

Utah Youth Rodeo Association

Rules & Bylaws

2023-2024

UTAH YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT

The Utah Youth Rodeo Association is an organization comprised of boys and girls from around the state of Utah ranging in age up to 14 years or ninth grade.

The purpose of this association is to provide western youth with athletic opportunities in the American sport of Rodeo as they compete monthly in standard rodeo events. This youth organization has been successful for several years in helping to keep youth active and involved in a good cause.

The rules and bylaws have been patterned after the Utah High School Rodeo Association. Because of the diversified age groups in the Utah Youth Organization, rules have been adjusted to best fit the needs and interest of youth in each age group.

This is a non-profit organization which relies heavily on parent and board member volunteers whenever possible. The Association uses contestant registration fees and a great deal of sponsorship help to provide year end awards and prizes to several youth and to make a fair and smooth running event for families to enjoy each month.

UTAH YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION RODEO SCHEDULE

RODEO DATES

September 12, 2023, October 10, 2023, November 21, 2023, March 19, 2024, April 9, 2024, April 30, 2024, May 7, 2024, May 21, 2024, July 9, 2024, Finals July 30, 2024.

FINALS RODEO IS ONLY FOR QUALIFIED CONTESTANTS, (TOP 10 CONTESTANTS AND BY INVITATION ONLY! NO ALTERNATES WILL BE TAKEN.)

Entry Information

Entries MUST be **received and paid for 1 Tuesdays before** the rodeo or late fees will apply. Entries received after the Tuesday prior to the rodeo will be rejected. UYRA has moved to online entry only. Website for online entries is www.uyraentries.com.

Sponsorship money is due by the November Rodeo. Contestants will NOT be placed in the November draw if the contestants sponsorship money is not received prior to or included with the entry.

UTAH YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION RULE BOOK

WEBSITE FOR ENTRIES: WWW.UYRAENTRIES.COM

UTAH YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS\DUTIES

President Duties: Transact the general business of the association governing the affairs of the association and devise mature measures for the association growth and development. Have the power to fill vacancies on the board in the event a board member or committee head misses two consecutive meetings. Oversee rough stock, roping and sponsorship committees.

Vice President Duties: Monitor the association to ensure all rules are followed and proper business and finance procedures are conducted. Coordinator of all rodeos. Insure proper care of materials and equipment. Arrange monthly meetings and meeting places. Oversee timed events and timer committees.

Rodeo Manager Duties: Responsible for new member registrations and preserving lien release forms. Take monthly Rodeo entries and distribute monthly payback checks to contestants. Prepare monthly signup sheets, judge's sheets, and programs. Oversee collection of sponsorships. Do Monthly draws for all events. Assist secretaries as needed.

Arena Directors Duties: Oversee arena during rodeo. Supervise contestant and event order. Stock contractors will abide by arena directors decision. Unsatisfactory animals shall be eliminated from competition if arena director determines unfit. Meet with judges and timers before rodeo and discuss their respective events and judging procedures. Supervise volunteer help, make sure that the assigned help is there and that they know their job. **Will be final decision over all arena matters.**

Rodeo Secretary Duties: Responsible for setting up all timers, oversee rough stock buzzer, and assisting at the secretary desk. Assist other secretaries as needed.

Association Secretary Duties: Oversee all deposited funds and accounts payable. Maintain petty cash box, assist in the distribution of monthly payback checks to contestants. Receive monthly sign up calls. Calculate and preserve total-point accumulations. Responsible for accounts receivable and monthly deposits, preserving all documents and filing necessary tax forms. Invoice contestants monthly. Assist other secretaries as needed.

Office Secretaries Duties: Prepare meeting agendas and take official minutes. Responsible for notifying association members of all meetings, changes in scheduling and all other necessary business concerning the association. Will be responsible for coordinating the fundraisers. Assist other secretaries as needed.

*Board member positions are for a two-year term. The board will accept nominations from association members two months prior to elections and members of the association will vote for nominated candidates one month prior to the finals. Winners will be announced at the finals rodeo.

**Board member position is not to exceed the two-year term unless the position is not challenged.

***The Utah Youth Rodeo is also a good place for any students needing to work off community service hours to volunteer and

help out!

UTAH YOUTH ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

1. Member must be 14 years of age or younger as of September 1st, or be attending the 9th grade. Birth certificates may be required at sign ups.
2. Each member is required to have a Parental Consent and Release Form signed by a Parent or Legal Guardian
3. The UYRA Association will have an open membership. Membership fees will be determined yearly.
For the current year fees are as follows:
5 and under events only require a \$75.00 membership fee and a \$120.00 sponsor fee. All other events require a \$75.00 membership fee and a \$120.00 sponsor fee.
4. Any returned checks will result in a **\$25.00 plus the bank fee**. In addition to fee, all rodeo registration privileges will be held until all fees are brought current. **After the second returned check all Rodeo fees shall be paid in cash only, for the remainder of the season!**
5. Member shall conduct himself in a good sportsmanship manner at all times. ****Mistreatment of rodeo stock or contestants horses will result in disqualification from rodeo. Second offense will result in rejection from the membership year.**
6. Association dress code is as follows: A cowboy hat or riding helmet must be worn while competing. Long sleeve western shirt with collar and cuff, western boots and western trousers must be worn. No heel down tennis shoes will be allowed. A full length zipped or button jacket may be worn in inclement weather at the Arena Director discretion and only if announced. Violation of this dress code will result in disqualification by Arena Judges or Arena Director. **Dress Code does not apply to Rodeo helpers!**
7. Contestants must be registered and paid for 2 Tuesdays prior to the rodeo date. Late Fees will be assessed on any entry postmarked after the due date. Any entry received after the Tuesday prior to the rodeo will be rejected. Unless Association is notified 24 hours in advance, a no show fee of \$5.00 **per event** will be charged.
NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.
NO EXCEPTIONS. Contestants will not be allowed to compete until all no show fees are brought current. **Sponsorships will be due on or before November rodeo.** If sponsorship is not received, you will not be eligible to participate in the November rodeo. If you have a saddle sponsor that needs to wait until the next year please contact a board member to be approved for an extension.
8. Any disagreements or concerns regarding timings, judged calls, fees, etc., will be brought by the **CONTESTANT** to the Grievance Committee and be accompanied by a \$25.00 fee for review **before completion of the event following the grieved event.** The Grievance will be documented and settled by the committee and the contestant at the completion of the rodeo in which the grievance was filed. Upon which time if grievance is awarded, \$25.00 will be refunded. If grievance is denied \$25.00 will not be refunded. **Parents may attend the review but may not participate.** Grievance Committee will consist of at least two of the following individuals, Arena Director, Event Judge, Vice President or President.
9. There will be NO Tolerance for any drug or alcohol use by any contestant, helper or family member while on the rodeo premises. If contestant, helper or family member is found under the influence of any drugs or alcohol the contestant whose association with said person will be immediately disqualified from all events of the current rodeo and will be referred to the rodeo board for further action
10. No person shall be allowed in the arena during a rodeo performance unless entered in an event or as an assistant. The board members, stock contractor and official judge shall enforce this rule.
11. It will be the contestant or contestant's parent responsibility to notify arena directors and time event director if there is an arena conflict. Main rough stock arena takes priority. You must notify the arena director and/or arena judge if you have a conflict prior to the event starting. If notification is not received, contestant will be turned out. Team roping, breakaway, ribbon roping and tie down roping will be rolled to the bottom of the event if there is a conflict. Barrel Racing and Pole bending will hold until contestant is able to compete due to the draw position.
12. Birth Certificates may be required and kept on file.
13. Each family that has a contestant participating in the UYRA must volunteer for at least one of the volunteer positions for an event and will perform this duty for the entire rodeo season, some may need to volunteer for more than one. These position will be filled on a first come first serve basis, if you do not sign up for a position you will have one assigned to you. Volunteers are required to check in with the Arena Directors before their assigned event starts and sign the check in sheet. If the volunteer does not show up and or perform their assigned position they will be assessed a \$50.00 fine that must be paid in full before entries of the next rodeo or there contestant will not be allowed to enter. If you are unable to attend a rodeo you must find a replacement for your position and notify the arena director.
14. Vet/Medical Release – If the contestant will not be able to compete at a rodeo due to medical condition or for an animal sickness or injury. The rodeo secretary must be notified at least 24 hours prior to the beginning of the rodeo in order to receive a refund. Any notice given that is less than 24 hours will result in a forfeit of funds. The contestant must supply a

vet release from a licensed veterinarian or a medical release from a licensed doctor in order to get a refund.

15. **If a situation arises and is not addresses in the UYRA rule book, it will be resolved out if the current National High School Rodeo Association rule book.**

AWARDS AND POINTS SYSTEM

1. This accumulative point system will be the only one allowed to qualify for the Association Finals.
2. The maximum number of points earned per event at each rodeo will be 10 points. Points will be given for the top 10 in each event; 10 points given for 1st place, 9 points for 2nd place, etc. The team-roping event will be considered two events, heading and heeling. 10 points each will be given in the respective events and points earned will carry to the all around. Contestants must switch ends so that they head once and heel once if roping twice.
3. Each age group will have an All-Around Cowboy and All-Around Cowgirl. The highest accumulative points throughout the year, including the Finals, will earn the All-Around Awards. Eligibility for All-round Awards requires participation in two or more events per rodeo.

All around events per Age Group

Pee Wee 5 and Under

Goat Ribbon Pull (On Foot)
Stick Horse Barrel Racing (On Foot)
Dummy Roping (On Foot)
Mutton Bustin

6-8 Age Group

Barrel Racing
Pole Bending
Girls Goat Tying (On Foot)
Boys Goat Tying (On Foot)
6-8 Dummy Roping
6-8 Calf Riding
Team Roping

9-11 Age Group

9-11 Girls Barrel Racing
9-11 Girls Pole Bending
9-11 Girls Goat Tying (On Horse)
9-11 Co-ed Breakaway Roping
9-11 Boys Steer Riding
9-11 Bareback Riding
9-11 Saddle Bronc Riding
9-11 Boys Goat Tying (On Horse)
Team Roping
Ribbon Roping

12-14 Age Group

12-14 Girls Barrel Racing
12-14 Girls Pole Bending
12-14 Girls Goat Tying (On Horse)
12-14 Girls Breakaway Roping
12-14 Boys Breakaway Roping
12-14 Boys Tie Down Roping
12-14 Boys Saddle Bronc Riding
12-14 Boys Bareback Riding
12-14 Boys Mini Bull Riding
12-14 Boys Chute Dogging
Team Roping
Ribbon Roping

4. During regular season rodeo's, each event will pay back the number of places based on paid entries, according to a percentage payback system determined by the Association Board. Payback checks will be distributed at the following rodeo with the exception of the Finals Rodeo where checks will be distributed that night. If any checks are left unclaimed after Finals Rodeo, they will be at the next rodeo. Ground money will go back into the Association funds to go towards year-end prizes. **ANY CHECKS NOT CASHED AFTER 3 MONTHS WILL BE VOIDED AND WILL NOT BE REISSUED.**
5. The following payback schedule will apply for all rodeos:
 - a. 10 Contestants: 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners will be paid.
 - b. 6-9 Contestants: 1st and 2nd place winners will be paid.
 - c. 1-5 Contestants: 1st place winner will be paid
 - d. The Association Finals Rodeo will be counted and conducted as a regular season rodeo with points being earned and paybacks being given. However, special invitation to the top ten finalists of each event will be taken instead of regular sign-ups. You also need to sign up for the finals rodeo. No Alternates will be taken if the top ten contestants do not enter.
6. Prizes will be given at the Association Awards Ceremony contingent upon Association Funds and Sponsorships. If contestant does not attend the awards ceremony, they must have a representative to pick up their award. Awards will not be mailed out.
7. If an event contains less than ten (10) contestants for five (5) months during the rodeo season, the following Year-End Award schedule will apply:
 - a. 10 Contestants 1st, 2nd and 3rd place buckles will be awarded.
 - b. 6-9 contestants: 1st and 2nd place buckles will be awarded.
 - c. 1-5 Contestants: 1st place buckle will be awarded.
If award are given past buckle placing and there are not enough qualifying contestants in an event 5th place prize will move up to 2nd place and so on. (Excludes 5th and under events).
8. If two or more contestants end up in a tie for All Around or placings in event, the tie will be decided as follows and one award will be given: The contestant who has participated in the highest number of rodeos will win the tie. If that does not break the tie then it will be awarded to the person who has the most first place wins. If the tie is still not broke then the number of second place wins will determine it, third place wins, or fourth place wins etc. Until the tie is broken. The person who loses the tie will be bumped down a place.

EVENT RULES

BARREL RACING

1. Age groups are as follows:
 - 6-8 (Boys and Girls) ---MUST TROT OR LOPE
 - 9-11 (Girls Only)
 - 12-14 (Girls Only)
2. Two Gate calls will be made. After a third call, contestant will forfeit his/her run. No refunds will be given. ***Rough stock arena will take precedence.**
3. Clover Leaf Pattern will be set according to arena size.
4. Knocking over of barrels will result in a 5 second penalty per barrel.
5. Not following the clover leaf barrel pattern will result in a no time. Contestants in the 9-11 and 12-14 age group who break the pattern will be asked to exit the arena immediately. Contestants in the 6-8 age group will be allowed to fix the pattern (60 Seconds or less) at the judge's discretion but will still receive a no time.
6. If a horse re-crosses the starting line (laser timing light) at any time before the pattern is completed, the pattern will be considered broken and run will receive a no time.
7. The gate will be closed upon contestant entering the arena and will remain closed until the contestant's run is completed.
8. When the electric eye fails to work for one or more contestants, the manual backup time will be used for those electronically missed. The electronic eye control times will remain unaltered.
9. No re-runs will be allowed due to contestant's faulty equipment.
10. No parents or assistants will be allowed beyond the starting line. A no time is given for this violation.
11. There will be an arena rake after every 10 runs on the ground. EXCEPTION: 6-8 age group, arena will be raked one time half way through the barrel racers unless deemed unsafe by the arena director and/ or arena judge. (Example: if there are 30 racers, rake after 15.)
12. If contestant loses his/her hat in the arena, it will be the parent's or contestant's responsibility to retrieve it from the arena help. If the contestant loses their hat before entering the arena, it will result in a disqualification.

POLE BENDING

1. Age groups are as follows:
 - 6-8 (Boys and Girls) ---MUST TROT OR LOPE

- 9-11 (Girls Only)
- 12-14 (Girls Only)
- 2. Two Gate calls will be made. After a third call, contestant will forfeit his/her run. No refunds will be given. ***Rough stock arena will take precedence.**
- 3. Pole bending pattern will be run around six poles. Poles shall be set on the ground in a straight line 21 feet apart and 21 feet from the timing lights.
- 4. Knocking over of poles will result in a 5 second penalty per pole.
- 5. Not following the pole bending pattern will result in a no time. Contestants in the 9-11 and 12-14 age group who break the pattern will be asked to exit the arena immediately. Contestants in the 6-8 age group will be allowed to fix the pattern (60 seconds or less) at the judge's discretion but will still receive a no time.
- 6. If a horse re-crosses the starting line (laser timing light) at any time before the pattern is completed, the pattern will be considered broken and run will receive a no time.
- 7. The gate will be closed upon contestant entering the arena and will remain closed until the contestant's run is completed.
- 8. When the electric eye fails to work for one or more contestants, the manual backup time will be used for those electronically missed. The electronic eye control times will remain unaltered.
- 9. No re-runs will be allowed due to contestant's faulty equipment.
- 10. No parents or assistants will be allowed beyond the starting line. A no time is given for this violation.
- 11. There will be an arena rake after every 10 runs on the ground. EXCEPTION: 6-8 age group, arena will be raked one time half way through the barrel racers unless deemed unsafe by the arena director and/ or arena judge. (Example: if there are 30 racers, rake after 15.)
- 12. If contestant loses his/her hat in the arena, it will be the parent's or contestant's responsibility to retrieve it from the arena help. If the contestant loses their hat before entering the arena, it will result in a disqualification.

6-8 DUMMY ROPING

- 1. 6-8 age group
- 2. The roping line will be placed 8 feet from the head of the dummy. The event starting line will be placed 25 feet from the roping line.
- 3. The time will begin when the roper steps over the starting line behind the dummy. The rope must remain below the waist and roper cannot swing their loop before crossing the starting line. Swinging the rope before crossing the starting line will result in a 10 second penalty. The time will end after they have thrown a legal head catch and pulled it tight. There is a 30 second time limit. **Rope must be thrown not placed on the dummy.**
- 4. There will be a 10 second penalty for stepping over the roping line.
- 5. The contestants will be allowed only one loop.

GOAT TYING

PER THE OFFICAL JUDGES SHEET 5 RUNS WILL BE MADE ON THE GOAT BEFORE THE GOAT IS CHANGED OUT. THIS DOES NOT ALWAYS MATCH THE PROGRAM, AS CHANGES ARE MADE TO THE JUDGE'S SHEETS.

- 1. Age groups are as follows:
 - Girls Goat Tying 6-8 (On Foot)
 - Girls Goat Tying 9-11 (On Horse)
 - Girls Goat Tying 12-14 (On Horse)
 - Boys Goat Tying 6-8 (On Foot)
 - Boys Goat Tying 9-11 (On Horse)
- 2. Goat will be staked to the ground on a ten foot line.
- 3. If goat is down when the contestant reaches it, it must be stood on at least three feet before throwing down. Legs must remain crossed and tied for 6 seconds after completion of the tie.
- 4. A 30 second time limit will apply for 9-11 and 12-14. A one minute limit for 6-8 age groups.
- 5. 9-11 and 12-14 age groups: if the contestant runs over the goat, and/or rope with horse while contestant is mounted, or if the contestant's horse crosses over the goat or rope at any time, a 10 second penalty will be assessed to contestant's time. A contestant is still mounted until both feet are on the ground.
- 6. All decisions will be made and finalized by the arena judge and/or arena director or representative.
- 7. If goat breaks loose contestant will be granted a re-run on the same goat/calf drawn but placed at judge's discretion.
- 8. Two gate calls will be made. If contestant is participating in other arena, he/she may be rolled at judge's discretion only if contestant or helper has declared to judges and arena director of conflict. If contestant is not participating in other arena, upon third gate call contestant will forfeit his/her run. No refunds will be given. ****Rough Stock Arena will take precedence except during roping events!**

BREAKAWAY ROPING

- 1. Age Groups are as follows:
 - Co-ed Breakaway 9-11

Girls Breakaway 12-14

Boys Breakaway 12-14

2. One contestant at a time will be allowed in the arena.
3. The flagger will drop the flag to signal the time to start when the animal's nose clears the flagger. (length determined by arena size.) The calf cannot be roped until after the nose clears the flagger or a 10 second penalty will be assessed.
4. Arena conditions will determine score. Length of score to be set by arena director.
5. An automatic barrier will be used for the 12-14 age groups.
 - a. The barrier will not be considered broken unless ring drops within ten feet of the post.
 - b. Should the barrier break at any point other than designated breaking point, the decision is up to the barrier judge. If contestant obviously beats the barrier, but the staples are pulled or barrier rope is broken and string unbroken, barrier judge may assess a ten second penalty. Otherwise, this will not be considered a broken barrier.
 - c. If barrier equipment hangs on an animal and the contestant tries the animal, he/she accepts the animal. If contestant pulls up, he/she will receive the same animal back.
 - d. There will be a 10 second penalty assessed for breaking the barrier.
6. Horse must clear box before breakaway loop is thrown.
7. Roper must also start his/her run at the back of the box.
8. Only one loop will be allowed.
9. Rope must go over the nose and both ears.
10. A 30 second time limit will apply.
11. Breakaway string will be supplied by the association and will be used by each contestant. Rope must be tied to the horn with a nylon string and may not be run through the bridle, tie down, neck rope or any other device.
12. The roping box shall be considered part of the arena.
13. A knot must be at the end of the rope with the string tied at the knot. There will be no tail. A flag that is at least 2 inches wide and 10 inches long and is visible to the flagger and/or judge must be attached at the end of the rope.
14. All decisions will be made and finalized by the arena judge.

TEAM ROPING

1. This event will be an open event.
2. One team (one header and one heeler) at a time will be allowed in the arena.
3. Arena conditions will determine score. Length of score to be set by arena director.
4. An Automatic barrier will be used.
 - a. The barrier will not be considered broken unless ring drops within ten feet of the post.
 - b. Should the barrier break at any point other than designated breaking point, the decision is up to the barrier judge. If contestant obviously beats the barrier, but the staples are pulled or barrier rope is broken and string unbroken, barrier judge may assess a ten second penalty. Otherwise, this will not be considered a broken barrier.
 - c. If barrier equipment hangs on an animal and the contestant tries the animal, he/she accepts the animal. If contestant pulls up, he/she will receive the same animal back.
 - d. There will be a 10 second penalty assessed for breaking the barrier.
5. Horse must clear the box before a loop is thrown.
6. Time will be taken when steer is roped, both horses facing steer in line with ropes dallied and tight, horse's front feet must be on the ground. Judge will flag at his discretion.
7. Each contestant will be allowed to carry only one rope. Each team is allowed two throws in all.
8. Roper must dally to stop steer, which means one complete turn around the horn. No Tied rope allowed.
9. Steer must be standing up when roped by head or heels.
10. There will be three legal head catches. Both horns, half a head, or around the neck.
11. If hondo passes over one horn, the loop over the other, the catch is illegal.
12. One hind foot will result in a 5 second penalty.
13. The roping box will be considered part of the arena.
14. No re-runs will be given due to contestant's faulty equipment.
15. A one minute time limit will apply.
16. Contestants may enter twice but must switch ends heading one time and heeling one time.
17. Contestant must have own partner to enter this event. The association will not draw a partner for you.
18. If animal escapes from the arena, the judge will drop the flag and all watches will be stopped. Contestants will receive original animal back with a lap and tap start. If the header has already caught, the loop will be placed around the animals horns with no dally. All previous penalties will apply.
19. All decisions will be made and are finalized by the arena judge.
20. If a team has signed up to rope and one team member is a no show or vet/medical released, the other team member may receive a draw partner to rope with. The draw partner will be "jackpot only". No points will be earned for the draw partner. IT will not affect drawn partners original run.

21. At the finals if your partner is at a different place in the standing, you will compete with your partner as long as they qualified for the finals. If your partner did not qualify for the finals you will compete with the next person in that standing that qualified for the finals and there partner did not qualify.

RIBBON ROPING

1. Age 9-14
2. Rules will apply as per Jr. High School Rodeo Rule Book.
3. There will be a 30 second time limit.
4. This is a mixed event, one boy and one girl or both girls.
5. Contestants may only enter each rodeo once.
6. A neck rope must be used. Contestants must adjust rope and reins in a manner that will prevent the horse from dragging the calf.
7. Catch as catch can. Any catch that holds the calf is legal.
8. Rope must be tied on.
9. Runner can stand anywhere they choose in the arena.
10. Roper must rope calf, dismount and **BE in contact** with calf when the runner removes the ribbon or team will receive a no time. Calf does not need to be flanked.
11. Runner must cross finish line to get time.
12. Flag Judge will flag time when runner crosses finish line with ribbon in hand and gives to judge or team will receive a no time.
13. Ribbon –flagging tape shall be approximately 1 inch in width and 12 inches long.
14. The ribbon itself must be fastened to the top of the tail with a rubber band.
15. The runner removes the ribbon and runs across the finish line in either direction for time.
16. Runner must remove the ribbon.
17. Rope must hold calf until roper touches the calf.
18. There will be a 10 second penalty for breaking the barrier.
19. If animal escapes from the arena, the judge will drop the flag and all watches will be stopped. Contestants will receive original animal back with a lap and tap start. If the header has already caught, the loop will be placed around the animal's neck. All previous penalties will apply.
20. All decisions will be made and are finalized by the arena judge.
21. If a team has signed up to rope and one team member is a no show or vet/medical released, the other team member may receive a draw partner to rope with. The draw partner will be "jackpot only". No points will be earned for the draw partner. IT will not affect drawn partners original run.
22. Contestant must have own partner to enter this event. The association will not draw a partner for you.
23. ****Any outside help given before run is flagged will result in a disqualification.
24. At the finals if your partner is at a different place in the standing you will compete with your partner as long as they qualified for the finals. If your partner did not qualify for the finals you will compete with the next person in that standing that qualified for the finals and there partner did not qualify.

TIE DOWN ROPING

1. Age 12-14
2. One contestant at a time will be allowed in the arena.
3. The roping box is considered part of the arena.
4. Arena conditions will determine score. Length of score to be set by arena director.
5. An Automatic barrier will be used.
 - a. The barrier will not be considered broken unless ring drops within ten feet of the post.
 - b. Should the barrier break at any point other than designated breaking point, the decision is up to the barrier judge. If contestant obviously beats the barrier, but the staples are pulled or barrier rope is broken and string unbroken, barrier judge may assess a ten second penalty. Otherwise, this will not be considered a broken barrier.
 - c. If barrier equipment hangs on an animal and the contestant tries the animal, he/she accepts the animal. If contestant pulls up, he/she will receive the same animal back.
 - d. There will be a 10 second penalty assessed for breaking the barrier.
6. Horse must clear the box before a loop is thrown.
7. Contestants will only be allowed one loop. EXCEPTION: At the finals two loops will be allowed if two loops are carried. No loops are to be rebuilt.
8. The calf must be tied by any 3 legs.
9. Calf must stay tied for 6 seconds. Time will start after the roper remounts and the horse is ridden forward and there is slack in the rope.
10. Event is catch as catch can.
11. A 60 second time limit will apply.
12. All decisions will be made and are finalized by the arena judge.

13. If animal escapes from the arena, the judge will drop the flag and all watches will be stopped. Contestants will receive original animal back with a lap and tap start. All previous penalties will apply.

CHUTE DOGGIN

1. Age group 12-14.
2. Bucking chute shall be part of the arena during dogging events.
3. There will be a 30 second time limit.
4. A left delivery chute must be used and all chute dogging runs must be from the same chute.
5. With steers loaded in bucking chute, dogger gets beside the steer, right hand in front of or behind right front shoulder. When dogger calls for the steer the chute gate will be opened. Dogger must keep right hand in front of or behind shoulder until the steer's nose crosses the score line. If dogger moves into throwing position or touches either horn before steer's nose crosses score line there will be a ten (10) second penalty added to time. If steer is thrown before crossing the score line the dogger will be disqualified.
6. There will be a designated helper assigned by the Arena Director. The helper cannot pass the plane of the chute gate.
7. Contestant is considered working the steer when the steer leaves the chute.
8. If the steer gets loose, dogger may take no more than one step to catch steer
9. After crossing the start line, wrestler must bring it to a stop or change its direction and twist it down
10. If steer is accidentally knocked down or thrown before being brought to a stop or is thrown by wrestler putting animal's horns into the ground, it must be let up to all four feet and then re-thrown.
11. Steers 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.
12. Wrestler must have one hand on steer when flagged.
13. Contestant is required to turn steer's head so that he can get up.
14. 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.
15. Dogger will be disqualified if animal is thrown before the start line.
16. If steer falls on its own before nose crosses line, steer must be let up and not thrown until steer's nose crosses line.
17. 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.
18. Contestant will be disqualified for any abusive treatment of steer.
19. Score line will be parallel to bucking chute. It will be set at ten (10) feet in front of the bucking chute. The measurement will be made with chute gate in the closed position.
20. The line (barrier) judge will flag the start when the animal's nose crosses the score line. The Arena Judge will flag the end of time when the steer is thrown.

ROUGH STOCK EVENTS

MUTTON BUSTIN'

1. Contestants must be 5 years of age or younger AND must weigh 55 lbs. or less as of current year registration and/or first rodeo.
2. Each contestant must wear a protective helmet and vest.
3. Each contestant is allowed only ONE adult assistant behind the chutes. Contestants breaking this rule will be disqualified
4. The scoring will be 1-25 points for the animals and 1-25 points for the contestant per judge.
5. Contestant must ride 6 seconds to be given a score.
6. Contestants may ride either one or two handed, but the contestant had to finish his/her ride how they started it.
7. Contestants will ride the animal facing forward in a vertical manner and must use a rope.
8. The judges stop watch reading shall be used as a means of verification when the length of the ride is in question. The judge will stop his watch when, in his opinion, the contestant has been disqualified for any reason. IN the instance the buzzer blows before the 6 second time limit, the judge must go with the horn.
9. All re-rides will be determined by the arena judge. Only contestants may ask for re-rides. Contestants must do so before leaving the arena.
10. All decisions will be made and are finalized by the arena judge.

BAREBACK RIDING

1. Age groups are as follows:
 - 9-11 Boys only
 - 12-14 Boys only
2. A one-handed or two-handed ride is optional for the 9-11 bareback riders. However they must finish the ride how they started it.
3. Each contestant is required to wear protective helmet and vest.
4. Each contestant is allowed only ONE adult assistant behind the chutes. Contestants breaking this rule will be disqualified.
5. Contestants are not to use sharp spurs.

6. The scoring will be 1 - 25 points for animal and 1 - 25 points for the contestant per judge.
7. Animal must be ridden for 6 seconds to be scored for the 9-11. No hand slaps.
8. Animal must be ridden for 8 seconds to be scored for the 12-14. No hand slaps.
9. Contestant must provide own riding rigging.
10. Must attempt to mark the animal out of the chute. (Heels of boots over the break of the shoulders.)

SADDLE BRONC RIDING

1. Age groups are as follows:
 - 9-11 Boys only
 - 12-14 Boys only
2. Each contestant is required to wear protective helmet and vest.
3. Each contestant is allowed only ONE adult assistant behind the chutes. Contestants breaking this rule will be disqualified.
4. Contestants are not to use sharp spurs.
5. The scoring will be 1 - 25 points for animal and 1 - 25 points for the contestant per judge.
6. Animal must be ridden for 6 seconds to be scored for the 9-11. No hand slaps.
7. Animal must be ridden for 8 seconds to be scored for the 12-14. No hand slaps.
8. Contestant must provide own saddle and equipment.
9. Contestant may cinch own saddle.
10. Riding rein and hand must be on the same side.
11. Must attempt to mark the animal out of the chute. (Heels of boots over the break of the shoulders.)

CALF/STEER/BULL RIDING

1. Age groups are as follows: (Note you can run up age groups is you choose, but those points will not carry down into the all-around standings for that lower age group.)
 - 6-8 Girls and Boys
 - 9-11 Steer Riding Boys only
 - 12-14 Mini Bulls Boys only
 (A one-handed or two-handed ride is optional for the 6-8 calf riders. However they must finish the ride how they started it.
2. Each contestant is required to wear protective helmet and vest.
3. Each contestant is allowed only ONE adult assistant behind the chutes. Contestants breaking this rule will be disqualified.
4. Contestants are not to use sharp spurs.
5. The scoring will be 1 - 25 points for animal and 1 - 25 points for the contestant per judge.
6. Animal must be ridden for 6 seconds to be scored for the 6-8 age group. No hand slaps.
7. Animal must be ridden for 8 seconds to be scored. No hand slaps.
8. Finger wraps, knots or hitches to prevent the rope from falling off of bull when rider leaves him will NOT be allowed. All ropes must have bells fastened to them (NO steel rings allowed on bull ropes.)
9. Judges will disqualify contestants who have been advised he is next to go if he is not above the animal with his glove and protective equipment on when the previous animal leaves the arena.
10. The judges stop watch reading shall be used as a means of verification when the length of the ride is in question. The judge will stop his watch when, in his opinion, the contestant has been disqualified for any reason. In the instance the buzzer blows before the 8 second time limit, the judge must go with the horn.
11. All re-rides will be determined by the arena judge. Only contestants may ask for re-rides. Contestants must do so before leaving the arena.
12. All decisions will be made and are finalized by the arena judge.

5 AND UNDER EVENTS

MUTTON BUSTIN'

See rules under rough stock events.

STICK HORSE BARREL RACING

1. Contestants must be 5 years of age and under.
2. Clover Leaf Barrel Pattern will be used.
3. Contestants must ride a stick horse, and the horse must stay between the legs through the entire pattern.
4. Association Dress Code will apply. Boots must be worn.
5. There is a 30 second time limit.
6. Penalties are as follows:
 - a. Broken Pattern 5 second penalty per barrel
 - b. Adult Assistance 5 second penalty per barrel
 - c. Knocked over barrel 5 second penalty per barrel

- d. **Stick horse must remain between legs the entire run or it will result in a disqualification.**

GOAT RIBBON PULL

1. Contestants must be 5 years of age and under.
2. Association Dress Code will apply. Boots must be worn.
3. Time will be taken at the starting line.
4. The contestant will cross a starting line, 15 feet from the staked goat. The contestant will pull the ribbon off the goat's tail and re-cross the finish line.
5. The contestant must have the ribbon in hand when crossing the finish line. (Partial ribbon will count as well if the ribbon rips when pulling off.)
6. There is a 30 second time limit.

5 AND UNDER DUMMY ROPING

1. Contestants must be 5 years of age and under.
2. Association Dress Code will apply. Boots must be worn.
3. The roping line will be placed 5 feet from the head of the dummy. The event starting line will be placed 15 feet from the roping line.
4. The time will begin when the roper steps over the starting line behind the dummy. The Time will end after they have thrown a legal head catch and pulled it tight. **Rope must stay on the dummy when pull tight or it will be considered a non-catch.**
5. Rope must be thrown and not placed on the dummy to receive a time.
6. There will be a 10 second penalty for stepping over the roping line.
7. The contestants will be allowed two loops. The second loop can be thrown if they throw their first loop and miss. A parent may assist contestant in rebuilding the loop. A second rope is not allowed, the same rope must be used.
8. There is a 30 second time limit.

UTAH YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION BOARD BY-LAWS

The purpose and aim of the Utah Youth Rodeo Association Board By-Laws is to set maintained order and standards for the association.

1. It is the board's purpose to assure the Utah Youth Rodeo association is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes and is a nonprofit organization.
2. It is the board's purpose to promote youth rodeo on a State basis and work toward this by bringing state activity for members who are under the age of 14 and or are still enrolled in the 9th grade as of September 1st of the current year.
3. It is the boards purpose to keep the highest type of conduct and sportsmanship at the various rodeos by setting up standards to be met.
4. It is the board's purpose to promote and keep western heritage alive in Utah and to promote humane treatment of animals.
5. It is the board's purpose to promote a closer relationship among the members interested in this activity and the organization they represent.
6. It is the board's purpose to increase and maintain interest of the member in rodeos and other functions associated with the sport.
7. It is the board's purpose to protect the members by allowing only the winners recognized by their rodeos to participate in the Utah Youth Rodeo Associations Finals Rodeo.
8. It is the board's purpose to make sure all board members and members of the Association continually follow all By-Laws, and to insure all finance procedures are monitored and conducted properly.
9. It is the board's purpose to make sure no part of the earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit or be distributed to its board members, members, or other persons except that the Association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distribution to those members who have rightfully earned them.
10. It is the purpose of the board in the event of dissolution of this nonprofit Association, any assets belonging to the Utah Youth Rodeo Association, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all liabilities of the association will dispose of assets of the Association inclusively for the purpose of the Association and in such manner that all members will benefit equally from.
11. It is the purpose of the board to transact the general business of the Association and establish board By-Laws and all

affairs governing the membership of the Association and will devise mature measures for the Association growth and development.

12. It is the board's purpose to act upon Grievances and or membership complaints in the Association.
13. It is the board's purpose to authorize and enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Association and to make sure all annual stock contracts, other contracts, member participation lien waivers and Rodeo help lien waivers are properly signed.
14. It is the board's purpose to make sure all checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of the Association shall be signed by two board members..
15. It is the board's purpose to make sure all funds of the Association are deposited within seven days to the Association name at the bank selected by Association.
16. It is the board's purpose to accept on behalf of the Association any contribution, gifts, bequest, or devise for sole purpose of the benefit of the Association membership only.
17. It is the board's purpose to have readily available at all times, financial statements, rodeo registration sheets, judges' sheets, and all membership files for any Association member to see.
18. It is the board's purpose to insure all event entries, position drawings, point earnings, and prize earnings are entered correctly and in a manner equal to all members as long as they are following all membership rules.
19. There shall be an Association Board which shall consist of the same number of members as stated: President, Vice President, Arena Directors, General Rodeo Manager, Rodeo Secretary, Association Secretary, and Office Secretaries.
20. The initial term of the board members shall be for two consecutive rodeo seasons.
21. The board will accept board member nominations in writing at the June rodeo prior to election by members of the Association and will prepare a ballot of candidates nominated for each office the July prior to elections.
22. The board will appoint a committee to tabulate ballots and winners will be announced and introduced at the Finals Rodeo held in the rightful voting year.
23. The newly elected Board Members will assume their positions and job responsibilities at the start of the rodeo season of the rightful voting year.
24. All Board Members will transact the general business of the Association.
25. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall assume the duties of the President.
26. A vacancy of the Board because of death, resignation, or removal will be filled by a full Board vote.
27. Board members are required to attend all monthly Board meetings, rodeos, and any other Association function with the unexcused absence of two consecutive meetings, rodeos, or functions resulting in removal of Board position.
28. All Board members shall perform the duties that are described in the board member duties list.
29. Any Board member may be removed by a Board vote whenever in its judgment the best interest of the Association would be served thereby.
30. No Board member shall have claim title or possession of any of the property of the Association and shall have no greater or other rights than those of the Board and Membership.
31. It is understood by all Board members that the Utah Youth Rodeo Association is a non-profit organization and any moneys, rights or benefits of Association will not pay for that the time spent for this organization.
32. It is understood by all Board Members that these By-Laws may be amended at any time by contacting three original board members and including them in on a 2/3 (two thirds) majority for By-Law changes vote of the Board members.

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