

Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show
Fort Worth, Texas
January 21-February 5, 2022

FWSSR Ground Rules — WPRA Breakaway Roping

1. WPRA breakaway roping rules will be in effect. See WPRA rule book.
2. Cards members only, permits not accepted.
3. Contestants must be 18 years of age or older.
4. 18 total performances—7 brackets of 2 rounds of eight contestants each will account for the first fourteen (14) performances plus a Wild Card Round for performance fifteen (15), two Semi-Finals of one round each for performances sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) and one Finals Round for performance eighteen (18).
5. Qualifications:
 - a. The top 46 contestants from the 2021 WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings that enter will be accepted (drop down until filled).
 - b. The top 10 contestants from the 2021 WPRA World Finals average that enter will be accepted (drop down until filled from the WPRA World Finals through 20th place, then drop down until filled from the 2021 WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings).
 - If a Permit holder, Roping card member or Junior Roping member is one of the top 10 in the World Finals average, she may enter Fort Worth only on the condition that at the time of Fort Worth entry, she has earned a full WPRA or WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway Roping card. Only cards will be allowed to compete at Fort Worth.
 - c. In the event of the cancellation of the 2021 WPRA World Finals, the remaining 10 positions will revert back to the 2021 WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings.
6. Format
 - a. Brackets — two rounds. Back-to-back (7 brackets of 8 contestants will account for the first fourteen (14) performances, 1 Wild Card Round for performance fifteen (15), 2 Semi-Finals of one round each for performances sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) and one Finals Round for performance eighteen (18). 18 total performances.) No previous times will be carried forward through any of the competition brackets, Wild Card, Semi-Finals or Finals. The top 2 money winners (14 total) in each bracket will advance to compete in one round of the semi-finals (8 contestants per round.) The third top money winner (7 total) in each bracket will advance to the Wild Card Round which will also consist of one round. The remaining non-qualifiers from each bracket that did not advance will be placed into a pool of non-qualifiers. At the conclusion of bracket 7, the top money winner from the pool of non-qualifiers will advance to the Wild Card Round to fill the number 8 position in that round. The top two money winners from the Wild Card Round will advance to one round of the semi-finals. Ground money counts towards advancement but does not count for official championship points. No previous times will be carried forward.

The qualifiers for the two semi-finals rounds will be seeded as follows:

Semi-Finals number one (performance 16):

#1 money winner from bracket 1

- #2 money winner from bracket 2
- #1 money winner from bracket 3
- #2 money winner from bracket 4
- #1 money winner from bracket 5
- #2 money winner from bracket 6
- #1 money winner from bracket 7
- #1 money winner from Wild Card Round

Semi-Finals number two (performance 17):

- #2 money winner from bracket 1
- #1 money winner from bracket 2
- #2 money winner from bracket 3
- #1 money winner from bracket 4
- #2 money winner from bracket 5
- #1 money winner from bracket 6
- #2 money winner from bracket 7
- #2 money winner from Wild Card Round

The actual competition order will be drawn randomly. Qualifying contestants will have until the start of the 7th bracket to trade positions with another contestant from their bracket for the semi-finals. Contestants qualifying in the 7th and final bracket will have 30 minutes upon the completion of the bracket to trade in the semi-finals. From the semi-finals, the top 4 contestants per performance based on fastest times will advance to the Finals (8 total). The Finals (performance 18) will consist of 8 contestants (4 from each of the semi-finals rounds). The event champion will be determined by the fastest time of the Finals.

7. Payout

a. All events. No average. Payoff for each round within the brackets:

- 1. \$1,760
- 2. \$1,320
- 3. \$880
- 4. \$440

Payoff for the 15th performance (Wild Card Round):

- 1. \$1,000
- 2. \$600
- 3. \$400

Payoff for the 16th and 17th performances (Semi-Finals):

- 1. \$4,000
- 2. \$3,000
- 3. \$2,000
- 4. \$1,000

Payoff for the 18th performance (Finals):

- 1. \$20,000
- 2. \$12,000
- 3. \$8,000
- 4. \$4,000

8. Entries.

a. Total of fifty-six (56) entries. Eight (8) per bracket. Seven (7) total brackets.

9. All round competition orders will be drawn randomly.

10. Trades.

a. In the event of a conflict, contestants will be eligible to trade by 5 PM the day before the first round of the bracket in which they are scheduled to compete. All confirmed trades will be final and will be processed immediately after both involved parties have confirmed through PROCOM. Trades can be made up to 5:00 PM the evening prior to round one of each bracket that the contestant is scheduled to compete in.

11. Turn Outs.

- a. If a contestant chooses not to compete for a “non-injury” related reason, that contestant will be ineligible to compete in any FWSSR event for the remainder of the current year plus the following year.
- b. If a contestant who is entered in any of the brackets turns out (includes DR and VIR) prior to, during, or after their first competition performance, the position will be filled with a qualified alternate.
- c. If a contestant who advances to the Wild Card from their bracket turns out (includes DR and VIR), the contestant that has the next highest earnings at the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo in that respective bracket will be placed in the available position in the Wild Card (drop down until filled). If a contestant who has qualified for the Semi-Finals turns out (includes DR and VIR), the next fastest time from the Wild Card will advance to the Semi-Finals (drop down until filled).
- d. If a contestant who advances from the Semi-Finals to the Finals turns out (includes DR and VIR), the contestant that has the next fastest time **from** Semi-Finals will be placed in the available position in the Finals (drop down until filled).

12. Not Enough Qualified Times to Fill Succeeding Round

- a. If not enough contestants record a qualifying time to fill the available positions from the brackets to the Wild Card Round and/or Semi-Finals Round, the available positions will be filled using the following criteria:
 - Most money won in the brackets, if still unable to fill,
 - Fastest time in the brackets, if still unable to fill,
 - Available positions fill based on the highest amount of money earned in the previous year’s WPR Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings.
- b. If not enough contestants record a qualifying time to fill the available positions from the Wild Card Round to the Semi-Finals Round, contestants from the Wild Card Round will advance based on the following criteria:
 - Most money won in the brackets, if still unable to fill,
 - Fastest time in the brackets, if still unable to fill,
 - Available positions fill based on the highest amount of money earned in the previous year’s WPR Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings.
- c. If not enough contestants record a qualified time to fill the available positions from the Semi-Finals Round to the Final Round, contestants from the Semi-Finals Round will advance based on the following criteria:
 - Next qualified time in any performance of the Semi-Finals,
 - Most money won in the brackets, if still unable to fill,
 - Fastest time in the brackets, if still unable to fill,
 - Available positions fill based on the highest amount of money earned in the previous year’s WPR Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings.
- d. For purposes of selecting a champion, if no contestants record a qualified time in any one event during the Finals, the champion contestant will be the contestant with the most money won during the entire Fort Worth Rodeo.

13. Ties.

For advancement purposes only:

- a. If there is a tie in the bracket, it will be broken by any single fastest time in any round in the bracket. If still tied, the tie will be broken by any round winner in the bracket. If still tied, the tie will be broken based on the highest amount of money earned in the previous year's WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings.
- b. If there is a tie in the Wild Card Round or Semi-Finals Rounds, the tie will be broken by any single fastest time in any round in the bracket. If still tied, the tie will be broken by any round winner in the bracket. If still tied, the tie will be broken based on the highest amount of money earned in the previous year's WPRA Pro Rodeo Breakaway World Standings.
- c. If there is a tie in the Finals for event champion, co-champions will be awarded.
- d. Ties for payout will be treated as such and split evenly among the tied contestants in all brackets and rounds.

14. WPRA dress code will apply. The Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show requests you provide rodeo patrons with a good show and a lot of "bling"!

15. All contestants.

- a. Enter the grounds via Gate 44 - Harley Avenue and Trail Drive – 3350 Trail Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76107. FWSSR Staff will provide further directions on unloading at this point. Contestants may only unload horses and tack in the stalls provided. Once contestant has unloaded, trailers must be moved immediately to the Contestant Parking Lot, Gate 52. RV Hookups will be available at no charge in the Contestant Parking Lot for a maximum period of 24 hours around the contestant's scheduled performance(s). Contestants will be allowed into the Contestant Parking Lot on a first come, first served basis - no reservations accepted. Contestant Parking Lot is secured 24 hours a day.
- b. Vehicles will park in Contestant Parking Lot on Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo grounds. Contestant Hospitality transportation on the grounds will be provided.
- c. All contestants must sign a release of liability and any other forms provided by the Rodeo Secretary before competing.
- d. Must have Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued within thirty (30) days and Negative Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) test, also known as a "Coggins" Test, within the past twelve (12) months. Proof of Coggins Test must be presented in either the original document or copy of the original document that has been approved by the Texas Animal Health Commission. Test date, accession number and name of laboratory must be listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. Exemption: Equine may enter shows, fairs, exhibitions or assemblies without a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection when accompanied by a valid equine interstate passport or equine identification card and a completed VS Form 10-11 showing negative results to an official EIA test within the previous six (6) months.
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16. All contestants must wear the back number provided by the FWSSR Rodeo Secretary - which must be visible at all times upon entrance to Dickies Arena to gain entry to Dickies Arena floor, including:

locker rooms, rodeo arena floor, stalling area, secretary's office, rodeo hospitality and all rodeo related locations within Dickies Arena, whether competing or not. For security reasons, contestants will likely be asked for identification. If the contestant is wearing a jacket or vest, the back number must be pinned to the outside of the jacket or vest. Any misuse of back number will be cause for disqualification.

17. Only actual contestant and one companion allowed gate access. Contestant will have access to one rodeo ticket for the rounds in which they are competing. Companions are not allowed to enter Dickies Arena without a ticket. WPRA members not entered in the rodeo will not be permitted to enter Dickies Arena with a WPRA card.
18. Contestants must ride in the Grand Entry in the brackets and rounds in which they are competing.
19. Overnight camping on show grounds will only be allowed in the designated contestant parking lot. Any trailer unhooked from vehicle that is not within the designated contestant parking lot will be towed at owner's expense.
20. No dogs, with exception of specialty acts and sheep dog trials, will be allowed on grounds including Stock Show parking lots.
21. No one other than judges and show officials will be allowed in alleyways and arena during the breakaway roping event. All contestants must have back number visible to enter the alleyways and arena.
22. Once the run or ride has been completed, contestants must promptly exit the arena.
23. Pushers and contestant assistants not entered will obtain credentials from the rodeo secretary's office. To obtain credentials, the individual(s) must be a member of the PRCA/WPRA with PRCA/WPRA insurance dues paid for the current year. Individuals without the proper credentials will not be permitted onto the floor level of Dickies Arena, into the rodeo arena, behind the bucking chutes, behind the timed event boxes or in any support alley's or facilities.

* * * ADDITIONAL FWSSR GROUND RULES * * *

1. POST: Horseshoeing in contestants' barn only.
2. POST: Seventy-two (72) rodeo tickets for contestants will be available through and issued by the rodeo secretary for each round, including all rounds in each bracket, wild card, semi-finals and finals rounds.
3. POST: No dogs with the exception of contract acts, will be allowed on the grounds, including parking lots.
4. POST: No overnight camping on Stock Show grounds except in contestant parking lot.
5. POST: Overnight parking of horse trailers must be in designated contestant parking area.
6. POST: Contestant ride times in the rodeo arena will be from 8am until 4 hours before the rodeo performance begins. (Monday – Friday: 8am-3:30pm, Saturday: 8am-10am, Sunday: 8am-10am).

APPROVED
2022 RODEO SCHEDULE - FWSSR

FWSSR PRORODEO TOURNAMENT:

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| January 21 | Friday | 7:30pm | Bracket 1, Round 1 |
| January 22 | Saturday | 7:30pm | Bracket 1, Round 2 |
| January 23 | Sunday | 2:00pm | Bracket 2, Round 1 |
| January 24 | Monday | 7:30pm | Bracket 2, Round 2 |
| January 25 | Tuesday | 7:30pm | Bracket 3, Round 1 |
| January 26 | Wednesday | 7:30pm | Bracket 3, Round 2 |
| January 27 | Thursday | 7:30pm | Bracket 4, Round 1 |
| January 28 | Friday | 2:00pm | Bracket 4, Round 2 |
| January 28 | Friday | 7:30pm | Bracket 5, Round 1 |
| January 29 | Saturday | 11:00am | Bracket 5, Round 2 |
| January 29 | Saturday | 7:30pm | Bracket 6, Round 1 |
| January 30 | Sunday | 2:00pm | Bracket 6, Round 2 |
| January 31 | Monday | 7:30pm | Bracket 7, Round 1 |
| February 1 | Tuesday | 7:30pm | Bracket 7, Round 2 |
| February 2 | Wednesday | 7:30pm | Wild Card Round |
| February 3 | Thursday | 7:30pm | Semi-Final Round A |
| February 4 | Friday | 7:30pm | Semi-Final Round B |
| February 5 | Saturday | 7:30pm | Championship Finals |