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## **Rodeo Team Formation**

The goal of the MRCA Rodeo Team program is to provide for inter-service competition among units, commands, and military branches. Each team can have an unlimited number of members, and the members may be drawn from within their unit, command, or base. If there are not sufficient personnel within the unit, command, or base to form a team, the team may supplement their roster by combining with other units, commands, bases or "free agents" from the veteran or retired community. Regardless of the number of team members, the team can only enter one individual in each rodeo event during a competition. Maximum number of team members for an event is 10 (BB, SB, BR, CD, SW, TDR, TR-Header/Heeler, GBR, BRA). Teams may compete with as few as two members to earn points at any event. Having at least two members competing at more rodeos helps to build the points total for the World Championship Team award.

Each team should organize with a set of bylaws to form as a recognized club/organization on their installation (unless entire team is from veteran and/or retired community). The team should elect at least a Team Captain and Assistant Team Captain as representatives of the team for administrative purposes. Teams composed entirely of veteran and/or retired members should also create a set of team rules to govern their team. The bylaws should include the goals of the team, rules for selecting competition members for each rodeo, and disciplinary procedures for team members who violate civil/criminal laws, UCMJ, Team or MRCA rules.

Active-duty team members can request permissive TDY/TDA orders to attend competitions, however they are not entitled to or guaranteed command support for this. It is up to each team to gain command support for their team. Teams may seek local sponsorship to offset cost of competing if it does not violate any military rules.

Team rosters should be submitted to the MRCA Director of Rodeo Administration via email (see below) prior to each rodeo to enter the team. Payment of the team entry fee will be done at the rodeo by the Team Captain.

Team awards should be presented to unit, command, or base to be displayed by commanders. This fosters goodwill and encourages them to continue supporting the team.

Team competition points program is described in the MRCA rule book.

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