



**CEAT TIRES presents
2023 WCRA COWTOWN YOUTH SHOWCASE RODEO
COWTOWN COLISEUM
121 E. Exchange Ave, Ft. Worth, TX 76164
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023 @ 1:30PM
GROUND RULES**

1. Competition Format

1.1. Up to eight (8) athletes from each discipline will compete from the DY24 Junior Leaderboard in one full round of competition.

2. General Information:

2.1. Up to eight (8) athletes in each discipline will compete at the Cowtown DY Showcase Rodeo on Saturday, November 4, 2023 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 – in order of DY Junior Leaderboard standings

3.1.3. Riding Events – based on stock draw

3.2. Timed Event competition will start behind a rope barrier and will be timed by handheld plungers from the Venue Scoring System.

3.3. Times in the Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Tie-Down Roping, Goat Tying and Breakaway Roping will be recorded to the hundredths of seconds.

3.4. Times in the Barrel Race and Pole Bending will be recorded to the thousandths of seconds.

3.5. Barrel Racing and Pole Bending

3.5.1. Hand rake after every run (Poles – end poles only)

3.6. Half points scoring will be used in all rough stock events.

3.7. 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.

3.8. 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.

3.9. 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.

3.10. 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

Revised – October 18, 2023

- 4.1. October 15, 2023 – Athletes have until October 15 at 11:59 p.m. to nominate and earn points
- 4.2. October 17, 2023 @ 2:00pm CT – Preliminary Segment DY24 Leaderboard Updated & Dispute Window Opens
- 4.3. October 18, 2023 @ 2:00pm CT – Segment DY24 Leaderboard Dispute Window Closes
- 4.4. October 19, 2023 @ 1:00pm CT –DY24 DY Showcase Leaderboards Final
- 4.5. October 20, 2023 @ 10:00am CT– DY Team Pairing Opens
- 4.6. October 23, 2023 @ 3:00pm CT – DY Team Pairing Closes
- 4.7. October 24, 2023 @12:00pm CT – DY Showcase Entries Open
- 4.8. October 26, 2023 @ 3:00pm CT – DY Showcase Entries Close
- 4.9. October 27, 2023 @ 12:00pm CT – Call backs

5. Qualification notes....

- 5.1. Eligible athletes qualify based on DY Junior (19U) Leaderboard Rank (Top 8) following the weekly leaderboard update on October 19, 2023
- 5.2. If an eligible athlete qualified via the DY24 Junior Leaderboard (Top 8) as of October 19, 2023 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 October 15, 2023.
- 5.4. Bareback Riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Bull Riding and Steer Wrestling – athlete is eligible to nominate at the age of fifteen (15) years of age to eligible to qualify and participate in the event.
- 5.5. If a discipline does not have 8 entries based on the DY24 leaderboard standings, WCRA reserves the right to invite additional athletes to participate in the event.
- 5.6. If a discipline does not have a minimum of 5 athletes the discipline will not be held.
- 5.7. WCRA reserves the sole right to modify the entry fee and payout structure of a discipline as deemed necessary based on the lack of entries as an effort to include a discipline for the event production.

6. Athlete Replacement Policy

- 6.1. Any replacements for an open position in the event will be filled based on the WCRA DY24 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 DY24 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 DY24 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 DY24 Junior Leaderboard ranking.

8.1.1.1. Athletes must be present at 11:30am prior to the start of the performance to draft their stock. The Stock Draft will be held on the stage on the Coliseum Plaza. 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 October 19, 2023 leaderboard update, 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 October 23, 2023 @ 3:00pm CT

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 based on 8 athletes entered.

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.