

# **Eagle Cowboys Forever Foundation Rodeo Policy and Rules 2022**

### **GENERAL POLICY**

- 1. PRCA event rules shall govern this rodeo, unless specifically addressed as a Cowboys Forever Foundation Rodeo Rule and listed under these Rules and Policy.
- 2. Alcohol and drugs are strictly prohibited on the rodeo grounds, including the parking lots and "contestant only" areas by our license. Alcohol will be provided by the licensed concessions on the grounds only. NO COOLERS containing alcohol!
- 3. Argumentative behavior, fighting, or foul language will not be tolerated. No act or action that can be perceived as animal abuse will be tolerated. Harassing stock contractors, rodeo personnel, judges, timers, secretaries, spectators, or any contestant will not be tolerated. If this rule is violated, the contestant, volunteer, or guest will be escorted off the grounds by security personnel without refund of any fees or admission.
- 4. Contestants, excluding Mutton Bustin' and Calf Scramble, may bring up to three immediate family and/or friends into contestant area at no charge. If they do not arrive with the contestant in the contestant vehicle, they must park their vehicle in the spectator lot on the other side of the arena and walk around. Professional western attire, (brimmed hats or helmets, buttoned or snapped long sleeved shirts, and heeled boots) must be worn by all contestants.
- 5. All contestants shall be ready to perform when called. Contestant will be disqualified after the 3rd call. Entry fees will not be returned in the event of any disqualification.
- 6. Entries are taken by phone (970-923-9270) on Tuesday between 6:00 and 8:00 PM for the Friday Night Rodeo. The rodeo secretary will be responsible for establishing the order of performance. All entry fees must be paid in full prior to the start of the rodeo at 5:30 pm or the contestant(s) will be withdrawn from competition. It is the responsibility of each contestant to notify the rodeo secretary if unable to compete in any performance that he/she has pre-entered. Notice must be given prior to 5:00 PM the day of the performance. It is the responsibility of each contestant to know when they are scheduled to perform.
- 7. All contestants must complete a "waiver of liability" and information form and provide mailing address and social security number prior to participation in any event. Prize money will not be awarded until contestant has provided all information. Contestants under the age of 18 must bring a parent to sign for permission and waiver of liability or



notarized parental permission waiver in the event their legal guardian is unavailable at the time of entry.

- 8. Any ruling that is made by the arena judge may be questioned only by the affected contestant notifying that judge at the conclusion of that event and prior to the start of the next event. Any conflict must be settled prior to the start of the next event. Once judges' sheets are turned into secretary, all rulings are final.
- 9. All suggestions, concerns, safety issues, and COMPLAINTS must be submitted in writing, typed or printed, signed and given to the Rodeo Secretary. All correspondence submitted will be reviewed by the Rodeo Committee and a reply provided in a timely manner. Please be as specific as possible and include contact information.
- 10. Owners of livestock must be able to show proof of current health and vaccination status to be permitted on the rodeo grounds. Each stock contractor and each contestant must sign a statement agreeing to provide this information at the request of the arena director.
- 11. A list, ranking all competitors by points, is available from the Rodeo Secretary in the rodeo office. The point system will be awarded the money won each week. The Series average Champion will be determined by the most points won for each event, who has competed in a minimum of 6 out of the 7 rodeos. It is the responsibility of each competitor to bring any discrepancy to the attention of the Rodeo Secretary to be resolved within one week of the posting, after which time all results are final.
- 12. The Rodeo performance will start at 7:30 PM sharp! Slack performance will start no later than 6 PM.
- 13. No contestants are allowed to talk to the timer, i.e., changing line-up and/or asking for their time. They should consult the judge and the judge will determine the outcome and make the call to the crow's nest.
- 14. Cash or check will be accepted for entry fees. Winnings will be paid by check. Any contestant will be charged a \$25 NSF fee for a returned check, and that contestant will not be allowed to compete until all fees are paid. The committee will only accept cash entry fees from Contestants who have had a check returned.
- 15. No contestants are allowed to ride in the main arena prior to the start of slack.



#### **TEAM ROPING**

- 1. PRCA rules shall govern, unless specifically listed here as an Eagle Cowboys Forever Foundation Rodeo Rule.
- 2. Two separate roping's will be held at each rodeo. The first is a #8 roping, CAPPED at a #4. The second roping will be a #11 roping, CAPPED at a #6. Five teams from each numbered roping will compete in the performance that will be called the team roping.
- 3. Stock will not be drawn. Chute order will be used for all rodeos.
- 4. Teams are requested to remain outside the arena so as not to interfere with the competing team or block the crowd's view of the boxes.
- 5. Time will be called when the heel rope is tight. CPRA tie-on rules shall apply.
- 6. The direction of the steer's entire body must be changed and in forward motion before the heel loop can be thrown. If the steer stops, it must be only moving forward for the heel loop to be legal. Any heel loop thrown before the completion of the switch will be considered a crossfire and no time will be recorded in the judge's opinion.
- 7. Any steer that is jerked down or falls down shall be immediately released and the flagger shall immediately declare a no time. The arena judge may award another steer if circumstances indicate the team had an unfair disadvantage. Any excessive mishandling of livestock will be considered a no time at the discretion of the judges and could result in disqualification.
- 8. Slack roping will start at 6:00 PM and may start earlier if the number of teams entered requires an earlier start time.
- 9. Entry fees will be \$60 per team payable in whole or in part by either team member. Entries will close 30 minutes prior to the start of the slack or team members will be disqualified. The Rodeo Secretary shall determine the order of competition.
- 10. An electric eye will be used as the Heading barrier. A back up timer will be used. A ten second penalty will be applied for a broken barrier and a five second penalty will apply for only one leg. Any illegal head catch will be immediately disqualified.
- 11. Both header and heeler are required to assist in getting their stock out of the arena. The team must then immediately leave the arena by the designated exit or return to the east end of the arena.



- 12. All ropers are requested to show their current USTRC card at any time to the secretary. At the start of the season you are required to report any card changes to the secretary. If a roper does not have a card or a current card, a team roping committee put together by peers will determine that roper's number.
- 13. Slack will end at 7:25pm before the rodeo starts at 7:30pm. Team ropers that are turned out will be refunded their entry fees.

#### LADIES BREAKAWAY ROPING

- 1. A maximum of 20 entries per rodeo will be accepted. Slack will start after the barrel racing slack and before the team roping slack.
- 2. A 25 second time limit is in effect.
- 3. Contestants will draw a nylon string from the judges.
- 4. One loop will be permitted; a dropped loop is considered a thrown loop.
- 5. There will be a 10 second penalty for a broken barrier.
- 6. The entry fee is \$40.

#### LADIES BARREL RACING

- 1. WPRA rules shall govern this event unless specifically addressed as an Eagle Cowboys Forever Foundation Rodeo Rule.
- 2. Entry fee is \$40.
- 3. Each contestant may enter only once and no horse may run more than once per rodeo in the Ladies Barrel Racing.
- 4. Maximum entries are 30 contestants. Slack will start before the breakaway slack and team roping slack. All contestants will be drawn for their order of run.
- 5. An electric eye will be used for each event. Backup hand time will be maintained. Time will be started once the contestant crosses the start line for any reason.
- 6. Racers may circle one time only before running.



7. The pattern will be raked after 10 runs.

#### JUNIOR BARREL RACING

- 1. WPRA rules shall govern this event unless specifically addressed as an Eagle Cowboys Forever Foundation Rodeo Rule.
- 2. Junior age barrel racers can enter the Open Barrels but cannot enter both the Junior and Open Barrels in the same rodeo.
- 3. Each contestant may enter only once and no horse may run more than once per rodeo in the Junior Barrel Racing.
- 4. An electric eye will be used for each event. Backup hand time will be maintained. Time will be started once the contestant crosses the start line for any reason.
- 5. Standard cloverleaf pattern.
- 6. Each barrel knocked over adds five seconds to the total time.
- 7. The pattern will be raked after 10 runs.
- 8. Limited to no more than 10 contestants.
- 9. Limited to contestants 13 years or under. Contestants whose 14th birthday falls after June 25, 2021 will be allowed to finish out the series.
- 10. Entry fee is \$20.

#### **DALLY RIBBON ROPING**

- 7. A maximum of 15 entries per rodeo will be accepted. The entry fee will be \$60 per team.
- 8. All ropers must dally. No tied off ropes will be allowed. If the calf is intentionally jerked down, the team is immediately disqualified, and the rope shall be released immediately. Any perception of animal abuse will not be tolerated. The arena judge will have full discretion in this circumstance and may consider this action as cruel with full application of the rules pertaining to animal abuse applied.
- 9. The calf will be released immediately after the runner has removed the ribbon. The roper will assist in removing the animal from the arena.



- 10. No one may rope or run more than twice per rodeo for this event and only one loop is allowed.
- 11. The designated runner may wear running shoes of his/her choice however all other western attire as stated under general policy shall be complied with.
- 12. An electric eye barrier will be used. If the barrier is broken, a ten second penalty will be imposed on that team. Time will start by the electric eye and stop when the runner crosses the front of the roping box, as signaled by the Arena Flagger. The runner must have part of the ribbon in hand when time is called. If the flag falls off the calf through no fault of the runner, the runner must only touch the tail of the calf prior to crossing the finish line.
- 13. The runner must cross the line in front of the HEADING box with the ribbon for the time to stop.

#### **BULL RIDING**

- 1. At least one judge must be present during the draw for rough stock.
- 2. The areas behind the chutes and the staging areas are for contestants only.
- 3. Free hand cannot touch the bull.
- 4. 8 second ride.
- 5. Rider and Bull given score between 0-50.
- 6. Entry fee is \$50.

## SADDLE BRONC, RANCH BRONC, AND BAREBACK

- 1. 8 second ride.
- 2. Standard working ranch saddle, bronc saddle, and/or bronc halter.
- 3. Rider holds onto the 'bronc rein' or 'hack rein'.
- 4. Riders are allowed to hold onto the saddle horn, cantle, or a night latch (a rope or strap tied through the gullet of the saddle) with their free hand (the one not holding the hack rein) for ranch bronc.
- 5. No mark out rule and loss of stirrup does not disqualify.



- 6. Two judges score both the rider and the bronc for a total of 100 points.
- 7. Entry fee is \$50.

#### **CALF SCRAMBLE**

- 1. Children must be 3-10 years old.
- 2. No parents will be allowed to enter the arena.
- 3. Sign-up will start at 6 pm and end at 7:30pm at the registration booth.
- 4. The parents of children that are signing up must be present when registering.
- 5. All parents must sign the Release Form along with the Consent of Parent or Legal Guardian.

#### **MUTTON BUSTIN'**

- 1. Children MUST be under 50 pounds and 4 to 7 years old.
- 2. Mutton busters will not be allowed to ride on consecutive weeks unless we do not have enough participants signed up.
- 3. Only the first ten will be allowed to participate each week.
- 4. All parents must sign the Release Form along with the Consent of Parent or Legal Guardian.



# **ORDER OF EVENTS**

- 1. Barrel Racing Slack
- 2. Breakaway Slack
- 3. Team Roping Slack (we will alternate the order of the #8 and #11 each week)
- 4. Saddle Bronc/Bareback/Ranch Bronc
- 5. Team Roping #8 and #11
- 6. Ladies Breakaway
- 7. Calf Scramble
- 8. Mutton Bustin'
- 9. Dally Ribbon Roping
- 10.Bull Riding Part 1
- 11. Ladies Barrel Racing
- 12. Junior Barrel Racing
- 13. Bull Riding Part 2