

MSRA 2023 RULE PROPOSALS

**Rules will be voted on at the February 19th, 2023 General Membership meeting. Must be a 2023 member to vote. Meeting time and venue will be posted at a later date.

Page 25 3 a. rule reads: **Cowgirl Breakaway Roping**. Cowgirls Breakaway roping when offered at 50% or more rodeos throughout the rodeo year will qualify for year-end championships.

Change rule to read: **Ranch Bronc Riding**. Ranch Bronc Riding when offered at 50% or more rodeos throughout the rodeo year will qualify for year-end championships.

Page 25 4 a. ii. rule reads: **Cowgirls Breakaway Roping**. Cowgirls breakaway roping when offered will count for all around points.

Change rule to read: **Ranch Bronc Riding**. Ranch Bronc Riding when offered will count for all around points.

Page 28 2 b. ii. rule reads: For the 7 standard events members must compete at a minimum of 3 MSRA first approved rodeos in that specific event to qualify to compete at the finals in that specific event. For the optional events if offered at the finals, members must compete at the following. When the optional event is offered at 1-3 MSRA first approved rodeos the member must compete at 1 first approved rodeo in that event to qualify to compete at the finals. When the optional event is offered at 4-6 MSRA first approved rodeos the member must compete at 2 first approved rodeos in that event to qualify to compete at the finals. When the optional is offered at 7 or more MSRA first approved rodeos the member must compete at minimum of 3 MSRA first approved rodeos in that event to qualify to compete at the finals.

Change rule to read: In the steer wrestling, team roping, tie-down roping, cowgirls' barrel racing and cowgirls breakaway roping members must compete at a minimum of 3 MSRA first approved rodeos in that specific event to qualify to compete at the finals in that specific event. In bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding and bull riding members must compete at a minimum of 1 MSRA first approved rodeos in that specific event to qualify to compete at the finals in that specific event. When the optional event is offered at 1-3 MSRA first approved rodeos the member must compete at 1 first approved rodeo in that event to qualify to compete at the finals, When the optional event is offered at 4-6 MSRA first approved rodeos the member must compete at 2 first approved rodeos in that event to qualify to compete at the finals. When the optional is offered at 7 or more MSRA first approved rodeos the member must compete at minimum of 3 MSRA first approved rodeos in that event to qualify to compete at the finals.

Page 33 7 rule reads: **Events**. All MSRA rodeos must have seven standard events ; bareback bronc riding, tie-down roping, saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, bull riding, cowgirls barrel racing, and team roping. Cowgirls Breakaway is an optional event.

Change rule to read: **Events**. All MSRA rodeos must have eight standard events; bareback bronc riding, tie-down roping, saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, bull riding, cowgirls barrel racing, team roping and Cowgirls break away roping. Ranch Bronc Riding is an optional event.

Page 87 4. rule reads: **Ropes.** Ropes are to be tied to saddle horn with a heavy string. A knot must be at the end of the rope with the string tied at the knot. There will be no tail. A WHITE flag that is visible to the flagman or judge must be attached at the knot at the end of the rope. Nothing may be used on the rope to keep loop from drawing tight.

Change rule to read: **Ropes.** Ropes are to be tied to the saddle horn with a nylon string. A knot must be at the end of the rope with the string tied at the knot. A visible flag must be attached at the end of the rope. If the flag falls off of the rope AFTER the contestant calls for her calf, the contestant will NOT be flagged out. Nothing may be used on the rope to keep the loop from drawing tight.

Page 87 2. rule reads: **Number of loops.** There shall be one loop allowed (including the MSFR).

Change rule to read: **Number of loops.** There shall be one loop allowed (including the MSFR). A contestant is NOT allowed to rebuild her loop.

Page 87 3. c. **Limitations.** All regional rodeos shall have a time limit set in the breakaway roping of thirty (30) seconds with gate closed.

Change to read: **Limitations.** All regional rodeos, as well as the Mid-States Finals shall have a time limit set in the cowgirls breakaway roping of twenty five (25) seconds with an OPEN gate. The run must be completed before the calf's nose passes the plane of the let out gate, if the run hasn't been completed before the calf's nose breaks the plain of the let out gate it will be considered a no time.

Page 61 9. d. rule reads: **Breakaway Cattle.** Tie down cattle may be used in the breakaway roping. Calves used may be either polled or horned, but not mixed. Horned calves used in this event must have less than 3 inches of horn developed on either side. Weight for the calves shall be a minimum of two hundred twenty five (225) pounds and a maximum of three hundred (300) pounds.

Change rule to read; **Breakaway Cattle.** Tie down cattle may be used in the breakaway roping. Calves used may be either polled or horned, but not mixed. Horned calves used in this event must have less than 1 inch of horn developed on either side. Weight for the calves shall be minimum of two hundred twenty five (225) pounds and a maximum of three hundred (300) pounds.

Page 87 8. rule reads: **Calves Head Must Pass through the loop.** The ONLY legal catch in the breakaway is a bell-collar catch. (i.e. in front of the shoulders) Clarification-rope must pass over calf's head and draw tight around the neck.

Change rule to read: Calves Head Must Pass through the loop. The ONLY legal catch in the breakaway is a bell-collar catch. (i.e. in front of the shoulders) Clarification-rope must pass over the calf's head and draw tight around the neck. If any extremities are in the loop when the string breaks, example: Figure 8 of a tail, leg or rope dropped below the calf's tail head, the run will be considered a no time. If the string breaks with the extremity in loop and then goes back around the neck of the calf, the run will still be a "no time".

Page 88 11. Add: Breakaway roping is an event for females only.

Page 88 12. Add: If a line person is designated by the judge, the line person must remain in the same spot for all runs, performance and slack.

Page 88 13. Add: A contestant must remain in the saddle until the rope breaks off the saddle horn. If for any reason, a contestant comes off prior to rope breaking off of the horn, the contestant is disqualified.

Page 88 14. Add: Once a contestant calls for her calf, no further assistance can take place. No physical outside assistance can take place after the contestant calls for her calf. Without limitation, examples of prohibited conduct include: whipping/slapping, movement with, in front or behind, the horse as it leaves the corner/box, or holding/pulling the rein. If the helper starts the horse or holds the horse in any way that affects the scoring process, the contestant will receive no time.