

## WOMEN'S RODEO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP May 13, 2025 – Cowtown Coliseum – Fort Worth, TX

## **GOAT TYING GROUND RULES**

#### **KEY EVENT DETAILS**

(for reference only - refer to official event grounds rules for complete event information)

- ARENAS:
  - o Cowtown Coliseum, 121 E. Exchange Ave, Ft. Worth, TX 76164
- COMPETITION DATES: May 13, 2025
  - 5 p.m. Goat Tying Showcase (2 Go Rounds and a Short Round)
- TOTAL PAYOUT: \$10,000 ADDED and 80% Payback
  - GOAT TYING WORLD CHAMPION BONUS: \$1,000
- WRC NOMINATIONS: athletes are eligible to nominate their competitive efforts toward the Virtual Rodeo Qualifier (VRQ) for Segment W25 Leaderboards until April 13, 2025 at 11:59pm CT.
- ELIGIBLE ATHLETES:
  - Athletes are required to have a minimum of fifteen (15) VRQ points on the W25 leaderboard in a discipline to be eligible to enter WRWC. Athletes without the minimum VRQ points will be eligible to enter as an alternate but are not guaranteed to compete and may be subject to penalty fees.
  - o Up to the Top 20 from WRC Segment W25 Leaderboard will be eligible to participate at WRWC.
  - WRWC reserves the right to add additional athletes via a generic qualification from select association or series leaderboards to participate in the event. Any such case may or may not be promoted to the public outside of the association/series marketing campaigns.
  - ENTRY FEES: \$200 entry fee
- ADVANCEMENT TO SHORT ROUND 10 total athletes will advance to the Short Round
  - o Fastest Time from Round One
  - o Fastest Time from Round Two
  - Top 8 Fastest Times from Two Run Aggregate

GROUND RULES: Official ground rules available at (WRWC Ground Rules).



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#### 1. SCHEDULE OF KEY DATES AND DEADLINES

- 1.1. April 15, 2024 at 12:00am W25 nominations open
- 1.2. April 13, 2025 at 11:59pm CT W25 nominations close
- 1.3. Tuesday April 15, 2025 at 2:00pm CT Preliminary Leaderboard Update
  - 1.3.1.All athletes have from Tuesday, April 15 at 2:00pm CT Wednesday April 16 at 2:00pm CT to email <a href="mailto:support@wcrarodeo.com">support@wcrarodeo.com</a> to declare a dispute in the results. After this deadline, all points on the W25 leaderboard are final.
- 1.4. April 17, 2025 at 1:00pm CT W25 leaderboard final
- 1.5. April 22, 2025 at 12:00pm CT W25 Entries Open
- 1.6. April 24, 2025 at 12:00pm CT W25 Entries Close
- 1.7. April 25, 2025 W25 Callbacks
- 1.8. May 13 WRWC 2025 Goat Tying event dates

#### 2. GENERAL GROUND RULES

- 2.1. 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 nomination.
- 2.2. Athletes are allowed one (1) entry per discipline in the 2025 WRWC event.
- 2.3. 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.
  - 2.3.1. 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.
  - 2.3.2. No rule changes will be made within a round of competition.
- 2.4. For clarification, any reference to W25 leaderboard standings as it relates to tie-breakers or similar instances, the leaderboard standings refer to the final audited standings as of April 17, 2025.
- 2.5. COVID and General Health Compliance:
  - 2.5.1.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.
  - 2.5.2.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.
  - 2.5.3.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.

## 2.6. Splits:

2.6.1.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.

#### 2.7. Draw Outs:

- 2.7.1.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.
  - 2.7.1.1. Transaction fees related to an entry fee are not refundable for any reason.
  - 2.7.1.2. Virtual Rodeo Qualifier (VRQ) nomination and transaction fees are not refundable for any reason after the segment has closed.

#### 2.8. Turn Outs and Non-Entries:

- 2.8.1.If an eligible athlete qualified via the W25 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.
- 2.8.2.If an eligible athlete qualified via the W25 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.
- 2.8.3.If an eligible athlete qualified via the W25 Leaderboard turns out of the event after entries close, their position will be filled by the next eligible alternate.
  - 2.8.3.1. The penalty for a notified turnout is \$500.00 or forfeiture of all entry fees, whichever is greater.
  - 2.8.3.2. 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.
    - 2.8.3.2.1. The athlete will not be allowed to earn a competition position at the event in the same discipline via alternate qualifying methods.
- 2.8.4.If an athlete chooses not to participate for a "non- injury" related reason in the Championship Round, they will be assessed a penalty for a notified turnout in the amount of \$1,000.00. The penalty for a notified turnout after the turnout deadline or a non-notified turnout is \$1,000.00 plus any applicable entry fees and/or stock charges associated with the entry.
  - 2.8.4.1. Turnout Deadline 24 hours prior to the posted performance start time of the event.
  - 2.8.4.2. If an athlete turns out after the deadline, but before 18 hours of the posted performance time and a replacement participates in their place, the additional fees will be waived above the \$1,000 penalty.
- 2.8.5. Any athlete the incurs a fine for a turnout or non-notified turnout, the athlete will have the option to pay the fine or be ineligible to participate in the WRC platform for a minimum of the next WRC 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 WRC segment.
- 2.8.5.1. The ineligible period will be determined by the WRC Competition Committee and an event Promoter Representative.
- 2.8.6.Turn Out Due to Doctor Release: Athlete must give notice to Event Arena Secretary no later than 3 days before his/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.
- 2.8.7.**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.
- 2.8.8.**Turn Out Due to Vet Releases:** Vet releases will only be accepted in the Barrel Racing Discipline and must be on signed letterhead from a licensed veterinarian.
- 2.8.9.Non-Notified Turn Out: Any athlete that is a Non-Notified Turn Out in a round competition will be also being listed as a Turn Out for all subsequent rounds of competition included any earned Advancement or Seeded rounds.
- 2.8.10. 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.
- 2.9. Trades
  - 2.9.1. The WRWC W25 event format negates the need for any trades.
- 2.10. Timing & Scoring
  - 2.10.1. Times in the Goat Tying will be recorded to the hundredths of a second.
- 1.1.1.Competition will be started by an electronic eye and stops when the field judge drops his/her flag as the Athlete signals tie complete.
  - 2.10.2. 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 the tenths of a second.
- 2.11. Stock Draw
  - 2.11.1. Stock will be drawn at least two hours prior to the start of the competition.
  - 2.11.2. The stock will be drawn in order of the athlete's W25 Leaderboard ranking per round/performance in the Qualifying Rounds and Short Round.
    - 2.11.2.1. Short Round stock will be the fastest times from the Qualifying Rounds.
  - 2.11.3. If there are not enough animals to complete a round of competition, re-run stock will be drawn as needed.

- 2.11.4. 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 Short Round.
- 2.11.5. An Athlete may draw a competition animal that they have previously competed on during the event based on the following:
  - 2.11.5.1. The animal is not redrawn during a segment of the competition that includes an aggregate.
  - 2.11.5.2. The athlete redraws the competition animal in a subsequent round or set of rounds during the event that starts as a clean slate.
- 2.11.6. If a timed event animal escapes, or a re-run is due for any other reason during a performance, the extra will be used. Only escaped animals go back into the herd.
- 2.11.7. Misdraw procedure will be determined by the event officials.

## 3. WRWC ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. At the close of WRWC Segment W25 (W25) on April 13, 2025, at 11:59:59pm, all female athletes 13 years of age or older are eligible in each discipline based on their WRWC W25 Leaderboard rank or generic qualifications.
  - 3.1.1.All athletes eligible to enter WRWC via the WRWC W25 Leaderboard will be notified by WRWC via email and text with event entry details.
  - 3.1.2. For avoidance of doubt, the 2025 Goat Tying Showcase is eligible for Collegiate Goat Tying competitors.
- 3.2. A master event athlete list of eligible athletes will be created based on their position on the WRWC Segment W25 Leaderboard following the final points audit on April 17, 2025. 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 W25 Leaderboard position.
- 3.3. WRWC reserves the right to award generic qualifications, in addition to and separate from the Qualifier Series events, to athletes from partner associations/events in any or all disciplines as it chooses. These generic qualifications and how they are awarded will be published and promoted upon confirmation.
  - 3.3.1.1.1. Eligible Athletes from W25 Goat Tying Leaderboard Leaderboard athletes #1-#20

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

- 4.1. All WRWC entries will be through the NextGen entry application
- 4.2. WRWC Segment W25 Nominations
  - 4.2.1.Open Monday, April 15, 2024, at 12:00am CT
  - 4.2.2.Close Sunday, April 13, 2025, at 11:59pm CT
- 4.3. WRWC Qualifying Rounds
  - 4.3.1.Entries Open April 22, 2025, at 12:00pm CT
  - 4.3.2.Entries Close –April 24, 2025, at 12:00pm CT
  - Entry Fee \$200 entry fee

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

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

## 5. WRWC QUALIFYING ROUNDS:

- 5.1.1.Two full rounds of competition
  - 5.1.1.1. GOAT TYING:
    - 5.1.1.1.1. Round One Competition Order in reverse order of leaderboards
    - 5.1.1.1.2. Round Two Competition Order in reverse order of Round 1
- 5.1.2.ADVANCEMENT PER LEADERBOARD 10 advance from WRWC Qualifying Rounds to WRWC Short Round:
  - 5.1.2.1. Round 1 Top fastest times
  - 5.1.2.2. Round 2 Top fastest times
    - 5.1.2.2.1. If the Athlete with the Fastest Times of Round Two has already earned an advancement position to the Short Round, the next eligible Athlete/Team from the round will advance.
  - 5.1.2.3. Aggregate Top 8 fastest times on two runs
  - 5.1.2.4. If the Athlete/Team within the Top 8 Fastest Combined Times from the two run aggregate has already earned an advancement position to the Short Round, the next eligible Athlete from the aggregate standings will advance.
- 5.2. TIE-BREAKERS IN QUALIFYING ROUNDS:
  - 5.2.1.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.
- 5.2.2.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 W25 Leaderboard standings of the respective discipline with an unfilled position.

#### 6. WRWC SHORT ROUND:

- 6.1. CONSISTS OF:
  - 6.1.1.All Disciplines 10 ATHLETES:
    - 6.1.1.1. 10 Advancing athletes from Qualifying Rounds
- 6.2. COMPETITION FORMAT:
  - 6.2.1.One (1) round of competition
  - 6.2.2.Competition Order -
    - 6.2.2.1. Reverse order of qualifying
- 6.3. TIE-BREAKERS TO DETERMINE EVENT WINNER: If there is a tie for first place in the Short 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 Short round will be paid in standard payout splits.
  - 6.3.1. Fastest combined times in Three Run Aggregate
  - 6.3.2. Fastest time in WRWC Short Round
  - 6.3.3. Fastest time in WRWC Qualifying Rounds
  - 6.3.4. Highest ranked athlete on the WRWC W25 Leaderboard
- 7. **INSTANT REPLAY RULING CHALLENGE (IRRC)** rules are included in the WRC Rules of Competition document available on the womensrodeochampionships.com events page or by contacting support@wrwc.rodeo
- 8. 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. \*\$10,000 Added
  - 80% Payback

#### 9. GROUND MONEY

- 9.1. In the case of not having enough times in an event discipline, there will be ground money.
- 9.2. 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.
- 9.3. If there are no qualified runs or times within a round, no ground money will be paid out.

#### 10. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

- 10.1. One \$1,000 World Championship cash bonus will be awarded in the Goat Tying.
  - 10.1.1. Athletes must enter and participate in the WRWC event to be eligible to earn the World Champion Bonus. If a Segment Leaderboard athlete does not enter and participate in the WRWC event, they will not be eligible for the World Championship bonus. The athlete with the highest cumulative World Points that enters and participates in the event will be named the World Champion.
  - 10.1.2. The World Championships for each discipline will be based on the cumulative W25 standings leaderboard.
    - 10.1.2.1. Goat Tying is not included in the overall WRWC All-Around World Championship bonus.
- 10.2. Throughout Segment W25 (April 15, 2024 April 13, 2025), 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, Short Round and Aggregate.
- 10.3. World Championship Tie-Breakers
  - 10.3.1. Most World points earned points earned at the WRWC event in the discipline
  - 10.3.2. Most VRQ points earned in the discipline during the W25 segment.
  - 10.3.3. Most money earned in the WRWC event
- 10.4. Event World Points Scale

| WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS MAX POINTS AVAILABLE – 8,600 |         |         |                    |                 |  |  |
|--|---------|---------|--------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Place  | Round 1 | Round 2 | Championship Round | 3 Run Aggregate |  |  |
| 1  | 1600.00 | 1600.00 | 2700.00            | 2700.00         |  |  |
| 2  | 1200.00 | 1200.00 | 2026.00            | 2026.00         |  |  |
| 3  | 960.00  | 960.00  | 1620.00            | 1620.00         |  |  |
| 4  | 864.00  | 864.00  | 1458.00            | 1458.00         |  |  |
| 5  | 778.00  | 778.00  | 1312.00            | 1312.00         |  |  |

| 6  | 700.00 | 700.00 | 1180.00 | 1180.00 |
|----|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| 7  | 630.00 | 630.00 | 1062.00 | 1062.00 |
| 8  | 566.00 | 566.00 | 956.00  | 956.00  |
| 9  | 510.00 | 510.00 | 860.00  | 860.00  |
| 10 | 460.00 | 460.00 | 774.00  | 774.00  |
| 11 | 418.00 | 418.00 |         | 706.00  |
| 12 | 376.00 | 376.00 |         | 636.00  |
| 13 | 336.00 | 336.00 |         | 566.00  |
| 14 | 294.00 | 294.00 |         | 498.00  |
| 15 | 254.00 | 254.00 |         | 428.00  |
| 16 | 212.00 | 212.00 |         | 358.00  |
| 17 | 172.00 | 172.00 |         | 290.00  |
| 18 | 130.00 | 130.00 |         | 220.00  |
| 19 | 90.00  | 90.00  |         | 150.00  |
| 20 | 48.00  | 48.00  |         | 82.00   |