

**Working Ranch Cowboys Association
2021 Youth Ranch Rodeo Application**

Please complete and provide all sections of this application to WRCA.

Name of Event: _____

Year Event Originally Organized: _____

Town Event Held In: _____ Name of Arena: _____

Date(s) of Event: _____ Number of Performances: _____

Performance times: _____

Name of Main Event (if held in conjunction with another activity):

Event Committee Information

Chairman: _____ Telephone: _____

Email _____

Address: _____ City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____ Telephone: _____

Email _____

Address: _____ City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Secretary Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email _____

Address: _____ City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Fax: () _____

Other Committee Members (Include Contact Info)

Name	Address	Telephone	E-Mail
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Number of Teams Allowed to Enter: _____

Entry Fee Amount Per Team: \$ _____

Please list the competition events to be held: (i.e. Team Branding, Team Penning, etc...)

Event rules MUST be submitted with this application. The event rules submitted must be adhered to during your event. (i.e.; no changes during the contestant meeting from what was submitted)

Please provide an explanation of your "Point System" (attach if necessary).

Sponsor Information

Do you have a "Title" sponsor for your youth ranch rodeo? _____ Yes _____ No

If so whom: _____

Please list additional sponsors:

To be handled by Rodeo Chairman:

I have read the WRCA approval requirements and agree to all terms that have been given.

Signature of Rodeo Chairman

As a condition of approval, each contestant or sponsor must be advised that the Working Ranch Cowboys Association is not responsible for the operation, promotion or safety of any contestant, participant, animal or spectator involved in the rodeo. The contest requesting approval by the Working Ranch Cowboys Association and all contestants, sponsors, spectators, promoters or any other persons participating in the contest agree to hold harmless the Working Ranch Cowboys Association, its officers, members, and directors for any injuries or damages occurring as a result of the contest or any sponsorship thereof. The organization, rodeo, person or persons requesting approval of their event by the Working Ranch Cowboys Association hereby agree to advise each contestant, participant and sponsor of the qualifying event that the Working Ranch Cowboys Association is an approval association only and is not responsible for any damages or injuries occurring as a result of the contest or any sponsorship thereof.

*****Please address all inquiries regarding Approval criteria to *****

Gary Morton, WRCA Rules & Sanctioning Chairman
505.617.1226 or
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WRCA Youth Ranch Rodeo Event Guidelines

A youth division has been added to the Working Ranch Cowboys Association (**WRCA**). The goal is to provide an opportunity for interested youth to participate in a **WRCA** recognized activity and to perpetuate the ranching lifestyle to the next generation. **WRCA** Sanctioned Ranch Rodeos have priority and first right to host a **WRCA** Youth Ranch Rodeo (**YRR**) qualifier. When deemed appropriate, **WRCA** may extend this opportunity to other groups.

1. There will be no fee to host the **WRCA** Youth Ranch Rodeo (this is subject to change on a yearly basis)
2. The event application from the event host (**Host**) is due to **WRCA** at least 60 days prior to the event date. **WRCA** will provide marketing support prior to the event and will also provide contestant back numbers. The 60-day advance notice is to insure these elements can be provided.
3. After being approved by **WRCA**, all advertising and/or promotional material, will prominently display the official **YRR** logo. If requested, the **Host** shall provide place for the reasonable display of **WRCA** banners.
4. The **Host** shall provide an ambulance and adequate first-aid service for all performances. Equipment & personnel must remain available throughout performance.
5. The **Host** shall ensure that a veterinarian is present or on call throughout performance.
6. The **Host** must obtain and submit proof of public liability insurance, (including a certificate of insurance naming the **WRCA** as additional insured) with minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 (combined single limit, per occurrence). If a **Host** fails to provide **WRCA** with satisfactory evidence of such insurance at least two weeks prior to the date of the first performance of the **Host's YRR**, **WRCA** may, at its discretion, either revoke approval of said **YRR** or obtain the required insurance policy in its name at the **Host's** expense.
7. A **YRR** should include five (5) events. Recommended events include:
 - Sorting
 - Doctoring
 - Trailer Loading
 - Calf Branding
 - Wild Steer Race

Other events may be used if desired. Please include on the event application for review/approval by **WRCA**.

8. All contestants competing in a **YRR** must be **WRCA** Members (at any level). A youth level is now available but any **WRCA** membership is acceptable.
9. A minimum of four youth teams is required to host a **YRR**. See Youth Ranch Team Qualifications for all guidelines for youth teams.
10. **Host** must provide a copy of the score sheets and results. This must include: overall team placings through third place; individual events scoring through three places and winners of top horse and top hand awards if given.
11. Score sheets and results are preferred to be received by **WRCA** by noon the Monday following your **YRR** and must be received by **WRCA** office five (5) days after the **YRR**. Failure to do so may result in loss of approval.
12. To ensure truthfulness and keeping with facts **WRCA** will furnish the **Host** with an information sheet about the association for the **WRCA** announcer. The **YRR** announcer will announce sometime during each performance that the **YRR** is approved by the Working Ranch Cowboys Association and that the winning ranch team will be invited to compete in the WRCA Youth World Championship Ranch Rodeo.
13. An approved **YRR** will include the **WRCA** Humane Treatment of Livestock policy in their event rules. This policy is included at the end of this document.
14. An approved **YRR** will include the **WRCA** Contestant Rules of Conduct policy in their event rules. This policy is included at the end of this document.

HUMANE TREATMENT OF LIVESTOCK

GENERAL:

These rules are intended to insure the humane treatment of all livestock and shall be in effect. No animal shall be treated inhumanely by any contestant. **No Exceptions.**

SORE, LAME, SICK OR INJURED ANIMALS:

Animals for all events will be inspected before the draw, and no sore, lame, sick or injured animal or animal with defective eyesight, shall be permitted in the

draw at any time. Should an animal become sick or incapacitated between the time it is drawn and the time it is scheduled to be used in competition that animal shall not be used in competition and another animal shall be drawn for the contestant.

REMOVAL OF INJURED ANIMAL:

A conveyance must be available (tractor & sled) and shall be used, where practical, to remove any injured animal from the arena. Conveyance must be large enough to remove a horse or cow. Any injured livestock must be humanely removed from the arena before continuing the performance.

CONTESTANT RULES OF CONDUCT

1. Anyone (contestant or otherwise) entering the arena shall be wearing long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, boots and a cowboy hat. Chaps and spurs are optional.
2. Abuse of either personal animals or event animals (kicking, whipping, tripping, gouging of eyes, or any action which is totally unnecessary) is strictly prohibited. **No Exceptions!**
3. Interference with another team's competition in an event will result in the disqualification of the interfering team and possible expulsion from WRCA in accordance with the WRCA suspension policy.
5. No loud, obnoxious or unsportsmanlike conduct.
6. The violation of any conduct rule could result in Team disqualification.

GRIEVANCE POLICY

Grievance:

Should a contestant have a cause for complaint that may or may not be well – founded the contestant must issue a letter in writing to the **WRCA**. The contents of the letter must state the issue in its entirety with the individual's signature and sent to the **WRCA** office. The letter will be presented to the **WRCA** Board of Directors for discussion. Once the **WRCA** Board of Directors has reviewed the grievance the issuer of the letter will receive notification of what action may or may not be taken. All decisions are final.