

WOMEN'S RODEO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP GROUND RULES PAYOUTS, ADVANCEMENT AND TIE-BREAKERS May 16-18, 2022 – Cowtown Coliseum – Fort Worth, TX

# 1. SCHEDULE OF KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

- 1.1. October 3, 2021 at 12:00pm W22 nominations open
- 1.2. April 17, 2022 at 11:59pm CT W22 nominations close
- 1.3. Tuesday April 19, 2022 at 2pm CT Preliminary Leaderboard Update
  - 1.3.1.All athletes have from Tuesday, April 19 at 2pm CT Wednesday April 20 at 2pm CT to email <u>support@wcrarodeo.com</u> to declare a dispute in the results. After this deadline, all points on the W22 leaderboard are final.
- 1.4. April 21, 2022 at 1pm CT W22 leaderboard final
- 1.5. April 22, 2022 at 10am CT April 25, 2022 at 5pm CT Team Roping Pairings for W22 Leaderboard
- 1.6. April 26, 2022 at Noon CT W22 Entries Open
- 1.7. April 28, 2022 at 5pm CT W22 Entries Close
- 1.8. April 29, 2022 W22 Callbacks

#### 2. COMPETITION ORDER PER DISCIPLINE, as applicable

- 2.1.1.WRWC Qualifying Rounds
- 2.1.2.WRWC Semi-Final Round
- 2.1.3.WRWC Showdown Round
- 2.1.4.WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo Round

#### 3. GENERAL GROUND RULES

- 3.1. The Women's Rodeo World Championship (WRWC) is open to all biological female athletes over the age of thirteen (13) years of age at the time of entry.
- 3.2. WRWC is now part of the WCRA Triple Crown of Rodeo (TCR). The WRWC event will count in the consecutive event count for athletes in Breakaway Roping, Barrel Racing and Team Roping.
  - 3.2.1.If a female athlete has earned a TCR win at a previous event(s) in the Team Roping, they must participate and win the WRWC event to continue the consecutive event wins toward the TCR bonus.
  - 3.2.2.The WRWC event will not count against male athletes that have earned a TCR win at a previous event(s).
  - 3.2.3. Following the WRWC, there is a possibility that two (2) Team Roping Headers and two (2) Team Roping Heelers will hold a TCR event win going into the next scheduled TCR event.
- 3.3. WRWC DISCIPLINES: Team Roping-Header, Team Roping-Heeler, Breakaway Roping, Barrel Racing
- 3.4. Definition: the term "Leaderboard" or "Leaderboards", when not accompanied by a "Pro", "Challenger", or "Pro/CHL" designation, refers to the W22 Leaderboard applicable to the athlete's competition classification. 3.4.1.The abbreviation "CHL" refers to the Challenger classification
- 3.5. Athletes are allowed one (1) entry per discipline in the 2022 WRWC event.
  - 3.5.1.For avoidance of doubt, the separation of PRO/CHL leaderboards does not constitute or create separate disciplines.
  - 3.5.2. Athletes seeded in the Showdown Round (Pro/CHL Leaderboard #1) are eligible to participate in the Qualifying Rounds payout, World points and All Around points.
- 3.6. To ensure fair and safe competition, the WRWC Competition Committee reserves the right to modify these ground rules whether by addition to, deletion from, or modification of any rules as it deems necessary, without prior notice.
  - 3.6.1. Any requests for rule changes or modifications must be submitted to the WRWC Competition
    - Committee, who will then review and approve prior to enforcing any rule modifications or edits.
  - 3.6.2. No rule changes will be made within a round of competition.
- 3.7. For clarification, any reference to WRWC W22 leaderboard standings as it relates to tie-breakers or similar instances, the leaderboard standings refer to the final audited standings as of April 21, 2022.
- 3.8. COVID and General Health Compliance:

- 3.8.1.The safety of WRWC athletes, production crew, event staff, venue staff, exhibitors, spectators and everyone in the execution of this event is WRWC staff's top priority.
- 3.8.2.WRWC may implement safety guidelines based on recommendations from Federal, State, and Local officials along with the host venues protocols in place at the time of the event. Safety guidelines will be provided to all participants (athletes, staff, etc.) prior to the start of the event.
- 3.8.3. The Competition Committee reserves the right to follow up on any information received that an athlete may be experiencing adverse health conditions that could compromise the health other people. Pending the verification of this information, the Competition Committee may take the appropriate measures it deems necessary to ensure the safety of all participants, personnel, and spectators of the event. These measures may range from added safety protocols to be exercised by the appropriate parties up to the removal of an athlete from the event.
- 3.9. Definition: For avoidance of doubt and clarification as it applies to the WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo round payout, the following defines the difference between an Event Champion and an Event Winner.
  - 3.9.1. An Event Champion is a Contestant/Team that has recorded the fastest time in the Triple Crown of Rodeo Round *and* has placed first in the final event results of her discipline solely by herself. To be an Event Champion, Contestant/Team must meet all WRWC eligibility requirements. Contestants/Teams with tied times in the Triple Crown of Rodeo Round are not considered Event Champions. An Event Champion *is* eligible to earn the top payout in their discipline.
  - 3.9.2. An Event Winner has not posted a qualified time in the Triple Crown of Rodeo Round **and/or** has not placed first in the final results of her discipline solely by herself but rather is in a tied situation for first. Event Winners **have not** met the minimum WRWC requirements and are **NOT** eligible to earn the top payout in their discipline.
- 3.10. Splits:
  - 3.10.1. All timed event splits must be declared one hour before the event start time. Changes in splits in subsequent rounds of competition must be declared immediately following the previous round of competition.
- 3.11. Draw Outs:
  - 3.11.1. If an athlete draws out of the event prior to the entries closing or is drawn out after the books close, but prior to competing in the event, for a valid reason, the athlete will be refunded the full amount of entry fees pre-paid for the event competition position vacated.
    - 3.11.1.1. Transaction fees related to an entry fee are not refundable for any reason.
    - 3.11.1.2. Virtual Rodeo Qualifier (VRQ) nomination and transaction fees are not refundable for any reason after the segment has closed.
- 3.12. Turn Outs and Non-Entries:
  - 3.12.1. If an eligible athlete qualified via the W22 Leaderboard does not enter during the designated entry time period, they will be replaced by the next eligible alternate from the master event athlete list.
  - 3.12.2. If an eligible athlete qualified via the W22 Leaderboard draws out of the event before entries close, their position will be filled by the next eligible alternate from the master event athlete list.
  - 3.12.3. If an eligible athlete qualified via the W22 Leaderboard turns out of the event after entries close, their position may be filled by the next eligible alternate, if any alternates are available and the amount of time is available to fill the spot after the turn out notification.
    - 3.12.3.1. The penalty for a notified turnout is \$500.00 or forfeiture of all entry fees in that discipline, whichever is greater.
    - 3.12.3.2. The penalty for a non-notified turnout is \$500.00 plus forfeiture of all entry fees and/or applicable stock charges associated with the entry. The athlete cannot participate in the WRWC platform until the penalty fee is paid.
  - 3.12.4. If an athlete did not enter event or turns out or draws out of event at any time, athlete will not be allowed to earn a competition position at the Event in the same discipline via alternate qualifying methods.
  - 3.12.5. If an athlete is a non-notified turn out, the athlete will be penalized or assessed a penalty fee of five hundred (\$500) dollars plus forfeiture of any applicable entry fees and/or stock charges associated with the entry. The athlete cannot participate in the WRWC platform until the penalty fee is paid.
  - 3.12.6. Any athlete that turns out and is not replaced within the designated time period or is a non-notified turn out, the athlete will not be eligible to participate in the WRWC platform for a minimum of the next WRWC segment and up to a maximum one (1) calendar year. The athlete will also forfeit any and all fees or payments made in relation to the ineligible WRWC segment.
    - 3.12.6.1. The ineligible period will be determined by the WRWC Competition Committee and an event Promoter Representative.

- 3.12.7. Turn Out Due to Doctor Release: Athlete must give notice to Event Arena Secretary no later than 3 days before her scheduled Performance, or upon the occurrence of a physical injury if it occurs less than 3 days before the Performance. In order to be eligible to be Excused, the Athlete must provide, prior to Athlete's first scheduled competition time, a written medical doctor verification on doctor's letterhead bearing the doctor's name, address and phone number, signed by a licensed doctor explaining the injury and recommending that the Athlete not compete in the Event. The doctor's note must be dated no later than 3 days after the alleged injury occurred.
  - 3.12.7.1. If an athlete doctor releases from the event prior to competing in the event, with a valid written verification; the athlete will be refunded the full amount of entry fees pre-paid for the event competition position vacated.
    - 3.12.7.1.1. Transaction fees related to an entry fee are not refundable for any reason.
- 3.12.8. Turn Out Due to Visible Injury: An Athlete may turn out due to visible injury, provided notification of such a turn out is authorized by official Event Sports Medicine trainer or Event doctor at Event.
  - 3.12.8.1. If an athlete turns out due to visible injury from the event prior to competing in the event, with a valid verification, the athlete will be refunded the full amount of entry fees pre-paid for the event competition position vacated.
    - 3.12.8.1.1. Transaction fees related to an entry fee are not refundable for any reason.
- 3.12.9. Turn Out Due to Vet Releases: Vet releases will only be accepted in the Barrel Racing Discipline.
  - 3.12.9.1. If an athlete turns out due to vet release from the event prior to competing in the event, with a valid written verification on the letterhead of a licensed veterinarian; the athlete will be refunded the full amount of entry fees pre-paid for the event competition position vacated.
    - 3.12.9.1.1. Transaction fees related to an entry fee are not refundable for any reason.
- 3.12.10. In the Team Roping, if a header or heeler notifies TO, NNTO, VIR, DR, or DO leaving an incomplete team, the next Athlete in the corresponding category (header or heeler) will be added to the team. If an alternate is not found prior to the Athlete's competition time, the remaining partner may select another partner from among any of the Event Athletes already entered in Event, except those scheduled to compete in that same Discipline that have already entered the maximum allowed times.
- 3.12.11. Other: WRWC Competition Committee may Excuse an Athlete from competing in a Performance, staying at the Performance for the designated times, or otherwise altering the terms of the Athlete Agreement, but only in its sole and absolute discretion.
- 3.13. Trades
  - 3.13.1. The WRWC W22 event format negates the need for any trades.
  - 3.13.2. If for any reason, more than one arena is required for competition, all reasonable efforts will be made to ensure athletes participating in multiple disciplines will not have overlapping runs. If this issue occurs the athlete must notify the event secretary in advance of the event. The WRWC Competition Committee will evaluate how to resolve the issue, if possible.
- 3.14. Timing & Scoring
  - 3.14.1. Times in the Team Roping and Breakaway Roping will be recorded to the hundredths of a second.
    - 3.14.1.1. Competition will start behind a rope barrier and will be timed by handheld plungers from the PBR Scoring System.
  - 3.14.2. Barrel Racing times will be recorded to the thousandths of a second by electronic eyes. Dual timers eyes will be used. One set of timer eyes will be the primary recorded time. The secondary timer eyes will be the first back up time used.
  - 3.14.3. If backup times from stopwatches are required to be used at any time during the event competition a minimum of two (2) handheld stopwatches will be used and averaged to record times to:
    - 3.14.3.1. Team Roping and Breakaway Roping the tenths of a second.
    - 3.14.3.2. Barrel Racing the hundredths of a second.
- 3.15. Stock Draw
  - 3.15.1. Stock will be drawn at least two hours prior to the start of the competition.
    - 3.15.1.1. The WRWC Qualifying Rounds, if applicable as per the final competition schedule, stock draw for both rounds of competition may be drawn at the same time if there are enough cattle.
  - 3.15.2. If there are not enough animals to complete a round of competition, re-run stock will be drawn as needed.
  - 3.15.3. Athletes may not draw the same competition animal within a sequence of competition with multiple rounds that may or may include an aggregate component such as the Qualifying Rounds and Semi-Final Round.
  - 3.15.4. An Athlete may draw a competition animal that they have previously competed on during the event based on the following:

3.15.4.1. The animal is not redrawn during a segment of the competition that includes an aggregate. Women's Rodeo World Championship – 2022 Ground Rules

- 3.15.4.2. The athlete redraws the competition animal in a subsequent round or set of rounds during the event that starts as a clean slate.
- 3.15.4.3. PRO and Challengers Leaderboard Qualifying Rounds will use separate herds of animals. Once the leaderboards merge in the subsequent rounds the animals with the fastest times PRO Qualifying Rounds will be used.
- 3.15.5. Misdraw procedure will be determined by the event officials.
- 3.16. PRO and CHALLENGER LEADERBOARDS
  - 3.16.1. WRWC will include PRO and CHALLENGER Leaderboards in the WRWC Qualifying Rounds and Semi-Final Round for each discipline.
  - 3.16.2. An athlete's eligibility to participate in the Challenger Leaderboard will be determined based on known information and updated quarterly. Athlete earnings in GBR and BAW will be reviewed at the end of each yearly quarter to verify classification status. If an athlete is promoted out of the Challenger Leaderboard, the athlete's total points and any Qualifier Series generic qualifications in that discipline will be moved to the PRO Leaderboard. Team Ropers will be required to show proof of their classification. Any roper classified as a #4.5 or less is eligible to compete as a Challenger. The WRWC Competition Committee reserves the right to verify or modify any classification based on known information.
    - 3.16.2.1. The 2022 first quarter Challenger Athlete Classification update made be based on data available as of March 31, 2022. Q1 Athlete Classification promotions from the Challenger to Pro leaderboard took effect on April 1, 2022.
    - 3.16.2.2. Athletes promoted from Challenger to PRO leaderboard that were in the Top 20 of the Challenger leaderboard will be given a "Challenger Promotion" to the PRO leaderboard regardless of the number of points earned at the end of the W22 segment.
      - 3.16.2.2.1. If a promoted athlete's points place them in the Top 20 on the PRO leaderboard they will not take away a qualification position from a PRO athlete that would have earned a Top 20 qualification, based on the final leaderboard audit, had the promoted athlete not moved leaderboards.
      - 3.16.2.2.2. An athlete's points following the final leaderboard audit will determine their competition position per the event ground rules.
    - 3.16.2.3. Challenger eligible athletes will have the opportunity to choose the leaderboard on which they would like to compete by emailing <u>classification@rodeologistics.co.</u> New athletes on the W22 Leaderboard will have fourteen (14) days from the date of their first nomination in a discipline to declare their classification. Once the declaration deadline has expired the athlete is no longer eligible to change leaderboard designations. If an athlete does not declare their intent toward either leaderboard within the 14 day declaration window, they will be automatically classified as a PRO athlete in that discipline.
    - 3.16.2.4. Challenger Leaderboard qualification eligibility:
      - 3.16.2.4.1. Team Roping Global Handicaps, Rope Metrics, Wrangler Team Roping, ACTRA or another approved classification system will be used to determine Challenger Leaderboard eligibility. Athlete's must provide their highest rated membership card for classification and may not exceed a number of #4.5. All athletes must provide a current registration for official athlete number ranking.
        - 3.16.2.4.1.1. Team Roping athletes must send an electronic copy or screenshot of their 2022 Rope Metrics or Global Handicap (or another approved ranking system) rating to verify their number ranking. Athletes will be defaulted to the PRO Leaderboard until verification is provided. The screenshot must be sent to classification@rodeologistics.co (this is not a .com email address)
        - 3.16.2.4.1.2. Athletes may submit a Team Roping classification request <u>HERE</u>
      - 3.16.2.4.2. Barrel Racing Equistat ranking system will be used to determine Challenger Leaderboard eligibility. The Equistat database currently includes over 76,600 Barrel Racing athletes. Athletes are eligible to participate in the Challenger Leaderboard if their earnings do not exceed the Lifetime earnings amount or the amount listed below in any one (1) calendar year for any of the defined time periods in this section.
        - 3.16.2.4.2.1.2022 calendar year \$20,0003.16.2.4.2.2.2021 calendar year \$20,0003.16.2.4.2.3.2020 calendar year \$20,0003.16.2.4.2.4.2019 calendar year \$20,0003.16.2.4.2.5.2018 calendar year \$20,0003.16.2.4.2.6.Lifetime Earnings \$100,000

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- 3.16.2.4.3. Breakaway Roping Rodeo Logistics Athlete Classification (RLAC) is a proprietary rankings format developed by Rodeo Logistics and based on athlete earnings derived from select national and regional rodeo associations; select stand-alone events; WRWC events, and WCRA earnings from the 2018-2022 calendar years. The RLAC database currently includes over 2,300 Breakaway Roping athletes. Athletes are eligible to participate in the Challenger Leaderboard if their earnings do not exceed the Lifetime earnings amount or the amount listed below in any one (1) calendar year for any of the defined time periods in this section.
  - 3.16.2.4.3.1. 2022 calendar year \$6,000
  - 3.16.2.4.3.2. 2021 calendar year \$6,000
  - 3.16.2.4.3.3. 2020 calendar year \$6,000
  - 3.16.2.4.3.4. 2019 calendar year \$6,000
  - 3.16.2.4.3.5. 2018 calendar year \$6,000
  - 3.16.2.4.3.6. Lifetime Earnings \$20,000
- 3.16.3. If an athlete is not included in any known data to establish their status, they will default to the PRO Leaderboard. Athletes will have the opportunity to provide information on their career stats and earnings to the WRWC Competition Committee to apply for Challenger status.
  - 3.16.3.1. The WRWC Competition Committee reserves the right to reclassify any athlete at any time
- 3.16.4. Athletes are eligible to participate in one (1) leaderboard per discipline at a time Pro or Challenger.
  3.16.4.1. An athlete may be eligible to participate as a Challenger in a discipline and as a Pro in another discipline.
  - 3.16.4.1.1.1. Athletes may submit a Breakaway classification request HERE

## 4. BARREL RACING GENERAL RULES

- 4.1. Barrel Racing Tractor Drag/Hand Rake
  - 4.1.1.WRWC Qualifying Round (Pro & Challenger)
    - 4.1.1.1. Tractor drag after every 5 runs and between each Leaderboard group
    - 4.1.1.2. Hand rake after every run
  - 4.1.2. WRWC Semi-Final Round
    - 4.1.2.1. Tractor drag after every 5 runs
    - 4.1.2.2. Hand rake after every run
  - 4.1.3.WRWC Showdown Round
    - 4.1.3.1. Tractor drag after every 5 runs
    - 4.1.3.2. Hand rake after every run
  - 4.1.4.WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo Round
    - 4.1.4.1. Hand rake after every run
  - 4.1.5. Once competition has started, all athletes entered in a round of competition that vacate their competition position for any reason will remain in the draw for the purpose of competition positions between drags.

# 5. TEAM ROPING PAIRING & LEADERBOARD RULES

- 5.1. At the conclusion of the segment cut off, all Headers and Heelers will first declare their partners via email prior to entries opening. A link to a live sheet will be shared with all header/heelers to see the pairings as they are sent in.
  - 5.1.1.Combined partner point totals after the pairing deadline will determine the team's competition placement within the WRWC Qualifying Rounds.
    - 5.1.1.1. All references to a Team Roping ranking and/or competition position once the pairings have been confirmed will be based on the combined team point total.
  - 5.1.2.A deadline will be set and communicated to the athletes to confirm their partner.

### 5.1.3. After the pairing deadline has closed, all teams are final.

- 5.2. Once pairings are final, both team members must also enter the event through the Rodeo Logistics entry tool EntryTool.com.
- 5.3. Athletes are not allowed to have more than one (1) identical Header/Heeler pairing combination at any time during the event.
  - 5.3.1. A paired combination must maintain the pairing during any advancement rounds the team has qualified to participate in or any re-enter rounds of competition the athletes are eligible to participate in as long as there are no identical team pairings participating in the event.
  - 5.3.2. If a team member is unable to continue participating in the event after competition has started due to an injury or illness, the remaining team member may select a replacement partner from the remaining field of entered athletes that have not maxed out their entries in that discipline. The athlete turning out must provide verification of injury/illness prior to the new team pairing becoming valid.
- 5.4. Headers/Heelers competing in the WRWC Qualifying Rounds.

- 5.4.1. In the event there is an uneven number of headers/heelers, any vacancies will be filled with the eligible headers/heelers from the master athlete alternate list. WRWC will pair the remaining vacancies with the alternates in order of their W22 Leaderboard rank.
- 5.4.2. Once all alternates have been exhausted, the remaining headers/heelers without a partner will be allowed to choose a partner from the remaining field of entered athletes that have not maxed out their entries in that discipline.
  - 5.4.2.1. Once an eligible athlete selects a competition partner from the field of entered and eligible athletes to complete the team pairing, the selected partner athlete has two options:
    - 5.4.2.1.1. 1) Pay an entry fee of \$1,000.00 required at time of team pairing.
  - 5.4.2.2. 2) Pay no entry at time of pairing and have entry fees deducted from WRWC event prize money earnings. The entry fee deduction not to exceed \$1,000.00.
- 5.4.3. Any athlete that was selected as Header or Heeler to fill a competition position that did not have a minimum of 15 VRQ points on the leaderboard for that discipline will be eligible for any competition prize money earned but will not be eligible for World or All Around points in that discipline.
- 5.5. WRWC Leaderboard (Pro and Challenger Leaderboards applied separately)
  - 5.5.1.Each eligible athlete's individual point total from the final audited WRWC W22 Leaderboard as of April 22, 2022 will determine qualification into the WRWC.
    - 5.5.1.1. W22 Pro/CHL Leaderboards (separately) Headers and Heelers on the leaderboards will be eligible to participate in WRWC and will be eligible to pair with athletes in their respective round of competition prior to entry.
      - 5.5.1.1.1. Combined partner point totals after the pairing deadline will determine the team's competition placement in the WRWC Qualifying Rounds.
      - 5.5.1.1.2. The #1 team based on combined leaderboard points will be seeded into the WRWC Showdown Round. The #1 team will not be final until all teams have been paired. The #1 team based on combined leaderboard points is eligible to participate in the WRWC Qualifying Rounds with advancement to subsequent rounds based on competition performance, for payout, World points and All Around Championship points. If the #1 team earns an advancement position to the WRWC Showdown round the earned advancement position will be vacated and filled by the next eligible team based on the three run aggregate standings. The #1 team will participate in the round based on the earned seeded position.

#### 6. WRWC ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- 6.1. At the close of WRWC Segment W22 (W22) on April 17, 2022, at 11:59:59pm, all female athletes 13 years of age or older are eligible in each discipline based on their WRWC W22 Leaderboard rank or generic qualifications.
  - 6.1.1.All athletes eligible to enter WRWC via the WRWC W22 Pro or Challenger Leaderboard or generic qualifications will be notified by WRWC via email and text with event entry details. The entry information will include what section of the competition the athlete will start their competition path. Seeded athletes will have the option to participate in earlier competition rounds, based on their leaderboard position, for prize money, World points and All Around points.
    - 6.1.1.1. All references to a Team Roping competition position will be based on the team's combined athlete W22 Leaderboard points total.
- 6.2. A master event athlete list of eligible athletes will be created based on their position on the WRWC Segment W22 Leaderboard following the final points audit on April 21, 2022. Competition positions will be filled up to the number of available positions in each discipline as listed in this section of these ground rules during the event entry time period. Eligible athletes that enter during the event entry time period that are not placed into a competition position will be placed on the master event athlete list as an alternate in order of their WRWC W22 Leaderboard position.
- 6.3. Eligible Athletes Per Discipline
  - 6.3.1.1. Team Roping Header up to 27 Athletes/Teams (per leaderboard)
    - 6.3.1.1.1. W22 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
    - 6.3.1.1.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners
  - 6.3.1.2. Team Roping Heeler up to 27 Athletes/Teams (per leaderboard)
    - 6.3.1.2.1. W22 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
    - 6.3.1.2.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners
  - 6.3.1.3. Breakaway Roping up to 27 Athletes/Teams (per leaderboard)
    - 6.3.1.3.1. W22 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
    - 6.3.1.3.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners

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- 6.3.1.3.3. Bill Pickett Invitational Rodeo (BPIR) 2022 BPIR VRQ Series leader following the BPIR event in Fort Worth, TX on May 14, 2022. (one generic qualification and leaderboard placement will be determined at time of qualification verification)
- 6.3.1.4. Barrel Racing up to 27 Athletes/Teams (per leaderboard)
  - 6.3.1.4.1. W22 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
  - 6.3.1.4.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners
  - 6.3.1.4.3. Bill Pickett Invitational Rodeo (BPIR) 2022 BPIR VRQ Series leader following the BPIR event in Fort Worth, TX on May 14, 2022. (one generic qualification and leaderboard placement will be determined at time of qualification verification)
- 6.3.1.5. W22 Leaderboard ranking supersedes a Generic Qualification. Any athlete that has earned a Generic Qualification that is also ranked in the Top 20 of the leaderboard of the generic qualification discipline, the leaderboard ranking will be used for placement in the event.
  - 6.3.1.5.1. Generic Qualifications vacated for any reason, including leaderboard qualification, will not be filled or replaced by alternate athletes.
- 6.4. W22 Leaderboard Qualification Benefits:
  - 6.4.1.WRWC Leaderboard #1: as of the final points audit of the WRWC W22 on April 21, 2022.
    - 6.4.1.1. Seeded Competition (Team based on team's combined header and heeler leaderboard points):
      - 6.4.1.1.1. #1 Athlete/Team WRWC Showdown Round
        - 6.4.1.1.1.1 Seeded athletes/teams are eligible to participate in the Qualifying Rounds for prize money, World points and AAC points. Seeded athletes/teams are eligible to advance to subsequent rounds of competition.
          - 6.4.1.1.1.1.1 If a seeded athlete/team earns an advancement position into a competition round that the athlete/team is previously seeded, the advancement position will be vacated, and the next eligible athlete/team will advance.
    - 6.4.1.2. One (1) complimentary stall rental with four (4) bags of shavings
    - 6.4.1.3. One (1) standard double occupancy hotel room or RV spot at Will Roger Memorial Complex for up to three (3) nights
  - 6.4.2. WRWC Leaderboard #2-#4: as of the final points audit of the WRWC W22 on April 21, 2022.
    - 6.4.2.1. One (1) complimentary stall rental with four (4) bags of shavings

### 7. WRWC NOMINATION AND OPEN ENTRY DATES/FEES:

- 7.1. All WRWC entries will be through the Rodeo Logistics entry application EntryTool.com.
- 7.2. WRWC Segment W22 Nominations
  - 7.2.1.Open Monday, October 4, 2021, at 12:00am CT
  - 7.2.2.Close Sunday, April 17, 2022, at 11:59pm CT
- 7.3. WRWC Qualifying Rounds
  - 7.3.1.Entries Open April 26, 2022, at 12:00pm CT
  - 7.3.2. Entries Close April 28, 2022, at 5:00pm CT
    - Entry Fee complimentary for WRWC W22 Leaderboard positions #1-#20

### **COMPETITION FORMAT, ADVANCEMENT & TIE-BREAKERS**

\*\*Tie Breakers are for advancement purposes only – monies will remain split if tied\*\*

\*\*The PRO and CHALLENGER Leaderboards will run separately and under the same ground rules in WRWC Qualifying Rounds and WRWC Semi-Finals. These rounds will count toward the WRWC World Championship for each leaderboard as described in SECTION 15.\*\*

### 8. WRWC QUALIFYING ROUNDS:

# 8.1. TEAM ROPING & BREAKAWAY ROPING CONSIST OF:

- 8.1.1.Two full rounds of competition
  - 8.1.1.1. Round One Competition Order in reverse order of leaderboards
  - 8.1.1.2. Round Two Competition Order in reverse order of Round 1
- 8.1.2.ADVANCEMENT PER LEADERBOARD 12 athletes per leaderboard advance from WRWC Qualifying Rounds to WRWC Semi-Final Round:
  - 8.1.2.1. Team Roping & Breakaway Roping:
    - 8.1.2.1.1. Round 1 Top 2 fastest times
    - 8.1.2.1.2. Round 2 Top 2 fastest times
    - 8.1.2.1.3. Aggregate Top 8 fastest times

# 8.2. BARREL RACING CONSIST OF:

- 8.2.1. One full round of competition
- 8.2.2. Round One based on WCRA leaderboard positions, top of the ground

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- 5 drags will occur in the round.
- The first 6 athletes based on the W22 Leaderboard position will be placed in the 1, 6, 11... positions so they are the first to compete following a drag.
- The next set of athletes will be place in the 2, 7, 12... positions so they are the second to compete following a drag.

# 8.2.3. ADVANCEMENT PER LEADERBOARD -

8.2.3.1. Top 12 fastest times advance from WRWC Qualifying Rounds to WRWC Semi-Final Round 8.3. TIE-BREAKERS IN QUALIFYING ROUNDS:

- 8.3.1.If an advancing position is tied in the round for the last advancement position, ties creating the split up to one (1) place beyond the maximum advancement position will advance. Any ties creating a split more than one (1) place beyond the maximum advancement position will be dropped and not advance. If any advancement positions from the rounds are unfilled, an extra aggregate position will be added for advancement.
- 8.3.2. If any advancement positions from the aggregate are unfilled the remaining advancement positions will be filled by the next eligible athlete/team based on the W22 Leaderboard standings of the respective discipline with an unfilled position. (In Team Roping, it is based on the combined athletes' team points).

## 9. WRWC SEMI-FINAL ROUND (PER LEADERBOARD):

- 9.1. CONSISTS OF:
  - 9.1.1.BARREL RACING 12 ATHLETES:
  - 9.1.2. Team Roping & Breakaway Roping 12 ATHLETES/TEAMS:
- 9.2. COMPETITION FORMAT:
  - 9.2.1.One (1) round of competition
  - 9.2.2. Competition Order random order
- 9.3. ADVANCEMENT -
  - 9.3.1.Barrel Racing top 4 fastest combined times from two run aggregate

9.3.2. Team Roping and Breakaway Roping – top 4 fastest combined times from three run aggregate

- 9.4. TIE-BREAKERS TO ADVANCE:
  - 9.4.1. Any ties creating a split below 4<sup>th</sup> the tie will be broken by:
    - 9.4.1.1. Fastest time in any previous round of competition.
    - 9.4.1.2. Highest ranked athlete/team on the WRWC W22 Leaderboard (In Team Roping, it is based on the combined athletes' team points)

### 10. WRWC SHOWDOWN ROUND

- 10.1. CONSISTS OF: 10 athletes from the combined leaderboards
  - 10.1.1. W22 Leaderboard #1 (PRO)
  - 10.1.2. W22 Leaderboard #1 (Challenger)
  - 10.1.3. Top 4 Aggregate following WRWC Semi-Final Round (PRO)
  - 10.1.4. Top 4 Aggregate following WRWC Semi-Final Round (CHL)
- 10.2. COMPETITION FORMAT:
  - 10.2.1. One (1) round of competition
  - 10.2.2. Competition Order -
    - 10.2.2.1. #1 ranked Athlete/Team from the W22 Leaderboards in each Discipline will be seeded into priority competition positions:
    - 10.2.2.2. Team Roping and Breakaway Roping:
      - 10.2.2.2.1. Leaderboard #1 (PRO) will be placed in the last position of the round

10.2.2.2.2. Leaderboard #1 (CHL) – will be placed in the second to last position of the round

- 10.2.2.3. Barrel Racing:
  - 10.2.2.3.1. Leaderboard #1 (PRO) will be placed on top of the ground for the first drag
  - 10.2.2.3.2. Leaderboard #1 (CHL) will be placed on the top of the ground in the second drag
- 10.2.2.4. All other Athletes/Teams will be randomly drawn. (In the Team Roping, the athletes' combined total Team points from the W22 Leaderboard will be used to determine a team's ranking.)
- 10.2.3. Clean Slate format
  - 10.2.3.1. No competition times from any previous round of competition moves forward to the WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo except when needed to break a tie per the Advancement/Tie-Breaker rules in these Ground Rules.

- 10.3. TIE-BREAKERS TO DETERMINE CHAMPIONSHIP: If there is a tie for first place in the Championship Round; the following tie-breakers will be used to determine the Event Winner and awarding of the 1<sup>st</sup> place payout. All other tied positions in the Championship round will be paid in standard payout splits.
  - 10.3.1. Fastest time in WRWC Semi-Final Round
  - 10.3.2. Fastest time in WRWC Progressive Round
  - 10.3.3. Fastest time in WRWC Qualifying Rounds
  - 10.3.4. Highest ranked athlete on the WRWC W22 Leaderboard (In Team Roping, it is based on the combined athletes' team points).

#### 11. WRWC TRIPLE CROWN OF RODEO

- 11.1. CONSISTS OF 3 ATHLETES/TEAMS:
  - 11.1.1. Top 3 fastest times from WRWC Showdown Round
- 11.2. COMPETITION FORMAT:
  - 11.2.1. One (1) round of competition
  - 11.2.2. Competition Order -
    - 11.2.2.1. Team Roping and Breakaway Roping reverse order of advancement
    - 11.2.2.2. Barrel Racing in order of advancement
  - 11.2.3. Clean Slate format
    - 11.2.3.1. No competition times from any previous round of competition moves forward to the WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo except when needed to break a tie per the Advancement/Tie-Breaker rules in these Ground Rules.
  - 11.2.4. The TCR Round will consist of a total prize money payout of \$100,000 in each discipline (inclusive of guaranteed appearance fee).
    - 11.2.4.1. All athletes participating in the TCR Round the record a qualified time are guaranteed a minimum payment of \$15,000. If there are no qualified scores/times in the TCR Round, there will not be an event champion.
    - 11.2.4.2. If, in the TCR Round, no athletes make a qualified time, the athletes will earn the minimum guaranteed appearance fee and the remaining will not be paid out.
    - 11.2.4.3. Each athlete is guaranteed a minimum of \$2,500.00 if they do not record a qualified score/time in either the Showdown Round or the TCR Round.
- 11.3. TIE-BREAKERS TO DETERMINE EVENT WINNER: If there is a tie for first place in the Championship Round; the following tie-breakers will be used to determine the Event Winner and awarding of the 1<sup>st</sup> place payout. All other tied positions in the Championship round will be paid in standard payout splits.
  - 11.3.1. Fastest time in WRWC Showdown Round
  - 11.3.2. Fastest time in WRWC Semi-Final Round
  - 11.3.3. Fastest time in WRWC Qualifying Rounds
  - 11.3.4. Highest ranked athlete on the WRWC W22 Leaderboard (In Team Roping, it is based on the combined athletes' team points).
- 12. **INSTANT REPLAY RULING CHALLENGE (IRRC)** rules are included in the WCRA Rules of Competition document available on the WCRArodeo.com events page or by contacting <u>support@wcrarodeo.com</u>

# 13. WOMEN'S RODEO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PAYOUTS

\*All athletes are subject to US tax law regarding withholdings from payout.

\*ALL non-US resident athletes must complete a W-8BEN tax form and 30% of any earnings due will be withheld.

## 13.1. BREAKAWAY ROPING AND TEAM ROPING PAYOUTS

- 13.1.1. WRWC Qualifying Rounds (Per Leaderboard ran & paid separately reference Section 8) 13.1.1.1. Round 1 Payout –
  - 13.1.1.1.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place \$2,500
  - 13.1.1.1.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place \$1,000
  - 13.1.1.1.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place \$500
  - 13.1.1.2. Round 2 Payout -
    - 13.1.1.2.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place \$2,500
    - 13.1.1.2.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place \$1,000
    - 13.1.1.2.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place \$500
- 13.1.2. WRWC Semi-Final Round (Per Leaderboard ran & paid separately reference Section 9) 13.1.2.1.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place – \$1,000
- 13.1.3. Aggregate Payout -
- 13.1.3.1.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place \$2,900

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- 13.1.3.1.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place \$2,400
- 13.1.3.1.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place \$1,900
- 13.1.3.1.4. 4<sup>TH</sup> Place \$1,400
- 13.1.3.1.5. 5<sup>™</sup> Place \$900
- 13.1.3.1.6. 6<sup>TH</sup> Place \$500

13.1.4. WRWC Showdown Round – Total Round Payout per discipline. (reference Section 10)

- 13.1.4.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place paid in TCR Round
- 13.1.4.2.  $2^{ND}$  Place paid in TCR Round
- 13.1.4.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place paid in TCR Round
- 13.1.4.4. 4<sup>TH</sup> Place \$10,000
- 13.1.4.5. 5<sup>TH</sup> Place \$7,500
- 13.1.4.6. 6<sup>TH</sup> Place \$5,000
- 13.1.4.7. 7<sup>TH</sup> Place \$4,000
- 13.1.4.8. 8<sup>TH</sup> Place \$3,000
- 13.1.4.9.  $9^{TH}$  Place \$2,500 guaranteed appearance fee
- 13.1.4.10. 10th Place \$2,500 guaranteed appearance fee

13.1.5. WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo Round – Total Round Payout per discipline. (reference Section 11)

- 13.1.5.1. 1<sup>s†</sup> Place \$60,000
- 13.1.5.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place \$25,000
- 13.1.5.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place \$15,000

### 13.2. BARREL RACING PAYOUTS

13.2.1. WRWC Qualifying Rounds (Per Leaderboard - ran & paid separately – reference Section 8)

- 13.2.1.1. Round 1 Payout
  - 13.2.1.1.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place \$2,230
  - 13.2.1.1.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place \$1,920
  - 13.2.1.1.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place \$1,520
  - 13.2.1.1.4. 4<sup>TH</sup> Place \$1,120
  - 13.2.1.1.5. 5<sup>TH</sup> Place \$720
  - 13.2.1.1.6. 6<sup>TH</sup> Place \$400

13.2.2. WRWC Semi-Final Round (Per Leaderboard - ran & paid separately – reference Section 9) 13.2.2.1.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place – \$1,000

- 13.2.3. Aggregate Payout
  - 13.2.3.1.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place \$2,900
  - 13.2.3.1.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place \$2,400
  - 13.2.3.1.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place \$1,900
  - 13.2.3.1.4. 4<sup>TH</sup> Place \$1,400
  - 13.2.3.1.5. 5<sup>TH</sup> Place \$900
  - 13.2.3.1.6. 6<sup>TH</sup> Place \$500

13.2.4. WRWC Showdown Round – Total Round Payout per discipline. (reference Section 10)

- 13.2.4.1. 1<sup>ST</sup> Place paid in TCR Round
- 13.2.4.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place paid in TCR Round
- 13.2.4.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place paid in TCR Round
- 13.2.4.4. 4<sup>TH</sup> Place \$10,000
- 13.2.4.5. 5<sup>TH</sup> Place \$7,500
- 13.2.4.6. 6<sup>TH</sup> Place \$5,000
- 13.2.4.7. 7<sup>TH</sup> Place \$4,000
- 13.2.4.8. 8<sup>TH</sup> Place \$3,000
- 13.2.4.9.  $9^{TH}$  Place \$2,500 guaranteed appearance fee
- 13.2.4.10. 10th Place \$2,500 guaranteed appearance fee
- 13.2.5. WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo Round Total Round Payout per discipline. (reference Section 11)
  - 13.2.5.1. 1<sup>s†</sup> Place \$60,000
  - 13.2.5.2. 2<sup>ND</sup> Place \$25,000
  - 13.2.5.3. 3<sup>RD</sup> Place \$15,000
- 13.3. Definition of Guaranteed Appearance Fee: In select rounds of competition, the prize money payout may include Guaranteed Appearance Fee payout for athletes. The Guaranteed Appearance Fee prize money is paid to eligible athletes regardless of the result of their competitive efforts per the event ground rules.

### 14. GROUND MONEY

14.1. In the case of not having enough times in an event discipline, there will be ground money. Women's Rodeo World Championship – 2022 Ground Rules Revised April 22, 2022

- 14.2. The definition of ground money is unclaimed prize money by go round that will be divided evenly between the athletes with qualified times within that same round of competition within the respective discipline.
- 14.3. If there are no qualified runs or times within a round, no ground money will be paid out.

## **15. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS**

- 15.1. World Championships in the Breakaway Roping, Team Roping Header, Team Roping Heeler, and Barrel Racing disciplines will be awarded separately for the W22 PRO Leaderboard and W22 Challenger Leaderboard.
  - 15.1.1. The World Championships for each discipline will be based on the cumulative W22 standings leaderboard with each WRWC World Champion earning a \$5,000 bonus.
- 15.2. The All Around World Championship will be based on the cumulative W22 standings from the combined PRO and Challenger Leaderboards. The athlete with the most combined accumulated World Points in multiple disciplines will be named the WRWC All Around World Champion.
  - 15.2.1. The WRWC All Around World Champion earning a \$20,000 bonus.
  - 15.2.2. An athlete is eligible for the All Around World Championship and bonus if they earn a minimum of fifteen (15) VRQ "Competition" Points in more than one discipline on the combined W22 PRO/CHL Leaderboards prior to the close of Segment W22 on April 17, 2022.
- 15.3. Throughout Segment W22 (Oct. 4, 2021 Apr. 17), Pro and Challenger athletes will accumulate points from their efforts in the Virtual Rodeo Qualifier (VRQ) and those points earned will then be combined with the event World Points that will be awarded onsite for the WRWC Qualifying Rounds, Semi-Final Round and Aggregate.
  - 15.3.1. The WRWC Showdown Round and WRWC Triple Crown of Rodeo Round are not included in the 2022 WRWC World Championships.
- 15.4. World Championship Tie-Breakers
  - 15.4.1. Most World points earned from a combination of points from all four (4) disciplines
  - 15.4.2. Most World points earned from a combination of points from at least three (3) disciplines
  - 15.4.3. Most World points earned from a single discipline
  - 15.4.4. Most money earned in the WRWC event
- 15.5. Event World Points Scale

BAW/TR - WRWC EVENT WORLD POINTS MAX POINTS AVAILABLE - 15,050						
Place	Qual Rd 1	Qual Rd 2	Semi-Final Rd	Aggregate		
1	2,800.00	2,800.00	4,725.00	4,725.00		
2	2,100.00	2,100.00	3,545.50	3,545.50		
3	1,680.00	1,680.00	2,835.00	2,835.00		
4	1,512.00	1,512.00	2,551.50	2,551.50		
5	1,361.50	1,361.50	2,296.00	2,296.00		
6	1,225.00	1,225.00	2,065.00	2,065.00		
7	1,102.50	1,102.50	1,858.50	1,858.50		
8	990.50	990.50	1,673.00	1,673.00		
9	892.50	892.50	1,505.00	1,505.00		
10	805.00	805.00	1,354.50	1,354.50		
11	731.50	731.50	1,155.00	1,235.50		
12	658.00	658.00	952.00	1,113.00		
13	588.00	588.00		990.50		
14	514.50	514.50		871.50		
15	444.50	444.50		749.00		
16	371.00	371.00		626.50		
17	301.00	301.00		507.50		
18	227.50	227.50		385.00		
19	157.50	157.50		262.50		
20	84.00	84.00		143.50		

GBR - WRWC EVENT WORLD POINTS MAX POINTS AVAILABLE - 12,250					
Place	Qual Rd 1	Semi-Final Rd	Aggregate		
1	2,800.00	4,725.00	4,725.00		
2	2,100.00	3,545.50	3,545.50		
3	1,680.00	2,835.00	2,835.00		
4	1,512.00	2,551.50	2,551.50		
5	1,361.50	2,296.00	2,296.00		
6	1,225.00	2,065.00	2,065.00		
7	1,102.50	1,858.50	1,858.50		
8	990.50	1,673.00	1,673.00		
9	892.50	1,505.00	1,505.00		
10	805.00	1,354.50	1,354.50		
11	731.50	1,155.00	1,235.50		
12	658.00	952.00	1,113.00		
13	588.00		990.50		
14	514.50		871.50		
15	444.50		749.00		
16	371.00		626.50		
17	301.00		507.50		
18	227.50		385.00		
19	157.50		262.50		
20	84.00		143.50		

#### 16. EVENT ALL AROUND CHAMPION:

- 16.1. The WRWC All Around Event Championship (Event AAC) will be based on the total event World Points and Event All Around Championship Points from the combined PRO and Challenger Leaderboards earned during the WRWC competition. The combined points will be referenced as Event All Around Points.
- 16.2. The athlete with the most combined accumulated Event All Around Points in multiple disciplines will be named the WRWC All Around Event Champion. The Event AAC does not include a cash bonus.
  - 16.2.1. Athletes must have recorded a qualified time in a round of competition to earn Event AAC points.
- 16.3. Event AAC Points are applied to eligible rounds of competition only and not on aggregate totals.16.4. Event AAC Points are applied based on competition standings placement per round.
- 16.4. Event AAC Points are applied based on competitio16.5. Event AAC Point Tie Breakers
  - 0.5. Event AAC Point Tie Breakers
    - 16.5.1. Most money earned in the WRWC event
    - 16.5.2. Most Event AAC points earned from a combination of points from all four (4) disciplines
    - 16.5.3. Most Event AAC points earned from a combination of points from at least three (3) disciplines
    - 16.5.4. Most Event AAC points earned from a single discipline
- 16.6. All Around Event Championship Points
  - 16.6.1. Event World Points listed in Section 15.5 will be applied in all listed rounds in the chart.
  - 16.6.2. Additional Event AAC Points as listed below will be used for subsequent competition rounds

Place	SHOWDOWN RD	TRIPLE CROWN OF RODEO
1	Awarded in TCR RD	4,725.00
2	Awarded in TCR RD	3,545.50
3	Awarded in TCR RD	2,835.00
4	2,551.50	
5	2,296.00	
6	2,065.00	
7	1,858.50	
8	1,673.00	
9	1,505.00	
10	1,354.50	