## 1. GROUND RULES:

- 1.1. CONTESTANT AGREEMENT references the binding legal agreement (Calgary Stampede Rodeo Contestant Agreement) between each contestant and the Calgary Stampede. Each contestant accepts the terms of the Contestant Agreement upon entering the Calgary Stampede and the Contestant Agreement is executed by the Calgary Stampede upon the Calgary Stampede's acceptance of the contestant's entry. Contestant Agreement must be signed and received by the Calgary Stampede prior to end of established grace period with PROCOM entry to be accepted.
- 1.2. Order of judgement for rulings will be addressed in the following order of document precedence: 2023 Calgary Stampede Contestant Agreement, then 2023 Calgary Stampede Animal Care Code of Practice, then 2023 Calgary Stampede Ground Rules, then Rodeo Rules.
  RODEO RULES refers to the PRCA Rulebook that will be in effect for the Team Roping; whereas the WPRA Rule Book will be in effect for the Ladies Breakaway Roping event.
- 1.3. Contestants agree to abide by all posted premises rules and regulations of the Calgary Stampede.
- 1.4. Contestants should be aware that Calgary Stampede Rocky Mountain Cup is a family event.
  Contestants will perform in a manner that is suitable for a family audience. Contestants will be mindful that the Arena is covered by video cameras and microphones, with screens and monitors projecting the rodeo throughout the Arena and grandstands.
- 1.5. The Arena Director will have final say in the arena on all matters related to production and procedure.
- 1.6. No family members (including children), guests, escorts, etc., will be allowed in chute or arena areas.

- 1.7. All competitors will ensure their participation and the participation of any and all individuals associated with them are familiar with the 2023 Calgary Stampede Animal Care Code of Practice.
- 1.8. Stampede Officials shall in their absolute discretion have the right at any time to add a Rule or Rules in order to clarify or address a circumstance or action not previously outlined or contemplated in the existing 2023 Calgary Stampede Rocky Mountain Cup Ground Rules.

# 2. QUALIFICATIONS:

- 2.1. TR The Calgary Stampede will invite thirty (30) headers and thirty (30) heelers: Top Five (5) headers and heelers from the 2022 CPRA final standings (drop-down until filled); Top fifteen (15) headers and heelers from the 2022 PRCA World Standings (no drop down); Top ten (10) headers and heelers from the PRCA Current Year Standings as of May 9, 2023 (drop-down until filled). Any remaining unfilled positions in any category will be filled based on 2023 PRCA World Standings as of May 9, 2023. Breakaway Roping The Calgary Stampede will invite thirty (30) contestants: Top Five (5) contestants from the 2022 CPRA final standings (drop-down until filled); Top fifteen (15) contestants from the 2022 WPRA World Standings (no drop down); Top six (6) contestants from the WPRA Current Year Standings as of May 9, 2023 not already qualified (drop-down until filled); Top four (4) from the 2023 Calgary Stampede Breakaway Roping Qualifier not already qualified (drop down until filled). Any remaining unfilled positions in any category will be filled based on 2023 PRCA World Standings as of May 9, 2023. The 30 Hour Replacement Policy will be in effect. The alternate list will be based on 2023 PRCA World Standings.
- 2.2. TR Headers and Heelers will qualify individually in either the Header or Heeler category. The 30 Headers who qualify must rope with the 30 Heelers who qualify. If a contestant's partner is drawn out due to qualification, he will not be allowed to draw out. A partner will be drawn for

- him from among the other contestants whose partners were drawn out. (Headers without partners will be drawn a partner from among the Heelers who do not have partners.)
- 2.3. For their entry to be accepted and to be eligible to compete, athletes must be PRCA/WPRA. All contestants competing at the 2023 Calgary Stampede Rocky Mountain Cup must be PRCA/WPRA members in good standing at the time of entry. Notwithstanding any in any event of the qualification structure outlined above, the Calgary Stampede reserves the right in its sole and unfettered discretion to not issue or retract an invitation to any Contestant.

## 3. ENTRIES

- 3.1. Confirmation of Entry
  - 3.1.1.Qualified Contestants must submit a signed copy of provided Calgary Stampede
    Contestant Agreement to Calgary Stampede designated official by deadline noted in agreement. By signing and submitting agreement to the Calgary Stampede, Contestant is acknowledging and consenting that The Calgary Stampede will confirm their entry to the 2023 Calgary Stampede Rocky Mountain Cup with the PRCA (PROCOM).
  - 3.1.2.If a contestant does not sign their contestant agreement by contract deadline, their position will be filled by Calgary Stampede officials from contestants in order of the qualification process. Contestants will receive an email link to sign their Calgary Stampede Contestant Agreement.
- 3.2. Entry fees are \$500.00 CDN per contestant. Fees are to be paid directly to the Calgary

  Stampede, which payment information will be provided to confirmed contestants. Fees must be paid in full prior to performance.
- 3.3. PRCA Office will produce draws for Go Round 1 and Go Round 2. All timed event animals for all rounds of competition will be selected by the Calgary Stampede Rodeo management.

- 4. FORMAT: Two complete go-rounds with the top 8 in the average after the first 2 go-rounds advancing to the Semifinals. The top 4 from the Semifinals will advance to the Showdown.
- SCORELINE: Scoreline for Team Roping will be set at the length of the box minus 1 foot. Scoreline for Breakaway Roping will be set at the length of the box minus 3 feet.
- 6. STOCK: Timed Event stock suitable numbered ear tags for all steers in the Team Roping and calves in the breakaway roping shall be mandatory; no duplicate numbers are permitted. Steers must weigh a minimum of 160kg. Calves must weigh a minimum of 70 kg. Cattle used must comply with Calgary Stampede Animal Care codes, Government of Alberta livestock brand requirements, CFIA Regulations and deemed fit to compete by the Calgary Stampede Official Veterinarian. All timed event animals for all rounds of competition will be selected by the Calgary Stampede Rodeo management. In the case of a tie Contestants so tied will compete on the pre-set animals, as set by designated OFFICIALS.
- 7. Team Roping teams and Breakaway roping contestants must take their stock within 45 seconds of receiving the all clear from the head judge or designee. If a contestant or team exceeds the time limit, except in the case of mechanical failure or a problem with the competition animal in the timed event chute in the opinion of the judges, each contestant in the run will each receive a \$250 fine. For every 20 seconds over the 45 second limit the fine will be progressively doubled. If a contestant(s) exceeds two minutes in the box it will result in disqualification from the round.
- 8. TIE-BREAKERS: If ties result in more than 8 to advance to the Semifinals, the team/contestant with the single fastest time in either of the first 2 go-rounds will advance. If ties in the Semifinals result in more than 4 to advance to the Showdown, the team/contestant with the highest ranking in the average prior to the Semifinals will advance. If still tied the team/contestant with the fastest single time from either of the first 2 go-rounds will advance.
- 9. PAYOUTS AND PAYOUT PROCDURES:

- 9.1. Total Purse is \$150,000 (Canadian Funds).
  - 9.1.1.All monies earned at the Calgary Stampede Rocky Mountain Cup will count in the 2023
    PRCA World standings and PRCA All Around Standings and WPRA World Standings. NFR
    Playoff Series points will count towards 2023 NFR Playoff Series.
  - 9.1.2.The Calgary Stampede will produce the rodeo payoff on July 20th. All prize money will be paid by direct deposit from the Calgary Stampede. This will require a direct deposit form to be filled out and emailed to the Calgary Stampede prior to July 1.
  - 9.1.3.Any fines assessed to a contestant will be deducted from total payout at the conclusion of the event. If fines exceed amount the contestants has earned, the contestant will be responsible to pay directly to the Calgary Stampede.

## 10. Performance Rules

- 10.1. Check In & Accreditation Rocky Mountain Cup Contestants are required to attend a Contestant meeting Wednesday, July 12 at 4:00 pm (Location TBA)
- 10.2. Association memberships, regardless of the association, will not grant the holder access to the Calgary Stampede.
- 10.3. Advertising, Sponsorship & Broadcast Rights
  - 10.3.1. All advertising, sponsorship and broadcast rights and the exposure related thereto lie with and are owned by the Calgary Stampede.
  - 10.3.2. No contestant will have rights or access to the broadcast either in whole or in part produced at the 2023 STAMPEDE. All footage remains the property of the Calgary Stampede and its licensed broadcast partners. If a contestant wishes to purchase video copies (for non-broadcast use) of his/her rides a request must be submitted to the Calgary Stampede following the 2023 STAMPEDE and all costs will be the responsibility of the contestant.

- 10.4. Warm up space will be available in the Northern Lights Arena from 4:30 pm 6:30 pm on July 12. Contestants cannot access the NWEC prior to performance.
- 10.5. Access to Stampede Grounds for Rocky Mountain Cup Contestants will be via the 5A Gate (5th St & 14 Ave SE). All Contestants will park in designated Lot C on Stampede Grounds.
- 10.6. No stalling will be available on Stampede Park for Rocky Mountain Cup contestants.
  Options for off park stalling can be provided by the Calgary Stampede upon request.

## 11. PAYOUT

- 11.1. Team Roping Payout (per man): The 1st and 2nd go-rounds will each pay 8 places: \$2,127.50 for 1st; \$1,850.00 for 2nd; \$1,572.50 for 3rd; \$1,295.00 for 4th; \$1,017.50 for 5th; \$740.00 for 6th; \$462.50 for 7th; and \$185.00 for 8th for a total of \$9,250.00 for each goround. The Semi Finals will pay \$1,000 for 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th places. The Finals will pay \$12,500 for 1st; \$7,500 for 2nd; \$5,000 for 3rd, and \$2,500 for 4th.
- 11.2. Breakaway Roping Payout: The 1st and 2nd go-rounds will each pay 8 places: \$2,127.50 for 1st; \$1,850.00 for 2nd; \$1,572.50 for 3rd; \$1,295.00 for 4th; \$1,017.50 for 5th; \$740.00 for 6th; \$462.50 for 7th; and \$185.00 for 8th for a total of \$9,250.00 for each go-round. The Semi Finals will pay \$1,000 for 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th places. The Finals will pay \$12,500 for 1st; \$7,500 for 2nd; \$5,000 for 3rd, and \$2,500 for 4th.