## **Points Explanation**

Regular season points are fairly simple. 10 points for 1st, 9 points for 2nd, etc. (see Figure A).

At State Finals, the stakes go up. There will be 20 points in each go round: 20 points for  $1_{st}$ , 18 points for  $2_{nd}$ , etc. (see Figure B).

In addition to the 20 points available in each of the **3 go rounds for the High School Division and 2 go rounds for the Jr. High Division**. For the average 30 points will be awarded based on accumulative times or scores, i.e. 30 points for 1st in the average for State Finals, 27 points for 2nd, etc. (see Figure C).

With 90 points up for grabs in the Finals, you can see there is still plenty of time to improve your place in the standings. Keep in mind that we take the top 4 in each event to NHSRA Finals (5 in the event of a tie). Also, if a contestant placing in the top 4 and decides not to go to Nationals or to not compete in a particular event, then the 5th place contestant moves up.

So to recap, how we determine our event winners and NHSRA Qualifiers: (points brought into finals) + (points in each go round) + (points in average) = Total Event Points.

This is where it can get confusing...In accordance with the NHSRA Rule Book, "To offer 10 more points at the State Finals than a contestant can carry into the State Finals", we will have had 12 rodeos leading up to the State Finals, therefore a contestant can carry in a maximum of 120 points (10 X 12). We offer up to 90 points at our State Finals so 120+10=130-90=40 bonus points. On the following scale 40 points for 1st, 36 for 2nd, etc. (see Figure D).

Bonus points are given so State Finals is not overwhelmingly heavy with points so that points accumulated all year still have weight going into Finals.

Please note these points are for everyone but only affect All-Around Cowboy/Cowgirl and Rookie Cowboy/Cowgirl. They are based off of the year end standings and will not affect any event champion or NHSRA Qualifiers.

## I encourage all contestant and family members to focus on having fun and doing your best!

Figure A Regular Season Rodeo		Figure B Go Round State Finals		Figure C Average State Finals		Figure D Bonus Points All-Around/Rookies	
Place Points		Place Points		Place Points		Place Points	
1	10	1	20	1	30	1	40
2	9	2	18	2	27	2	36
3	8	3	16	3	24	3	32
4	7	4	14	4	21	4	28
5	6	5	12	5	18	5	24
6	5	6	10	6	15	6	20
7	4	7	8	7	12	7	16
8	3	8	6	8	9	8	12
9	2	9	4	9	6	9	8
10	1	10	2	10	3	10	4

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

Q: How is Team Roping points figured?

A: Individual points are brought into Finals. Then points earned at Finals are doubled so in our case they will be 40 points for  $1_{\rm st}$ . 60 points for the average and 80 bonus points. Then points are divided back out by individuals to calculate All-Around and Rookie Header and Heeler. Partners picked to go to Finals must have entered Team Roping at State Finals.

Q: How do I qualify for State Finals?

A: If you have entered and competed an event in any regular season rodeo, you are qualified for State Finals in that event.

Q: What if I qualified to go to Nationals in Team Roping but my partner can't go? A: In that case you can pick a partner so long as they qualified and entered State Finals.

Q: What if somebody that qualified in the top 4 decides not to go to Nationals? A: In that case the 5th place person is qualified to go.

Q: Do I have to earn points in more than one event to qualify for All-Around or Rookie of the Year? A: Yes, the rule states that if you have points in more than one event, you have seniority over someone that has points in only 1 event (the only exception is if nobody has points in more than one event).