

WOMEN'S RODEO

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

WOMEN'S RODEO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PRO & Challenger Division May 12-14, 2025 – Cowtown Coliseum – Fort Worth, TX May 17, 2025 – AT&T Stadium – Arlington, TX

KEY EVENT DETAILS

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

- **ARENAS:**
 - Cowtown Coliseum, 121 E. Exchange Ave, Ft. Worth, TX 76164
 - AT&T Stadium, 1 AT&T Way, Arlington, TX 76011
- **COMPETITION DATES:** May 12-14, 17, 2025
 - Monday May 12
 - 9:30 a.m. – Round One, Section One
 - 2 p.m. – Round One, Section Two
 - 7 p.m. – Limited Barrel Racing
 - Tuesday May 13
 - 9:30 a.m. – Round Two, Section One
 - 2 p.m. – Round Two, Section Two
 - 5 p.m. – Goat Tying Showcase
 - 7 p.m. – Limited Breakaway Roping
 - Wednesday, May 14
 - 9 a.m. – Challenger Semi-Finals
 - 11 a.m. – Pro Semi-Finals
 - Saturday, May 17
 - 7:45 p.m. – Championship Round
- **TOTAL PAYOUT - \$750,000.00 (\$182,500 per discipline)**
 - **CHAMPIONSHIP Round (payout per discipline)**

▪ 1 ST Place – \$60,000	▪ 5 TH Place – \$3,500
▪ 2 ND Place – \$25,000	▪ 6 TH Place – \$2,500
▪ 3 RD Place – \$15,000	▪ 7 TH Place – \$1,500 (Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping Only)
▪ 4 TH Place – \$7,500	
 - **WORLD CHAMPION BONUSES:**
 - ALL-AROUND WORLD CHAMPION - \$20,000
 - DISCIPLINE WORLD CHAMPIONS (PRO/CHL) - \$5,000 (per discipline)
- **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.
 - All Disciplines: up to the Top 20 from WRC Segment W25 Leaderboard will be eligible to participate at WRWC.
 - Leaderboard #1-4 Athletes (PRO/CHL) in Segment W25 will be seeded in the Semi-Final Round and is eligible, but not required, to participate in the Qualifying Rounds for payout and points.
 - Seeded athletes in each discipline will be required to notify eventsecretary@wcrarodeo.com at the time of entry to declare whether or not they will be competing in the Qualifying Rounds.
 - All Disciplines: The Qualifying Rounds One and Two will have two sections, Section One (9:30 a.m.) and Section Two (2 p.m.). On April 24, 2025 after the Team Roping pairings are final and the entries are closed, the following athletes will compete in each section:
 - Section One (9:30 a.m.) - #13 – 20, QS and LCQ winners from the final entry list (Team Roping will be determined based on the teams combined leaderboard points).
 - Section Two (2 p.m.) - #1 – 12 from the final entry list (Team Roping will be determined based on the teams combined leaderboard points).
 - 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:** Complimentary entry fees for all eligible athletes.

- EVENT FORMAT: World Champion Leaderboards ran separately through the Semi-Final Round.
 - All Disciplines:
 - Qualifying Rounds – up to 40 athletes/teams PRO/CHL (2 rounds)
 - Semi-Final Round – up to 16 athletes/teams PRO/CHL (1 round)
 - Championship Round – 6 athletes/teams (Barrel Racing and Breakaway roping – 7 athletes with Limited)
 - Advancement to subsequent rounds based on competition per official ground rules
 - ADVANCEMENT TO CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND – 7 athletes from the combined leaderboards in Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping and 6 athletes from the combined leaderboards in Team Roping.
 - Fastest Time from Semi-Final Round (PRO)
 - Fastest Time from Semi-Final Round (Challenger)
 - Top 2 Fastest Times from Three Run Aggregate (PRO)
 - Top 2 Fastest Times from Three Run Aggregate (Challenger)
 - Fastest from Limited Competition (Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping)
 - Last Chance Qualifier – Athletes may nominate the maximum number of times they are entered in the Cowgirl Gathering. The highest placing Pro and Challenger not already competing in WRWC will advance.
- GROUND RULES: Official ground rules available at ([WRWC Ground Rules](#)).



WOMEN'S RODEO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP
PRO & Challenger Division
GROUND RULES PAYOUTS, ADVANCEMENT AND TIE-BREAKERS
May 12-14, 2025 – Cowtown Coliseum – Fort Worth, TX
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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 support@wcrarodeo.com 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 18, 2025 at 10:00am CT – April 21, 2024 at Noon CT – Team Roping Pairings for W25 Leaderboard
- 1.6. April 22, 2025 at 12:00pm CT – W25 Entries Open
- 1.7. April 24, 2025 at 12:00pm CT – W25 Entries Close
- 1.8. April 25, 2025 – W25 Callbacks
- 1.9. May 12-14 & 17, 2025 – WRWC 2025 event dates

2. COMPETITION ORDER PER DISCIPLINE, as applicable

- 2.1. Last Chance Qualifier – details included in Section 17 in the Addendum attached to these ground rules.
- 2.2. WRWC Qualifying Rounds
- 2.3. WRWC Semi-Final Round
- 2.4. WRWC Championship 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 nomination.
- 3.2. WRWC DISCIPLINES: Team Roping-Header, Team Roping-Heeler, Breakaway Roping, Barrel Racing
- 3.3. Definition: the term "Leaderboard" or "Leaderboards", when not accompanied by a "Pro", "Challenger", "Limited" or "Pro/CHL" designation, refers to the W25 Leaderboard applicable to the athlete's competition classification.
 - 3.3.1. The abbreviation "CHL" refers to the Challenger classification
- 3.4. Athletes are allowed one (1) entry per discipline in the 2025 WRWC event.
 - 3.4.1. For avoidance of doubt, the separation of PRO/CHL/Limited leaderboards does not constitute or create separate disciplines.
 - 3.4.2. Athletes seeded in the Semi-Final Round (Pro/CHL Leaderboard #1-4) are eligible to participate in the Qualifying Rounds payout, World points and All Around points.
- 3.5. 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.
 - 3.5.1. 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.
 - 3.5.2. No rule changes will be made within a round of competition.
- 3.6. 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.
- 3.7. COVID and General Health Compliance:
 - 3.7.1. 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.
 - 3.7.2. 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.
 - 3.7.3. 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 of 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.

3.8. Splits:

3.8.1. 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.

3.9. Draw Outs:

3.9.1. 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.

3.9.1.1. Transaction fees related to an entry fee are not refundable for any reason.

3.9.1.2. Virtual Rodeo Qualifier (VRQ) nomination and transaction fees are not refundable for any reason after the segment has closed.

3.10. Turn Outs and Non-Entries:

3.10.1. 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.

3.10.2. 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.

3.10.3. 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.

3.10.3.1. The penalty for a notified turnout is \$500.00 or forfeiture of all entry fees, whichever is greater.

3.10.3.2. 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.

3.10.3.2.1. The athlete will not be allowed to earn a competition position at the event in the same discipline via alternate qualifying methods.

3.10.4. 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.

3.10.4.1. Turnout Deadline – 24 hours prior to the posted performance start time of the event.

3.10.4.2. 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.

3.10.5. Any athlete that 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.

3.10.5.1. The ineligible period will be determined by the WRC Competition Committee and an event Promoter Representative.

3.10.6. **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.

3.10.7. **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.

3.10.8. **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.

3.10.9. **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.

3.10.9.1. Athletes that have earned an advancing position to a subsequent round of competition and opt to skip additional qualifying rounds must notify WRC of their intention not to participate in the remaining Qualifying Rounds of competition.

3.10.9.2. Seeded Athletes that opt out of an eligible round of competition must notify WRC of their intention not to participate in the early rounds of competition.

3.10.10. 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 not already entered the maximum allowed times.

- 3.10.11. 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.
- 3.11. Trades
 - 3.11.1. The WRWC W25 event format negates the need for any trades.
 - 3.11.2. 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.
- 3.12. Timing & Scoring
 - 3.12.1. Times in the Team Roping and Breakaway Roping will be recorded to the hundredths of a second.
 - 3.12.1.1. Competition will start behind a rope barrier and will be timed by handheld plungers from the venue Scoring System.
 - 3.12.2. Barrel Racing times will be recorded to the thousandths of a second by electronic eyes. Dual timer 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.
 - 3.12.3. 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:
 - 3.12.3.1. Team Roping and Breakaway Roping – the tenths of a second.
 - 3.12.3.2. Barrel Racing – the hundredths of a second.
- 3.13. Stock Draw
 - 3.13.1. Stock will be drawn at least two hours prior to the start of the competition.
 - 3.13.2. The stock will be drawn in order of the athlete's W25 Leaderboard ranking per round/performance in the Qualifying Rounds and Semi-Finals Round.
 - 3.13.2.1. Semi-Finals Round stock will be the fastest times from the Qualifying Rounds.
 - 3.13.2.2. Championship Round stock will be from the fastest runs from the PRO Semi-Finals Round.
 - 3.13.2.2.1. 3.13.2.2.2. Barrier Penalties will not be included when determining stock with fastest times for advancement rounds.
 - 3.13.3. If there are not enough animals to complete a round of competition, re-run stock will be drawn as needed.
 - 3.13.4. Athletes may not draw the same competition animal within a sequence of competition with multiple rounds that include an aggregate component such as the Qualifying Rounds and Semi-Final Round.
 - 3.13.5. An Athlete may draw a competition animal that they have previously competed on during the event based on the following:
 - 3.13.5.1. The animal is not redrawn during a segment of the competition that includes an aggregate.
 - 3.13.5.2. The athlete redraws the competition animal in a subsequent round or set of rounds during the event that starts as a clean slate.
 - 3.13.5.3. 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 Semi-Finals Round will be used.
 - 3.13.6. Championship Round – The stock will be randomly drawn 2 hours prior to the performance posted start time at the rodeo secretary office.
 - 3.13.7. 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.
 - 3.13.8. Misdraw procedure will be determined by the event officials.
- 3.14. PRO and CHALLENGER LEADERBOARDS
 - 3.14.1. WRWC will include PRO and CHALLENGER Leaderboards in the WRWC Qualifying Rounds and Semi-Final Round for each discipline.
 - 3.14.2. An athlete's eligibility to participate in the Challenger Leaderboard will be determined based on known information at the time they begin nominating towards the W25 leaderboards. Once an athlete's classification is verified, they will remain on their designated leaderboard for the remainder of the W25 segment. 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.
 - 3.14.3. The WRWC Competition Committee reserves the right to verify or reclassify any classification based on known information.

- 3.14.3.1.1. An athlete's points following the final leaderboard audit will determine their competition position per the event ground rules.
- 3.14.3.2. Challenger eligible athletes will have the opportunity to choose the leaderboard on which they would like to compete by emailing support@wrwc.rodeo. New athletes on the W25 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.
- 3.14.3.3. Challenger Leaderboard qualification eligibility:
 - 3.14.3.3.1. Team Roping – Global Handicaps, 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.
 - 3.14.3.3.1.1. Team Roping athletes must send an electronic copy or screenshot of their 2025 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 support@wrwc.rodeo.
 - 3.14.3.3.1.2. Athletes may submit a Team Roping classification request [HERE](#)
 - 3.14.3.3.2. 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.
 - 3.14.3.3.2.1. 2025 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.2. 2024 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.3. 2023 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.4. 2022 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.5. 2021 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.6. 2020 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.7. 2019 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.8. 2018 calendar year - \$20,000
 - 3.14.3.3.2.9. Lifetime Earnings - \$100,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3. 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 WRC earnings from the 2018-2025 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.
 - 3.14.3.3.3.1. 2025 calendar year - \$10,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.2. 2024 calendar year - \$10,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.3. 2023 calendar year - \$10,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.4. 2022 calendar year - \$10,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.5. 2021 calendar year - \$6,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.6. 2020 calendar year - \$6,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.7. 2019 calendar year - \$6,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.8. 2018 calendar year - \$6,000
 - 3.14.3.3.3.9. Lifetime Earnings - \$30,000
- 3.14.4. 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.
 - 3.14.4.1. The WRWC Competition Committee reserves the right to reclassify any athlete at any time
- 3.14.5. Athletes are eligible to participate in one (1) leaderboard per discipline at a time – Pro or Challenger.
 - 3.14.5.1. An athlete may be eligible to participate as a Challenger in a discipline and as a Pro in another discipline.
 - 3.14.5.1.1.1. Athletes may submit a Breakaway classification request [HERE](#)

4. BARREL RACING GENERAL RULES

- 4.1. Athletes are not required to participate on the same horse and may choose to run a different horse in any round that they choose.

- 4.2. Barrel Racing Tractor Drag/Hand Rake
 - 4.2.1.WRWC Qualifying Round (Pro & Challenger)
 - 4.2.1.1. Tractor drag after every 4 runs and between each Leaderboard group
 - 4.2.1.2. Hand rake after every run
 - 4.2.2.WRWC Semi-Final Round
 - 4.2.2.1. Tractor drag after every 4 runs
 - 4.2.2.2. Hand rake after every run
 - 4.2.3.WRWC Championship Round
 - 4.2.3.1. Tractor drag in the alley and arena before the Championship Round
 - 4.2.3.2. Hand rake after every run
 - 4.2.4.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, one team member must enter the event through the NextGen entry application
- 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 W25 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.
 - 5.4.3.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 W25 Leaderboard as of April 17, 2025 will determine qualification into the WRWC.
 - 5.5.1.1. W25 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 - 4 teams based on combined leaderboard points will be seeded into the WRWC Semi-Final Round. The #1 - 4 teams will not be final until all teams have been paired. The #1 - 4 teams 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 - 4 team earns an advancement position to the WRWC Semi-Final round the earned advancement position will be vacated and filled by the next eligible team based on the advancement rules. The #1 - 4 teams will participate in the round based on the earned seeded position.

6. WRWC ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- 6.1. At the close of WRWC Segment (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.

- 6.1.1. All athletes eligible to enter WRWC via the WRWC W25 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 W25 Leaderboard points total.
- 6.2. 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.
- 6.3. The Qualifying Round Sections will be determined based on the final ranking after team roping pairings are final and entries are closed. Team Roping pairings will be determined based on the teams combined leaderboard points. The sections in the qualifying rounds will be as follows:
- 6.3.1. Section One - #13 – 40
- 6.3.2. Section Two - #1 - 12
- 6.4. 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.
- 6.5. Eligible Athletes Per Discipline Per Leaderboard (PRO/CHL)
- 6.5.1.1. Team Roping Header – Up to 40 Athletes/Teams (per classification)
- 6.5.1.1.1. W25 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
- 6.5.1.1.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners – up to 12
- 6.5.1.1.3. Last Chance Qualifiers – up to 8
- 6.5.1.2. Team Roping Heeler – Up to 40 Athletes/Teams (per classification)
- 6.5.1.2.1. W25 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
- 6.5.1.2.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners – up to 12
- 6.5.1.2.3. Last Chance Qualifiers – up to 8
- 6.5.1.3. Breakaway Roping – Up to 40 Athletes/Teams (per classification)
- 6.5.1.3.1. W25 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
- 6.5.1.3.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners – up to 12
- 6.5.1.3.3. Last Chance Qualifiers – up to 8
- 6.5.1.4. Barrel Racing – Up to 40 Athletes/Teams (per classification)
- 6.5.1.4.1. W25 Leaderboard athletes #1-#20
- 6.5.1.4.2. Qualifier Series generic qualifications winners – up to 12
- 6.5.1.4.3. Last Chance Qualifiers – up to 8
- 6.5.1.5. W25 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.
- 6.5.1.5.1. Generic Qualifications vacated for any reason, including leaderboard qualification, will not be filled or replaced by alternate athletes.
- 6.6. W25 Leaderboard Qualification Benefits:
- 6.6.1. WRWC Leaderboard #1 Athlete: as of the final points audit of the WRWC W25 on April 17, 2025.
- 6.6.1.1. One (1) standard double occupancy hotel room or RV spot at Will Roger Memorial Complex for up to three (3) nights (Sunday-Tuesday)
- 6.6.1.2. One (1) complimentary stall rental with four (4) bags of shavings
- 6.6.1.3. Seeded Competition (Team based on team's combined header and heeler leaderboard points):
- 6.6.1.3.1. #1 Athlete/Team – WRWC Semi-Final Round
- 6.6.1.3.1.1. 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.
- 6.6.1.3.1.1.1. 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 from the advancement criteria (fast time or aggregate) will advance.
- 6.6.1.3.1.1.2. If a seeded athlete/team earns an advancement position into a competition round that the athlete/team is not seeded into, the seeded athlete/team has the option to opt out of participating in that round of competition without penalty or jeopardizing their seeded competition position. The athlete/team must notify the event secretary with 30

minutes of the conclusion of the previous round if they intend to opt out of the advancement round. The vacated advancement position will be replaced by the next eligible athlete/team from the advancement criteria for the competition position vacated (fast time or aggregate).

6.6.2.WRWC Leaderboard #2-#4: as of the final points audit of the WRWC W25 on April 17, 2025.

6.6.2.1. One (1) complimentary stall rental with four (4) bags of shavings

6.6.2.2. Seeded Competition (Team based on team's combined header and heeler leaderboard points):

6.6.2.2.1. #2-#4 Athlete/Team – WRWC Semi-Final Round

6.6.2.2.1.1. 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.

6.6.2.2.1.1.1. 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 from the advancement criteria (fast time or aggregate) will advance.

6.6.2.2.1.1.2. If a seeded athlete/team earns an advancement position into a competition round that the athlete/team is not seeded into, the seeded athlete/team has the option to opt out of participating in that round of competition without penalty or jeopardizing their seeded competition position. The athlete/team must notify the event secretary with 30 minutes of the conclusion of the previous round if they intend to opt out of the advancement round. The vacated advancement position will be replaced by the next eligible athlete/team from the advancement criteria for the competition position vacated (fast time or aggregate).

7. WRWC NOMINATION AND OPEN ENTRY DATES/FEES:

7.1. All WRWC entries will be through the NextGen entry application

7.2. WRWC Segment W25 Nominations

7.2.1.Open – Monday, April 15, 2024, at 12:00am CT

7.2.2.Close – Sunday, April 13, 2025, at 11:59pm CT

7.3. WRWC Entries

7.3.1.Entries Open – April 22, 2025, at 12:00pm CT

7.3.2.Entries Close –April 24, 2025, at 12:00pm CT

Entry Fee – complimentary for WRWC W25 Leaderboard positions #1-#20 & Generic Qualifications

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. ALL DISCIPLINES CONSIST OF:

8.1.1.Section One - #13 – 40 from the final rankings

8.1.2.Section Two - # 1 - 12

8.1.3.Two full rounds of competition

8.1.3.1. TEAM ROPING & BREAKAWAY ROPING: (order is based on each section)

8.1.3.1.1. Round One – Competition Order in reverse order of leaderboards

8.1.3.1.2. Round Two – Competition Order in reverse order of Round 1

8.1.3.2. BARREL RACING: (order is based on each section)

8.1.3.2.1. Round One – Competition Order based on WRC leaderboard positions, top of the leaderboard, top of the ground.

8.1.3.2.2. Round Two – Competition Order in reverse order of Round 1

Example - based on 40 athletes in a round with a drag after 4

- 9 drags will occur in the round.
- The first 9 athletes based on merged WRC W25 Leaderboard position will be placed in the 1, 5, 9... positions so they are the first to compete following a drag.
- The next set of athletes will be placed in the 2, 6, 10... positions so they are the second to compete following a drag.

8.1.3.2.2.1.1. The same process would be used for each run position until all athletes are placed in the round based on their Leaderboard position.

8.1.4. ADVANCEMENT PER LEADERBOARD – 12 athletes per leaderboard advance from WRWC Qualifying Rounds to WRWC Semi-Final Round:

8.1.4.1. All disciplines:

8.1.4.1.1. Round 1 – Top 2 fastest times

8.1.4.1.2. Round 2 – Top 2 fastest times

8.1.4.1.2.1. If the Athlete/Team with the Fastest Times of Round Two has already earned an advancement position to the Semi-Final Round, the next eligible Athlete/Team from the round will advance.

8.1.4.1.3. Aggregate – Top 8 fastest times on two runs

8.1.4.1.4. If the Athlete/Team within the Top 8 Fastest Combined Times from the two run aggregate has already earned an advancement position to the Semi-Final Round, the next eligible Athlete/Team from the aggregate standings will advance.

8.2. TIE-BREAKERS IN QUALIFYING ROUNDS:

8.2.1. 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.

8.2.2. 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. (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. All Disciplines - 16 ATHLETES/TEAMS:

9.1.1.1. 4 - Leaderboard #1- #4 (seeded)

9.1.1.2. 12 – Advancing athletes from Qualifying Rounds

9.2. COMPETITION FORMAT:

9.2.1. One (1) round of competition

9.2.1.1. Challengers in each discipline will compete in the first section

9.2.1.2. Pros in each discipline will compete in the second section

9.2.2. Competition Order –

9.2.2.1. BAW/TR – reverse order of aggregate times

9.2.2.2. GBR – in order of aggregate times

9.3. ADVANCEMENT –

9.3.1. Fastest Time from Semi-Final Round

9.3.2. Top 2 fastest combined times from three run aggregate

9.3.2.1. If the Athlete/Team within the Top 2 Fastest Combined Times from the three run aggregate has already earned an advancement position to the Championship Round, the next eligible Athlete/Team from the aggregate standings will advance.

9.4. ADVANCEMENT TIE-BREAKERS:

9.4.1. If an advancing position is tied in the round for the last advancement position, ties creating the split will be broken as follow.

9.4.1.1. Fastest time in any previous round of competition.

9.4.1.2. Highest ranked athlete/team on the WRWC W25 Leaderboard (In Team Roping, it is based on the combined athletes' team points)

10. **WRWC CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND**

10.1. CONSISTS OF:

10.1.1. Team Roping: 6 teams from the combined leaderboards following the Semi-Final Rounds

10.1.2. Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping: 7 athletes from the combined leaderboards following the Semi-Final Rounds and the Limited Competition

10.1.2.1. Fastest Time from Semi-Final Round (PRO)

10.1.2.2. Fastest Time from Semi-Final Round (Challenger)

10.1.2.3. Top 2 Fastest Times from Three Run Aggregate (PRO)

10.1.2.4. Top 2 Fastest Times from Three Run Aggregate (Challenger)

10.1.2.5. Fastest Time from Limited Competition (Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping)

10.2. COMPETITION FORMAT:

10.2.1. One (1) round of competition

10.2.2. Competition Order –

10.2.2.1. Randomly drawn.

10.2.3. Clean Slate format

10.2.3.1. No competition times from any previous round of competition moves forward to the WRWC Championship Round except when needed to break a tie per the Advancement/Tie-Breaker rules in these Ground Rules.

10.2.4. The Championship Round will consist of a total prize money payout of \$115,000 in each discipline (inclusive of 7th place payout in Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping).

10.2.4.1. All athletes participating in the Championship Round are guaranteed a minimum payment of \$1,500. If there are no qualified scores/times in the Championship Round, there will not be an event champion.

10.2.4.2. If, in the Championship Round, no athletes make a qualified time but had a time in the Semi-Final Round, the athletes will earn the minimum guaranteed appearance fee and the remaining will not be paid out.

10.2.4.2.1. Team Roping: \$2,500

10.2.4.2.2. Barrel Racing & Breakaway Roping: \$1,500

10.2.4.3. Each athlete is guaranteed a minimum of \$1,500.00 if they do not record a qualified score/time in either the Championship Round.

10.3. 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 1st place payout. All other tied positions in the Championship round will be paid in standard payout splits.

10.3.1. Highest ranked athlete on the combined WRWC W25 Leaderboard (In Team Roping, it is based on the combined athletes' team points).

11. **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

12. **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.

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

12.1.1. Round 1 Payout –

12.1.1.1. 1ST Place – \$2,500

12.1.1.2. 2ND Place – \$1,250

12.1.1.3. 3RD Place – \$1,000

12.1.1.4. 4th Place - \$500

12.1.2. Round 2 Payout –

12.1.2.1. 1ST Place – \$2,500

12.1.2.2. 2ND Place – \$1,250

12.1.2.3. 3rd Place - \$1,000

12.1.2.4. 4th Place – \$500

12.2. WRWC Semi-Final Round (Per Leaderboard - ran & paid separately – reference Section 9)

12.2.1.1. 1ST Place – \$3,000

12.2.1.2. 2nd Place - \$2,000

12.2.1.3. 3rd Place - \$1,250

12.2.1.4. 4th Place - \$750

12.2.1.5. 5th Place - \$500

12.2.1.6. 6th Place - \$500

12.3. Aggregate Payout –

12.3.1.1. 1ST Place – \$3,500

12.3.1.2. 2ND Place – \$2,500

12.3.1.3. 3RD Place – \$1,500

12.3.1.4. 4TH Place – \$1,000

12.3.1.5. 5TH Place – \$1,000

12.3.1.6. 6TH Place – \$500

12.3.1.7. 7th Place - \$500

12.3.1.8. 8th Place - \$500

12.4. WRWC Championship Round – Payout per discipline. (reference Section 11)

12.4.1. Team Roping

12.4.1.1. 1ST Place – \$60,000

12.4.1.2. 2ND Place – \$25,000

12.4.1.3. 3RD Place – \$15,000

12.4.1.4. 4th Place - \$7,500

12.4.1.5. 5th Place - \$3,500

- 12.4.1.6. 6th Place - \$2,500
- 12.4.2. Barrel Racing and Breakaway Roping
 - 12.4.2.1. 1ST Place – \$60,000
 - 12.4.2.2. 2ND Place – \$25,000
 - 12.4.2.3. 3RD Place – \$15,000
 - 12.4.2.4. 4th Place - \$7,500
 - 12.4.2.5. 5th Place - \$3,500
 - 12.4.2.6. 6th Place - \$2,500
 - 12.4.2.7. 7th Place - \$1,500

12.5. 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.

13. GROUND MONEY

- 13.1. In the case of not having enough times in an event discipline, there will be ground money.
- 13.2. 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.
- 13.3. If there are no qualified runs or times within a round, no ground money will be paid out.

14. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

- 14.1. World Championships in the Breakaway Roping, Team Roping Header, Team Roping Heeler, and Barrel Racing disciplines will be awarded separately for the W25 PRO Leaderboard and W25 Challenger Leaderboard.
 - 14.1.1. Athletes must enter and participate in the WRWC event to be eligible to earn the World Champion Bonus. If the Segment Leaderboard #1 athlete does not enter and participate, the next athlete with the highest cumulative World Points that enters and participates in the event will be named the World Champion.
 - 14.1.2. The World Championships for each discipline will be based on the cumulative W25 standings leaderboard with each WRWC World Champion earning a \$5,000 bonus.
- 14.2. The All Around World Championship will be based on the cumulative W25 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.
 - 14.2.1. The WRWC All Around World Champion earning a \$20,000 bonus.
 - 14.2.1.1. Limited Barrel Racing, Limited Breakaway Roping, and Goat Tying are not included in the WRWC All-Around World Championship bonus
 - 14.2.2. 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 W25 PRO/CHL Leaderboards prior to the close of Segment W25 on April 13, 2025.
- 14.3. Throughout Segment W25 (April 15, 2024 – April 13, 2025), 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.
 - 14.3.1. If an athlete enters the Last Chance Qualifier and their classification changes prior to the 2025 WRWC event, the points they earned on the W25 leaderboard will not be counted towards the World Championship race. They are eligible to earn points at the 2025 WRWC within their new classification.
 - 14.3.2. The WRWC Championship Round are not included in the 2025 WRWC World Championships.
- 14.4. World Championship Tie-Breakers
 - 14.4.1. Most World points earned from a combination of points from all four (4) disciplines
 - 14.4.2. Most World points earned from a combination of points from at least three (3) disciplines
 - 14.4.3. Most World points earned from a single discipline
 - 14.4.4. Most money earned in the WRWC event
- 14.5. Event World Points Scale

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS				
MAX POINTS AVAILABLE – 8,600				
Place	Round 1	Round 2	Semi-Final 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	706.00
12	376.00	376.00	636.00	636.00
13	336.00	336.00	566.00	566.00
14	294.00	294.00	498.00	498.00
15	254.00	254.00	428.00	428.00
16	212.00	212.00	358.00	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

ADDENDUM 1

WOMEN'S RODEO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COWGIRL GATHERING

April 25 & 26– 377 Arena, Stephenville, TX – Barrel Racing

May 10 & 11 – Kerry Kelly Arena, Weatherford, TX – Team Roping and Breakaway Roping

Applicable Disciplines and Classes:

Barrel Racing – Open 5D Only

Team Roping – All Entries

Breakaway Roping – All Entries

General Information: Starting on April 14, 2025, athletes that would like to participate in the Women's Rodeo World Championship 2025 Last Chance Qualifier and 2026 Qualifier Series event will need to purchase their 2026 WRC ID Card (\$150) and nominate the Cowgirl Gathering towards the W26 segment.

Athletes competing at the Cowgirl Gathering are given the option to pay the following to be eligible for WRWC benefits:

1. **W26 WRC ID Card (\$150 retail value)**
2. **W26 Open Nomination (Division is based on VRQ protocols) (nominate in the VRQ)**
 - a. Barrels – award double points to Top 10 in each D
 - b. Breakaway and Team Roping – award double points to Top 20 overall in every paid round
3. **2025 Last Chance Qualifier**
 - a. All athletes that buy their 2026 WRC ID card and nominate that aren't already qualified are eligible for the 2025 WRWC Last Chance Qualifier (entry scale listed below will be used to advance the LCQ spots)
 - b. Advancement is based on the following per discipline:
 - i. Barrel Racing: Open 5D
 - ii. Breakaway Roping Pro and Challenger: Aggregate times
 - iii. Team Roping: Open: Aggregate times
 - c. Team Roping Last Chance Qualifier Guidelines
 - i. If there are an uneven number of heading and heeling entries for the Pro or Challenger WRWC Package, whichever side has the most entries will determine the number of advancing positions in each of the Pro and Challenger classes.
 - ii. Team Roping pairings for the advancing positions will be determined based on the average results from The Cowgirl Gathering.
 - iii. The highest placing Header and the highest placing Heeler that entered the WRWC package will be paired to compete together in the 2024 WRWC Competition. Up to the 8 total advancing teams will be paired based on the average results.
 - iv. The process will be applied to each of the Pro and Challenger classes as applicable.
5. **Turn outs will receive a full refund up to 72 hours prior to the event. After 72 hours, refunds will not be given.**
6. **TIE-BREAKERS IN LAST CHANCE QUALIFIER:**
 - i. If an advancing position is tied in the aggregate 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.

Pro/Challenger Last Chance Qualifier Nomination Scale:

Total Nominations	Advancing Positions
1-10	1
11-19	2
20-29	3
30-39	4
40-49	5
50-59	6
60-69	7
70+	8

7. All athletes that buy their 2026 WRC ID Card are eligible for the 2026 Qualifier Series

- a. WRWC to pay \$300 to the QS winners (double nomination fee)
- b. The highest placing nominated Pro and Challenger in each discipline will earn a QS for the 2026 WRWC.