

MSRA 2025 RULE PROPOSALS

1. **NEW RULE Rodeo Judges page 39 paragraph 15.** Judges will receive a minimum of \$400 for a one performance rodeo. Multiple performance rodeo judges will receive a minimum of \$350 per performance. Designated slack is considered a performance.
2. **Tie Down Roping page 79 paragraph e. ii change to read: Fine.** A minimum fine of \$125 will be imposed if the calf is roped or handled in an intentional and rough manner. Fines for unintentional jerk downs may be waived if fresh or unconditioned calves are used.
3. **Tie Down Roping paragraph 1. a General Requirements change to read:** Catch as catch can, any catch is legal. Must be caught from horse. Contestant must rope calf, dismount, throw calf by hand and cross and tie any three legs. To qualify as a legal tie, there shall be at least one wrap around all three legs and a half-hitch. If calf is down when roper reaches it, the calf is considered thrown by hand. Rope must hold calf until roper gets hand on calf. Three legs must remain crossed and tied for **five seconds**, as timed by the judge from the time the rope horse takes his first step forward after the roper has remounted, until approved by the judge. Roper must not touch calf after signaling that he finished until after the judge has completed his examination. Rope must remain slack until field judge approves the tie. Unless instructed to do so by the judge, roper will be disqualified for removing rope from calf after signaling for time, until the tie has been passed on by the field judge. In the event a contestant's catch rope is off a calf after completion of tie, the five second time period is to start when roper clears the calf. Flag judge must watch calf during the five second period and will stop the watch when a calf kicks free, using the time shown on the watch to determine whether calf was tied long enough to qualify. If tie becomes illegal by calf kicking or calf gets to his feet before tie has been approved by the judge, the roper will be marked "no time". Untie man must not touch calf until the judge passes on tie.
4. **Rodeo Livestock paragraph 4 Supply of Timed Event Cattle change to read:** Each stock contractor producing MSRA sanctioned rodeos must have the following minimum number of acceptable stock:
 - a. 13 proven bucking horses
 - b. 8 bucking bulls
 - c. 10 tie-down roping calves
 - d. 10 steer wrestling steers
 - e. 10 team roping steers
 - f. 10 breakaway roping calves

Only those animals needed to contest the events covered under the MSRA sanction contract, need to be carried provided rules are satisfied under the "Drawing Livestock" section.

5. **Rodeo Livestock page 61 paragraph 9 b. Steer wrestling cattle change rule to read:** Steers only are to be used in the steer wrestling event. Steers must have a 10" minimum horn length and weigh 450-600 pounds.
6. **Rodeo Livestock page 61 paragraph b i. New rule:** All steer wrestling steers must be numbered with ear tags in left ear only and have second identification branded on the left body or horn. Ear tag and body/horn numbers must match. Ear tags will be button type, no Z type tags with sharp piercing point will be allowed and stock contractor will be fined per animal for not complying for any and all steers whether or not they are leased or owned by the stock contractor.
7. **Rodeo Livestock page 61 paragraph b ii. New rule:** Steer wrestling cattle not properly tagged and branded, stock contractor will be fined \$150 per run. Fine will progressively double each offense thereafter. Stock charge will be pulled and herd is eligible to be condemned.
8. **Rodeo Livestock page 61 paragraph 11 New rule:** Each event director has authority to pull stock charge for unsatisfactory stock. If stock is considered unsatisfactory by event director, stock can be cut and condemned.
9. **Humane Treatment of Rodeo Animals page 63 paragraph 6 New Rule:** 4'x4' box pads are required in the timed event boxes.
10. **Rodeo Judges page 39 paragraph 15 New Rule:** All Mid-States first approved rodeos, judges will get paid \$400 per performance plus \$1 per run/per judge in any event during slack. All judges' fees will be paid by stock contractor.
11. **Rodeo Judges page 39 paragraph 16 New Rule:** Judges must have judging sheets filled out properly & completely and turned in by the end of the performance. If not completed properly they will be fined \$250 and progressively double each offense after.
12. **Rodeo Livestock page 61 paragraph 9 b. iii New Rule:** All Steers used for Steer wrestling will need to be approved by the director before their first rodeo for each individual stock contractor.
13. **Finals Rodeo page 29 paragraph b change rule to read:** Qualification to provide rough stock & timed event livestock. For a contractor to be eligible to bring rough stock or timed event cattle to the MSFR, the contractor must have (5) MSRA 1st approved rodeos. If the event director determines there is not enough satisfactory stock from qualified contractors, they can choose stock from contractors that have (4) first approved rodeos, then (3) first approved rodeos.
14. **Rodeo Approval page 32 paragraph 2 d. change rule to read:** Stock Contractor must have (5) first approved MSRA rodeos before any co-approval request will be approved.
15. **Rodeo Approval page 33 d. Change rule to read:** Stock contractor must have (5) first approved MSRA rodeo before any co-approval requests will be approved. If co-approved rodeo is scheduled prior to the first approved MSRA rodeo the stock contractor will be required to submit \$1500 to the MSRA office. The money will be refunded after the completion of the fifth approved MSRA Rodeo. If any of the 5 first approved rodeos are cancelled for any reason other than weather the \$1500 will be forfeited to the MSRA and any co-sanctioned rodeos remaining will have the MSRA sanction removed.
16. **Rodeo Approval page 33 paragraph 4 e. New Rule:** A Stock contractor must have 5 MSRA first rodeos before being approved as an MSRA contractor.

- 17. Rookie of the Year page 25 paragraph 6 b. Change rule to read:** Rookie of the year in each of the MSRA required events shall be awarded to that first-year contestant card member with the most Championship Points in a particular required event as of the end of the rodeo-year and never won over \$1,000 in any **professional rodeo association** while holding a card/permit in that association. The champion must be a member in good standing with the MSRA prior to receiving any awards.
- 18. Rodeo Approval page 33 paragraph 9 d new rule:** Added money shall be the same for all 8 events. Must have board approval for special added money for an individual event.
- 19. Rodeo Approval page 33 paragraph 7. Events change to read:** All MSRA first approved rodeos shall have eight standard events, Bareback riding, Saddle Bronc Riding, Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Tie Down Roping, Breakaway Roping, Barrel Racing & Bull Riding. Ranch Bronc riding is an optional event. All standard events must be run in the performance.
- 20. Rodeo Entries. Positions Drawn rodeos. Paragraph i. page 43 Time of Trade. Change rule to read:** Trade outs will be allowed on a designated date and time after entries are closed(trades must be completed at least 48 hours prior to first performance). After trade outs are closed no trade outs or position changes will be allowed. Splits in the Steer Wrestling will need to be approved by rodeo judge before rodeo starts. Trade outs will be taken by Rodeo Sports Network only for MSRA first approved rodeos.
- 21. Rodeo Entries. Position Drawn rodeos. Paragraph b. page 43 Delete this rule**
- 22. Rodeo Entries. Position Drawn rodeos. Paragraph d. page 43 Change rule to read:** Positions will be drawn when entries close. There must be a call back phone number and designated time. Rodeo Sports Network will draw positions. Contestants will be responsible for calling back RSN or look online for draw results.
- 23. Payoff page 54 paragraph 3 g. new rule. Steer wrestling only payoff**
- 1-4 pays 1 place 100%
 - 5-10 pays 2 places 60-40%
 - 11-16 pays 3 places 50-30-20%
 - 17-25 pays 4 places 40-30-20-10%
 - 26-40 pays 5 places 30-25-20-15-10%
 - 41-70 pays 6 places 29-24-19-14-9-5%
 - 71 & over pays 8 places 23-20-17-14-11-8-5-2%
- 24. Tie-Down Roping page 80 paragraph e. ii. Jerk Down Rule change to read.** Contestant will be fined \$100 fine for unintentional jerk down, intentional 1st offense \$250, 2nd intentional \$500, \$750 fine for over 2 intentional time.
- 25. Memberships page 11. Paragraph n. change rule to read.** Stock contractor membership will be \$250 per year.

