeo he must pay his entry fees and applicable admin fees. A contestant is also subject to the following fines.
  - (a) If a contestant turns out of a slack, there is no fine.
  - (b) If a contestant has been given his first preference and gives proper notification of turning out, he must pay a \$50.00 fine.
  - (c) If the contestant has been given his second preference and gives proper notification of turning out, he must pay a \$10.00 fine.
  - (d) If a contestant has not been given either of their preferences and gives proper notification of turning out, they will not be fined.
  - (e) If a contestant does not give proper notification of turning out, they must pay a \$200.00 fine.
  - (f) If a contestant is set at two rodeos in conflicting performances, and if he/she notifies which rodeo he/she is turning out of, there will be no turn out fine. If contestant fails to do this, they are subject to the above mentioned fines.
  - (g) If numerous contestants turn out of a rodeo due to bad weather and unsafe road conditions (i.e.: snow storm), it will be left to the discretion of the CCA Board of Directors to determine if turn out fines will be assessed.
  - (h) All turn out fines are due the Thursday following said rodeo where the fine was assessed or contestant becomes ineligible to enter.
  - (i) When two contestants trade they keep each other's positions.
2. Contestants must call the turn out recording up until 11am of the day they are scheduled to compete. The number to call is printed on each membership card.
3. Stock that is turned out in a paid performance due to tardiness of contestant, or because contestant did not show up, will not be brought back.
  - (a) If the first head of stock has been turned out, the contestant will be allowed to take his second head of stock.
    - (i.) The first turn out of stock will result in the contestant being assessed a turn out fine.
4. A member that competes at a specified rodeo will not be assessed a turn out fine at another rodeo that he/she is set up for the same day providing that he/she competes at the finals for that rodeo, and follows turn out notification procedure.
5. In the case of a turnout of one team roping partner, the remaining partner will be allowed to pick up another partner who is a member in good standing with the CCA. The arena secretary must be notified and the applicable fees paid by the replacement. The turned out team roper will be assessed a turn out fine and will be responsible for any unpaid fees.
  - (a) If the replacement team roper is not a member in good standing the team will be disqualified.
6. If a member has entered a rodeo(s) and an immediate member of their family dies, a compassionate release can be used. Administration fees would still have to be paid; however, all other fees and fines will be waived.

## **SECTION XV – MEDICAL AND VISIBLE RELEASES**

1. If a contestant is injured in an event and is, in the opinion of the judges, unable to compete in another event in which he is entered, he may medical release from those events and be refunded the entry fees for the event from which he medical releases out. To do this, the contestant who is injured is required to have an official CCA contestant's release form completed and signed by the judges, with said form to be returned to the CCA by the rodeo secretary with the rodeo results. An official CCA Medical Release form, dually signed by the judges will be considered the same as a doctor's medical release. This form will carry over to next rodeo; however it is contestant's responsibility to notify other rodeos.
  - (a) A contestant will be allowed three doctor's releases per competition year, and will thereafter, be responsible for all entry fees for all rodeos entered. One doctor's release will cover overlapping rodeos.
2. Permission to turn out stock must be obtained from both judges. In the case of a Team Roping partner having to medical release, the remaining partner may get out on the same medical, without fees or fines, or he may find another partner who is a member in good

- standing with the CCA.
3. If in the opinion of the judges, a contestant is unable to compete in a particular event because of injury, the contestant may withdraw by visible release, but this does not prevent the contestant from competing in other events in which he is entered. The contestant must pay Entry fees, RIDE fees and Animal Welfare Fund charge and Timer Fee for Ladies Barrel Racers. Entry fee remains in the pay off, turn out fine is waived.
    - (a) The visible injury must be signed by at least two judges and must be sent in with rodeo results.
    - (b) If contestant is injured away from rodeo and still wishes to visible release he must notify and then request proper form to be completed by a doctor. The form must be received in the CCA office within 10 days from the time the release was used or turn out fine will apply.
    - (c) A contestant will be allowed 3 visible injury releases per competition year and thereafter be responsible for any applicable turn out fines.
    - (d) In the Ladies Barrel Racing event only, if a contestant does not wish to compete due to unsafe ground conditions, contestant must get both judges to sign off thereby allowing that contestant to visible and not be fined a turn out fee.
  4. If a contestant is injured in an event after he nods for his stock, there will be no refund of entry fees in that event, even though he may have been injured in the chute or behind a barrier.
  5. A contestant turning out of any CCA approved rodeo(s) on a medical release or Doctors medical release must notify by calling the RIDE office during office hours or by calling the Turn out Recording by 11am of the day he/she is scheduled to compete. Contestant may also send notification to the rodeo with messenger and messenger must get receipt of proper notification from rodeo secretary. To insure proper notification, contestant should call the CCA office first business day before 10am.
    - (a) Contestants who obtain a Medical release, or complete an official doctor's release to release from a rodeo, cannot compete at a rodeo that starts ten clear days following the first time he used that medical release. The medical release must be received at the CCA office within 10 days of that rodeo or the contestant will be liable for the entry fees for the rodeo(s) for which the medical release was obtained.
  6. Members using a Release must pay admin fees prior to next entry or will be placed on the CCA Suspended list.
  7. If a medical release is not received at the CCA office within ten days of the rodeo that was first released from, member will still be treated as a medical but will be fined double the amount of entry fees plus any related turn out fines that may apply. Rodeo payoff will not be recalculated.
  8. Any Covid-19 related turnouts will follow the rules of any other medical turnout.

#### **SECTION XVI - PAYING OF ENTRY FEES**

1. The entry fees of all CCA members in good standing are guaranteed at all CCA approved rodeos.
2. Contestants have from one hour before the rodeo to one hour after the rodeo to pay their entry fees. Entry fees can also be paid online until noon on the Friday after call in entries.
3. Any contestant who competes and does not pay must be reported to the CCA within 24 hours by the rodeo secretary. Contestant will be charged a \$25 fine and will be placed on Suspended list until entry fees and fine are paid.
4. Any member entering contestants other than themselves will be responsible for the entry fees for all contestants he enters and will be suspended if these entry fees are not paid.

#### **SECTION XVII - PAYOUT**

1. In each event the prize money and entry fees are added together for the purse in that event for that go-round.
2. The 4, 6, or 8 place payoff is determined on the purse after the administration fee is deducted. Administration fee to be 10% of the combined total of purse and entry fees.
3. (a) Money splits for Ladies Barrel Racing, and all other events:
  - 4 monies if purse is \$1000.00 or under payoff split is 40, 30, 20, and 10 percent.
  - 6 monies if purse is \$1001.00 to \$3000.00 payoff split is 29, 24, 19, 14, 9, and 5 percent.

- 8 monies if purse is greater than \$3001.00 payoff split is 23, 20, 17, 14, 11, 8, 5, and 2 percent.
- (b) Money split for Tie Down Roping and Steer Wrestling and Ladies Breakaway Roping-  
 4 monies if purse is \$1750.00 or under payoff split is 40, 30, 20, and 10 percent.  
 6 monies if purse is \$1751.00 to \$4000.00 payoff split is 29, 24, 19, 14, 9, and 5 percent.  
 8 monies if purse is greater than \$4001.00 payoff split is 23, 20, 17, 14, 11, 8, 5, and 2 Percent.
- (c) Money split for Team Roping (based off header and heeler entries combined)  
 4 monies if purse is \$3500.00 or under payoff split is 40, 30, 20, and 10 percent.  
 6 monies if purse is \$3501.00 to \$12,000.00 payoff split is 29, 24, 19, 14, 9, and 5 percent.  
 8 monies if purse is greater than \$12,001.00 payoff split is 23, 20, 17, 14, 11, 8, 5, and 2 percent.
- (d) Money splits for Saddle Bronc, Bareback and Bull Riding  
 4 monies if purse is \$2000.00 or under payoff split is 40, 30, 20, and 10 percent.  
 6 monies if purse is \$2001.00 to \$5000.00 payoff split is 29, 24, 19, 14, 9, and 5 percent.  
 8 monies if purse is greater than \$5001.00 payoff split is 23, 20, 17, 14, 11, 8, 5, and 2 percent.
- (e) Novice Saddle Bronc, Novice Bareback, and Novice Bull Riding:  
 If there is one qualified ride he will get 1<sup>st</sup> place, and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> place prize money will be paid out as ground split to all the competing contestants and if there is two qualified rides, they will receive 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> and the remaining prize money paid out to all competing contestants and so on to fourth place. Ground money will not count towards the standings.
4. At a rodeo with more than one go-round, the purse is divided by the number of go-rounds and the average.  
 (a) Rodeos with one go round and finals pay-off as follows:  
 Long go 40%, finals 20%, and average 40%.
5. Ground splits will be split equally between contestants who have qualified scores or times. Ground splits DO NOT COUNT towards standings points. If there are no qualified rides or times, all prize money (entry fees and added money) will be split equally among contestants who have competed.

### **SECTION XVIII - FINES AND SUSPENSIONS**

1. Members and/or contestants will be fined and/ or suspended for failure to abide by articles, bylaws and rules of this association.
2. The directors are empowered to suspend and/or disqualify any contestant for rule infractions at the time of the infraction.  
 (a) A minimum fine of \$25.00 is levied for any rule infraction.
3. Any member, who competes at a rodeo and does not pay entry fees, will be charged a late payment fee of \$25.00 per rodeo.
4. Members and/or contestants will be fined or suspended for attempting to fix, threaten, bribe, verbally abuse or harass the judge(s), rodeo organizing committee, CCA Board Members and CCA employees.  
 (a) Violators of this rule shall be reported to the association by the judge(s) or management involved.
5. No contestant or member may talk to a judge or timer in any instance, while an event is going on and this includes asking about rerides.  
 (a) Such questions may be addressed to the judge only at the end of the section of that event for that performance.  
 (i.) Any contestant violating this regulation will be reported to the association office by the arena director or judge or stock contractor of that rodeo where the violation occurred.
6. Any person who has their name on the CCA's suspended list at the end of the rodeo season will be prohibited from rodeoing during that calendar year unless he/she wishes to pay his/her fine.
7. Any CCA member contestant found on the CCA's suspended list three times during the current rodeo year will be required to post a \$500.00 cash bond with the association. The

member contestant will forfeit that bond to the CCA should he appear on the CCA's suspended list on a fourth occasion.

8. Any contestant member not wearing proper western attire, including long sleeved shirt with collar, with sleeves rolled down, boots and cowboy hat in the rodeo arena and working area of rodeo during the one hour prior to, and one hour after rodeo time and during the paid and slack performances will be fined \$25.00 dollars. Judges and CCA directors may levy this fine.
9. Anyone wishing to dispute a fine must submit letter of complaint in writing accompanied with \$100.00 administration fee. If the Board decides to reverse the fine you will be refunded your money with interest of 10% per annum.

## **SECTION XIX EVENT RULES**

### **A. SADDLE BRONC RIDING**

1. Stock used in the event must be furnished by the stock contractor.
2. Stock contractors must furnish their own standard halters and contestants must use them, unless agreement is made between contestant and stock contractor, subject to the approval of the judges on the fitness of the halters.
3. Riding is to be done with a plain halter; one rope rein and an association saddle (see specifications). Stock contractor may call judges to pass on suitability of the saddle.
4. (a) Horses must be saddled in the chute, with the saddle not to be set too far ahead on the horse's withers.  
(a) Contestant may cinch his own saddle or examine same to determine if it is satisfactory.
5. Middle flank belongs to the contestant, but the stock contractor may have the contestant put the flank cinch behind the curve of the horse's belly. The flank cinch may be hobbled.
6. Either the stock contractor or the contestant shall have the right to call the judges to pass on whether or not the horse is properly saddled and flanked to buck its best.
7. Unless requested by the contestant, his saddle bronc horse cannot be prodded after that contestant sits down in the saddle.
8. To qualify, the contestant must have his spurs over the break of the horse's shoulders and touching the horse when the horse's front feet hit the ground on the first jump out of the chute.
9. The contestant must ride with one arm free at all times. The riding rein and riding arm must be on the same side.
10. Saddle bronc riding shall be timed for eight seconds, with time to start when the inside shoulder of animal crosses the plane of the chute.
11. A contestant will be disqualified for not following contesting rules or for violating Contestant Disqualification rules.
12. Contestant saddle specifications: Saddle should conform to the measurements below with a reasonable added thickness for leather covering.  
(a) Rigging: 3/4 double-front edge of dee ring must pull not further back than directly below center point of swell. Standard E-Z ring type saddle dee must be used and cannot exceed 5 and 3/4 inch outside-width measurement.  
(b) Swell undercut: Not more than two inches. One inch on each side.  
(c) Gullet: Not less than four inches wide at center of fork of covered saddle.  
(d) Tree: Saddles must be built on standard association tree.  
(i.) Specifications: Fork 14" side; height 9" maximum; gullet 5 and 3/4 wide; cantle 5" maximum height, 14" maximum width.  
(e) Stirrup leathers must be hung over bars.
14. No freak saddles allowed.
15. Front cinch must be at least five inches wide.

### **B. BAREBACK RIDING**

1. Stock used in the event must be furnished by the stock contractor.
2. Contestants must ride with the use of a one-hand rigging (see specifications). Stock contractors have the right to have judges pass on whether or not riggings are objectionable.
3. (a) Riggins must lie flat on the horses back while the rigging is being cinched so there is an even distribution of pressure at all times.  
(b) A one-inch thick pad must be used under the bareback rigging.

- (i.) The stock contractor must have pads available in case the contestant does not have one.
4. The Stock contractor may call a judge to pass on whether or not the rigging is being set and/or cinched in a way that might hurt the horse's back. The contestant will have the right to call a judge to pass on whether or not his horse is properly flanked and cinched.
5. Unless requested by the contestant, his bareback horse cannot be prodded after that contestant sits down.
6. The contestant will not be allowed to use tape or any other adhesive material or substance, other than dry rosin, on his rigging and/or glove, nor may the contestant take any kind of finger tuck or finger wrap.
7. To qualify, the contestant must have his spurs over the break of the horse's shoulders and touching the horse when the horse's front feet hits the ground on the first jump out of the chute.
8. The bareback bronc must be ridden for eight seconds, with time to start when the inside shoulder of the animal crosses the plane of the chute.
9. If the bareback rigging comes off the horse (for any reason) before the whistle, the contestant will be disqualified.
10. The contestant will be disqualified for not following the contesting rules or for violating Contestant Disqualification rules.
11. A bareback rider who hangs up for more than two jumps may be fined \$200 at the discretion of the judges. This money is to be distributed \$175 to the Stock Contractor and \$25 to the CCA.
12. Bareback rigging specifications:
  - (a) Width at the hand hold must not exceed ten (10) inches.
  - (b) The "D" ring width must not exceed six (6) inches.
  - (c) All riggings must have sheepskin or sponge rubber underneath, but no metal, fiberglass or other objectionable material will be permitted underneath the rigging.
14. No freak riggings will be allowed.
15. All cinches must be at least five (5) inches wide.

### **C. BULL RIDING**

1. Stock used in the event must be furnished by the stock contractor with no use of yaks allowed.
2. No bull may be put into the draw until his horns have been tipped to the size no smaller in diameter than that of a quarter.
3. (a) Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without hand hold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off bull when rider leaves him.  
(b) Rider will be disqualified if rope does not have bell.  
(c) Bell must be under belly of bull.
4. Rider not to use sharp spurs.
5. No more than two men may be on chute to pull contestants rope.
6. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not bull is properly flanked to buck to the best of his ability.
7. Unless requested by the rider, no bull can be prodded after the rider sits down.
8. Bull will be ridden eight seconds; time to start when the inside shoulder of the animal crosses the plane of the chute.
9. If rider makes qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.
10. A contestant will be disqualified for not following contesting rules or for violating Contestant Disqualification rules.
11. When using the two (2) judge system, judges will judge from the back of the chutes in the bull riding (one judge per side)

### **D. NOVICE SADDLE BRONC, BAREBACK, and BULL RIDING**

1. All stock used for Novice events is to be pre-approved by the event directors and approved stock shall be drawn at the rodeo for novice contestants.
2. Contesting rules for these three events are subject to CCA rulebook regarding Saddle Bronc, Bareback and Bull Riding Novice events. These events will require an six second whistle for the ride to be considered complete.

3. Minimum membership requirements will be junior or permit membership.
4. Minimum prize money \$150.00 per event, cannot exceed half of the prize money in an open event.
5. \$20.00 minimum entry fee plus normal administration charges.
6. Open to contestants who have not yet won \$2000.00 in the open Saddle Bronc, Bareback, or Bull Riding events in one rodeo year in a recognized rodeo association.
7. Contestant may enter novice riding events and other major events at same location (i.e.: tie down roping) subject to qualifying rules.
8. Once a contestant has won \$2000.00 in the open Saddle Bronc, open Bareback, and/or open Bull Riding he will not be allowed to finish the year in his respective event(s).
9. Once a contestant has won \$2000.00 in a novice event in one year, he will be allowed to finish the year in the novice event. The following year he will be ineligible to enter that novice event.
10. Entries may be limited by stock contractor, this will be confirmed on call back day.
11. These events will be re-evaluated from time to time for rule or policy adjustments.

#### **E. TIE DOWN ROPING**

1. Calves must be strong and healthy.
2. Automatic barrier must be used at all rodeos for tie down roping.
3. No baling wire may be used on neck ropes for the calves; neck ropes must be tied with string.
4. At indoor rodeos, length of score must be no longer than the length of the roping box minus three feet unless other arrangements are approved by the tie down roping director or his appointed representative.
5. (a) All calves must be tied down and numbered in the arena on the day of the rodeo at least two hours before rodeo time.  
 (b) The draw is to be made no more than two hours before rodeo time.  
 (c) If, after one go-round has been completed, a fresh calf has to be used, the calf must be roped and tied before the drawing, but if extra calves have been tied at the rodeo they will not be considered fresh.  
 (d) Fresh calves being roped and tied down must be handled by hand without the use of a horse and must not be snubbed to a corral or chute post and may be tied three times if necessary.
6. (a) Two loops will be permitted and should the roper miss with both, he must retire and no time will be allowed.  
 (b) If roper intends to use two loops, he must carry two ropes and he must use second rope for second loop.  
 (c) If a roper misses his calf with first loop, flagman must ask roper if he wishes another loop. Roper must reply at once.  
 (d) Roping calf without releasing loop from hand is not permitted.
7. There will be a twenty five second elapsed time limit in the tie down roping. A whistle indicating "no time" shall be blown by the timer at the end of the twenty five second time span. If the contestant is in the process of tying the calf he may finish the tie but will receive no time.
8. Contestant must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent horse from dragging calf.  
 (a) If a horse drags a calf more than ten feet after the tie has been completed, the calf roper will be flagged out.  
 (b) Intentionally dragging a calf, regardless of distance, shall result in five hundred dollar (\$500) fine for each offense and disqualification. Intentional shall be defined as caused by contestant. Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside.
9. Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside.  
 (a) This is a catch as catch can event and the roper may rope any part of the calf, but rope must be on calf until roper gets his hand on the calf.
10. (a) Rope may be dallied or tied hard and fast - either is permissible; contestant must dismount, go down rope and throw a calf by hand and cross and tie any three feet with at least one wrap and a half hitch.  
 (b) If a calf is down when roper reaches it, the calf must be let up to his feet and thrown by hand. If the calf regains front or back feet it will be considered as up.  
 (i.) If roper's hand is on the calf when the calf falls, calf is considered thrown by hand.

- (c) Tie must hold until passed on by the judge, and roper must not touch calf after giving finish signal until the judge has completed his examination.
- (i.) If tie comes loose or calf gets to his feet before the tie has been ruled a fair one, the roper will be marked No Time.
- (ii.) Untie man must not touch calf until signaled to do so by flag judge.
11. The fines for busting a calf in the Tie down roping shall be as follows:
- (a) Calves used for the tie down roping must have been roped off a horse and ties three times and of suitable weight; maximum of 300 lbs. to a minimum of 150 lbs. The pen is to be approved by the tie down roping director or a representative appointed by the director.
- (b) The fines for busting a calf in the tie down roping shall be as follows; automatic disqualification from the event for any offence at the discretion of the judge.
- (c) A bust will be defined as when a calf is jerked over backwards between 11 o'clock and 1 o'clock and lands on his back or head with all four feet in the air.
- (d) A roper can be fined \$200.00 for any unnecessary roughness to the calf. Reoccurrence after a second offence is to be dealt with by the CCA Board of Directors.
- (e) Fines will be split two thirds to the contractor and one third to the CCA.
12. The field flag judge will pass on the tie of calves through use of a stop watch, timing six seconds from the time the rope horse takes his first step forward after roper has remounted.
- (a) Rope will not be removed from calf and rope must remain slack until field judge has passed on tie.
13. Field flag judge must watch calf during the six second period and will stop watch when a calf kicks free using the time shown on the watch to determine whether calf was tied long enough to qualify.
14. Roper who does not leave rope slack until tie is passed on or jerks rope or drags calf will be disqualified.
15. Under any circumstances, roper will be disqualified for removing rope from calf after signaling for time, until the tie has been passed on by the field judge.
16. There will be no rerun awarded for a broken rope or other equipment.
17. Unsatisfactory calves at one rodeo cannot be used at any further rodeos, subject to the discretion of the board of directors.
18. Tie down roper's belt line may not exceed fourteen feet in length. A fine of \$25.00 shall be levied for first offence. For second offence, the fine shall be doubled. After the third offence, this rule infraction shall be dealt with by the CCA board of directors.

#### **F. STEER WRESTLING**

1. Arena conditions will determine score. Length of score to be set by judges, contractor, and event director or representative, if present, subject to the conditions set forth herein.
2. In steer wrestling the score may be longer than the length of the steer wrestling box minus six feet unless other arrangements are approved by the steer wrestling director or a man of his choice.
3. (a) Animals used for this contest should be closely inspected and objectionable ones eliminated.
- (b) Contestant will not be required to compete on a crippled steer or a steer with a broken horn.
- (c) If a contestant jumps at a steer he accepts him as sound.
4. Contestant will be disqualified if he attempts in any way to tamper with steer or chutes.
5. (a) Contestant must furnish own hazer and horses.
- (b) Only one hazer allowed.
- (c) Hazer will not render any assistance to contestant while contestant is working with steer; i.e., setting up the steer by grabbing at its horns; or touching, holding, batting or striking the steer in any way. (Waving the dogging horse off is not giving assistance.) Contestant is considered working the steer when steer leaves the box
- (i.) Failure to observe this rule will disqualify contestant.
6. (a) Steer must be caught from horse.
- (b) If a steer gets loose, contestant may take no more than one step to catch steer.
- (c) After catching steer, wrestler must bring it to a stop and twist it down.
- (d) If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown down before being brought to a stop or is thrown by contestant putting animal's horns into the ground, it must be let up on all four feet and then thrown.

- (e) Steer will be considered down when it is thrown on its side or back, all four feet and head straight.
- (f) Contestant must have hand on steer when flagged.
- (g) The fairness of the catch and throw will be left to the judges, and their decision will be final.
- 7. An automatic barrier is to be used for steer wrestling.
- 8. There must be at least a 12 foot box.
  - (a) If box is shorter than 12 feet, the steer wrestling must be timed lap and tap.
- 9. Neck ropes must be tied with string.
- 10. A 10 second penalty shall be assessed in any case in which a flag judge rules that the contestant's feet touched the ground before the score line is crossed.
- 11. Steer wrestler is allowed one jump only.
  - (a) Contestant must make jump within twenty five seconds or he will receive a "no" time.
  - (b) Contestant must have steer thrown inside of two minutes of crossing the score line or he will receive a "no" time.
- 12. No penalty for breaking horn.
- 13. Cattle used in other events shall not be used for steer wrestling.
- 14. Dogging steers must not weigh more than 550 pounds and have a minimum of 8 inch horn at the first spring rodeo.
- 15. All steers may be thrown in the pen two hours before the start of the rodeo, in the presence of a judge, and before the steers are drawn.
- 16. Any steer wrestler unnecessarily abusing or leaving a steer with horns stuck in the ground, after being flagged, will be disqualified by the field flagman.
- 17. Steer wrestling cattle to be ear tagged as of their first rodeo.

#### **G. LADIES BARREL RACING**

- 1. Ladies Barrel Racing event must be run on a horse ridden by a female contestant only.
- 2. The regulation Barrel Pattern for the Ladies Barrel Race shall be 90 feet between barrel No. 1 and barrel 2 and 105 foot arc between barrel 1 and barrel 3 and barrel 2 and barrel 3. The score line shall be a minimum of 30 feet and a maximum of 60 feet. Barrel 1 and barrel 2 must be a minimum of 18 feet off the fence and barrel 3 must be a minimum of 25 feet off the fence. Stopping distance must be 45 feet on a closed gate or 30 feet on a safe open center gate.
  - (a) In all outdoor arenas that are NOT large enough for the regulation pattern barrel 1 and barrel 2 must be a minimum of 15 feet off the fence and barrel 3 must be a minimum of 18 feet off the fence. Score line will be a minimum of 30 feet and a maximum of 60 feet. Stopping distance same as regulation pattern. Distance between barrel 1 and barrel 2 and the distance of arc to barrel 3 may vary to a maximum of 25 feet according to arena size. Any outdoor arenas that are very small or the same size as an indoor arena use the guidelines for indoor arenas.
  - (b) In all indoor arenas, barrel 1 and barrel 2 will be a minimum of 15 feet off of the fence and barrel 3 will be a minimum of 18 feet off the fence. Score line will be a minimum of 30 feet and a maximum of 60 feet. Distance between barrel 1 and barrel 2 and the distance of arc to barrel 3 may vary to a maximum of 25 feet. Stopping distance the same as regulation pattern.
- 3.
  - (a) Barrels and score line must be permanently staked for the entire contest.
  - (b) The barrel pattern must be marked at least 1 HOUR prior to the first performance/slack start time. Failure to do so will result in an automatic \$150 fine to the assigned barrel racing representative of that rodeo. If barrels are not properly marked at all, all ladies barrel racing contestants up that performance or slack will be subject to a \$25 fine.
  - (c) When barrels are marked for Ladies' Barrel Racing the barrel measurement slip must be signed by the girls marking the barrels.
- 4. Barrels to be metal drums of 45 gallon size and must be closed at both ends.
- 5. A five second penalty will be given for each barrel knocked over per run.
- 6.
  - (a) The electric timer must be used whenever available. Times are to be timed to the one-one hundredth of a second (1/100). It must also be backed up by two timers using watches to the one-one hundredth of a second. Both sets of times are to be recorded. The electric eye time is to be recorded by a judge. When the electric timers are used, and a minority of the contestants is missed, the stop watches times will be used for them only. If the electric timer

- fails to operate for more than half of the contestants, the stop watch times will be considered as the official times for all contestants.
- (b) To ensure the electric timer is ready to use at each performance of a rodeo it shall be the responsibility of the last two carded members in that performance or slack to make sure the timer is operational and set up for the barrel racing. The first two carded members (any association) running in that performance or slack shall be responsible for taking the timer down and putting it away at the end of the event. If these responsibilities are not carried out a minimum fine of \$50.00 dollars to a maximum of \$100.00 dollars may be levied by the CCA Board and/or judges.
7. Official time taken when any part of horse crosses score line start and finish.
  8. After official racing time begins, reruns are not allowed.
  9. Either barrel #1 or barrel #2 may be taken first, but contestant will be disqualified for not following the clover leaf pattern or for not being ready to contest when name is called.
  10. Contestant will be ineligible from average payoff if she is absent from a run.
  11. (a) A horse can be ridden more than once in a go round and/or performance by different girls, but a girl may only ride one horse in a go round, thereby allowing contestants to change horses between go rounds.  
(b) If a contestant is injured during a competition, a substitute contestant cannot take her place.  
(c) Contestants may not change order of run in a performance or slack as specified by RIDE without the approval of both judges.
  12. Contestants may from a riding position hold barrel from falling.
  13. Wherever arena conditions permit, contestants may come into the arena and start the race on the run or they may start from a standing position.
  14. Arena gates are to be left open for all contestants or closed for all contestants during a race with the exception of a contestant wanting the gate closed when open for the other contestants. The decision is to be made based on arena conditions, by the Ladies Barrel Race Representative, the Stock Contractor, the Rodeo Committee and the Judge before the race starts.
  15. The use of bats and spurs is allowed, however, excessive use of the bat prior to the race, during the race, or after the race, will mean automatic disqualification for that particular race.
  16. The rider may use both hands on the reins or may hang onto the saddle if she desires.
  17. All timed events must be flagged by a judge.
  18. (a) Practice runs must be made a minimum of ten feet from barrel markers.  
(b) Practice runs will be not be allowed in arena one hour before rodeo time or at intermission.
  19. If more than one barrel racer falls due to hitting cement or ice, the barrel racing will be postponed until ground conditions are fixed.  
(a) In the Ladies Barrel Racing event only, if a contestant does not wish to compete due to unsafe ground conditions, contestant must get both judges to sign off thereby allowing that contestant to visible and not be fined a turn out fee.
  20. Junior Girls Barrel Racing will be run after Ladies Barrel Racing.
  21. Timer Charge: A one dollar per entry charge will be levied on all contestants entering Ladies Barrel Race.
  22. Bars in alleyway of rodeo arena must be covered with a sufficient amount of dirt to allow safe running and stopping surface for barrel horses. Also, there must be a minimum height of eight feet of inside dimension from ground to first overhead bar.
  23. A set rake draw will occur at every CCA rodeo after a maximum of every 5 runs on the ground, not on paper. The Judges & Barrel Representative of that rodeo can set the rake draw to less than 5 prior to the first performance of the rodeo based on weather and ground conditions if necessary (i.e.: the ground needs to be raked after every run to maintain safe conditions). The rake will occur based on the number of contestants that have actually ran not by the number of contestants on paper.
  24. Rules for the Junior Girls' Barrel Racing shall be the same as those established for the Ladies' Barrel Racing.

#### **H. BREAKAWAY ROPING**

1. This event is open to ladies or girls ONLY of any age.
2. Automatic barrier will be used. All barrier and rerun rules will be the same as the tie down

- roping.
3. Length of score line will be determined by the judges, to be the same as the Tie Down Roping.
  4. 2 judges will be used. A barrier judge and a field judge.
  5. Bell collar catch only. Bell collar is defined as any loop passing over the calf's head and slack is drawn around the neck only. No other appendage of calf (i.e. front or hind leg, tail, etc.) can be in the loop when the rope breaks from the saddle horn. If a front or hind leg enters the loop but comes out before the rope breaks on the saddle horn it will be a legal catch. Figure 8's on the tail will be considered a no time if the rope does not come clean before the breaking off the saddle.
  6. Only 1 loop may be carried.
  7. Loop must be released from the contestant's hand before touching calf to be legal throw.
  8. Ropes must be tied to the saddle horn at the VERY end of the rope. A bright colored or white cloth larger than 6" must be tied at the end of the rope.
  9. All contestants must use the same nylon string to tie ropes to saddle horn.
  10. Any unravelling of string will be an automatic disqualification. Judges are to check this before the run.
  11. Contestant's horse must break the plane of the barrier before loop is released.
  12. Open catch pen will be used. Contestant must follow calf out of the arena. Time must be taken with calf in the arena. If any part of the calf has broken the plane of the gate before rope breaks away from saddle horn it is a no time.
  13. Field flag judge will flag the contestant when rope breaks away from the saddle horn. No time will occur if contestant breaks rope by hand or touches rope or string after the catch is completed, except if rope dallies around the saddle horn, in which case contestant can ride forward to un-dally and then stop to allow rope to break away.
  14. Calves must be as uniform as possible.
  15. Cattle with no horns are preferred. If they are not available then a half head catch may be allowed at the discretion of the judges prior to the first performance. 3 inch horn limit for half head.
  16. The same animals may not be used for the Breakaway and any other timed event at the rodeo.
  17. Calves will be numbered and drawn for.
  18. There will be a 25 second time limit excluding barrier penalties.
  19. The payout percentages for this event will be the same as the tie down roping.

#### **I. TEAM ROPING**

20. (a) Header will start from behind a barrier.  
(b) There will be a twenty five second elapsed time limit in the team roping. A whistle indicating "no time" shall be blown by the timer at the end of the twenty five second span.
21. (a) Arena conditions will determine score line, length of score to be set by the judges, contractor and event director or representative.  
(b) Steer belongs to the roper after he/she crosses the score line, regardless of what happens, with one exception; if steer gets out of arena, flag will be dropped and the roper gets the steer back lap and tap with the time added which was taken when the steer left the arena.
22. Each team will be allowed a total of two throws.
23. Roping steer without releasing loop from hand will be considered no catch.  
(i.) No tied ropes allowed.
24. (a) Time to be taken between the two flags.  
(b) Steer must be on its feet when it is being roped by the head or heels.  
(c) Time will be taken when steer is roped by both head and heels, with both horses in line facing steer. Heeler's rope must be dallied and tight; header may have rope in hand but does not need to have rope tight nor dallied. Header may use option to dally if he/she chooses.
25. The roper will not get an extra loop for a broken rope or a dropped rope. He will receive a "no time".
26. (a) Any changes in lists of roping order to split horses, etc., must be made before any stock for that event is loaded in chutes.  
(b) After stock is loaded, ropers must rope in order listed.
27. Roping teams must be entered in both names and each contestant may only enter once.

28. (a) Head must be caught before heels.
- (b) Any heel catch behind shoulders is legal if rope goes up heels.
- (c) Only three head catches are legal:
  - (i.) Head or both horns.
  - (ii.) Half a head
  - (iii.) Around the neck
- (d) If Hondo passes over one horn or if rope crosses itself, catch is illegal.
- (e) A five second penalty will be assessed if only one hind foot is roped.
- (f) Catch is illegal if time is taken when horse or horses are tangled in any way with rope.
- (g) If the front leg steps in headers loop it's an automatic flag out/no time, even if it comes out.
- (h) The head rope cannot make contact with the animal prior to the neck rope being released. If the head rope makes contact with the animal prior to the neck rope being released, a no time should be recorded.
29. Any question as to catches in this contest will be decided by the judges. If a field judge tells the header to hold the animal, so the field judge may inspect the head catch, and the header does not do so, the team may receive a "no-time"
30. Steers used in the team roping must be horned cattle, with the use of attachable, artificial horns to be permitted. If the artificial horns come off, the team ropers will get that same steer back.
  - (a) Team roping cattle cannot be used for any other event.
31. The header must change the direction of the steer before the heeler can throw his rope.
  - (a) Direction of animals hips must be changed before heel rope is thrown.
32. If you enter a rodeo in the team roping as a header or heeler you rope as that. If not you will be disqualified. If your partner medicals or turns out, you rope as you are entered if you pick up another partner.

#### **J. 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.
  - a. All cattle must be pre-conditioned, meaning cattle should be familiar with bucking chutes and leave arena in appropriate manner.
  - b. All cattle shall be preapproved by Bull Riding director and/or Board of Directors.
  - c. Draw will be made prior to Rodeo performance. Judges must inspect cattle prior to draw.

#### **SECTION XX AGREEMENTS**

The Canadian Cowboys' Association has agreements with the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association, the Chinook Rodeo Association, the Foothills Cowboys' Association, the Interior Rodeo Association, the Lakeland Rodeo Association, the Manitoba Rodeo Cowboys' Association, the Alberta High School Rodeo Association and the Northern Rodeo Association whereby they

honor each other's suspended lists.

## **SECTION XXI TELEVISION RIGHTS**

The Canadian Cowboys' Association retains all rights in and to the filming, taping, radio or television broadcasting or reproduction in any manner or form of any of its approved rodeos or any part thereof. All proposals for filming or television of sanctioned rodeos, including local, cable or educational television must be cleared through the head office of the CCA 30 days prior to the first performance of the specific rodeo. Legitimate news coverage exempted.

## **SECTION XXII – SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **A. General**

1. A special event is defined as any production sanctioned by the CCA that does not have all eight major rodeo events featured in the production.
2. All special events will comply with existing rule book unless otherwise stated here in this section.
3. There shall be two distinct seasons that will apply to these special events. Each season will have different rules as per below. Winter season will begin the day following the regular season (as passed by the Board) to May 31 and Summer season will begin June 1 and end on the last day of the regular season (as passed by the Board).
4. All special events must first be approved by the Approval Committee then submitted for approval by the Executive Committee.

### **B. Contestants**

1. All contestants at any CCA sanctioned special event must be full carded members of the
2. All money won at the special events will count towards the yearend standings as well as towards finals top ten qualification. The money won at special events will not count towards the CCA High Point or All Around Yearend Championships.
3. Special event contestant minimums will remain consistent with existing rule Section XIII, B,
4. Special events will seed a minimum of 60% from CCA standings at time of entry unless otherwise specified by the Board.
5. All specifications of contestant limits and entry information must be on the approval form. The Board reserves the right to approve or not approve any or all specifications on the approval form.

### **C. Contractors and Contract Personnel**

1. Only approved, fully carded contractors can produce a sanctioned special event.
2. Section I, A.3 and A.4 of CCA rule book will apply to every sanctioned event.
3. Special events will not count towards the eligibility criteria for stock contractor membership.
4. Special events will use carded judges, secretaries, and timers. All personnel will provide card numbers and signatures back to the office for verification for dollars to count towards CCA standings.
5. Each contractor must generate a list of approved stock for use at special events.
  - (a) The event director is responsible to ensure that the approved stock list remains current for each contractor.
  - (b) Prior to approval being granted, the stock contractor must produce a list of stock intended for use at each special event.
  - (c) Substitutions to this list must be approved by the event director and such approval must be signed, documented and filed with the CCA office. Failure to comply with this will result in a minimum fine of \$500.00 per infraction to be paid in full prior to the contractor producing their next sanctioned event.
  - (d) If the Special event is put on by a full carded stock contractor the stock trips will count towards the CCA Finals qualification.

### **D. Production**

1. Special events will be allowed to be produced in conjunction with existing CCA rodeos, subject to Board approval. The minimum prize money must equal the purse for that event at that rodeo. There will be a maximum of ten (10) special events during rodeo season.
2. Prize monies for special events independent of existing rodeos shall be as follows:
  - (a) Summer series events must have a minimum total combined added money of \$4500.00.

- (b) Winter series events must have a minimum total combined added money of \$1000.00.  
(c) Payoff shall be in accordance with existing rules unless otherwise approved by the Board. Any special event wishing to deviate from the existing rules for payoff must submit proposal for approval by the Board.
3. Number of events approved during the summer season shall not exceed ten.
  4. There shall be no limit on the number of events approved during the winter season.
  5. The number of events approved on one calendar weekend shall be determined by the Approvals Committee.

**E. Administration**

1. Approval fee for special events shall be \$250.00 per performance.
2. All entries and callback will be processed centrally with the CCA office.

**Appendix A – Membership Dues**

The following senior memberships include voting rights at the Annual General Meeting, the right to contest and take part in rodeos sanctioned by the association, member insurance. Each of these memberships includes the option of purchasing one companion pass for \$126.00 with the exception of contract acts with multiple performers.

<b>Type of Membership</b>	<b>Annual dues</b>
Senior	\$324.25
Novice	\$93.25
Contract Personnel (Stock Contractor, Bull Fighter, Secretary, Barrel Man/Clown. Pick Up Man, Announcer)	\$324.25
Permit Stock Contractor	\$324.25
Contract Acts	\$156.25
Judge	\$25.00 (insurance only)

The following memberships include the right to contest and take part in rodeos sanctioned by the association and member insurance. Any contestant under the age of 18 requires two parent signatures.

<b>Type of Membership</b>	<b>Annual dues</b>
Permit	\$208.75
Junior	\$98.50
Non Contestant (Timer, Photographer, Hazer)	\$145.75

Note: Membership Fees cannot be changed until the 2026 AGM as per Motion 2021-28 put in at the 2021 AGM.