

# 2018 NJHFR & NHSFR Ground Rules

**\*\* Page 93, V-#2 Tie Down, page 99, V-#2 Team Roping and page 103, V-#2 Ribbon Roping.**

In all cases it states: "If rope is on animal, contestant will get animal lap and tap with rope on it in the chute". **REMOVE IN ALL CASES.**

**\*\* Page 93, Tie Down, IV-#8.** "Roper will be flagged no time for touching calf, or string or by touching rope to train his horse after giving finish signal, or by dragging calf after he remounts horse". **ADD: Judge may request a contestant to cut or remove his rope to prevent injury to the animal if the horse is fouled or tangled in the rope.**

**\*\* Goat Tying. Page 64, III Event Rules, #8.** "Legs must remain crossed and secure for 6 seconds after completion of tie. While the judge is performing the 6-second procedure, the contestant will make no gestures, motions or noises to distract the goat. This will be considered trying to take an unfair advantage and will result in a disqualification". **ADD: Contestant must clear the goat immediately after the tie has been flagged.**

**\*\* Chute Dogging. Page 89, III Event Rules, #1.** "A left delivery Chute must be used and all chute dogging runs must be made from the same chute". **ADD: At all junior high rodeos, a straightaway chute may be used in lieu of a bucking chute. The chute must have a gate with at least thirty-six inch (36") CLEARANCE. It should be at least six foot in length (6'). Ideally it will also have a side entrance gate for dogger to enter. The straightaway chute will be used at all National Junior High Finals Rodeos.**

**RULE TO READ: AT ALL JUNIOR HIGH RODEOS, A STRAIGHTAWAY CHUTE MAY BE USED IN LIEU OF A BUCKING CHUTE. THE CHUTE MUST HAVE A GATE WITH AT LEAST THIRTY-SIX INCH (36") CLEARANCE. IT SHOULD BE AT LEAST SIX FOOT IN LENGTH (6'). IDEALLY IT WILL ALSO HAVE A SIDE ENTRANCE GATE FOR DOGGER TO ENTER. THE STRAIGHTAWAY CHUTE WILL BE USED AT ALL NATIONAL JUNIOR HIGH FINALS RODEOS. IF BUCKING CHUTE IS USED IT MUST BE LEFT DELIVERY AND ALL CHUTE DOGGING RUNS MUST BE MADE FROM THE SAME CHUTE.**

**\*\* Tie Down and Ribbon Roping. Tie Down page 93, IV and Ribbon Roping page 103, Scoring and Penalties.** Tie Down add #13 and Ribbon Roping add #10. **A contestant will receive a no-time for the run if he brings the animal over backwards (between 10 and 2 on a standard clock) with the animal landing on his back or head with all four feet in the air.**

**\*\* National Finals Livestock Requirements, page 46, #2.** Stock requirements to be based on anticipated entries, 60% acceptable livestock for rough stock, 50% acceptable livestock for timed events and 50 - **Change to 100 goats for NHSFR and 200 goats for NJHFR** for goat tying.

**\*\* Attire: Page 28, (1), (a).** All three, **Change three to: "all competition"** arenas.

**\*\* Page 34, #p.** All animal welfare rules that apply to cutting events, timed events, **Add: Reined Cow Horse events**, and rough stock events.

**\*\* Page 50, Drawing Positions, #8.** Rough Stock arena has precedence over other arenas; timed event arena is second, cutting arena is third, **Add: reined cow horse arena is fourth.**

**\*\* Page 63, Goat Tying, General Rules, #9.** Time will start when the horse's nose crosses the starting line. **Add: Goat Holder must release the goat when the flag starts the time.**

**\*\* Page 78, SBSR, III, #7.** Flank cinch belongs to rider and is to be buckled around livestock's hind quarter below tail. **(Discussion, flank under belly, rope under tail).**

**RULE TO READ AS FOLLOWS: IF A BACK CINCH IS USED, IT BELONGS TO THE RIDER AND CAN BE BUCKLED AROUND LIVESTOCKS BELLY, AND IF A BRITCHEN STRAP/ROPE IS USED, IT MUST BE UNDER 1 INCH IN DIAMETER UNDER TAIL.**

**\*\* For Junior High Bareback Steer Riding & Saddle Bronc Steer Riding – CHANGE TO: require front cinch minimum 5" in width at the center with no knots, tongues, or pins tied or taped back.**

**\*\* Page 128, Discussion on NHSRA Patch Program.**

Page 128, #4. National High School Finals Rodeo & National Junior High Finals Rodeo – **CHANGE THE PATCH SIZE TO 2X2.**

Page 128, #2. Removable Stickers: **CHANGE TO READ: REMOVABLE STICKERS REPRESENTING COMPETITORS TO ALL NON-EXCLUSIVE NHSRA NATIONALS SPONSORS WILL BE ALLOWED AT ANY NHSRA STATE AND PROVINCIAL FINALS EVENTS ONLY. THE REST OF THE PARAGRAPH TO REMAIN THE SAME.**

**\*\* Page 94, #8. Tie Down Roping.** In Tie Down Roping, if an animal fails to break the neck rope and time is officially started by the contestant, that animal belongs to the contestant. However, if time is started by the animal and the calf roper remains behind the plain of the barrier for approximately 10 seconds that animal should be considered a sulking animal and replaced using the misdraw procedure. **(add: at judge's discretion).Also apply to SW, page 86, V7-- TR, page 99, V8—RR, page 103, V7 and BK, page 61, V7.**

**\*\* BB page 66, General Rules, SB page 73, General Rules and BR page 81, General Rules, #2** in each case. Contestant will have the right to call judges to pass on whether animal is properly flanked to buck the best of his ability. **(Delete in its entirety.)**

**\*\* Breakaway, page 60, Event Rules, #3, 4<sup>th</sup> Sentence.** "A **(Add: Solid)** white flag that is visible to the flagman or judge must be attached at the knot end of the rope.

**\*\* Tie Down Roping, page 92, Event Rules add a new #14.** **(The contestant will make no unnecessary gestures, motions or noises during the tie or before remounting)** Renumber old number 14 through 19 to 15 through 20.

**CHANGE THE RULE TO READ: THE CONTESTANT WILL MAKE NO UNNECESSARY GESTURES, MOTIONS OR NOISES AFTER THE TIE OR BEFORE REMOUNTING AT THE JUDGES DISCRECION.**

**\*\* Queen Contest, page 122, Attire III, #d – Horsemanship: Add: Cinch/Cruel Girl** blue denim jeans with a plain white cotton blouse or shirt (no ruffles, accessories or tuxedo shirts).

**\*\* Queen Contest, page 122, Attire III, #b. – Speech and Modeling Competition.** Remove the word color. **CHANGE TO READ: At the speech and modeling portion of the contest, contestants have the option of suits, dresses, skirts, blouses, dress pants, jeans and shirts.**