



RODEO AUSTIN

RODEO AUSTIN BREAKAWAY GROUND RULES

I. RODEO AUSTIN RULES OF COMPETITION

a. ProRodeo Schedule

- i. Rodeo Austin will consist of 1 ProRodeo qualifying round to be held over the first eleven performances, 1 ProRodeo playoff round to be held over three performances and 1 ProRodeo Finals performance.

Performance	Day	Time	Date	Notes
1	Saturday	7:00 p.m.	March 11, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
2	Sunday	3:00 p.m.	March 12, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
3	Monday	7:00 p.m.	March 13, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
4	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	March 14, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
5	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	March 15, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
6	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	March 16, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
7	Friday	7:00 p.m.	March 17, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
8	Saturday	7:00 p.m.	March 18, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
9	Sunday	3:00 p.m.	March 19, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
10	Monday	7:00 p.m.	March 20, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
11	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	March 21, 2023	ProRodeo Qualifying Round
12	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	March 22, 2023	ProRodeo Playoff Round
13	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	March 23, 2023	ProRodeo Playoff Round
14	Friday	7:00 p.m.	March 24, 2023	ProRodeo Playoff Round
15	Saturday	7:00 p.m.	March 25, 2023	ProRodeo Finals Performance

b. ProRodeo, March 11-25, 2023.

i. Entries

1. Card member only; permits will not be accepted
2. Entry fees are as follows:
 - a. Bareback \$250
 - b. Steer Wrestling \$250
 - c. Team Roping \$250 per contestant
 - d. Breakaway Roping \$250
 - e. Saddle Bronc \$250
 - f. Tie-Down Roping \$250
 - g. Barrel Racing \$250
 - h. Bull Riding \$250
3. Rodeo Austin entry information to be listed in the January ProRodeo Business Journal.
4. Entry open and closing date to be determined by PRCA/WPRA
 - a. Rodeo Austin to receive the final contestant listing and initial stock draw no later than March 6, 2023 – excluding medical releases.
5. The 30-Hour Replacement policy will be in effect

ii. Entry Selection Process

1. Contestant Limits

- a. Each event will consist of 88 contestants/teams.

1. Bareback Riding, Steer Wrestling, Breakaway Roping, Saddle Bronc Riding, Tie-Down Roping, Barrel Racing and Bull Riding will be limited to 88 contestants per event.

- ii. Team Roping will be limited to 88 teams.
- iii. Rodeo Austin will not pay compensation money.
- iv. All contestants must be in good standing with the PRCA/WPRA and Rodeo Austin.

iii. Performance Format

1. Top 88 Contestants per event
 - a. 8 per night X 1 head round for 11 nights (1 Qualifying Round)
 - b. 8 per night X 1 head round for 3 nights (1 Playoff Round)
 - c. 8 per night X 1 head round for 1 night (1 Finals)
2. No Slack
3. No Average Pay-Out
4. No Bull Riding Day Money
5. No Stock Charges
6. \$237,600 in Contestant Entry Fees as per the following fee schedule; Contestant Entry Fees to fully fund Qualifying Round; Should an event not fill with 88 contestants, contestant prize money will be reduced in the Qualifying Round
7. \$427,500 in Added Money or \$47,500 per event; Rodeo Austin's Added Money to fully fund Playoff Round and Finals
8. \$665,100 Total Payout per the following payout schedule
9. Two judges, scoring on half-points, to reduce chance of ties
10. At the end of the Qualifying Round, if there are not enough qualified rides and/or times to fill the Playoff Round, then contestants that move on will be determined by a random post-Qualifying Round draw
11. At the end of the Qualifying Round, if there is a tie for the last advancing place, then contestants that move on will be determined by a random post-Qualifying Round draw
12. At the end of the Qualifying Round, if an advancing contestant turns out (including doctor release or visible injury) then the next contestant with the highest score or fastest time in the Qualifying Round may move up. If the next contestant is not available; the contestant with the next highest score or fastest time in the Qualifying Round may move up. This will continue until all Playoff Round spots are filled. If an animal has already been drawn for the contestant who turned out, the replacement contestant will draw an animal from a pool consisting of all animals that have been turned out and the first available designated re-ride.
13. The twenty-four contestants that who qualify for the Playoff Round will be placed as follows in all events: positions 24-17 will compete on Wednesday, March 22nd performance (twelfth), 16-9 will compete in the Thursday, March 23rd (thirteenth) performance, positions 8-1 will compete in the Friday, March 24th (fourteenth) performance.
14. Contestants who qualify for the Playoff Round will be allowed to trade with other contestants through the rodeo secretary for thirty minutes following the conclusion of the eleventh performance.
15. At the end of the Playoff Round, if there are not enough qualified rides and/or times or there is a tie for the last advancing place, the contestant with the highest score or lowest time in the Qualifying Round will advance to the Finals; if still tied, then contestants that move on will be determined by a random post-Playoff Round draw
16. At the end of the Playoff Round, if an advancing contestant turns out (including doctor release or visible injury) then the next contestant with the highest score or fastest time in the Playoff Round may move up. If the next contestant is not available; the next contestant with the highest score or fastest time in the Playoff Round may move up. This will continue until all Finals Round spots are filled. If an animal has already been drawn for the contestant who turned out, the replacement contestant will draw an animal from a pool consisting of all animals that have been turned out and the first available designated re-ride.
17. At the end of the Finals, if there are no qualified rides and/or times in an event, the event winner will be determined by the highest combined score or lowest time from the Qualifying and Playoff Round combined.

18. Money won in a Qualifying and/or Playoff Round does not count toward the Final placings.

iv. 2023 Payout

o Qualifying Round Payout (Gross / Net)

o Per Event

▪ First	\$4,180 / \$3,929.20
▪ Second	\$3,740 / \$3,515.60
▪ Third	\$3,300 / \$3,102.00
▪ Fourth	\$2,860 / \$2,688.40
▪ Fifth	\$2,420 / \$2,274.80
▪ Sixth	\$1,980 / \$1,861.20
▪ Seventh	\$1,540 / \$1,447.60
▪ Eighth	\$1,100 / \$1,034.00
▪ Ninth	\$660 / \$620.40
▪ Tenth	\$220 / \$206.80
▪ Total	\$22,000 / \$20,680

▪ X 9 events \$198,000 / \$186,120

o Playoff Payout (Gross / Net)

o Per Event

▪ First	\$4,887.50 / \$4,594.25
▪ Second	\$4,250.00 / \$3,995.00
▪ Third	\$3,612.50 / \$3,395.75
▪ Fourth	\$2,975.00 / \$2,796.50
▪ Fifth	\$2,337.50 / \$2,197.25
▪ Sixth	\$1,700.00 / \$1,598.00
▪ Seventh	\$1,062.50 / \$998.75
▪ Eighth	\$425.00 / \$399.50
▪ Total	\$21,250 / \$19,975

▪ X 9 events \$191,250 / \$179,775

o Finals Payout (Gross / Net)

o Per Event

▪ First	\$10,500 / \$9,870
▪ Second	\$8,000 / \$7,520
▪ Third	\$5,250 / \$4,935
▪ Fourth	\$2,500 / \$2,350
▪ Total	\$26,250 / \$24,675

▪ X 9 events \$236,250 / \$222,075

• **GRAND TOTAL PAYOUT \$625,500 / \$587,970***

*PRCA to deduct 6% from each check

v. Added Purse Money

a. Rodeo Austin Added Purse Money provided the proposed Rodeo Austin PRCA/WPRA Sanctioning Rider is approved in its entirety by both the PRCA and WPRA.

1. Bareback	\$47,500
2. Steer Wrestling	\$47,500
3. Team Roping	\$95,000
4. Breakaway Roping	\$47,500
5. Saddle Bronc	\$47,500
6. Tie-Down Roping	\$47,500
7. Barrel Racing	\$47,500
8. <u>Bull Riding</u>	<u>\$47,500</u>

9. Total \$427,500

v. Order of Events

1. Bareback Riding
2. Steer Wrestling
3. Team Roping
4. Breakaway Roping
5. Saddle Bronc Riding
6. Tie-Down Roping
7. Barrel Racing
8. Bull Riding

vi. Timed Events

1. General

- a. No stall reservations. A limited number of stalls are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Contestants must check in and complete Stall Form with Stall Manager before stalling horses.
- b. Contestants with horses must check in at the Gate 2 entrance to the Fairgrounds (7311 Decker Lane Austin, TX 78724) and present the following to be admitted entrance. The following guidelines are established in compliance with the Texas Animal Health Commission Regulations governing admission of livestock into fairs and exhibitions and additional rules imposed by Rodeo Austin to ensure the health and well-being of animals exhibited at the Show. Requirements are subject to change based on updates from the Texas Animal Health Commission.
- c. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection current, issued within thirty (30) days or a valid equine interstate passport or equine identification card, current, issued within six (6) months.
- d. Negative equine infectious anemia (EIA) test (also known as "Coggins Test") within twelve (12) months. In-state origin equine: foals, less than eight months of age, nursing a negative dam are exempt from testing. Test document must be in hand or test results and related information must be shown on the certificate of veterinary inspection. If using an equine passport or equine identification card, the negative EIA test must be within 6 (six) months.
- e. Contestants must abide by Rodeo Austin regulations for entry and exit with animals. Individuals who violate animal entry policies will be subject to immediate ejection from the premises.
- f. Contestants with falsified health papers will be removed from the Rodeo Austin grounds immediately and disqualified from the competition.

2. Breakaway Roping

- a. Only one loop will be permitted
- b. If a timed event animal escapes (or re-run for any reason), the extra will be used. Only escaped animals will go back into the herd.
- c. Stock Contractor will provide stock for a minimum of 1/3 of the entered contestants plus extras.
- d. Drawing to follow PRCA procedures.
- e. When a specific WPRA rule does not apply and no approved ground rules are posted, the appropriate PRCA ruling as interpreted by the contest judge shall apply. The decision of the judge shall be final.

3. All other rules will be enforced per the PRCA/WPRA rulebook.

c. General

- i. Judges scores/times are official.
- ii. Judges will utilize half points.
- iii. Each contestant must complete and sign a Rodeo Austin Release of Liability, Indemnity and Background Check Agreement and a W-9 Form and present it to the Rodeo Secretary prior to his/her first competition.
- iv. Each contestant will be furnished with a Rodeo Austin back number, which must be worn or displayed in its entirety at all times when in the Competition Arena. If a contestant has an existing patch sponsorship involving the cantle/yoke of the shirt, then the contestant may wear the Rodeo Austin back number immediately below the existing cantle/yoke

- patch. If a contestant elects to wear a protective vest or jacket then that contestant must wear the Rodeo Austin back number in the same location on the vest or jacket.
- v. In accordance with PRCA Bylaws (B15.1.9), this is to notify that Rodeo Austin will only admit contestants who are entered in the competition to all facilities at no charge. PRCA/WPRA members who are not entered will not be given free admission, nor may they enter any area restricted only to contestants without proper Rodeo Austin credentials.
 - vi. No family members (including children), guests, escorts, etc. will be allowed in chute or Arena areas.
 - vii. No dogs will be allowed on the grounds, with the exception of contract acts.
 - viii. Contestants must enter facilities via Gate 2 off of Decker Lane. Parking is available on a first-come, first-served basis in Lot C and/or D.
- d. Appearances, Press and Media
- i. Contestants agree to be available to Rodeo Austin staff for media interviews during the days/evenings that they are participating in a performance.
 - ii. The highest scoring contestant(s) in each event, of each performance, are asked to participate in a minimum one-hour autograph session following each performance.
 - i. The top winning contestant(s) in each event must be present for the awards presentation at the conclusion of his/her event during the Qualifying, Playoff and Finals performances. The event winner(s) must then take a victory lap if Rodeo Austin so chooses.