
SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION, INC

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PURPOSES AND AIMS

To maintain order and standards similar to those followed by the Alabama High School Rodeo Association and the National High School Rodeo Association among members at their functions with a goal towards preparing younger student contestants for future participation in those organizations. This association is formed exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.

To promote SEYRA on a Statewide scale and work towards this by bringing, Statewide recognition to this activity for students who are 18 years of age and younger as of January 1, 2023.

To promote the highest type of conduct & sportsmanship at various rodeos by setting standards to be met.

To keep the Western Heritage alive in America and in the State.

To promote a close relationship among the people interested in this activity and the organization they represent.

To increase and maintain interest of the children in rodeos and other functions of the nation.

To follow all rules, the Constitution and By-Laws, as set down and duly adopted by the Association keeping in conformity as much as possible with the Constitution and By-Laws set out by the Southeastern Youth Rodeo Association and National Rodeo Association.

There will be no discrimination due to race, sex, or religion.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall insure to the benefit or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other person, except that the reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions.

In the event of dissolution of this organization, any assets belonging to the SEYRA after paying or making provisions for the payment of all liabilities of the corporation will go to the Southeastern Youth Rodeo Association.

OFFICERS

There shall be adult officers in the SEYRA. The officers of the Association shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, 2nd Secretary, Treasurer, Point Keeper, and Board of Directors which is an adult director for each event that is presently being offered for competition by the SEYRA. All elected officers and board members will serve a one-year term, voted in at the Annual Meeting held at the finals. A special vote may be held during the year under the following stipulations:

Vote on issues that arise during the course of the year to allow for rule change. Notice proposed rule change is to be given to general membership, by written notification, at least 10 days prior to general membership meeting. Said notice will specify the proposed rule change, 2/3 of general membership must be present for the Board of Directors to consider, said vote shall be taken in writing.

Voting for Directors and Officers positions will be conducted during the mandatory meeting during the finals. SEYRA Officers and Board of Directors term of office will begin December 1st of each year thereafter.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Any member, student, or adult, who makes himself/herself incompatible to the operation of the program by words or deeds, may be suspended for a designated period of time, or impeached. The Board of Directors or an appointed Investigation Committee, will review the situation then action will be taken by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Membership shall be divided into (3) major categories:

- A. Student membership: elementary, junior high, and high school students interested in the sport of rodeo and the affairs of the SEYRA. Students are eligible to contest at rodeos as long as they meet requirements with these rules.
- B. Adult membership: consist of parents/guardians of student membership.
- C. Supportive membership: any person or organization wishing to support the Southeastern Youth Rodeo Association by donations.

STUDENT MEMBERS:

1. **Age.** Southeastern Youth Rodeo Association contestants consist of 18 years of age in the year the contestant joins the Association. It will be incumbent on the applicant's parent/guardian to seek an exception to this rule if a child's age problem results from a learning disability or a medical or psychological problem. In order to gain an exception to this rule the applicant's parents will need to provide the Association official documentation, which confirms the

problem sufficient to satisfy the Board of the SEYRA. The Board will be afforded discretion in this matter after reviewing documentation and the totality of the circumstances

2. **Membership fee** shall be \$ 75 for single and \$ 125 for family. Deadline for membership is May 16, 2023. DUES are subject to changes as they occur by action of the Board of Directors. All dues are payable to the rodeo Secretary by a deadline set by the Board.
3. **Minor Release Form:**
 - All contestants (members and non-members) must submit to the Secretary a “Minor Release Form” signed, notarized, and sealed.
 - This form is part of the membership packet and can be found on the website @ www.seyra.org.
 - No contestant will be allowed to rodeo without this form.
4. **Age Groups:**
 - Whichever age group the child enters at the first rodeo that child MUST finish the year in that age group. They may not change divisions mid-year.
 - The divisions are: 14-18, 10-13, 7-9, 6 & under and Buckaroos. Buckaroos and 6 & under are two different divisions, for the same age group, those contestants are free to compete in either or both classes.
 - The first season a contestant participates in the 6 & under class will be considered their rookie year(see Rookie section below).
5. **Rookies**
 - Paying your membership fees and submitting necessary forms for the first time and entering one rodeo constitutes a contestant’s Rookie Year unless circumstances such as an injury or illness occurs prior to the first rodeo and the excuse is approved by the Board of Directors.
 - A ROOKIE is a contestant that has not competed previously as a member of SEYRA.
 - Buckaroos do not qualify for Rookie.
 - “Rookie” is for contestants who can ride by themselves. Age groups 6 & Under, 7-9 , 10-13 & 14-18.
6. Any contestant that receives a disciplinary from school or court that is associated with alcohol or drugs will forfeit membership with the Southeastern Youth Rodeo for the remainder of that Rodeo season.

LOCALS:

- A student who is 18 years of age or younger and is not a member may ride as a local.
- A student participating as a local must submit the call-in form before the deadline and must mail payments ASAP.

- **Payments must be received by the Monday before the rodeo** in order to be able to participate. Only the Secretaries can authorize late pay for locals, late fee may be assessed.
- Local entrants must have a signed, notarized, and sealed “Minors Release Form”. The form can be found at www.seyra.org and is good for the whole season.
- Non-members will be allowed to compete for jackpot money, but not for year-end awards.
- No show, no pay will disqualify contestant from participating in remaining rodeos.

VOLUNTEERS:

Adult volunteers who will be in the arena at any time must have a signed waiver on file in the office.

SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION GUIDELINES

The following are guidelines of SEYRA sanctioned rodeos, payout requirements and special event rules:

- All matters relating to the operation of the Southeastern Youth Rodeo Association and rodeos sanctioned thereby shall be approved and contested according to rules set out in this rule book. Where our rule book is lacking, we shall fall back on the National High School Rodeo Association Rules, Constitution and By-Laws, (hereinafter referred to as High School Rule Book or NHSRA) to the extent that same would apply to situations pertaining to the SEYRA. However, if something is spelled out in our rule book that differs from the High School Rule Book, our rules shall supersede those of the High School Rule Book.

Back Numbers:

1. **One** back number is provided to each contestant. Numbers **MUST** be worn at all times as part of the required full western attire at each rodeo.
2. Locals must purchase a back number for \$5.00, the back number may be sold back to the office for \$3.00 at the end of the day or kept for future rodeos.
3. Locals must check in before the rodeo and have their back number recorded in the office for each show.
4. Steer riders will be allowed to leave their numbers on their shirts while competing rather than placing their back numbers on their vests.
5. If a contestant loses his/her back number, a temporary number will be allowed for one day only.

6. Replacement numbers may be purchased at the office at a reasonable charge to the contestant.
7. Back numbers must be worn at all times on the grounds on Rodeo day. Failure to do so will result in disqualification. (Exclusions apply for exceptionally young buckaroos). Warnings may be given, but are not required. WEAR THOSE BACK NUMBERS.
8. At two-day rodeos, back numbers MUST be worn at ALL times while on the grounds. This applies for members and locals.
9. A contestant who competes without their back number will be disqualified.

Call in / Call out & Check in

1. **Call-in** will be conducted through google forms and will be due on the Monday two weeks prior to the rodeo, by 9pm. The Google Forms are time stamped, members entering late will be assessed a **\$10 late fee** to be paid at the time the contestant pays his/her entry fees.
2. **Late call-in** with the **\$10.00 late fee** will be available until 7pm Thursday night following the call-in date. No entries will be accepted after this time unless approved by one of the SEYRA Secretaries. You must be on the program to rodeo and to be on the program you must call in for each rodeo.
3. **No show without valid call-out**: Stock charges, late charges and event fees must be paid if a member enters a rodeo and fails to compete. No further entries will be accepted from said member until all such fees are paid.
4. **Draw-out without penalty**: In the event a contestant cannot attend a rodeo and notifies the call- in secretary via the designated google form by 5:00 p.m., on Wednesday before the Rodeo, they will not be fined.
5. Medical draw after the above listed “draw out without penalty” requires doctor’s note or vet note. Deadline for **Medical draw-out** with fees refunded is **7pm Thursday evening** before the event. A medical draw out after this time will require payment of fees.

CHECK IN

1. Member’s entry fees shall be paid by **CASH ONLY! NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ANYTIME FOR MEMBER’S ENTRY FEES.**
2. Fees **MUST** be paid in **FULL** at the rodeo **BEFORE COMPETING.**
3. Secretaries will begin accepting fees at regular check-in two hours prior to the Grand Entry. Secretaries will stop taking entry fees 30 minutes prior to the Grand Entry unless otherwise approved by one of the SEYRA secretaries.
4. **Early check in**: the night before may or may not be available, see the FaceBook page for that information prior to each event.

5. **Late check-in:** If the event fees are paid late, a **\$10 fine** will be assessed and must be paid with the entry fees in order to compete at that rodeo. **FINES WILL BE ENFORCED!**

ENTRY FEES:

1. Member's entry fees shall be paid by **CASH ONLY! NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT ANYTIME FOR MEMBER'S ENTRY FEES.**
2. Fees **MUST** be paid in **FULL** at the rodeo **BEFORE COMPETING.**
3. **Fees may be subjected to change contingent upon stock charge.**
4. **Fees MUST BE PAID BY 8:30AM. If an emergency & will be late, please call 850-712-4012.**
5. **Local's entry fees shall be mailed and received by the Monday prior to the event.**
6. **No show:** In the event of a no show, all fees must be paid before the next show or contestant will not be allowed to compete.
7. Entry fees vary for each event. Each contestant will be required to pay a ground fee of \$5 per rodeo. Stock charges will vary and will be assessed for events that require stock.

EVENTS are as follows (see event rules for specifics on each event):

- **6 & under buckaroos events:** Stick Horse Race, Stick Horse Pole Bending, Lead in Barrel Racing, Lead in Pole Bending, Roping Dummy, Goat Tail Pull, Goat Throw, Sheep Riding (Sheep will take place only if the minimum #of entries achieved)
 - **6 & under alone events:** Calf Riding, Bareback Ponies, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Goat Tying.
 - **7-9 Year old:** Steer Riding, Bareback Ponies, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Goat Tying (Girls & Boys), Breakaway Roping.
 - **10-13 Year old:** Bull Riding, Bareback Horses, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Goat Tying (G/B), Chute Dogging, Breakaway Roping(G/B), Team Roping, Calf Roping.
 - **14-18 Year Old:** Bull Riding, Bareback Horses, Pole Bending, Barrel Racing, Goat Tying (G/B), Chute Dogging, Calf Roping, Breakaway Roping (G/B), Team Roping.
 - There will be a Jackpot only 14-18 Steer Wrestling/ Bull Dogging event (if the minimum number of entries is achieved)
- ★ If SEYRA is unable to obtain stock for an event, SEYRA reserves the right to cancel an event. If the event is canceled after call-in, this event will count toward a contestant's rodeo count (for awards and finals qualifications) only if the contestant was signed up

for the event in said rodeo at the time of cancellation. No fees will be collected or retained for canceled events.

- ★ If there are not enough riders signed up for a stock event for the association's stock contractors to be adequately covered, SEYRA board reserves the right to cancel an event. If an event is canceled for this reason, no event fees will be collected or retained and this event will NOT count toward any contestant's rodeo count.

JACKPOT:

1. Jackpot payoff is computer generated when applicable, and is composed of a percentage of the entry fees.
2. Ground money and stock fees will NOT be paid out for any event.
3. Jackpot money will be available the day of the rodeo.
4. Jackpot envelopes will be dated. Any envelope held for more than three rodeos will be absorbed back into the association's account, this includes Buckaroo money. All Jackpot money must be picked up by Finals - only Finals Jackpot money that is not picked up will be available at Awards.
5. Buckaroos ALL earn payout at every rodeo where they participate in buckaroo events. This money will be held for three rodeos after which time the funds will be absorbed back into the association's account. All Buckaroo money must be picked up by Finals. Unclaimed funds will be absorbed.

POINTS:

- The National High School Rodeo Association points system will be used for regular season rodeos:
 - 10 Points-1st place
 - 9 Points-2nd place
 - 8 Points -3rd place
 - 7 Points- 4th place
 - 6 Points-5th place
 - 5 Points-6th place
 - 4 Points- 7th place
 - 3 Points- 8th place
 - 2 Points- 9th place
 - 1 Point- 10th place

QUEEN & PRINCESS

- A Queen Contest will be held at the finals each year. Queen and Princess forms must be completed by the deadline. This information can be found on our Facebook page and our website, www.seyra.org.

FINALS and END OF YEAR AWARDS:

Requirements must be met to compete at finals and be eligible for awards.

- **Raffle Tickets and or Sponsorships- Due May 27, 2023**
 - **Drawing May 28th Rodeo**
 - Individual Requirements- \$200.00
 - Family Requirements- \$350.00
 - Families with 5 or more contestants will be required to sell an additional \$50.00 per contestant.
- **Work Hours- Requirement must be met by the end of the September 16th Rodeo.**
 - 5 Hours per contestant (including Buckaroos)
 - Contestants will be responsible for having directors sign off work hours. Must be signed off the day of the rodeo in order for the hours to count.
 - Contestants will need to ask where the director has a need for them to assist.
 - If a parent works the contestants hours they must make sure time is recorded.
- **Must compete in a minimum of 4 SEYRA Rodeos, as members. not including the finals.**
 - Buckaroos must compete in at least 2 events per rodeo, in at least 4 rodeos, to qualify for finals.

Finals:

- The SEYRA shall conduct a Championship Finals Rodeo which will be held as a 2day finals.
- Members **MUST** have competed in at least HALF the SEYRA scheduled season rodeo's to be eligible to compete at the finals. (For the 2023 Season half = 4 rodeos)
 - Members may only compete at finals in the EVENTS they have competed in at 4 or more previous rodeos.
- Members must meet all other membership requirements to include volunteer hours to be eligible for the year-end awards.
- DAY ONE shall run as a regular rodeo on Saturday.
- DAY TWO will run as a short go for the top 15 in each event.
- In order to make it to the short-go on day two of finals, one must:
 - Have competed in day one of finals.
 - Have points in the event.

- Be in the top 15 of those eligible for finals.
- Bulls, Calves & Bareback will run both days regardless.
- **Contestants must participate in each round of each event that they have qualified for at finals to be eligible for an award in that event.**
 - **Participatory action** includes no time, safe effort, and a regular completed run.
 - **Non-participatory action** includes but is not limited to a no show, a draw out, a scratch, a three-call. Such actions will cause the contestant to be ineligible for awards in the offending event.
 - Contestants who have medically drawn out (with a doctor's or vet's note or from injury at finals rodeo) will be eligible for awards.

Finals Points:

- The second day of finals the points will be modified to a 1.5 point scale in an attempt to avoid leader ties. Those points will be as follows:

15 Points - 1st place

13.5 Points - 2nd place

12 Points - 3rd place

10.5 Points - 4th place

9 Points - 5th place

7.5 Points - 6th place

6 Points - 7th place

4.5 Points - 8th place

3 Points - 9th place

1.5 Points - 10th place

- ★ In the event that there is still a tie the winner will be determined for timed events by using the average for the 2-day finals, for rough stock ties will be determined by ground time for 2-day finals.

END OF YEAR AWARDS:

- An Event Champion in each age group shall be named in each event based on total points earned during the regular season and at the finals.
- An All-Around Cowboy and All-Around Cowgirl Champion shall also be named in each age group.

- Rookie of the year in each age group shall also be recognized.
- A Miss Southeastern Youth Rodeo Queen and Princess shall also be crowned at the finals.
- ★ In the event of a financial hardship of the SEYRA, the Board of Directors may make adjustments, as needed, to any/all prizes to be awarded each year at the finals.

GROUND RULES:

1. ***For the safety of our contestants, staff, and volunteers, it is imperative that we have **ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL ONLY IN THE ARENA FOR ALL EVENTS**. If you are desiring to volunteer, you must check in with the event Director **for a specific role**. We do not need extra parents or contestants in the arena to cheer them on or video. The **EVENT DIRECTOR** require order in the arena. Your presence is at the **EVENT DIRECTOR'S** discretion.***
2. Grand entry: **NO** contestant **IS TO PASS** the Queen or Princess at any time during the Grand Entry. All contestants are encouraged to participate in the Grand Entry and must meet at the designated location before the start of the rodeo, on horses, in full western attire with their back numbers in place.
3. **NO DOGS** are to be in the arena or the alleyway at any time. This is for the safety of our contestants and the arena volunteers. If your dog is in the arena or the alleyway, you may receive a warning or your contestants risk disqualification for the day's events.
4. No unauthorized people on the bucking chutes for any events.
5. **3-call rule:** In order to keep things moving, our association will utilize a 2-minute 3 call in our speed events. 1st call then 60 second pause before 2nd call, 30 second pause before 3rd call and 30 seconds for the contestant to begin their run. At the end of the third call waiting period if the rider has not shown up to ride, the rider will receive a scratch. This 3 call will be speeded up if the only if the announcer has been told the contestant is a scratch.
6. All timed events will run to a closed gate.
7. Mistreatment of rodeo stock or contestant's horses in or outside of arena will cause for automatic disqualification for the weekend.
8. Only contestant can protest a call and must be respectful in doing so. The protest must only be made directly to the director and must be done prior to the end of event. Cell phones will not be allowed as reference for review during the protest.
9. The final decision will be made by the event director and judge.
10. No contestant may talk to a judge or timer while an event is going on. Please see your event director.

11. Western attire: Cowboy hat/helmet, Jeans, Boots, long sleeve button/snap shirt with collar and cuffs.
12. Parents are allowed to assist their child in pushing stock, tailing a calf etc. But once the child is finished the parent shall leave the arena. PARENT OR HELPER MUST BE IN FULL WESTERN ATTIRE WHILE IN THE ARENA! NO EXCEPTIONS!
13. There will be no crowding around the box or alleyway unless you are assisting a contestant.
14. All contestants must leave the arena in a timely manner after their run
15. Contestants are not allowed to warm up in the arena unless otherwise stated by the arena director.
16. Hat Rule: All contestants must wear a **western hat or protective helmet**. Barrel racers, pole benders, and goat tiers: hat must be on when you cross the plane of the arena. If the contestant's hat comes off prior to crossing the plane of the arena, it will result in a \$5 hat fine to be paid before your hat is returned.
17. In the event that a stock is to be moved up or down in a class after it has been placed for the season, it will require the approval of judges, event director, a board member, & stock contractor.

CONDUCT:

1. Misconduct by any individual member, or parent of member shall be considered by the SEYRA officers and event directors, and if necessary, a disqualification will be given to that contestant for that rodeo. If misconduct is severe the officers have grounds to dismiss the contestant for the remainder of the year. A contestant may be disqualified for the following: Profanity, bullying, use of alcohol or drugs, falsification of name, age, or other such acts will not be tolerated and will result in immediate disqualification at the discretion of the officers.
2. Contestant or parents of members caught fighting in arena or on rodeo grounds will result in a disqualification.
3. Mistreatment of rodeo stock or contestant's horses in or outside of arena will cause for automatic disqualification for the weekend.
4. There shall be no abuse of our on site vendors. Any abuses should be reported to a Board Member so that action may be taken. A contestant risks disqualification for the day or the season based on **their personal behaviors as well as that of their family members**. Such abuses include but are not limited to harsh language, physical altercations or theft of product or SERVICES. Our cowboys young and old are expected to behave respectfully. These vendors include but are not limited to Concessions, Photographer, Horse health service Reps, as well as product vendors. If it is reported that someone has not paid their tab at concessions, has stolen an item, or has reposted photographs by a professional photographer that they have not purchased they are in direct violation of this rule.

5. **There will be no bashing or harsh language towards the Southeastern Youth Rodeo on Social Media nor at the arena. If this occurs, you or your contestant will be disqualified at that current rodeo or the next rodeo. A fine could be charged toward this behavior.**

EVENT RULES:

- **Sheep riding:**
 - Due to the cost of stock for this event, there will be a minimum # of riders required in this event to be able to hold the event.
 - We will post on the FB page whether we have enough riders. We will allow late call-in for 3 days past call-in to attempt to get the minimum # of riders if necessary.
 - We will post to the FB page in the event that it is canceled one full week prior to the rodeo.
 - Contestants must get on the sheep in the chute, once the chute opens, they must ride alone.

- **Buckaroo events:**
 - All buckaroo events (excluding sheep) will be held outside the arena at each rodeo.
 - You must check-in with the office to make payment during regular check-in time. Additionally, you must check in with the buckaroo director at the start of the rodeo. If you do not check in and compete you will not receive a refund of any type. It's your responsibility to have your child ready for their event.
 - Buckaroo events will start usually around 15 minutes after the rodeo has started.
 - A 6 & under ride alone participant is restricted from entering Lead line Barrels and Poles and ride alone in the same rodeo.
 - You must compete in 2 events in more than half the rodeos & 2days finals in order for awards.
 - 2024 Buckaroo and 6 & under format will change, we will introduce these changes toward the end of the season in preparation for the next year.

- **Pole Bending:**
 - TIME LIMIT: 60 seconds.
 - PENALTY: 5 -second penalty for each downed pole.
 - NO TIME: Broke pattern.

- If you break the pattern, you may finish the pattern in a timely manner, but not start over.
- **Barrel racing:**
 - TIME LIMIT: 60 Seconds
 - PENALTY: 5-seconds for each barrel knocked down.
 - Clover leaf pattern is enforced during this event.
 - If you break the pattern you may finish in a timely manner, but you may not start over.
 - If a contestant breaks the pattern, it's an automatic no time.
- **Goat tying:**
 - TIME LIMIT: 60 seconds.
 - PENALTIES: 10 second penalty if the contestant's horse comes in contact with the goat or rope prior to the contestant signaling for time.
 - At no time during the run, before the contestant signals for time should ANYONE inside or outside of the arena TOUCH THE HORSE! Once the run is completed, someone may catch the horse and exit the arena.
 - Smaller goats will always be used for the younger contestants.
 - 3 legs tight.
 - Boys must have one leg stringed.
 - Goat must stay tied for 6 Seconds.
 - Goats are 100 ft. from the score line, which is a timer, and 15 ft. off center goat ropes are 10ft in length. PLEASE NOTE: if the arena is short, the alleyway will be declared part of the arena. If so, this will be announced prior to the starting of the rodeo.
 - Goat tying is a step-below Tie Down Calf Roping. One may either Goat Tie OR Tie Down Calf Rope in a given rodeo. One may not compete in both events in a single rodeo. One may compete solely in Tie Down Calf Roping, or they may begin in goats and graduate up to Tie Down. Once you move up to Tie Down, you cannot go back to Goats. Awards will only be available in whichever event you finish the year in, provided you compete in the required number of rodeos for that event.
- **Bull Riding:**
 - Qualified ride is 8 seconds. Time to start when the animal's shoulders have crossed the plane of the gate.
 - All bull riders must ride with helmet, vest, and protective mouthpiece.
 - Riders are responsible for having all their gear on and their rope on their bull when it's their time to ride.

- Any contestant that turns out stock or does not attempt to ride will NOT be eligible for entry fee return.
 - Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without handhold. No knots or hitches to prevent rope from coming off the bull when the rider leaves the bull will be permitted.
 - Rope must have a bell when the bull leaves the chute. No bell, no marking. Bell must be under the belly of the bull.
 - No assistance will be allowed for a qualified ride past the plane of the chute. One person will be allowed in/on the chute to assist the rider (pull rope).
 - Ropes cannot be used that have knots, wires, or other aides for the purpose of placing spurs therein.
 - Bull having dangerous horns in the opinion of the judge must be de-horned, tipped, or kept out of the draw. Tips must be no smaller than the size of a 50-cent piece.
 - If a rider makes a qualified ride with any part of the loose rope in his riding hand, provided he has not touched the ground or has not fouled the animal with his free hand, he is to be marked.
 - Only five (5) points “plain” or “notched” spur rowels (one rowel per shank) may be used in the bull riding.
 - Riders may use dry rosin only on glove and rope.
 - All sanctioned events must have an approved bullfighter in the arena during the bull riding.
 - The use of a mouthpiece, vest and helmet is mandatory. You will be disqualified if not followed.
 - If a flank comes off a bull, contestant has the privilege of accepting his marking, or having a re-ride. Decision must be made immediately. Contestant must have a qualified ride to be eligible for a re-ride
 - Contestant will have the right to know his score before he makes his decision to accept or reject a re-ride.
 - It will be up to the stock contractor’s discretion if the use of handheld electronic devices should be used to enable each individual stock to perform at their best.
 - DISQUALIFICATIONS:
 - Riders will be disqualified for any of the following offenses:
 - Being bucked off.
 - Using sharp spurs.
 - Touching animal or himself with free hand or assisting himself with free hand/arm by touching animal.
 - Not being ready when it is their turn (At regular season rodeos a contestant will be limited to 90 seconds after being notified it is their turn. At the finals rodeo a contestant will be limited to 60 seconds after being notified it is their turn.)
- **Calf Riding:**
 - Qualified ride is 6 seconds.
 - All bull riders must ride with helmet, vest, and protective mouthpiece.

- Riders are responsible for having all their gear on and their rope on their bull when it's their time to ride.
- Any contestant that turns out stock or does not attempt to ride will NOT be eligible for entry fee return.
- Contestants must ride with one (1) hand in bull rope.
- The contestant cannot touch animal with their free hand.
- No assistance will be allowed past the plane of the chute for a qualified ride. The latch side judge will enforce this rule. One person will be allowed in the chute to assist the rider.
- At regular season rodeos a contestant will be limited to 90 seconds after being notified it is their turn.
- At the finals rodeo a contestant will be limited to 60 seconds after being notified it is their turn
- Rope must have a bell when the calf leaves the chute. No bell, no marking. Bell must be under the belly of the calf.
- FOULS:
 - Anytime a contestant is fouled at chute gate; he must declare himself with three (3) jumps or take that marking.
 - The use of a mouthpiece, vest and full-face helmet is mandatory. You will be disqualified if not followed.
 - Contestant must be willing to ride, and contestant must nod their head to open the gate. If they do not nod, they will not ride, and the entry fees will be forfeited.
 - Contestants must ride with a loose rope. No knots allowed
 - Bull having dangerous horns in the opinion of the judge must be de-horned, tipped, or kept out of the draw. Tips must be no smaller than the size of a 50-cent piece
- Bareback horses:
 - 10-13 Bareback:
 - Must ride for 8 seconds
 - Must ride with 1 hand only
 - Helmet, vest, and mouthpiece required
 - 90 seconds allowed to get out on horse during regular season – 60 seconds at finals
 - Rider must ask for re-ride before leaving arena
 - No wet rosin
 - No sharp spurs & must be free spinning
 - 5-point deduction per side for no mark out
 - No one is allowed inside the chute with horse to help rider
 - 14-18 Bareback :
 - Must ride for 8 seconds
 - Must ride with 1 hand only
 - Helmet, vest, and mouthpiece required
 - 90 seconds allowed to get out on horse during regular season – 60 seconds at finals
 - Rider must ask for re-ride before leaving arena

- No wet rosin
- No sharp spurs & must be free spinning
- Must mark out to get a score
- **Bareback ponies:**
 - 6 & Under Ponies:
 - Must ride for 6 seconds
 - Can ride with 1 or 2 hands but rider must finish how they start
 - Helmet, vest, and mouthpiece required
 - You have 90 seconds to get out on pony before disqualified
 - Rider must ask for re-ride before leaving arena
 - No bind allowed
 - 7-9 Ponies:
 - Must ride for 6 seconds
 - Must ride with 1 hand only
 - Helmet, vest, and mouthpiece required
 - 90 seconds allowed to get out on horse during regular season – 60 seconds at finals
 - Rider must ask for re-ride before leaving arena
 - No bind allowed
 - No wet rosin
 - No sharp spurs & they must be free spinning
- **Chute dogging:**
 - TIME LIMIT: 30-seconds.
 - PENALTY: 10-second if Contestant is in throwing position before crossing the line (see below).
 - DQ: If steer is thrown before crossing the line.
 - Score line is 10 feet from the Chute Gate.
 - Two Judges + ONE (Field Flag Judge & Barrier Judge & one appointed by the Judges)
 - The Field Judge is to watch the contestant and steer until the animal is turned loose. Will flag when the animal is legally thrown indicating the end of the run.
 - The Barrier Judge will stand on the start line on the right side of the steer flag when the animal's nose crosses the line indicating the start of the run.
 - The 3rd person will be appointed by the Judges and will stand on the line.
 - Contestant with steer loaded in chute, dogger gets beside the steer, right hand on shoulder blade or behind right front shoulder. When a dogger calls for the steer the chute gate will be opened.
 - Doggers must keep their right hand on the shoulder blade or behind shoulder until the steer's nose crosses the score line, right arm CANNOT be under the steer's neck until you cross the score line. If a dogger moves into a throwing

position or touches either horn(s), or ear(s), before the steer's nose crosses the score line will receive a 10 second penalty added to time.

- Dogger must bring the steer to a stop or change its direction and twist it down.
 - Steer will be considered thrown down only when it is laying flat on its side, or on its back with all four feet and head straight.
 - Judges have final call on transition on movement with contestants and steers.
 - A straightway chute may be used in lieu of the bucking chute, depending upon its availability.
- **Breakaway Roping:**
 - TIME LIMIT: 30 seconds.
 - PENALTY: 10-second penalty for breaking the barrier.
 - Two loops allowed only when the contestant carries two loops, no rebuilding.
 - Rope must go over calves' nose & break free from saddle.
 - Contestants cannot break rope from saddle horn by hand.
 - Each rope MUST have a white flag (MUST BE BIG ENOUGH TO SEE, EXAMPLE: HANDKERCHIEF SIZE IS APPROPRIATE SIZE).
 - Each rope MUST be tied on tightly with the provided string in the office.
 - String will be provided at each rodeo by the SEYRA.
 - **Tie down Calf Roping:**
 - TIME LIMIT: 45 seconds.
 - PENALTY: 10-second penalty for breaking barrier.
 - This event is a step-up from goat tying. One may either Goat Tie OR Tie Down Calf Rope in a given rodeo. One may not compete in both events in a single rodeo.
 - One may compete solely in Tie Down Calf Roping, or they may begin in goats and graduate up to Tie Down. Once you move up to Tie Down, you cannot go back to Goats. Awards will only be available in whichever event you finish the year in, provided you compete in the required number of rodeos for that event.
 - Tie down calf roping will have a stock weight of 160-200 lbs. You must daylight your calf if you jerk him down.
 - **Team roping:**
 - TIME LIMIT: 45 seconds.
 - PENALTIES: 5 second penalty if only one rear leg is caught. 10-second penalty if the barrier is broken.
 - Two loops per team only (for safety reasons). Three loops are allowed only at finals.
 - Legal head catches are half heads, slick horns or full neck catch.

- If the steer falls, do not drag him. If stock is drug at any time, it will be an automatic DQ!
- Contestants can enter two times either both times as header or heeler (with different partners) or once as header & once as heeler.
- Each participant will pay a full stock charge.
- **Draw partner option:**
 - A team roper can only enter **once** per rodeo with a draw partner.
 - A team roping contestant with no partner may request a partner be supplied as a draw partner from a volunteer list entered contestants in that event during that rodeo/round.
 - The contestant requesting a draw partner will be charged their own stock fee as well as the stock fee for the draw partner.
 - No points will be awarded to the drawn partner, however, day money will be available **if** the draw partner pays a jackpot fee to the office prior to the start of the event (preferably at check-in).
 - Request for a draw partner **MUST** be made at the time of call-in for each rodeo.
- **Substitute Partner option:** This rule is designed to be used in one or two instances:
 - If a contestant's team roping partner calls in and stock was ordered for his/her team, and partner does not show up, then **BEFORE** the rodeo starts, upon approval of event director and arena director, a substitute partner may be drawn from a list of willing contestants in said event. **Points will not be awarded to the substitute partner;** however, day money will be available **if** entry fees have been paid for the original team (jackpot payment is also an option if the other partner has not paid, see above).
 - If contestants team roping partner is called in and stock is drawn for his/her team, and partner is injured, sick, or unable to compete due to medical reasons suffered during the day's rodeo, then before that events starts, upon approval of event director and arena director, a substitute partner may be drawn from a list of willing contestants in said event. Points will not be awarded to a substitute partner; however, day money will be available if entry fees have been paid for the original team.
- **Steer Wrestling / Bull Dogging:**
 - This event will run as a jackpot only, no points will be awarded for this event for this year.
 - There will be a minimum # of entries per rodeo required in order to run this event (based on stock minimum). If there are not enough entries or if SEYRA is

unable to provide the proper stock, the event will be canceled and no payment will be due.

- A contestant must enter by call-in and will commit to riding and paying for the event. Once stock is ordered, there will be no call-out without penalty approved.
- If there are not enough entries or if SEYRA is unable to provide the proper stock, the event will be canceled and no payment will be due.
- **The run:**
 - The steer wrestler must make a full and complete run
 - The contestant must start in the back of the box.
 - The steer wrestler must dismount from his/her horse to catch the “steer.”
 - If contact between the steer wrestler and steer is lost, the run is immediately over, resulting in a no time.
 - The steer must be thrown by the horns with no assistance from the hazer once the contestants feet hit the ground.
 - After catching the steer, the contestant must bring the steer to a stop or a change of direction must occur.
 - The steer must be brought down by the steer wrestler twisting the steer down by the horns/head. If the steer is knocked down, tripped, or brought to the ground by any form other than the legal act, the steer must be brought back to it feet and thrown the legal way.
 - The steer must be fully out of the chute before the steer wrestler’s feet hit the ground.
- **The hazer:**
 - Only 1 hazer is allowed in each run.
 - Each individual run can consist of a different hazer, however only one can be used for each run.
 - The hazer may not bump/hit the steer in the face.
 - The hazer can not provide any assistance to the steer wrestler while he/she is working the “steer.” If this occurs, the run is immediately counted as a no time.
- **Legal Catch:**
 - The steer must be initially caught from the horse. If the initial catch is lost, but contact is still maintained, the steer wrestler can still work the steer to the ground. If contact is lost, the run is immediately over and results in a no time.
 - The steer wrestler can not use force in other parts of the animal to help bring the steer to the ground (i.e using fingers in eyes, lips, noses, etc). If these acts happen the runs will automatically result in a no time.
- **Calling Time:**

- Time stops when the steer is on its side with all 4 legs visibly sticking out. All four legs and the steers head must be facing in the same direction.
- The contestant must remain in contact with the steer once it is on the ground until all 4 legs are clearly out from underneath the animal and the head of the steer is facing the same direction

★ **IF FOR ANY REASON WE FEEL THE CHILD OR STOCK IS IN DANGER DURING ANY ROPING EVENTS WE WILL CUT THE ROPE!**

- All committees desiring approval of a SEYRA rodeo must request an approval form from an officer on the board. Upon receipt of the same, the President within a reasonable period of time, will either approve or not approve said rodeo. A form approved by the Board of Directors shall be used for this purpose and shall not be accepted unless the same is completed in full at the time it is submitted.

REMINDER:

- READ the rule book before the first rodeo.

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