

2026 WPRA WORLD FINALS

ROPING GROUND RULES

I. Quick Tips:

Read the rules.

- Keep a copy of your entry when you enter.
- If you want to stall together, one (1) person must buy the stalls on one (1) entry. No exceptions! If you have a special request (stallion stall, etc.), send an email to entry@elitebarrelracing.com.
- Coggins paperwork as well as health certificate (if applicable) is required upon entry to Extraco Events Center.
- It is not necessary to check-in with the Main Office located in the Coliseum. Draw numbers for your entry can be found on www.wpra.com prior to the event.
- Event times listed are subject to change. Check www.wpra.com.

II. Entries:

- Online — Entries open September 7, 2026 and will close October 29, 2026 at 11:00 pm MT. You may enter online at www.wpra.com.
- Roping Events to Enter:
 - Pro Rodeo Breakaway — \$375 Entry Fee + \$25 Stock Charge. \$15,000 added
 - Permit Only Breakaway — \$375 Entry Fee + \$25 Stock Charge. \$5,000 added
 - Team Roping — \$375 Entry Fee + \$25 Stock Charge/side. \$8,000 added/side
 - Tie Down Roping — \$375 Entry Fee + \$25 Stock Charge. \$5,000 added
 - All Around Barrel Race — \$100 Entry Fee (must be entered in World Finals Roping)
 - American Contender Series Qualifier Breakaway Side Pot from World Finals Average of the Pro Rodeo Breakaway & Permit Only Breakaway — \$415 Eligibility Fee Refer to section VII.g.

III. Drawing Out:

- Draw out deadline 8:00 am CT Thursday, November 12, 2026.
 - The draw-out form must be returned to the show office or emailed by the deadline to receive a draw-out refund.
 - The draw-out form is for entry fees, stall fees, and RV fees, less a 25% draw out charge regardless of when draw out was submitted/processed **(fees apply prior to books closing)**.
 - No doctor or vet release paperwork is needed.
 - After the deadline, no refunds will be given for any reason.
- * The draw-out form can be found on www.wpra.com.

IV. Stalls and RVs

- Barn will open for check-in Tuesday, November 10, 2026 at 5:00 pm.
 - You may check into your reserved stalls and/or RV spaces on the date reserved. Shavings must be purchased in the stall office. No outside shavings allowed. No portable panels or tying horses to trailers overnight is allowed.
 - All stalls will be pre-assigned. If you are traveling in a group and would like all horses to be stalled near each other, one (1) of the members in your group must reserve all stalls to guarantee your stalls will be together.
 - YOU MUST STALL AT NIGHT — after 11:30 pm, horses must be stalled at the Extraco Event Center or taken off site. Tie-outs or the use of portable fences (electric or panel) is strictly prohibited anywhere on the facility. If caught in violation, you will be fined \$100 per occurrence and cannot compete until the fine is paid.
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| e. Stall Pricing | f. RV Pricing |
| i. Tuesday — Sunday: \$135 | i. Tuesday — Sunday: \$190 |
| ii. Wednesday — Sunday: \$115 | ii. Wednesday — Sunday: \$155 |
| iii. Thursday — Sunday: \$95 | iii. Thursday — Sunday: \$120 |
| iv. Friday — Sunday: \$70 | iv. Friday — Sunday: \$85 |
| v. Saturday — Sunday: \$35 | v. Saturday — Sunday: \$50 |

V. Health Certificates & Coggins

- Coggins paperwork is required upon entry to Extraco Events Center.
- Health Certificate: All out of state horses are required to have a current health certificate. In state horses must comply with any Texas requirements.

VI. Contestant Requirements

- Contestants are responsible for having knowledge of applicable WPRA rules and procedures in events entered. These Ground Rules supersede any other rule contained in the WPRA Rule Book.

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- b. All members entering WPRA classes must be financially eligible at the time entries close, or they will be drawn out.
- c. All bills associated with the WPRA World Finals must be settled with the show office before you leave the Extraco Event Center. Failure to settle your bills will result in a \$50 service charge.
- d. When you are called you must be ready within 60 seconds after which you will be disqualified.
- e. All contestants must have a back number, and it must be worn while competing.
- f. Dress code is required while in the holding pen.
- g. The WPRA at its discretion may video any and all competition runs. They are for WPRA purposes only and do not replace the judge's decision.
- h. Horse abuse on the event grounds will not be tolerated.
- i. If a contestant is scheduled to compete in both the Coliseum Arena and the Show Pavilion Arena in separate competitions at the same time, the Coliseum Arena will take priority. It is entirely the responsibility of those contestants in possible conflict to bring the situation to the Roping Arena Secretary beforehand so arrangements can be made.

VII. Roping Event Information and Eligibility

Note: Your membership status (Card, Permit, Active Gold Card, etc.) at the time of your entry determines which roping events you may enter.

a. Pro Rodeo Breakaway — \$375 Entry Fee +\$25 Stock Charge. \$15,000 added.

- i. 2026 & 2027 WPRA Card, Pro Rodeo Breakaway Card, Active Gold Card, Roping Division Card & Permit
- ii. 2 long rounds. The fastest 2 run aggregate (total on 2) determines the 2026 WPRA World Finals Average Champion.
- iii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.
- iv. Breakaway Payoff per WPRA rules 2.5.3. & 2.5.5.
- v. Money won in the Breakaway Roping will count toward 2027 WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway World, 2027 Pro Rodeo Breakaway Rookie World, 2027 Pro Rodeo Breakaway Texas Circuit and 2027 Pro Rodeo Breakaway Texas Circuit Rookie Standings (Money won will not count for standings for Roping Division Card members).
- vi. Top 2 contestants in the World Finals Average will qualify for 2027 Rodeo Houston. Please see Rodeo Houston ground rules for complete details.
- vii. Top 4 contestants in the World Finals Average will qualify for the 2027 Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo. Please see Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo ground rules for complete details.
- viii. Permits — **If entering the Pro Rodeo Breakaway, you must also enter the Permit Only Breakaway.**
 - a. Permits will rope in the Pro Rodeo Breakaway class. Time will carry over to the Permit Only Breakaway.
 - b. Please refer to section 1.3.5. in the WPRA Rule Book as it pertains to filling a permit as well as the application of additional money won over \$1,000.

b. Permit Only Breakaway — \$375 Entry Fee +\$25 Stock Charge. \$5,000 added

- i. 2026 & 2027 Permit Holders only — **Permits must enter this class if also entering Pro Rodeo Breakaway.**
- ii. 2 long rounds. The fastest 2 run aggregate (total on 2) determines the 2026 WPRA World Finals Average Champion.
- iii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.
- iv. Breakaway Payoff per WPRA rules 2.5.3. & 2.5.5.

c. Team Roping — \$375 Entry Fee +\$25 Stock Charge. \$8,000 added (per side)

- i. 2026 & 2027 Active WPRA Members
- ii. 2 long rounds. The fastest 2 run aggregate (total on 2) determines the 2026 WPRA World Finals Average Champions.
- iii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.
- iv. Payoff per WPRA rules 2.5.2. & 2.5.4.

d. Tie Down Roping — \$375 Entry Fee +\$25 Stock Charge. \$5,000 added

- i. 2026 & 2027 Active WPRA Members
- ii. 2 long rounds. The fastest 2 run aggregate (total on 2) determines the 2026 WPRA World Finals Average Champions.
- iii. 100% of the added money and 75% of entry fees go into the purse.
- iv. Payoff per WPRA rules 2.5.2. & 2.5.4.

e. All-Around Barrel Race — \$100 Entry Fee (must be entered in World Finals Roping)

- i. 2026 & 2027 Active WPRA Members entered in a World Finals Roping Event
- ii. 1 run in the Roping Arena (Pavilion).
- iii. Counts towards the 2026 All-Around Standings and towards filling a permit if applicable (actual money won only).
- iv. 75% of the entry fees go into the purse.
- v. All-Around Barrels Payoff: Up to \$1000: 4 places, \$1000.01-\$2000.00: 6 places, \$2000.01-\$4000.00: 8 places, \$4000.01-\$9999.99: 10 places, \$10,000 to \$15,000.00: 12 places, \$15,000.01 and up: 15 places.
- vi. Per the payoff scales, a minimum of 10 places of All-Around points will be awarded.

f. All-Around Points Calculation

- i. 2026 All-Around points for roping events and All-Around Barrels will be awarded towards the 2026 All-Around standings and will be calculated as if there were equal money and entry fees in all roping events. The 2026 All-Around Barrel Race points will be based on 15,000 points (corresponding with Pro Rodeo Breakaway \$15,000.00 added).

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g. American Contender Series Qualifier Breakaway Side Pot — \$415

- Entries only accepted through https://tetonridge.formstack.com/forms/athlete_registration.
- Entries open September 7, 2026 and close at noon on Thursday, November 12, 2026 (1 hour prior to start of competition).
- Advancement awarded off of the 2-head average of the Pro Rodeo Breakaway & Permit Only Breakaway.
 - Contestants may qualify in both classes provided they entered the American side pot for each class.
- Refer to Teton Ridge for more information on contender tournament (qualifying) regional events automatic advancement positions and point allocations.

FIGURE 2.

Qualifier Tournament Regional Events Automatic Advancement Positions and Weighted Point Allocations

Event Entries	Automatic Advancement	Points Awarded in 1-point increments
1	0 Automatic Advancement places	10 points
2-4	1 Automatic Advancement place	2 nd through 4 th places receive points Beginning with 10 points (ex. 10, 9, 8)
5-7	2 Automatic Advancement places	3 rd through 7 th places receive points Beginning with 10 points
8-10	3 Automatic Advancement places	4 th through 10 th places receive points Beginning with 15 points
11-15	4 Automatic Advancement places	5 th through 15 th places receive points Beginning with 15 points
16-20	5 Automatic Advancement places	6 th through 20 th places receive points Beginning with 20 points
21-25	6 Automatic Advancement places	7 th through 20 th places receive points Beginning with 20 points

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VIII. Roping Contestant Requirements/Awards

a. Roping Awards Presentations

- Dress code is required for all award presentations.
- All Year End & World Finals Average award recipients (Reserve Champion — 3rd) must be present to receive awards. If not present at the time of presentation, the awards will be forfeited or provided to someone that she has designated to receive them for her. There are no exceptions.
- Roping Reception & Circuit Recognition — Friday, November 13 at 10:00am — in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed in room in the stall barn).
- Roping Awards Presentations — Saturday, November 14 at 5:00pm — in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed in room in the stall barn).

b. Team Roping (Header & Heeler) & Tie-Down Roping

Year End —

- Top three (3) in the final Year End World Standings will be awarded.

World Finals —

- Go round winners and top three (3) in the World Finals Average will be awarded.

c. Pro Rodeo Breakaway

World Finals —

- Go round winners and top three (3) in the World Finals Average will be awarded.

d. Permit Only Breakaway

World Finals —

- Go round winners and top three (3) in the World Finals Average will be awarded.

e. All Around

World Finals —

- Top three (3) in the World Finals Average will be awarded.

- World Titles, WPRA All Around Cowgirl Title and Rookie Titles will be awarded to the 2026 contestant who has won the most money in their category throughout the year and at the Finals event combined. At the conclusion of the World Finals, if title leaders were not entered and are not present, title will remain and Championship awards will be shipped at title winner's expense or provided to someone that she has designated to receive them for her.
- Circuit Titles will be named based on the contestant in each circuit who has won the most money by the point cut-off date in their respective event. Circuit winners are not required to enter the World Finals to receive their circuit awards. Point Cut-off date is September 30, 2026. (Unless a Breakaway Divisional Circuit Finals is held.) Circuit Champion awards will be presented to those in attendance at the Roping Reception & Circuit Recognition — Friday, November 13 at 10:00am — in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed in room in the stall barn).
- Value of the awards may be taxable. Cumulative total of all winnings and prizes from the WPRA \$2,000 and over will be issued a 1099.
- A coin toss will break any ties for awards.

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IX. ROPING RULES/REQUIREMENTS

- a. Equine Medication testing may take place on event grounds.
- b. Contestants will be allowed one (1) cattle pusher, and one (1) assistant in roping box (If needed). Contestants are responsible for the behavior and appearance of their pusher and/or assistant. All pushers/assistants must be in WPRA dress code at all times while in arena and in chute. Pusher and assistant must be in chute and/or box when contestant is called.
- c. Contestants must be ready when called upon. Contestants have 60 seconds once the arena is cleared and steer/calf has neck rope on and barrier is pinned to call for stock; contestant will be turned out and/or fined \$100 for exceeding the 60 seconds. Judges will have final authority.
- d. Contestants will be allowed in the arena at specified times. Circling before and between events is prohibited and will result in a \$100 fine. A warm-up pen is provided.
- e. Tie Down Roping: If roper fails to get calf up per rule 2.12.4.1., a 10 second penalty will be assessed. Judge will signal timer of the penalty.
- f. Breakaway contestants will be required to use colored string provided by Roping Director.
- g. Team ropers will not be allowed to switch ends with the same partner.
- h. Cattle will be drawn electronically.
- i. Cattle extras will be designated rather than part of whole herd.
- j. One (1) loop will be allowed in the tie down roping and the breakaway roping and two (2) loops allowed in the team roping.
- k. If a contestant is scheduled to compete in both the Coliseum Arena and the Show Pavilion Arena in separate competitions at the same time, the Coliseum Arena will take priority. It is the responsibility of those contestants in possible conflict to bring the situation to the Roping Arena Secretary beforehand so arrangements can be made.
- l. Pushers and assistants must leave the box/arena immediately after contestant performs. Pusher/assistants are bound to all WPRA rules of conduct and must follow instructions from arena director.

X. SCHEDULE/ROUNDS — Refer to the most current schedule at WPRA.com for order of events and updated times.

- a. There will be 2 rounds.
- b. Roping Reception, Contestant Meeting & Circuit Recognition — Friday, November 13 at 10:00am Contestant Lounge (Glassed In Room in the stall barn).
- c. **Round One — Friday, November 13, 2026 in the Show Pavilion Roping Arena**
 - i. Slack will begin at 1:00 pm
 - ii. Evening performance will begin at 7:00 pm
 - iii. Order of events will be Team Roping, Tie Down Roping, Permit Only Breakaway, and Pro Rodeo Breakaway.
 - iv. Round One — Team roping & tie down roping will be drawn lowest to highest based on season earnings going into the Finals as of the September 30, 2026 cut-off date. For Team Ropers, order is based on the total money won as a team. If you do not have money won your order will be randomly drawn among others with no money won and placed at the beginning of the order of Round One. Breakaway roping will be random draw in both the Pro Rodeo Breakaway and Permit Only Breakaway.
 - v. Top 20 contestants/ teams will compete in the 7pm performance. Remaining contestants will compete in slack.
- d. Contestants will be allowed in the arena at specified times. Circling before and between events is prohibited and will result in a \$100 fine. A warm-up (insert one of these whichever is most appropriate - time, pen, area, arena) is provided.
- e. **Round Two — Saturday, November 14, 2026, in the Show Pavilion Roping Arena**
 - i. Slack will begin at 8:00 am
 - ii. Afternoon performance will begin 2:00 pm
 - iii. Reverse Contestant order of round 1 final 20 contestants/ teams will compete in the 2pm performance. Remaining contestants will compete in slack.
 - iv. Order of events for slack will be Team Roping, Tie Down, Permit Only Breakaway, and Pro Rodeo Breakaway.
 - Order of events for performance will be Grand Entry, Team Roping, All Around Barrels, Tie Down, Permit Only Breakaway, and Pro Rodeo Breakaway.
- f. Awards reception will begin at 5:00 pm in the Contestant Lounge (Glassed In Room in the Stall Barn, Refer to section VII).
- g. Contestants should notify secretary of contestants riding the same horses at least 1 hour before the rodeo to split runs.
- h. Contestants with conflicts in the Coliseum Barrel arena should immediately notify WPRA World Finals Office/Roping Director. Cattle may be held back per arena director's specifications.

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