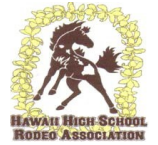




GROUND RULES
2024 Hawai'i Junior State Finals Rodeo Information
HAWAI'I STATE JUNIOR FINALS
MAY 9 ~ 12, 2024
PANILO PARK PARKER RANCH, WAIMEA HAWAI'I



CONTESTANTS MUST BE FULLY DRESSED IN WESTERN ATTIRE AT ALL TIMES~ BEGINNING AT CHECK-IN. Full dress code is required at the **mandatory contestants meeting & the rough stock safety meeting & equipment inspection.** **NO ATTENDANCE NO RODEO!** *Contestants' helper/assistance allowance refer to NHSRA rule book.*

1. Contestants, Rodeo Officials, Arena Crew, Stock Tenders, and Judges **MUST** be in Western Attire. Description of Western Attire: Long pants (Jeans), Western shirt – wrist length sleeves shirt with collar and cuffs. Shirts must be tucked into pants. Western Boots must be worn and sneaker type “sport shoes” are not acceptable footwear. No sweatshirts, T-shirts, or pullovers allowed. Western hat (cowboy hat). No ball caps or visors. **NOTE: Secretary & staff MUST be dressed in Western attire (with the exception of the hat rule.)**
2. **Contestants MUST wear their back numbers on their backs and number must be visible at all times while competing in their events, when at rodeo or rodeo grounds or any rodeo function.** It must be **pinned or properly fasten on the back of the outer garment** (shirt, vest, sweater, jacket *zip or button no pullovers). **NO OTHER LOCATION.** It must be **worn upon entrance to rodeo grounds on performance days** and during rodeo performances as well as fun night and awards banquet. Removal of number only upon exit of rodeo grounds or facilities. Rough stock contestants must pin or fasten their back numbers on the back of their safety vests for their event. **FULL dress code upon entering rodeo grounds!**
3. Rodeo Officials and Event Directors **MUST** Check-in on rodeo performance days with rodeo secretary.
4. **NO HORSES PERMITTED IN THE “GENERAL PUBLIC” AREAS** (i.e.: public parking area, spectator bleachers, concession stands). **RACE TRACK IS OFF LIMITS** **THINK – SAFETY FIRST!!**
5. **NO SALE OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL DURING A NHSRA SPONSORED RODEO OR ON RODEO GROUNDS. CONTESTANTS - NO USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS WHILE IN THE ARENA DURING ANY RODEO PERFORMANCE. NHSRA RULES WILL APPLY. RULES APPLY TO EVERYONE. READ YOUR HANDBOOK!**
6. **Contestants are responsible for knowing the rules, especially the event rules. Know your “chain of command”** if a discrepancy arise act quickly and respectfully.
7. **Contestant disqualification rules will be strictly enforced.** See NHSRA Rules By-Laws and Constitution handbook for details.
8. **The decision of any judges, flagmen, or timers will be final** and no protest by contestant will be permitted, except first through the contestant event director or a National Director and or Arena Director. See NHSRA Rules, By-Laws & Constitution **handbook for details.** **Protest from any non-contestant will not be tolerated** and will be **grounds for disqualification** of contestant. **Non-contestants will not be allowed in arena at any time except for officials or helpers appointed by the Arena Director and or Rodeo Coordinator.**
9. **Jerk down rule will be strictly adhered to** by the flag persons in the Tie-Down roping event.
10. **Breakaway nylon string shall be tied directly to the saddle horn** and a **WHITE flag** be affixed at the tail end of the rope. Refer to NHSRA rule handbook for details. **Breakaway string will be provided.**
11. **Hat rule will be enforced by the barrier judge** for the Goat Tying, Barrel Racing and Pole Bending events.
12. **Three call rule will be enforced for all contestants.** If after the third call is made and contestant is not ready to compete, he/she will be given a “no time” and drawn stock will be turned out.
13. **Roughstock Safety Vests-** All contestants must wear a vest designed to protect the chest and back while contesting in any roughstock event. The vest shall be one **manufactured for rodeo/equestrian events** and sold by retailers. This will be inspected at roughstock equipment inspection prior to rodeo. Safety Check list also provided on website.

NOTE: Other ground rules may be introduced and applied, if necessary, by HHSRA, and State Finals Rodeo Venue and officials by the onset of the Rodeo weekend.