

2022 COWBOY CHRISTMAS DY SHOWCASE RODEO COWTOWN COLISEUM 121 E. Exchange Ave, Ft. Worth, TX 76164 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2022 @ 1:00PM

GROUND RULES

1. Competition Format

1.1. Up to eight (8) athletes from each discipline will compete in one full round of competition.

2. General Information:

- 2.1. Up to eight (8) athletes in each discipline will compete at the Cowtown Christmas DY Showcase Rodeo on Saturday, December 17, 2022 in Fort Worth, TX.
- 2.2. Entry Fee \$300.00 per athlete, per discipline
 - 2.2.1. Entry fee includes a complimentary DY1 nomination.
- 3. Added Money \$28,600 (\$2,600 per discipline)
 - 3.1. Competition Order:
 - 3.1.1. Timed Events reverse order of DY Junior Leaderboard standings
 - 3.1.2. Barrel Racing and Pole Bending Top of the DY Junior Leaderboard standings top of the ground
 - 3.1.2.1. Drag, 1,3,5,7, Drag, 2,4,6,8
 - 3.1.3. Riding Events based on stock draw
 - 3.2. Stock Draw will be random draw.
 - 3.3. Timed Event competition will start behind a rope barrier and will be timed by handheld plungers from the PBR Scoring System.
 - 3.4. Times in the Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Tie-Down Roping, Goat Tying and Breakaway Roping will be recorded to the hundredths of seconds.
 - 3.5. Times in the Barrel Race and Pole Bending will be recorded to the thousandths of seconds.
 - 3.6. Barrel Racing Tractor Drag/Hand Rake
 - 3.6.1. Drag prior to start of discipline
 - 3.6.2. Drag after 4
 - 3.6.3. Hand rake after every run
 - 3.7. Half points when scoring will be used in all rough stock events.
 - 3.8. In Team Roping, whenever referring to the WCRA DY Junior Leaderboard, it is based on the Team's combined Leaderboard points for the corresponding segment related to the current event
 - 3.9. Turn Out Due to Doctor Release: Athlete must give notice to Event Arena Secretary no later than 3 days before his/her scheduled Performance, or upon the occurrence of a physical injury if it occurs less than 3 days before the Performance. In order to be eligible to be Excused, the Athlete must provide, prior to Athlete's first scheduled competition time, a written medical doctor verification on doctor's letterhead bearing the doctor's name, address and phone number, signed by a licensed doctor explaining the injury and recommending that the Athlete not compete in the Event. The doctor's note must be dated no later than 3 days after the alleged injury occurred.
 - 3.10. Turn Out Due to Vet Releases: Vet releases will only be accepted in the Barrel Racing Discipline and must be on signed letterhead from a licensed veterinarian.
 - 3.11. In the Team Roping, if a header or heeler notifies TO, NNTO, VIR, DR, or DO leaving an incomplete team, the next Athlete in the corresponding category (header or heeler) will be added to the team. If an alternate is not found prior to the Athlete's competition time, the remaining partner may select another partner from among any of the Event Athletes already entered in Event, except those scheduled to compete in that same Discipline that have not already entered the maximum allowed times.

4. SCHEDULE OF KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

- 4.1.1. November 27, 2022 at 11:59pm CT- DY Showcase final date for eligible nominations
- 4.1.2. Tuesday November 29, 2022 at 2:00pm CT Preliminary Leaderboard Update
- 4.1.3. All athletes have from Tuesday, November 29 at 2:00pm CT Wednesday November 30 at 2:00pm CT to email support@wcrarodeo.com to declare a dispute in the results. After this deadline, all points in to the DY23 Cowtown Christmas Showcase leaderboard Top 8 are final.
- 4.1.4. December 1, 2022 at 1:00pm CT FW22 leaderboard final
- 4.1.5. December 2, 2022 at 10:00am CT December 5, 2022 at 5:00pm CT Team Roping Pairings for FW22 Leaderboard
- 4.1.6. December 6, 2022 at Noon (12:00pm) CT FW22 Entries Open
- 4.1.7. December 8, 2022 at Noon (12:00pm) CT FW22 Entries Close

5. Qualification notes....

- 5.1. Eligible athletes qualify based on DY Junior (19U) Leaderboard Rank (Top 8) as of Nov 27, 2022.
 - 5.1.1. Following weekly leaderboard audit November 30, 2022
- 5.2. If an eligible athlete qualified via the DY23 Junior Leaderboard (Top 8) as of Nov 27, 2022 does not enter during the designated entry time period, they will be replaced by the next eligible alternate from the master event athlete list.
- 5.3. Athletes can qualify by voluntarily nominating any age restricted youth rodeo/event and earning points for the WCRA Junior Leaderboard positions using the VRQ (Virtual Rodeo Qualifier). Athletes can nominate their efforts now through Nov 27, 2022.
- 5.4. Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding and Steer Wrestling athlete are eligible to nominate at the age of fifteen (15) years old; but must be sixteen (16) years of age on the day of the event to eligible to participate.

6. Athlete Replacement Policy

- 6.1. Any replacements for an open position in the event will be filled based on the WCRA DY Junior Leaderboard.
- 6.2. WCRA Competition Committee will determine when an athlete needs to be replaced and who the replacement athlete will be.
- 6.3. WCRA reserves the right to issue a replacement, at any time, to ensure a competitive field for competition.
- 6.4. If an athlete chooses not to compete for a "non-injury" related reason, they may be assessed a penalty for a notified turnout.
- 6.5. The penalty for a notified turnout after entries close and prior the turnout deadline is \$300.00 plus any applicable entry fees and/or stock charges associated with the entry. If a replacement competes in their place, the turnout penalty fee will be waived.
- 6.6. Turnout Deadline 48 hours prior to the posted performance start time of the event.
- 6.7. If an entered athlete turns out after the deadline, but before 24 hours of the posted performance time and a replacement competes in their place, the additional fees will be waived above the \$300 penalty. If a replacement is not found, the athlete turning out will also be penalized 10% of their current DY23 leaderboard points
- 6.8. The penalty for a non-notified turnout is \$300.00 plus any applicable entry fees and/or stock charges associated with the entry. The athlete will also be penalized 25% of their current DY23 leaderboard points.
- 6.9. The athlete will forfeit any nomination fees paid for the event in the VRQ and cannot participate in the WCRA platform until all penalty fees are paid.

7. Timed Event Cattle Draw

- 7.1. The timed event cattle draw will occur a minimum of two (2) hours prior to performance start time
 - 7.1.1. All timed event splits must be declared one (1) hour before the event start time.

8. Rough Stock Draw

8.1.1. The stock will be drafted in order of the athlete's WCRA DY23 Junior Leaderboard ranking.

8.1.1.1. Athletes must be present at 11:00am prior to the start of the performance to draft their stock. If not present, the stock will be randomly drawn for the athlete after the draft concludes.

9. Team Roping Pairings

- 9.1. The eight (8) confirmed headers will choose their partners out of the eight (8) confirmed heelers.
- 9.2. At the conclusion of the November 27, 2022 deadline, all eligible Headers and Heelers will first declare their partners via email prior to entries opening. A link to a live sheet will be shared with all header/heelers to see the pairings as they are sent in.
 - 9.2.1.1. All headers/heelers to confirm their partner not later than December 5, 2022 at 5 pm
 - 9.2.1.2. Athletes are not allowed to have more than one (1) identical Header/Heeler pairing combination at any time during the event.
- 9.3. Combined partner point totals after the pairing deadline will determine the team's competition placement.
- 9.4. All references to a Team Roping ranking and/or competition position once the pairings have been confirmed will be based on the combined team's point total.
- 9.5. In the event there is an uneven number of headers/heelers, any vacancies must first be filled with the eligible headers/heelers from the master athlete alternate list.
- 9.6. Once all eligible headers/heelers have declared a partner and all alternates have been exhausted, the remaining headers/heelers without a partner will be allowed to choose a partner from the remaining field of entered athletes.
- **10.** Once all pairings are declared, competition placement for the event will be determined based on the combined point totals between each team.
- **11. INSTANT REPLAY RULING CHALLENGE**: Refer to Section 5 of the WCRA Rules of Competition document for official rules on instant replay.

12. Ground Money

- 12.1. The definition of ground money is unclaimed prize money that will be divided evenly between the athletes with qualified scores or times or within the respective rounds.
- 12.2. In the case of not having enough scores or times in an event discipline, there will be ground money.
- 12.3. If there are no qualified scores or times in a discipline, no ground money will be paid out.
- 12.4. If there is one qualified score or time, that athlete will earn the ground money.

13. Event Payout:

- 13.1. Payout will consist of a total prize money payout of \$5,000.00 in each discipline.
- 13.2. Payout:
 - 13.2.1. 1st Place \$2,000
 - 13.2.2. 2nd Place \$1,500
 - 13.2.3. 3rd Place \$1,000
 - 13.2.4. 4th Place \$500
- 13.3. Foreign federal tax withholding will be withheld from all gross winnings, at rate of 30% per US Federal Statutes, on all athletes that do not provide a complete IRS Form W-9.