



Lone Star High School Rodeo Association

GENERAL RULES:

- 1) Contestants must be a LSHSRA member in good standing. All applicable forms (member or non-member) must be complete, and fees paid.
EXCEPTION: Contestant is competing as a NON-Member. (See Non-Member Entry Fees)
- 2) A contestant can become a member at any time during the rodeo season by completing the membership packet, paying the membership fee. Membership packets/fees are due two weeks before the rodeo entry deadline to allow the secretary time to review the packet and enter member information into entry system.
- 3) Every contestant must check the posted draw lists at secretary office and be responsible as to their stock, draw & position per event.
- 4) All contestants are required to read the rules carefully, particularly those relating to the event in which they enter.
- 5) All contestants must be 18 years of age or under as of September 1 of the beginning of the rodeo year. Must be single, never married and not have any children.
- 6) Contestants may not ride on a horse with another individual while competing.

ENTRY FEES:

- 1) Contestants will enter each rodeo through the online entry system. Payment will be made when entering through the entry system via credit card or PayPal.
- 2) NO REFUNDS will be given.
EXCEPTION: If the contestant is sick/injured and provides a written statement from a physician given to the rodeo secretary stating contestant's illness or injury. A veterinary draw out must meet the same criteria as a contestant's medical draw out. The rodeo secretary must be notified of such medical/veterinary draw out no later than 7PM the Friday prior to rodeo. You will lose the office charge and stock charge if competing in rough stock events.
- 3) No Late Entries will be accepted therefore no Late Fees will apply. This also applies to Finals entries.
- 4) Entry Deadline: All Entries are due by Saturday at midnight before each Rodeo. No entries will be accepted after midnight the Saturday before each rodeo.
- 5) Contestants can only enter each event once.
EXCEPTION: Team Roping contestants may enter twice. See "Team Roping Event Rule". If an event is not offered in your age group, the contestant may move up an age group for that event, but points earned in that event will not go towards the all-around awards in the contestant's actual age group.
- 6) If you cannot make a rodeo but are trying to meet the designated amount of rodeos to qualify for Finals, you must enter by the regular rodeo deadline and turn out. This works just as a NT in the event would.
- 7) If you need to change an entry after you have turned in your form please contact secretary to discuss if possible. (Change fee may apply)
- 8) Entry Fees are event and age specific. Please see an entry form for correct fee amounts.
- 9) If a contestant or contestant's horse is injured at a rodeo, no refund will be made.

NON-MEMBER ENTRY FEES:

- 1) Non Member will enter rodeo by utilizing the same online entry system as members. See Entry Fees above.
- 2) Non Member may enter up to 4 regular season rodeos.
- 3) A Non Member fee will be applicable to the entry.
- 4) Non Member will be required to follow LSHSRA Rules
- 5) Non Member can become a member at anytime by completing all required membership paperwork.
- 6) Non Member is not eligible for any points while competing as a Non Member. If they decide to become a member, Non Member will need to become a member before competing at the next rodeo to be eligible for any points.
- 7) Non Member will be required to sign the Release & Waiver Form

POSITIONS:

- 1) All positions in which contestants are to run will be DRAWN at random.
- 2) Position and stock draw is to be posted on arena bulletin board no more than two (2) hours before the show. Positions are also made available online at www.LSHSRA.com

- 3) In the event a contestant is left off the day sheet or running order for any reason, and it is determined that the contestant should be included in the running order for the rodeo, the contestant will be added to the end of their event in their age group. There will be no new draw or re-draw for any reason.

ARENA:

- 1) NO LOOSE PETS ALLOWED ON GROUNDS OR ARENA. All pets must be on a leash or lead.
- 2) Arena will be raked before speed events and as deemed necessary by the rodeo judges and arena director.
- 3) The starting line for speed events should be at least fifteen (15) yards/ 45 feet from any fence and permanently marked for the entire rodeo.
- 4) The position of all barrels and poles are to be permanently staked for the entire rodeo.
- 5) If any event is staked wrong, everyone impacted must rerun and no penalty will carry forward.
- 6) A holding pen will be utilized for speed events (Clover Leaf Barrels, Pole Bending & Straight Away Barrels). Contestants must be ready and in holding pen prior to their run.

GATES: Gates are to be closed unless stated otherwise for safety reasons.

RE-RUNS: Re-runs are at the discretion of the judges. If a re-run is given, the contestant has the option of running immediately or last in the event in their age group.

OFFICIALS:

- 1) Only officials/board members may occupy the judge's stands and arena
- 2) Timekeepers, barrier judge or field judge may not be changed until the go round is completed, except in extreme emergencies.
- 3) Flag man will be located by the timer

EQUIPMENT:

- 1) For poles and barrels: electric timers or flag man and two (2) timekeepers.
- 2) If electric timing equipment is used, a flag man and timekeeper must also be used and that flag time kept separate.
- 3) In the event of a one-time malfunction of the electric timer, the contestant will be given the backup time. ALL PENALTIES INCURRED IN FIRST RUN WILL BE ADDED TO RE-RUN OR MANUAL TIME with a maximum of three (3) penalties on barrels and six (6) penalties on poles.
- 4) In the event that the electric timer breaks and cannot be repaired, the flag man time will be the official time for the go around.
- 5) If the timer stops during a barrel or pole run, the JUDGE will determine if the contestant crossing the line stopped the timer prematurely. If so, the contestant receives a "No Time".
- 6) If an entire event is staked wrong, everyone must re-run.

POINTS & MONEY:

- 1) Points will be given to Contestants in all events as follows. **EXCEPTION:** 6&Under Participation & Non Members

1 st Place	15 points	6 th Place	10 points	11 th Place	5 points
2 nd Place	14 points	7 th Place	9 points	12 th Place	4 points
3 rd Place	13 points	8 th Place	8 points	13 th Place	3 points
4 th Place	12 points	9 th Place	7 points	14 th Place	2 points
5 th Place	11 points	10 th Place	6 points	15 th Place	1.point

- 2) In the event of a **TIE**, points will be added together and divided by the number of contestants involved in the tie. Example: Three persons tying for first place will equally divide 42 points (1st, 2nd & 3rd totaled). Each will receive 14 points. Money will be paid this way as well. The person directly after the above three (3) persons will receive 4th place points and money.
- 3) All records of contestants accepting or refusing prizes are to be kept by the secretary for 365 days. Checks will only be held for 90 days. It is the contestants responsibly to collect their check at each rodeo. All checks are void after 90 days. If for any reason a check must be reissued (within the 90 days) a \$25 stop payment fee will be deducted from the original amount of the check.
- 4) A minimum of 50% of each entry fee **MUST** be paid back to contestants. The following pay scale **MUST** be used:

Payout scale # of Contestants	Places	% Payout
1-5	1	100
6-10	2	60_40
11-15	3	50_30_20
16-20	4	40_30_20_10
21-25	5	33_27_20_13_7
26 & over	6	29_24_19_14_9_5

- Should there be no qualifying times/scores in an event, the jackpot money (50% of entry fee) will be added to the LSHSRA running account.

BARRIER & SCORE LINE:

- A measuring tape must be on hand
- The same type of string should be used on barrier the entire time and must be changed at the contestant's request
- Barrier judge shall keep a record of the length of the barrier rope each performance to assure the same start of all contestants each performance.
- Adjusting length of barrier trip rope will be accomplished only by tying knots in the rope on either end.
- A ten (10) second penalty will be added for breaking or beating the barrier in all events. A barrier will not be considered broken unless ring drops within ten (10) feet of the post.
- Barrier equipment must be inspected by the judge before each timed event. If equipment is faulty, it must be replaced.
- If barrier flag man is used, animal is to be flagged when its nose reaches starting or deadline in front of flag man.
- Barrier judge shall be sure that no one stands close enough to the barrier or barrier equipment to avoid tampering.
- Once score line has been set in timed events, it will not be changed until the go-round is completed.
- When the barrier flag is used, the barrier flag must operate in order for time to be considered official.
- When an automatic barrier is used and automatic barrier does not work, BUT time is recorded, contestant or team will get time, but there will be no penalty for broken barrier.
- When an automatic barrier is used and automatic barrier does not work and time is NOT recorded, contestant or team will get stock back whether or not stock is missed.
- JUDGES OR BOARD DECISIONS ARE NEVER TO BE BASED ON VIDEO VIEWING. VIDEOS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED FOR ANY REASON.

STOCK:

- All stock will be closely inspected, objectionable ones eliminated. Final decision on the stock will be left to the discretion of the Board of Directors and/or the Rodeo Judges.
- All steers, bulls and goats must have horns tipped.
- All stock used for tying must have been tied at least once before first performance of rodeo.
- In any timed event, if an animal escapes from the arena, the flag will be dropped, and watches stopped. Contestant will be moved to the end of that event with "lap & tap" start and time already spent will be added to time used in qualifying. If time is not recorded, the decision of the flag judge will be final. All penalties carry over for a "lap & tap" run.
- During any performance, if an animal in timed events escapes the chutes or pens before it is called for by contestant, or if automatic barrier fails to work, contestant will be moved to the end of that event.
- If a calf or steer is not removed from the arena in time or escapes into the arena while another contestant is trying another animal, the contestant will get a re-run if the judge rules interference. Decision to be made before contestant leaves the arena.
- If an animal that is drawn in an event becomes sick or crippled before it is out that time, the judges and arena director must pass on animal's ability to be used before it can be skipped/replaced in draw.
- All drawn stock must be numbered.

9) Stock draw is to be posted no more than two (2) hours prior to performance and must be posted on arena bulletin board and run as posted.

10) All stock producers including individuals or sponsors must be approved by LSHSRA.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Contestants who are seniors in high school, are in good standings as a member with LSHSRA and wish to apply for a LSHSRA scholarship, must complete the LSHSRA Scholarship Application and return. Each contestant must provide proof of enrollment as a full-time student in college and complete the application by due date to receive the scholarship.

ALL CONTESTANT RULES

To participate in a LSHSRA approved rodeo a contestant must provide/abide by the following:

- 1) A properly completed membership application
- 2) Membership dues in the amount of \$100
- 3) A COPY of member's birth certificate or driver's license. The birth certificate will be required only one time (with membership packet) for the purpose of placing contestants in the correct age group and for positive identification.
- 4) A signed and notarized Medical Release & Waiver document
- 5) The contestant must be 18 or under as of September 1 of the current year. Also, the contestant must be single and have not been married and must not be pregnant nor have any children and be currently enrolled in school.
EXCEPTION: 6&Under contestants.
- 6) A current negative coggins is required upon request for all horses on rodeo premises.
- 7) If any incident arises that is not specifically covered by this rule book, then the board of directors shall meet and discuss the matter. Whatever the LSHSRA Board of Directors decide, will then become the prevailing rule on the matter.
- 8) **WORK POINTS:** All members (or a parent) will be require to work a total of four (4) events during the rodeo season to be eligible to enter Finals and receive year end awards. Two of the four events will be required to be worked by December (during rodeo 1-6) and the remaining two events after December (during rodeos 7-12).

EXAMPLE: If member or parent sets a barrel in the 8u barrels for rodeo #1, that is considered one event.

There will be sign up sheets at each rodeo by the secretary office. Each member will need to sign their name to the event they wish to work. (The sign up sheets will be utilized only as an aid for members/parents to know what events are eligible to be worked and/or are full.) Once the event has been worked, the member/worker **MUST** go to the Board Member assigned to the specific event and pick up their receipt of completion. **NO CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN IF THE MEMBER/WORKER DOES NOT PICK UP THEIR RECEIPT OF COMPLETION.** No video or pictures will be reviewed in an effort to prove an event was worked.

All members/contestants are required to be in dress code when in Arena. All Parents are required to be in the "working parent dress code" when in the Arena. (See rulebook for specific details)

Any member 12 years or under will need to be accompanied by an adult. No contestant will allowed to work the striping chute during roping events.

Roughstock events will not be included as a working event.

A member can BUYOUT of their work point requirement:

OPTION 1: Buyout for the entire season for \$250

OPTION 2: Buyout 2 events at a time for \$125 (this means a member can work 2 events during the first half and buyout during the second half or vice versa)

ENTRY INTO FINALS:

- 1) All contestants must be in good standing by paying their membership dues.
- 2) Contestants are required to sell \$150 in raffle tickets to qualify for finals and year-end awards.
- 3) To qualify for entry into finals all contestants must have entered each event they plan on competing in at finals in 9 regular season rodeos.

- 4) To enter the finals rodeo performances a contestant must have entered a minimum of 9 regular season LSHSRA rodeos and enter the 2 rodeos at Finals. Failure to meet the requirements of these 11 performances will result in the forfeit of all finals and year-end prizes and awards.
- 5) Contestants must meet their work point requirements to enter finals

INFRACTIONS: Any of the following infractions (but not limited to) will automatically disqualify anyone from LSHSRA competition and/or membership:

- 1) If you are over the age requirements of 18 by September 1 of current rodeo year.
- 2) Falsification of names, age or signature of parents or failure to comply with LSHSRA rules.
- 3) Cheating or attempting to cheat. The attempt to fix, threaten, bribe or harass the judges at any time between opening and closing dates of the rodeo, in or out of the arena.
- 4) No Smoking in the arena. Contestants & spectators are not allowed to smoke in or around the arena.
- 5) The contestants conduct or speech of any kind is detrimental to the sport of rodeo in or out of the arena, including motels, hotels, restaurants, etc. such as profanity, drinking alcoholic beverages, fighting or quarreling, failure to pay bills, bad checks, vandalism, theft, mistreatment of stock in or out of the arena or being boisterous.
- 6) Entering pens of drawn stock without consent or presence of judges.
- 7) If a contestant's parents or family cause any unnecessary disturbance, such as quarreling with officials or other members, drinking alcoholic beverages, etc. in the arena, warm-up area or bleachers.
- 8) Failure to comply with the LSHSRA Contestant Dress Code in the arena.
- 9) Failure to enter the arena for a speed event after 1 min or call for roping stock after 1 minute from name being called will result in a no time.
- 10) If a parent enters the alleyway during speed events (Clover Leaf Barrels, Pole Bending & Straight Away Barrels) the contestant will receive a no-time for that run.
EXCEPTION: 1 parent can enter the alleyway with the contestant for 6U & 8U designated speed events.
- 11) The use of electronic devices or hot shots on horses in or out of the arena by contestant or others.
- 12) Any mistreatment of livestock. If there is any question as to whether the livestock has been mistreated, the LSHSRA committee board will meet and decide the matter. The decision by the board shall be final.

MISCONDUCT OF ANY NATURE IS TO BE REPORTED TO ANY LSHSRA DIRECTOR OR THE BOARD SECRETARY AND RULED ON BY DIRECTORS PRESENT.

CONTESTANT DRESS CODE:

- 1) Strictly western attire in the arena at all times.
- 2) Shirts must have a collar and button or snap. Shirts must be long sleeved and cuffed and be worn with sleeves down and cuffs buttoned or snapped with no rolled-up sleeves.
EXCEPTION: Bull, Steer and Calf riders may roll up riding sleeve only.
- 3) Shirts must be tucked in pants at the beginning of run or ride.
- 4) Western style hat or helmet must be worn while in the arena
- 5) Western boots must be worn in all events, by all competitors.
- 6) Contestant must begin their contesting (enter arena to compete) with a western style hat on their head unless the hat rule has been waived. (Alley is considered part of the arena). Failure to start with a western style hat will result in a "no time" for the contestant. There is no penalty for losing the hat inside the arena.
- 7) The rodeo judges and/or the Board of Directors may change or suspend these rules at any time.
- 8) Parent/helper must be in same western attire as contestants.
EXCEPTION: Parent may wear any closed toe western style shoe. NO Tennis shoes.
- 9) Contestant **MUST BE IN FULL DRESSCODE** at all times while in arena.

WORKING PARENT DRESS CODE:

- 1) Parents working an event must wear close toe shoes, long sleeve shirt and jeans. Either no hat or cowboy hat can be worn by the parent while working an event.
- 2) Contestant Dress code applies to parents while in arena if NOT working an event.

FINALS RODEOS AND YEAR END AWARDS:

To enter the year-end finals rodeo, a contestant must have entered/paid fees in each event a minimum of 9 regular season rodeos. The contestant must enter/pay fees in each event in the 2 go-rounds at Finals as well. Failure to meet the requirements of these 11 performances will result in the forfeit of all year-end prizes and awards.

- 1) The board of directors will determine the dates and place of the LSHSRA Finals.
- 2) The board of directors will determine the format and the length of the LSHSRA Finals.
- 3) Immediately following the close of the last regular LSHSRA rodeo of the LSHSRA rodeo year, points in each event will be totaled and available online for contestant review.
- 4) All LSHSRA events will be used in the finals if they have been used as many as five (5) times during the year in LSHSRA rodeos.
- 5) Members are required to sell at least \$150 worth of raffle tickets to qualify to enter and compete at the finals. A Due Date will be determined by the board and must be met in order to qualify for finals.
- 6) Contestant Dress code will be strictly enforced during all performances, finals and award ceremony for all contestants.
- 7) 8 & Under Competitive events will NOT be given participation awards
- 8) Contestant MUST have worked the required work points.

FINALS POINTS:

- 1) The finals will have two (2) go-rounds to be run as decided by the directors.
- 2) Any contestant that qualifies for the finals must enter in BOTH go-rounds or forfeit any points won during the year and finals in that event.
- 3) Points will be given in each go-round and an average at Finals.
- 4) All points earned at the finals will be added to each contestant's year end event points. Awards will be awarded on the grand total of points earned in each event and average points from finals.

FINALS AVERAGE AWARDS:

- 1) Average points and payout will be awarded at finals.
- 2) Average prizes awarded strictly on times/scores earned in go-round(s) at finals with no reference to year standings.

FINALS YEAR-END AWARDS:

- 1) All Around saddles will be awarded to the High Point Boy and Girl in the 9-13 Division and High School Division. One All Around High point saddle will be awarded in the 8 & under group (It is possible for a second saddle in this age group if an individual or group sponsors the saddle)
- 2) Each competitive event must average at least 5 participants during the first 6 rodeos of the season for a saddle to be awarded in that event.
EXCEPTION: All team roping events must average at least 5 paid entry's during the first 6 rodeos of the season to be eligible for a saddle. If there are not at least 5 participants in the event for each rodeo, prizes will be awarded instead of a saddle. In the case that event does not average 5 contestants through the first half of the season, it is possible for a year end event saddle to be awarded if an individual or group sponsors that saddle.
- 3) Points earned at the 2 go-rounds at finals will be included in determining all year end awards.
- 4) Prizes are awarded for year-end placings. Number of prizes/payout will reflect regular season payout positions.
- 5) All 6 & under contestants participating in finals will receive a buckle.

TIES AT FINALS:

- 1) Ties for year-end awards will be decided based on the contestant that came into the finals highest in the standings.
- 2) In the event one or more contestants come into finals tied, the contestant with the most 1st place wins will be the year end winner.
- 3) Ties for Finals average awards will be based on single highest score, or single fastest time.

EVENT RULES:

SHEEP RIDING:

Contestants: 6 & Under Girls and Boys

- 1) Sheep must be ridden six (6) seconds and Contestant must be on sheep when sheep leaves chute.
- 2) Contestant must declare if he will be using one (1) or two (2) hands before leaving the chute.
- 3) The judges will have a stopwatch to double check buzzer/whistle time. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
- 4) If one (1) hand is being used and contestant touches the sheep with free hand during the ride, the contestant will be disqualified.
- 5) Contestant must wear a helmet and protective vest to ride.
- 6) Contestant's body position must be on the top of the animal in order to qualify for a re ride option.
- 7) No parent assistance once chute is open

EQUIPMENT/DISQUALIFICATION AND "NO SCORE": See "Bull Riding"

CALF RIDING:

Contestants: 8 & Under Girls and Boys

- 1) Calf must be ridden six (6) seconds and Contestant must be astride of calf when calf leaves chute.
- 2) Contestant must declare if he will be using one (1) or two (2) hands before leaving the chute.
- 3) The judges will have a stopwatch to double check buzzer/whistle time. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
- 4) If one (1) hand is being used and contestant touches the calf with free hand during the ride, the contestant will be disqualified.
- 5) Contestant must wear a helmet and protective vest to ride.
- 6) All stock must be flanked.

EQUIPMENT/DISQUALIFICATION AND "NO SCORE": See "Bull Riding"

STEER RIDING:

Contestants: 9-13 Jr. Boys

- 1) Steer must be ridden eight (8) seconds; time to start when steer leaves chute.
- 2) The ride and the animal to be marked separately. Mark 0-25 on the rider and 0-25 on the steer; on each side.
- 3) The judges will have a stopwatch to double check buzzer/whistle time. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
- 4) Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off steer when rider leaves him.
- 5) If rider makes a qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.
- 6) Rider's free hand must remain free for eight (8) seconds.
- 7) If any part of the animal hits the fence while a ride is in process and the contestant touches the fence, not to aid his ride, he should not be disqualified.
- 8) Contestant must wear a helmet and protective vest to ride.
- 9) All stock must be flanked.

EQUIPMENT/DISQUALIFICATION AND "NO SCORE": See "Bull Riding"

BULL RIDING:

Contestants: 14-18 High School Boys

SCORING:

- 1) Bull will be ridden eight (8) seconds. Time to start when bull leaves chute.
- 2) The judges will have a stopwatch to double check buzzer/whistle time. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
- 3) Rider's FREE hand must remain free for eight (8) seconds.

- 4) If any part of the animal hits the fence while a ride is in process and the contestant touches the fence, not to aid his ride, he should not be disqualified.
- 5) Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold; no knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off bull when rider leaves him.
- 6) If rider makes a qualified ride with any part of rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.

EQUIPMENT:

- 1) No hot shots will be used after a rider sits down on animal unless rider requests.
- 2) Contestants may pull riggings from either side.
- 3) No more than two (2) persons may be on chute to pull contestant's rope.
- 4) Rope must have bell and bell must be under belly of animal.
- 5) Rider not to use sharp spurs.
- 6) Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not animal is properly flanked to buck to the best of his ability.
- 7) Contestant must wear a helmet and protective vest to ride.
- 8) All rough stock must be flanked.

DISQUALIFICATIONS AND "NO SCORE":

- 1) Committing any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If after being advised contestant is next to go, contestant is not above the animal with his glove on when previous animal leaves the arena.
- 3) No bell.
- 4) Being bucked off.
- 5) Touching animal with free hand.
- 6) Using sharp spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rope when rope is being tightened.
- 7) If contestant's free hand does not remain free for seconds stated.
- 8) Rider and the animal to be marked separately, 0-25 score rider, 0-25 score bull on each side.

RANCH BRONC RIDING:

Contestants: 14-18 High School Boys

SCORING:

- 1) Horse will be ridden eight (8) seconds. Time to start when the inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute.
- 2) The ride and the animal to be marked separately, 0-25 score rider, 0-25 score livestock on each side.
- 3) The judges will have a stopwatch to double check buzzer/whistle time. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
- 4) A night latch may be used.
- 5) If any part of the animal hits the fence while a ride is in process and the contestant touches the fence, not to aid his ride, he should not be disqualified.

EQUIPMENT:

- 1) All saddles will be stock saddles with no alterations to standard Ranch Saddle. No Saddle Bronc tree can be used. No front binds. No Bucking Rolls or extra Added Swells on saddle
- 2) Rider must have rein hand on same side of horse's neck.
- 3) No more than two (2) persons may be on the back of the chute to pull contestant's rope and must be in dress code.
- 4) Rider not to use sharp spurs.
- 5) Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not animal is properly flanked to buck to the best of his ability.
- 6) Contestant must wear and protective vest to ride.
- 7) All rough stock must be flanked.

DISQUALIFICATIONS AND "NO SCORE":

- 1) Committing any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If after being advised contestant is next to go, contestant is not above the animal when previous animal leaves the arena.
- 3) If any whips, quirts or ropes, etc. are used.
- 4) Any part of the contestant touching the ground.

- 5) Using sharp or locked spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rigging or cinch.

BAREBACK RIDING:

Contestants: 14-18 High School Boys

SCORING:

- 1) Horse will be ridden eight (8) seconds. Time to start when the inside front shoulder passes the plane of the chute.
- 2) The ride and the animal to be marked separately, 0-25 score rider, 0-25 score livestock on each side.
- 3) The judges will have a stopwatch to double check buzzer/whistle time. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
- 4) Rider 's FREE hand must remain free for eight (8) seconds.
- 5) If any part of the animal hits the fence while a ride is in process and the contestant touches the fence, not to aid his ride, he should not be disqualified.
- 6) Riding to be done with one handed rigging, and the contestant must supply rigging. Judges may inspect rigging and their decision is final. Rigging must be humane to animal.
- 7) To qualify, the 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.

EQUIPMENT:

- 1) Rigging must lie flat on the horse's back while rigging is being cinched.
- 2) Contestants may pull riggings from either side.
- 3) No more than two (2) persons may be on the back of the chute to pull contestant's rope and must be in contestant dress code.
- 4) Rider shall not to use sharp spurs.
- 5) Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether or not animal is properly flanked to buck to the best of his ability.
- 6) Contestant must wear and protective vest to ride.
- 7) All rough stock must be flanked.

DISQUALIFICATIONS AND "NO SCORE":

- 1) Committing any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If after being advised contestant is next to go, contestant is not above the animal with his glove on when previous animal leaves the arena.
- 3) Not wearing a protective vest
- 4) Any part of the contestant touching the ground.
- 5) Touching animal with free hand.
- 6) Using sharp spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rigging or cinch.
- 7) If contestant's free hand does not remain free for seconds stated.

SADDLE BRONC RIDING:

Contestants: 14-18 High School Boys

SCORING:

- 1) Horse will be ridden eight (8) seconds.
- 2) The ride and the animal to be marked separately, 0-25 score rider, 0-25 score livestock on each side.
- 3) The judges will have a stopwatch to double check buzzer/whistle time. Judges are to sign all score sheets.
- 4) Rider's FREE hand must remain free for eight (8) seconds.
- 5) Time to start when the inside shoulder breaks the plane of the bucking chute. If steer backs out of the chute or turns around, rider will get a free roll. If any part of the animal hits the fence while a ride is in process and the contestant touches the fence, not to aid his ride, he should not be disqualified.
- 6) Riding to be done with one handed rigging, and the contestant must supply rigging. Judges may inspect rigging and their decision is final. Rigging must be humane to animal.
- 7) To qualify, the rider must have spurs over the break of the shoulders and touching the steer when the steer's front feet hit the ground the first jump out of the chute.

EQUIPMENT:

- 1) Riding to be done with plain halter, one rein and saddle. Standard halter and "association" committee saddles must be used - Measurements for the saddle to be: **RIGGINS** - $\frac{3}{4}$ inch with front of D-Ring no further toward cantle than rear of swells. **CANTLE** - no more than 5 inches tall from jockey to highest point. **SWELLS** - no more than 14 inches wide or undercut more than 1 inch either side. **STIRRUPS**- hung on bars, not less than 14 inches long. No freaks. Leather latigo straps, only.
- 2) Riding rein and hand must be on the same side. Horse to be saddled in chute. Rider may cinch own saddle or examine same to determine if satisfactory. Rein must be attached to halter.
- 3) Rider must have spurs over the break of horse's shoulders, touching horse with same, when steer's front feet touch the ground the 1st step/jump out of chute.
- 4) Contestant will have the right to call on the Judges to pass on whether or not a steer is properly flanked and saddled to buck its best. Middle flank belongs to the rider, however cannot be cinched any further on the horse than straight up and down.
- 5) Contestant must wear and protective vest to ride.
- 6) All rough stock must be flanked.

DISQUALIFICATIONS AND "NO SCORE":

- 1) Committing any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If after being advised contestant is next to go, contestant is not above the animal with his glove on when previous animal leaves the arena.
- 3) Any part of the contestant touching the ground.
- 4) Touching animal with free hand.
- 5) If contestant's free hand does not remain free for seconds stated.

ALL ROUGH STOCK RE-RIDE RULES:

- 1) IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTESTANT TO ASK THE JUDGE FOR A RE-RIDE IMMEDIATELY AFTER DISMOUNTING AND BEFORE THE NEXT CONTESTANT RIDES.
- 2) In the opinion of the judges, a rider is fouled at the chute, and the rider declares it immediately.
- 3) If the animal falls a re-ride may be given at the judge 's discretion
- 4) If a flank comes off or breaks, rider may be given a re-ride on the same animal provided rider completes a qualified ride on the animal.
- 5) NO RE-RIDES will be given due to default or breakage of contestant's equipment (borrowed equipment is accepted as contestant's equipment).
- 6) ALL RE-RIDES are at the discretion of the judges.
- 7) On a qualified ride that the judge offers a re-ride, the contestant has the option to take the re-ride or accept the scoring of the first ride.
- 8) For a re-ride, the judge will use any re-ride stock provided if any. If none, contestant will draw from previously drawn stock.

STRAIGHT AWAY BARRELS:

Contestants: 6 & Under Girls and Boys, 8 & Under Girls and Boys

BARRELS:

- 1) The three barrels are configured in a straight line. The first barrel is placed 20 feet from the timer, and subsequent barrels are fifty feet apart. The total pattern is 100 feet.
- 2) Barrels must be painted so as to be easily seen by horses and rider.
- 3) All barrels must be placed INSIDE of stake.

PATTERN:

- 1) Contestants will enter through the back alley and start from behind the starting line. The contestant must weave between the barrels on the way through and back. The contestant may start the pattern with the first barrel to the right or left of the horse. ALL FORWARD MOTION.
- 2) The time starts when contestant crosses starting line and stops when they cross it on the way back after running pattern.

PENALTIES:

A five (5) second penalty for each barrel knocked over. If a contestant knocks over a barrel and it stands up again on its other end, it will be the same as knocking it over.

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO TIME": see "Cloverleaf Barrels"

RE-RUN: See "General Rules"

CLOVERLEAF BARRELS:

Contestants: 6 & Under Girls and Boys, 8 & Under Girls and Boys, 9-13 Jr. Girls, 14-18 High School Girls

BARRELS:

- 1) The barrels may be placed by the management at distances that conform with their arena and arena conditions as decided by Arena Director, but not closer than 15 feet from fence. Location must be permanently marked for the entire rodeo.
- 2) Barrels must be painted so as to be easily seen by horses and rider.
- 3) All barrels must be placed INSIDE of stake.

PATTERN:

- 1) Contestants will enter through the back alley and start from behind the starting line, run around barrel number one, then around barrel number 2, and continue around barrel number 3, finishing by crossing the starting line on the way back. This pattern may be altered by starting with the number 2 barrel, then to number 1. ALL FORWARD MOTION.
- 2) The time starts when contestant crosses starting line and stops when they cross it on the way back after running pattern.
- 3) Barrel 3 should be no closer than 25 feet to the end of the arena, and should be set no more than 15 feet longer than the first and second barrel. If arena size permits, barrels are to be set at a minimum of 60 feet or further apart. In varied arenas it is recommended the pattern be reduced/enlarged proportionately to a standard barrel pattern. This pattern is set at the discretion of the arena director and judges, but must be consistent throughout the rodeo.

PENALTIES:

A five (5) second penalty for each barrel knocked over. If a contestant knocks over a barrel and it stands up again on its other end, it will be the same as knocking it over.

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO TIME":

- 1) Committing any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If contestant crosses starting line during run.
- 3) If Contestant breaks the pattern.
- 4) If contestant does not remain mounted for entire run.
- 5) If Contestant starts their run before entering the double gates in alley way.
- 6) If a parent enters the alleyway during speed events.
EXCEPTION: 1 parent can enter the alleyway with the contestant for 6U & 8U designated events.

RE-RUN: See "General Rules"

POLE BENDING:

Contestants: 6 & Under Girls and Boys, 8 & Under Girls and Boys, 9-13 Jr. Girls, 14-18 High School Girls

POLES:

- 1) The first pole is to be twenty-one (21) feet from the starting line and each of the six (6) poles shall be twenty-one (21) feet apart.
- 2) Poles must be set with a tape or permanently marked rope each time they are used.
- 3) Poles must be painted so as to be easily seen by horse and rider.
- 4) Poles must be mounted on a flexible base.

PATTERN:

- 1) Poles are to be to the side of stake pattern.
- 2) Contestant must enter through the back alleyway and may start either to the right or to the left of the first pole and then run the remainder of the pattern accordingly. ALL FORWARD MOTION.
- 3) If the contestant backs up, it is considered a broken pattern.

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO TIME": see "Cloverleaf Barrels"

PENALTIES: Five (5) second penalty for each pole knocked over.

RE-RUNS: See "General Rules"

GOAT TYING WITHOUT A HORSE:

Contestants: 8 & Under Girls and Boys, 9-13 Jr Girls and Boys, 14-18 High School Girls

- 1) The contestant will run from starting line to goat, throw goat by hand and tie any three (3) feet together with goat string of choice or pigging string, and stand clear of goat.
- 2) Goat must remain tied for at least six (6) seconds.
- 3) There must be one complete wrap around any 3 legs and half hitch, knot or hooley
- 4) Time will start when mounted contestant crosses starting line and will stop when flag judge signals the completion of the tie.
- 5) Goat tyers must step back from goat once tied at least 3 steps

STOCK: (Also see "General Rules")

- 1) Goat shall be staked with rope ten (10) feet in length.
- 2) Goat is to be held at the end of the rope facing the starting line (when flag is dropped).
- 3) Goat is to be changed after every five (5) contestants run.
- 4) If contestant does not show up for run, that goat will be tied.

ARENA:

- 1) Stake is to be driven into ground so that none of it is visible
- 2) Goat is to be staked 45-60 feet from the timer line (start line). This is up to the discretion of the arena director and judges.

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO TIME":

- 1) Contestant commits any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If the goat does not remain tied for six (6) seconds.
- 3) If the goat breaks loose from stake, contestant has the option of a Re-Run at the judge's discretion.
- 4) If the tie is ruled illegal as stated in rule 3 under "Contestants".
- 5) Contestant must step away from the goat before qualifying time starts (6 seconds)
- 6) Once a contestant has signaled their tie complete, he or she may not again touch the tie or the goat. Any attempt to enhance competitive opportunity after signaling for time will result in disqualification.
- 7) If the goat is down when the contestant reaches it, the goat must be stood on at least three feet (goat must be elevated by contestant so that at least three feet must be dangling straight underneath the goat, and goat must be re-thrown)

TIME LIMIT:

- 1) 8 & Under Girls and Boys: Sixty (60) second time limit
- 2) 9-13 Jr Girls and Boys, 14-18 High School Girls: Thirty (30) second time limit

GOAT TYING WITH A HORSE:

Contestants: 8 & Under Girls and Boys, 9-13 Jr Girls and Boys, 14-18 High School Girls

- 1) The contestant must be mounted on a horse and must enter through the back alleyway, ride from starting line to goat, dismount, throw goat by hand and tie any three (3) feet together with goat string of choice or pigging string, and stand clear of goat.
- 2) Goat must remain tied for at least six (6) seconds.
- 3) There must be one complete wrap around any 3 legs and half hitch, knot or hooley
- 4) Time will start when mounted contestant crosses starting line and will stop when flag judge signals the completion of the tie.
- 5) Goat tyers must step back from goat once tied at least 3 steps.

STOCK: (Also see "General Rules")

- 1) Goat shall be staked with rope ten (10) feet in length.
- 2) Goat is to be held at the end of the rope facing the starting line (when flag is dropped).
- 3) Goat is to be changed after every five (5) contestants run.
- 4) If contestant does not show up for run, that goat will be tied.

ARENA:

- 1) Stake is to be driven into ground so that none of it is visible.
- 2) Goat is to be staked 105 feet from the timer line (start line).

PENALTIES:

Contestant will receive a ten (10) second penalty if horse hits the goat and/or the goat rope while contestant is still mounted. Contestant is considered mounted until both feet are on the ground.

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO TIME":

- 1) If Contestant commits any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If the goat does not remain tied for six (6) seconds.
- 3) If the goat breaks loose from stake, contestant has the option of a Re-Run at the judge's discretion.
- 4) Contestant must step away from the goat before qualifying time starts (6 seconds)
- 5) Once a contestant has signaled their tie complete, he or she may not again touch the tie or the goat. Any attempt to enhance competitive opportunity after signaling for time will result in disqualification.
- 6) If Contestant starts their run before entering the double gates in alley way.

TIME LIMIT:

- 1) 8 & Under Girls and Boys: Sixty (60) second time limit
- 2) 9-13 Jr Girls and Boys, 14-18 High School Girls: Thirty (30) second time limit

CHUTE DOGGING:

Contestants: 9-13 Jr Boys, 14-18 High School Boys

- 1) Once score line has been set it will not be changed in that go .
- 2) Score line will be parallel to chute. It will be set at ten (10) feet in front of chute or ten (10) feet in front of straightaway chute . The measurement will be made with chute gate in the closed position .
- 3) The line (barrier) judge will flag the start when the animals' nose crosses the score line .
- 4) Steer belongs to contestant when he calls for it, regardless of what happens, with the following exceptions:
 - a . In any timed event, if animal escapes from the arena, field judge will drop flag and all watches will be stopped. Contestant will receive original animal back with a lap and tap start . Time already accumulated will be added to time used to complete the qualifying run .
 - b . In cases of mechanical failure .
 - c . If in the opinion of the line judge contestant is fouled by chute, contestant shall get his steer back, providing contestant declares himself by pulling up .
- 5) Time shall be taken between two flags .
- 6) This event shall not be conducted with an open catch pen gate at any rodeo .
- 7) All steers shall be turned out in the same direction and the same chute will be used .
- 8) **With steer loaded in chute, dogger gets beside steer with hand and arm in front of shoulder of steer, or behind shoulder if dogger desires, and can wrap under neck . When dogger calls for steer the chute gate will be opened . Dogger must maintain his arm and hand position without impending forward progress of steer . If forward progress is impeded by choking or any other means, dogger will receive a no-time . Should dogger grab horn or ear, a 10- second penalty will be assessed . Steer must cross score line before being thrown or starting to slow the steer's forward progress to start throwing process . If steer is thrown before crossing line, it will result in a disqualification since time has not started . Dogger cannot do anything to start throwing process until time has started in the field .**
- 9) **Chute dogger must allow steer to maintain forward motion to the score line.**
- 10) **Contestant is considered working the steer when the steer leaves the chute.**
- 11) **If steer gets loose, dogger may take no more than one step to catch steer.**
- 12) **After crossing the start line, wrestler must bring it to a stop or change its direction and twist down.**

- 13) **If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown before being brought to a stop or is thrown by wrestler putting animals horns into the ground, it must be let up to all four feet and then thrown.**
- 14) **Steer will be considered thrown down only when it is lying flat on its side, or on its back with all four feet and head straight .**
- 15) **Wrestler must have hand on steer when flagged .**
- 16) **A steer falling in the opposite direction the steer wrestler is attempting to throw him (dog fall) the contestant may choose to turn the steer's head to correspond with the leg position to make this a legal fall.**

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO TIME":

- 1) Contestant commits any offense listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) In order for time to be considered official, barrier flag must operate .
- 3) Timed event judge will not flag contestant out until time is recorded .
- 4) Judge is to flag time, then flag contestant out if run is not legal .
- 5) Contestant will be disqualified for any abusive treatment of steer .
- 6) Contestant will be disqualified if he attempts in any way to tamper with steers or chute .
- 7) Dogger will be disqualified if animal is thrown before start line .
- 8) If steer falls on its own before nose crosses line, steer must be let up and not thrown until steer's nose crosses line .
- 9) There will be a 10 second penalty added if dogger moves right arm to the right horn (throwing position) before start line . This will be referred to as breaking the barrier .

TIME LIMIT: Thirty (30) second time limit

STEER WRESTLING:

Contestants: 14-18 High School Boys

- 1) Steer must be caught from horse.
- 2) If steer gets loose, contestant may take no more than one (1) step to catch steer.
- 3) Contestant must furnish his hazer and horses.
- 4) Hazer may not render assistance to contestant while contestant is working steer.
- 5) Contestant and hazer must use the same horse they leave chute with.
- 6) After catching steer, he must bring it to a stop or change direction & twist _d own.
- 7) If steer is accidentally knocked down/thrown down before being brought to stop, or thrown by putting animal's horns in ground, it must be let up on all feet and thrown down.
- 8) Steer is considered down when it is lying flat on its side, or on its back with all four feet and head straight, going in the same direction.
- 9) Wrestler must have hand on steer when flagged.

STOCK:

- 1) Cattle used for roping and other events will not be used for wrestling.
- 2) All fresh steers must be thrown at least once prior to competition.
- 3) Contestant will not be required to compete on crippled or broken horned steer.
- 4) If contestant jumps at steer, he accepts him as sound.
- 5) See General Rules "Stock".

SCORE: The score may be no longer than the length of the steer wrestling box, minus six (6) feet, unless Arena Director approves other arrangements.

OFFICIALS: Two (2) or more timekeepers; a field judge and a barrier judge.

TIME TAKEN: Between barrier flag and field judge flag.

DISQUALIFICATIONS & "NO TIME":

- 1) If wrestler commits any offense under "all Contestants".
- 2) If hazer renders assistance to contestant while contestant is working steer.
- 3) If the judge rules the catch or throw illegal.

- 4) If wrestler does not have hand on steer when flagged.
- 5) If wrestler fails to throw steer.
- 6) If person pushing steer follows cattle out of chute in the act of tailing.

PENALTY: Ten (10) second penalty for broken barrier.

TIME LIMIT: Thirty (30) second time limit

DUMMY ROPING:

Contestants: 6 & Under Girls and Boys

- 1) **Roper is permitted one (1) rope**
- 2) **Each roper gets 2 opportunities to catch at the first line. (After 2 misses at first line roper is disqualified)**
- 3) **If a roper catches at the first line, each will advance to the second line.**
- 4) **Starting at the second line and beyond, a roper will have one opportunity to catch. If roper catches each will advance to the third line, fourth line, fifth line, etc. This will continue until there is only one roper standing (After one miss at second line and beyond each roper will be disqualified.)**

RIBBON ROPING:

Contestants: 9-13 Jr Girls and Boys, 14-18 High School Girls and Boys

STOCK:

- 1) While calf is in the chute, a length of ribbon about one-half (1/2) inch wide and ten (10) inches or more in length must be fastened with rubber band to tail head of calf's tail.
- 2) See "General rules - Stock".

ROPER:

- 1) Only the roper will pay the entry and receive points.
- 2) It will be up to the roper to secure a mugger/runner, must be a LSHSRA member and a contestant entered in that rodeo.
- 3) CATCH AS CATCH CAN with rope from horse. Rope must hold the calf until ribbon is removed or until roper has his hands on the calf.
- 4) Neck rope MUST be used. See Clarification under "Tie down Roping".
- 5) Roper is permitted one (1) rope and one (1) loop.
- 6) Ropers may not enter 2 separate age groups.

MUGGER/ RUNNER:

- 1) Since no entry fee is paid by mugger, he/she may assist more than once.
- 2) The mugger will be on foot (see Dress Code #5).
- 3) Muggers may choose where they wish to stand in the arena.

PENALTY: Ten (10) second penalty for broken barrier

JR. ROPER: (9-13 Jr Girls and Boys)

- 1) After calf is roped, mugger assists roper by holding calf so roper can safely pull ribbon from calf's tail. Mugger must be touching calf before ribbon is pulled.
- 2) After calf is roped, roper removes ribbon from calf's tail and runs across flag line.
- 3) If roper or mugger sees there is no ribbon on calf's tail, he/she should call Attention to it immediately.
- 4) Roper must hand ribbon to flag judge immediately after running. The failure to hand ribbon to judge will result in a no time.

SR. ROPER: (14-18 High School Girls and Boys)

- 1) After calf is roped, roper must dismount horse and be touching the calf before the ribbon is pulled by the runner.
- 2) Runner removes ribbon and runs across flag line.
- 3) If roper or mugger sees there is no ribbon on calf's tail, he/she should call attention to it immediately.

- 4) Runner must hand ribbon to flag judge immediately after running. The failure to hand ribbon to judge will result in a no time.
OFFICIALS: Two (2) or more timekeepers, One (1) field judge at flag line and One (1) barrier judge.

TIME TAKEN: Between barrier judge and flag judge.

DISQUALIFICATIONS & "NO-TIME":

- 1) If roper or mugger commits an offense under "All Contestants".
- 2) If rope does not hold calf until ribbon is removed or roper has his/her hands-on calf
- 3) If roper throws ribbon on ground or does not hand to judge as stated.
- 4) If roper fails to rope calf
- 5) Any hazing.
- 6) Lost or broken rope
- 7) If person pushing calf follows calf out of chute in the act of tailing.
- 8) If rope goes on calf before neck rope comes off
- 9) INTENTIONAL Dragging or abuse of LIVESTOCK caused by contestant or parent, during or after the run.
 - a) First offense: disqualification
 - b) Second offense: disqualification and LOSS of privilege to enter event at remaining rodeos for the season.

RE-RUN:

- 1) If ribbon is not on calf's tail and roper or mugger states fact immediately.
- 2) Any penalties incurred during original run will be added to re-run time.

PENALTY: A ten (10) second penalty for breaking the barrier.

TIME LIMIT: Forty-five (45) second time limit

BREAKAWAY ROPING:

Contestants: 8 & Under Girls and Boys, 9-13 Jr. Girls and Boys, 14-18 High School Girls and Boys

- 1) Roper is permitted one (1) rope and one (1) loop.
- 2) Loop must go over calf's head. The rope may be drawn tight anywhere on the animal.
EXCEPTION: 14-18 High School Girl and Boys BELL COLLAR CATCH only.
- 3) The rope must be tied at the rope's END by knot with a string provided by LSHSRA to the saddle horn.
- 4) A rag/handkerchief of white or contrasting color to rope must be attached to rope at rope's point of attachment to saddle horn.
- 5) Contestant must stay mounted until calf breaks string.
- 6) Calf must break string.
- 7) Ropers may not enter 2 separate age groups.

OFFICIALS: Two (2) or more timekeepers, One (1) barrier judge and one (1) field judge.

- 1) One (1) flagging judge to flag when strings breaks from the roper's saddle horn and observe catch from his side of calf.
- 2) Field judge must be mounted and, in such position, to be able to judge for legal catch immediately after string break, but far enough down arena not to push calves back.

TIME TAKEN: Between barrier flag and field judge flag.

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO-TIME":

- 1) If roper commits any of the offenses listed under "All Contestants".
- 2) If roper fails to rope calf.
- 3) If roper breaks string with hand.
- 4) Any hazing.
- 5) If contestant is not mounted when calf breaks string.
- 6) Lost or broken rope.
- 7) If rag/handkerchief is not attached as required.

- 8) If person pushing calf follows calf out of chute in act of tailing.
- 9) If rope goes on calf before neck rope comes off.

RE-RUN:

- 1) If re-run is given, any penalties incurred during original run will be added to re-run time.
- 2) If roper does not ask for calf, he/she must stop horse as soon as possible without throwing his rope and re-run will be given. If contestant throws his/her rope, it will forfeit his/her rerun.
- 3) If roper is fouled at barrier and immediately pulls up.

PENALTY: A ten (10) second penalty for breaking the barrier.

TIME LIMIT: Forty-five (45) second time limit

TIE DOWN ROPING:

Contestants: 9-13 Jr Boys, 14-18 High School Boys

- 1) Roper is permitted one (1) rope and one (1) loop.
- 2) CATCH AS CATCH CAN with rope from horse, rope must hold calf until roper has his hands on calf.
- 3) Must adjust rope/rein in a manner to prevent horse from dragging calf in excess of 10ft.
- 4) Contestant cannot receive any outside assistance of any kind.
- 5) Rope must be tied hard and fast.
- 6) After roping calf, roper must dismount, go down rope and throw calf by hand and cross any three (3) legs and tie.
- 7) A legal tie shall consist of one (1) or two (2) wraps and a half hitch.
- 8) If calf is down when roper reaches it, calf must be cleared to the satisfaction of the judge and be thrown by hand. SEE "9" BELOW.
EXCEPTION: 9-13 JR Boys: Roper does NOT have to get the calf up, but a 5 second penalty will be given
- 9) If roper's hand is on calf when calf falls, calf is considered thrown by hand.
- 10) Tie must hold until passed on by judge, and roper must not touch calf after finishing signal has been given, until judge completes examination.
- 11) The Field judge will pass on the tie, timing six (6) seconds from the time the roping horse takes his first step forward after the roper has remounted and put slack in rope, In the event a contestant's rope is off the calf after the completion of tie, the six (6) second time period is to start when roper clears calf.
- 12) Rope will not be removed from calf and rope must maintain slack until field judge has passed tie.
- 13) NECK ROPE is required. If judge notices contestant has no neck rope a disqualification will result.
- 14) Ropers may not enter 2 separate age groups.

OFFICIALS: Two (2) or more timekeepers, One (1) field judge and One (1) barrier judge

STOCK: See General Rules "Stock".

TIME TAKEN: Between Barrier flag and field judge flag.

DISQUALIFICATION & "NO TIME":

- 1) If roper commits any of the offenses listed under "All Contestants "
- 2) If roper fails to rope calf
- 3) Any hazing
- 4) Lost or broken rope
- 5) If person pushing calf follows calf out of chute in the act of tailing.
- 6) If rope goes on calf before barrier neck rope comes off.
- 7) If tie comes lose or calf gets up before the time is ruled fair
- 8) If the tie is ruled illegal
- 9) NO NECK ROPE
- 10) INTENTIONAL Dragging or abuse of LIVESTOCK caused by contestant or parent, during or after the run.
 - c) First offense: disqualification
 - d) Second offense: disqualification and LOSS of privilege to enter event at remaining rodeos for the season.

- 11) Dragging calf in excess of 10ft.
- 12) Roper will be flagged NO time for touching calf, or string or by touching rope after giving finished signal, or by dragging calf after he remounts horse. Judge may request a contestant to cut or remove his rope to prevent injury to the animal if the horse is fouled or tangled in the rope.

RE-RUN:

- 1) If re-run is given, any penalties incurred during original run will be added to re-run time.
- 2) If roper does not ask for calf, he/she must stop horse as soon as possible without throwing his rope and re-run will be given. If contestant throws his rope, it will forfeit his rerun.
- 3) If roper is fouled at barrier and immediately pulls up.

PENALTY: 10 second penalty for broken barrier

TIME LIMIT: Forty-five (45) second time limit

TEAM ROPING:

Contestants: 9-13 Jr Girls and Boys, 14-18 High School Girls & Boys

- 1) Roper is permitted one (1) rope; each team is allowed two (2) loops
- 2) Contestants are not allowed to change catch by rubbing rope over horn or nose by hand to make a bad catch legal.
- 3) Loops may be changed by fishing only.
- 4) Header of the team must come from behind the barrier, arena conditions permitting.
- 5) Contestants may enter twice. Either once as header and once as heeler with same partner or twice on either end BUT must change partners.
- 6) Ropers may not enter 2 separate age groups.
- 7) Animals must be on feet when roped by either end.

DRAW PARTNER

Draw partner must pay entry fee BEFORE run to receive 100% of payout. If draw partner does not pay entry fee before run then draw partner will receive 50% of payout.

LEGAL HEAD CATCHES:

- 1) Around the horns
- 2) Around the neck
- 3) Half a head
- 4) All other head catches are illegal

LEGAL HEEL CATCHES:

- 1) Any heel caught behind both shoulders is legal if rope comes on from around the heels.
- 2) Dew claw catches are legal if rope holds for judge 's inspection.

OFFICIALS: Two (2) or more timekeepers, One (1) field judge and One (1) barrier judge.

TIME TAKEN: Between barrier flag and field judge flag when steer is roped on both ends, in a direct line and horse is on all fours. Horses facing steer in "L" or better, with rope tight dallied or tied.

DISQUALIFICATIONS & "NO TIME":

- 1) If either roper commits any offense listed in "All Contestants".
- 2) If animal is not on its feet when roped by either end.
- 3) Using more than two (2) loops per team.
- 4) Failure to head steer before heeling.
- 5) Unnecessary rough treatment of steers.
- 6) Lost or broken rope.
- 7) If either contestant dismounts during run.
- 8) Front foot/leg in either catch.

- 9) If header fails to catch.
- 10) Cross firing. This consists of roping heels of steer before its direction has changed by one full jump. Header must rope and change the direction of steer before heeler can throw their rope.

PENALTIES: Ten (10) second Penalty for breaking the barrier, five (5) second penalty for catching One (1) heel.

TIME LIMIT: Forty-Five (45) second time limit

DRAW PARTNERS:

- 1) A roper may draw a partner if they do not have one.
- 2) If the Drawn partner already has 2 entered runs the 3rd draw run is for jackpot ONLY.
- 3) Drawn partner MUST pay fees BEFORE your run to be eligible for the jackpot money, if fees are NOT paid before your run, you will NOT be eligible for payout.
- 4) NO POINTS awarded ON a 3rd run.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

We, the undersigned natural person of the age of twenty-one years or more, at least two of whom are citizens of the State of Texas, acting as incorporators of a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

Article I: The name of the corporation is LONE STAR HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION.

Article II: The corporation is a non-profit corporation.

Article III: The period of duration is perpetual.

Article IV: The purposes for which this corporation is formed are:

- 1) The primary purpose is to further and develop the sport of high school rodeo; to serve the governing body for the organized sport of high school rodeo and to broaden the participation in the sport as well as improvements in sanctioned competitions to promote the sport of high school rodeoing by selling, buying, leasing and otherwise dealing in land; to put on and/promote various sporting events and competitions, and to render aid and advise to others who wish to do the same.
- 2) The general purposes and powers are to have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on non-profit corporations under the laws of Texas, or which may hereafter be conferred, including the power to contact, rent, buy or sell personal or real property provided, however, that this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purpose of this corporation. This corporation is organized pursuant to the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act and does not contemplate pecuniary gain of profit to eh members thereof and is organized for non-profit purposes.

Article V: The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is the address of the current CPA on retainer for the association.

CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS A TEXAS NON-PROFIT CORPORATION PURPOSES AND AIMS

- 1) To maintain order and standards set up by the Lone Star High School Rodeo Association among members at their functions.
- 2) To promote youth rodeoing on a statewide scale and work toward this by bringing national recognition to this activity. Contestants must be 18 or under at the 1st of September of the year the rodeo season starts and at the start of the corresponding school year having not earned a diploma
- 3) To promote the highest type of conduct and sportsmanship at the various rodeos by setting standards to be met to reach this end.
- 4) To promote closer relationships among the people interested in this activity and the organization they represent
- 5) Increase and maintain interest of the high school student in the rodeos and other functions of the state
- 6) To encourage boys and girls to continue in school and participate there
- 7) To encourage areas to have high school rodeos and to provide protection for Lone Star High School Rodeos, decide on new members.
- 8) To decide on the location where the LSHSRA Finals Rodeo will be held each year
- 9) The possession of, or consumption of, intoxicating beverages or illegal drugs in the rodeo arena is absolutely forbidden. Violation of this will result in suspension. This is to include contestants and anyone connected with the LSHSRA.

STANDARDS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Standard 1: Membership

Sec. 1: Classes of membership shall be as follows:

- A. 6&U Participation, 6&U Competitive, 8&U, 9-13 (JRs), 14-18 High School (SRs)
- B. Contestant's age is determined as of September 1st of the current rodeo year.

Sec. 2: Dues:

- A. The annual dues of the Contestant Members shall be \$100.00 per member.
- B. Members of LSHSRA must pay their dues to be able to compete for points. New members are accepted at any time, if the new member has competed as a non-member, NO previous rodeos as a non-member will factor into year-end standings for awards or finals qualifications.

Sec. 3: Expulsion:

- A. Members may be expelled by the two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board Directors for cause other than non-payment of dues. Expulsion shall take place only after the member complained against has been given notice of the complaint lodged against him/her and by whom the complaint was filed and has been given a reasonable opportunity for defense.

Sec. 4: Non-members may enter 4 rodeos in a season for an additional fee per rodeo.

- A. No season points will be awarded to non-members

Standard 2: Management

Sec. 1: The Management of the Association shall be vested in an Executive Board of Directors composed of a minimum of four (4) adult members. All members of this Executive Board will be voted on by the current LSHSRA members. This Executive Board will be responsible for the management and operation of the LSHSRA building, arena and grounds.

Sec. 2: This Executive Board has appointed a committee to produce and manage the youth rodeos. This committee shall be comprised by a slate of officers of no definite number. This committee shall have its own slate of officers and directors. This committee shall be referred to as the Lone Star High School Rodeo Committee.

Sec. 3: Term of office for all members of the LSHSRA Committee shall be one (1) or more years.

Sec. 4: The LSHSRA Committee may hold their meetings both regular and special, either within or without the State of Texas with notices as to such time and place as shall be determined from time to time by the LSHSRA Committee. Any Director being absent from three (3) meetings in a row may, upon action by the LSHSRA committee, warrant dismissal from the committee.

Sec. 5: Special meetings of the LSHSRA committee may be called by the President of the LSHSRA committee at any time upon five (5) day notice to each Director of the LSHSRA committee or upon the written request of one third (1/3) of the LSHSRA Committee Directors to the President of the LSHSRA Committee.

Sec. 6: It will be the policy for each LSHSRA Committee director to check in with the rodeo secretary each night that he/she is present at that rodeo. The secretary will then have a list of officials to call upon in the event a problem arises.

Sec. 7: If a contestant feels he/she has a legitimate complaint, he/she will be required to put up a PROTEST FEE of \$250 .00 with the LSHSRA Committee members present. The LSHSRA Committee members present will then meet and rule on the complaint. If the complaint is ruled valid, the protest fee will be refunded. If the complaint is ruled invalid, the protest fee will be put into the LSHSRA Committee General Fund and regarded as a donation. The protest must be received in writing to the rodeo secretary no later than 24 hours upon completion of the rodeo the protest is in reference to. Once the written protest and fee are received the board has 10 days to meet and rule on the protest.

Standard 3: LSHSRA Committee

Sec. 1: Election: The LSHSRA Committee Board members will be elected at the first meeting of the LSHSRA Committee Board of Directors. The LSHSRA Committee Executive Board will be composed of four (4) members consisting of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Sec. 2: The LSHSRA Committee Board of Directors may appoint such other officers and agents to serve on the Executive Board as shall be deemed necessary, who shall be appointed for such terms, shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3: Term of Office: Members of the LSHSRA Committee Executive Board will serve a term of one or more years.

Sec. 4: Removal of Officers: Each office of the LSHSRA Committee shall hold office until his successor is chosen and qualified or until his death or until his resignation or removal from office. An officer or agent, elected or appointed, may be removed at any time by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the board of Directors.

Sec. 5: President: The President shall be chief executive officer of the LSHSRA Committee. He shall preside at all meetings and have general and active management of the business affairs of the LSHSRA Committee; shall see that all orders and resolutions of the LSHSRA Committee are carried into effect and shall perform such other duties as the LSHSRA Committee may prescribe.

Sec. 6: Vice-President: Each Vice-President shall have such powers and perform such duties as the LSHSRA Committee may from time to time delegate to him/her. The Vice-President shall preside at legally called meetings of the LSHSRA Committee in the absence of the President.

Sec 7: LSHSRA Committee Secretary: The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the LSHSRA Committee and all general membership meetings and record all votes and the minutes of all proceedings in a book to be kept for that purpose. He/she shall give, or cause notice to be given of all Board meetings; and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the LSHSRA Committee Board of Directors.

Sec. 8: LSHSRA Committee Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have custody of the Committee funds and shall keep full and accurate account of receipts and disbursements of the committee and shall deposit all money and other valuable affects in the name and to the credit of the committee and in such depositories as may be designated by the LSHSRA Committee Board. He/she shall disburse the funds of the committee as may be ordered by the LSHSRA Committee Board, at the regular meetings of the LSHSRA Committee Board or whenever they may require it, an account of all his/her transactions as Treasurer and to financial conditions of the corporation and shall perform such other duties as the LSHSRA Committee Executive Board may prescribe. The LSHSRA Committee may bond its Treasurer in such sum and with such surety or sureties as shall be satisfactory to the LSHSRA Committee for the faithful performance of the duties of his/her office and for the restoration to the committee in case of his/her death, resignation or retirement or removal from office, of all books, papers, vouchers, money, and other property belonging to the LSHSRA Committee, if so required by the LSHSRA Committee Board of Directors.

Standard 4: Meetings of General Membership

Sec. 1: Meeting Location: All meetings of the membership may be held at such time and place within or without the State of Texas, as stated in the notices of the meeting or in a duly executed Waiver of Notice.

Sec. 2: Special Meeting: Special meeting of the membership may be called at any time upon request of the LSHSRA Committee President, two thirds (2/3) of the LSHSRA Committee General Directors or written request signed by at least fifty (50) association members in good + standing.

Sec. 3: Notices: Written notices of all meetings of the membership stating the time and place of the meeting shall be mailed to each member entitled to vote.

Sec. 4: Quorum: Fifty (50) or more members in good standing shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business for annual meeting or special meeting.

Sec. 5: Voting: Each association member as herein defined shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the membership of this association.

When a quorum is present at any legally called meeting, the vote of the majority of the members present in person shall decide any question brought before such meeting (unless a special called meeting, at which time a quorum of fifty is required and a majority of these fifty shall decide the question). The membership present at a duly authorized meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough members to leave less than a quorum. All classes of individuals' membership in good standing and present may vote.

Standard 5: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on January 1st and end on December 31st of each year.

Standard 6: Bank Accounts

All checks and demands for money and cost of the Corporation and or the LSHSRA Committee shall be signed by such officer or officers or such other person or persons as the board of Directors may from time to time designate.

Standard 7: Committees

The Executive Board of Directors may designate one or more committees of the Board. Each of the Committees shall consist of two or more Directors. Such committee or committees shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors, in such resolution by the Board of Directors.

Standard 8: Rodeo Secretary

The LSHSRA Committee Board of Directors shall elect a person to be called Rodeo Secretary. It shall be the duties of the rodeo secretary to send and receive all rodeo entries. He/she shall collect all entry fees and make all contestant pay backs. He/she shall send a detailed report of the rodeo to the Treasurer, LSHSRA Committee President and Secretary. He/she shall be present at all performances of each rodeo and be in charge of all official rodeo books.

Standard 9: Indemnity

The Corporation shall have the power to indemnify any Director or Officers of the corporation for the expenses and cost (including attorney's fees) actual and necessarily incurred by him, in connection with any claim asserted against, by action in court or otherwise by reason of his being or having been such Officer or Director, except in relation to matters as to which he shall have been guilty of misconduct or negligent in respect of the matter in which indemnity is sought.

Standard 10: Amendments

These By Laws and Standards may be amended or repealed by two thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors or a majority vote of the voting members present at any annual or special meeting of the Association duly called and regularly held, 30 day notice of such proposed changes having been presented in writing to the Executive Board of Directors presiding over such meet.