

RULES & REGULATIONS



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Breakaway Rules Approved By Board of Directors

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Breakaway Jackpot Rules

1.1 Format:

Open: 2 Runs with options of a short go. If there is short go we suggest they must catch both to qualify back.

Novice: 2 Runs with options of a short go. If there is short go we suggest they must catch atleast once to qualify back. No barrier

- Novice is for Ladies starting out (competitors' level, not horses' level), can not have placed in a rodeo. Lady may be moved into Ladies Open at hosts discretion. Can enter both other categories if you are eligible and would like to challenge yourself.

Youth: 2 Runs with options of a short go. If there is short go we suggest they must catch atleast once to qualify back.

- Youth is for boys and girls in grade 8 of under. Can enter both other categories if you are eligible and would like to.

2.1 Divisions

Youth: Boys or girls in Jr High School Rodeo (grade 8 or lower)

Open: Open to all ladies. Ladies can be entered in both open and novice division. Will be faster/fresher calves.

Novice: Novice entrants are at the discretion of the association and is based on competitors' skill level. Anyone currently placing in the rodeo circuits will not be eligible for the novice division.

*Novice may enter open category; however, the points will not be transferred into the open division.

** If a novice roper has increased their roping abilities and is moved up, jackpots roped at in the season will count towards your finals count. But you will only be eligible to rope in the category you are eligible for on finals day.

3.1 Legal Catch:

End of rope to be tied to horn using nylon string. The Field judge will flag the contestants when the rope breaks away from the horn. The contestant must pass through the barrier before throwing her loop. Can use an electric eye, or a rope barrier.

Junior: Bell Collar Catch*, barrier = +10 Seconds

Novice: Over the head catch*, no barrier

Open: Bell Collar Catch, Barrier = +10 Seconds

*Bell Collar Catch- The calves head must pass over the nose and ears and catch tight on the calf to break loose. No eyes or heel shots. Must not include any appendages including figure out over the tail.

4.1 Cattle:

Calves must be between 200-450 lbs unless pre-approved by the board. Calves' horns may not exceed 3" length.

5.1 Roper Numbering System

- Novice 1 - True beginner: very limited riding skills, only learning to handle a rope.
- Novice 2 - Beginner roper. Has limited skills, but is able to ride a horse somewhat comfortably. Has some difficulty riding and swinging a rope during a run.
- Novice 3 - Roper is aware of breakaway roping rules and has knowledge of what

make a good run. Before nodding, she is aware of arena being clear, steer standing properly and horse standing in position in box. Inconsistent catching.

- Novice 4 - Roper can ride horse into position, swing rope while keeping an eye on the steer. Roper typically gets into position past 1/3 of the way down the arena and ropes slower steers okay but has difficulty on strong cattle.
- Open 1 - Roper has all the basic roping skills, is aware of how horse starts in the box and is conscious of scoring steers. Roper focus is on catching more than on speed of the run.
- Open 2 - Roper is more aggressive, scores clean, usually runs into position and catches consistently.
- Open 3 - Roper can score tight and usually ropes in the first 1/3 of the arena.
- Open Pro 1 - Roper competes and has placed on more than one occasion in a professional setting within the last 3 years.
- Open Pro 2 - Roper has held within last 3 years, or currently holds a full WPRA or CPRA membership for breakaway.

**Pro Category for Incentives – Anyone who has Earned, or Purchased a Full Pro Rodeo Card in the CPRA, or WPRA in the last 3 years for Breakaway Roping.

6.1 Incentives

11.2 Non-Pro Incentive: Open to all ladies who do not carry a Full Pro Card.

11.3 Pro Incentive: Full card Pro Contestant Member of the CPRA/WPRA in Breakaway Roping may qualify for the Pro Incentive.

7.1 Finals

Only members of the association will be eligible to qualify for series finals. MUST have your membership purchased before you rope for the jackpot to count.

* Added money will be for finals only.

The Rope for the crown spot- The rope for the crown spot is guaranteed to the first-place open winner. All fees are to be paid by the **contestant**. If the first-place contestant passes on the spot, it will drop down to the second-place contestant.