

**LOUISIANA HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION
RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR JUDGES AND ARENA DIRECTORS
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1. At all (LHSRA) qualifying LHSRA rodeo's the flag judge in goat tying will position himself at a location behind the goat and flag from that position throughout that go-round.
2. Judge must furnish colored nylon string in break-a-way roping and it must be made available at each session or performance.
3. **Stock requirements for all LHSRA Jr. High & High School Qualifying Rodeo's**

A. TIMED EVENT

- (1) Tie Down-Team Roping-Break-a-Way-Ribbon Roping
Must have a minimum of 14 (in tie down roping if there are 12 or less contestants - must have that number or calves plus two (2) extra) or if a session in any performance is more than 14 the stock contractor must furnish that number of cattle plus two (2) extras.
- (2) Steer Wrestling
Must have a minimum of 6 or if a session in any performance is more than 6 the stock contractor must furnish that number of steers plus one (1) extra.
- (3) **Goat Tying**
Goat Tying must have the number of goats as follows:
This applies to Jr. High, High School Girls and Jr. High Boys.

ENTRIES	ANIMALS
3	1
6	2
9	3
12	4
15	5
18	6
21	7
24	8
27	9
30	10
36	12

In addition to the required number of goats stock contractor must furnish two (2) extra that will be included in the draw unless they are excluded when the goats are conditioned prior to the first performance.

B. ROUGH STOCK

- (1) All stock contractors who furnish rough stock in High School

and Jr. High are required to furnish the number of bulls, bareback horses (steers), saddle bronc horses (steers) as there are contestants in each session plus 2 extra in each event.

Example: 6 entries = 6 horses or bulls plus 2 extra = 8

All animals will be drawn for the entire go around before the first performance. Both judges must be present for the draw. (Exception: If one Judge is not available the arena director must assist.) (September 2017).

(2) **Stock contractors can feature horses and bulls in each session.**

The numbers of animals that can be featured are as follows:

Saddle Bronc-Bareback-Bulls

1 to 5 entries = No featured animal

6 to 14 entries = 2 featured animals

15 and above = 3 featured animals

4. Drawing Procedure

- A. Always draw re-rides first. Place all numbers in container except featured animals. Hold those out. Draw 2 re-rides. Return the featured animals back to the container with the remainder of the draw and complete the draw. Never allow stock contractor to place animals- You are in charge of the draw.

5. Contractors are required to furnish the number of animals required in each event and the animals must be healthy and uniform in size and weight for that event. The number of animals required must be in draw at the beginning of the performance. Except in Bull Riding – there must be enough bulls for the largest performance or slack plus two (2).

Example 1:

22 entries = 13 in 1st performance, 9 in 2nd performance.

Must have 15 bulls to draw from.

Example 2:

22 entries = 7 in 1st performance, 15 in 2nd performance.

Must have 17 to draw from.

Any time after completing the first draw of the herd if an animal becomes blind, crippled, sick or dies it can be removed by the Judges and Arena Director without penalty to the Stock Contractor. (Revised 1/19).

6. If the number of animals required in an event is not available for the first draw of the herd it is the Judges and Arena Director's responsibility to make a record of the number short and report this to the President of the LHSRA. The appropriate action will be taken to insure that the contractor will be in compliance of the LHSRA rules pertaining to number of stock required in each event.
7. It is required that all LHSRA Judges carry a yellow flag in all Rough stock events and upon a contestant disqualifying himself by a rule infraction the flag shall be thrown immediately to the ground to alert everyone of the disqualification.
8. All timed event livestock must be ear tagged.

9. Calves used as ribbon roping calves in the Junior Division cannot be used as tie down calves in the High School Rodeo when the two rodeos are back to back the same weekend. (Passed August 2011).
10. All calves used in each event in both Junior Division and High School Rodeo must be tagged in **either** ear with all tags being of the same color with no duplicated numbers. (Passed June 2011).
11. Dairy calves CANNOT be used, but dairy influence calves and beef cattle CAN be used in any LHSRA or Jr-High Rodeo. (Passed August 2023).
12. Steer wrestling-Steers must be tagged in the **left** ear only with all tags being of the same color with no duplicated numbers. Tags must be different color than team roping.
13. Team roping-Steers must be tagged in the **right** ear only with all tags being of the same color with no duplicated numbers. Tags must be different color than steer wrestling.
14. Goats must be tagged in **either** ear with all tags being of the same color with no duplicated numbers.
15. All rough stock at all LHSRA Rodeos must be branded or marked with a temporary marking visible to contestants, arena director and judges. There shall be no duplicated brands or markings. (Passed 9/6/07)
16. All rough stock in all events for the duration of the rodeo must be submitted to the rodeo secretary and judges before the first performance. Rough stock pens cannot be set for performances. (Passed August 2016).
17. Any stock contractor not in compliance with Ground Rules 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 shall be fined \$100.00 for each animal that is not properly marked, branded or tagged per rules. (Passed 9/6/07).