

## **ORGANIZATION INFORMATION:**

\*The Junior Roughstock Association (JRA) is a private organization that provides a qualification system for paid members to compete for a spot to the Junior World Finals.

\*The JRA Consists of 10 Regions. Each Region may have specialized rules and regulations to increase safety of contestants and stock. Deadlines may vary based on region, however it is recommended that Rules and Guidelines be followed by all members

\*All business information that the association chooses to share will be available on [juniorroughstockworld.com](http://juniorroughstockworld.com) or on social media sites.

\*The JRA will consist a council of owners and advisors allowing a communication and voting system for the youth association. A current list of contractors, producers and board members can be found at [www.juniorroughstockworld.com](http://www.juniorroughstockworld.com)

\*Voting Council - Casey Riggs (Senior Regional Director), Joe DeMers (Personnel and Stock), Lacie DeMers (Secretary), Kirby Cannon (Advisory)

\*All funds are raised through membership cards, fundraisers, sponsorships, and are backed by private investors.

\*Official Rule Book is available at [www.juniorroughstockworld.com](http://www.juniorroughstockworld.com)

\*Contact Information:

Website: [www.juniorroughstockworld.com](http://www.juniorroughstockworld.com)

Facebook: Junior Roughstock World Finals

Instagram: @juniorroughstockworld

Blog: The Bucking Post

## **WORLD FINALS:**

\*Junior World Finals will be hosted by Las Vegas Events December 5-9, 2019 in Las Vegas, NV at the Las Vegas Convention Center

\* Contestants will be required to check in on December 4<sup>th</sup> and in order to receive awards must attend the awards presentation.

\* All points will become a clean slate at the finals. No carryover points from Region Finals.

\* There will be 2 long go rounds for each division and the top 10 in each division will go back to the short go on December 9, 2019

\*Fees for finals are TBD but will not exceed \$550/event

\*Failure to check-in during designated time-frame could result in DQ

\*If a region does not fill the allowed spots, it could result in less contestants at the Word Finals.

\*Estimated Payout Based on 25 Contestants (Payout will vary based on number of paid/entered contests)

Based on Entry Fee off \$550 with \$50 Office Charge and 40% Stock Charge- All Added Money if available will be paid out in addition to base payout.

Entry Fee (less office charge): \$500

Guaranteed to Pot per Contestant: 60% (\$300)

Guaranteed to Pot per 25 Contestants: \$7,500

20% out per Round (3 Rounds, paying two spots)- Total Per Round \$1,500

40% out per Average (paying 3 spots)- Total Average Pot \$3,000

\*Finals Costs will be covered by Stock Charges and Raffle Ticket Sales (all other funds will be raised by additional fundraisers, sponsorships and other avenues to cover the costs of the finals.

## **REGIONAL INFORMATION:**

\*Regional map and contact information can be found at: <https://juniorroughstockworld.com/contact>

\*Advisory Council - Each region will have representation from at least one contractor and a parent from each established region. The Advisory Council will allow for each region to be represented and to bring new ideas and open a line of communication for each region. With the association growing so quickly it is important for us to know what changes and enhancements are needed in all regions. It is suggested that each region have a planning committee for their region to discuss events, opportunities and to help fund prizes for the Regional Finals.

\*Each Region must consist of a minimum of 2 contractors, 5 series, and a series final. In the event of establishing a new region, this rule may be waived.

\* Any non-compliant region will default to previous region for the regional finals.

\*Recommended entry fee for events is \$75/round (\$45 to the pot/\$30 to stock contractor)

\*Region finals dates/locations will be set by each region by March 15, 2019

\*A list of regional directors and contractors will be listed on the website and social media sites

\* The local directors will let everyone know the time of the draw. The draw will be conducted by official event judges.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

- \* Regional Membership Cards are \$150.00 per Region
- \* National tour card can be added for an additional \$50.00
- \* Contestants are limited to two regions (separate membership card required for each region)
- \* Contestants qualifying in more than one region will be required to take first qualifying spot
- \* Memberships must be purchased and paid for online. Checks will no longer be accepted for membership cards.
- \* Please check with each Regional Director for membership card and stock contractor card purchase cut-off dates

**QUALIFYING:**

- \* All members must first qualify to their regional finals in order to advance to the World Finals
- \* Must have qualified ride. No contestants advance on time and must have a score.

**NATIONAL TOUR:**

- \* Payout should be at least 60% of entry fee
- \* Prizes based on individual events
- \* All rodeos with limited entries will be declared at time of event posting
- \* All entries will be conducted through the National Office unless otherwise noted
- \* Not all tour rodeos will be affiliated with PRCA rodeos
- \* Tour rodeo payouts will be mailed out within 10 business days after the conclusion of the event
- \* Tour standings will be posted on [www.juniorroughstockworld.com](http://www.juniorroughstockworld.com)
- \* All stock and age groups must follow national guidelines

- \*Tour schedule will be updated on [www.juniorroughstockworld.com](http://www.juniorroughstockworld.com)
- \*All tour dates will be updated by March 15, 2019
- \*Entry fees should not exceed \$115.00 (unless otherwise noted)
- \*All finals rules regarding pickup men and personnel must be followed at tour events
- \*In order for event points to be awarded, both contestant and animal must break the plane of the chute

#### FAQ:

Q: Are there rules regarding contestant individual sponsors?

*A: All events will vary; contestants will be notified at time of entry as to any sponsor related conflicts or requirements.*

Q: Can I ride an age division up?

*A: Yes, only if contestant age is within in one year of next age group and contestant exceeds weight limit for contestants age group. Contestants cannot ride down an age group.*

Q: Will stock contractors be able to co-sanction or produce events in other regions?

*A: Yes.*

Q: Will different requirements of insurance be put in place for international, Canadian and Native Contestants? When will the National Insurance begin?

*A: Yes, please contact your region director for details being each country has different policies for insurance. National Insurance Card Information will be sent out on or before March 15, 2019 and insurance cards will be sent out on completion of required information.*

Q: How will a tie be broken?

*A: If there is a tie; a tie will be broken to determine who wins an award/and or advances by going back to the highest marked ride(score)/time of the event. If that does not break the tie; then both said contestants will be awarded equal prize/and or advance.*

Q: Do I have to have proof of a birth certificate and Insurance?

*A: Yes, an official copy of the birth certificate from court house will need to be provided and a copy of the health insurance card.*

Q: Is the JRA/Mini Bareback and Saddle Bronc Riding World Championship owned by Las Vegas Events?

*A: No both entities are privately owned and are only hosted by Last Vegas Events.*

Q: Will there be additional ways other than the 10 regions?

*A: Yes, the National tour (which is a region of a series of rodeos), will also allow contestants to qualify (tour numbers will be decided based on member numbers on August 1,2019)*

Q: Are their restrictions for contestants competing in other associations?

*A: No*

Q: Will changes be made; how will we be notified of changes?

*A: Changes will only be made if for the safety of contestants, stock and other parties involved. If a change is to be made all members will be notified and an amendment will be posted on our website.*

Q: Will there be a returned check fee and a re-issue/cancelation fee?

*A: There will be a fee of \$35 for all returned checks/anyone with a returned check will lose privilege of paying by check in the future. If a check is lost or stolen; a \$75 fee for reissue and cancellation will be applied. If a check associated with a contestant is bounced, that family will be placed on a bad check list and not allowed to write checks at any of the associations or merchandising locations.*

Q. Will contestants be asked to sell Raffle Tickets?

*A. Yes, to offset the operating costs and to guarantee added money at the finals contestants will be required to sell 20/\$10 raffle tickets and turn them in on or before the required deadline.*

## **DIVISIONS:**

### **PEE WEE DIVISION:**

Age: 9U (Age as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019)

Contestant will ride for 6 seconds

Contestant Weight Limit: 75lb Max (weight limits will be enforced during the season, at Regional Finals, and at World Finals)

Stock Requirements: Mini only/450lb max

Number of contestants advancing to World Finals: MAX of 15 bareback/15 saddle bronc (if all regions do not fulfill their spots, lesser number may be at the finals)

Number of contestants from each Region: 1 bareback/1 saddle bronc

### ***Saddle Bronc Rules:***

*Saddles* – \*Must be bronc riding saddles or approved custom saddles.

\*All saddles must be small enough to fit stock or contestant will be required to move up a division

\*No prods, spikes, or other devices may be placed on the saddle which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Nylon or leather latigos approved

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or spray

\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the saddle

*Markout Rule*– Not enforced/No Disqualification

*Blown Stirrup* – Not enforced

*Reins* – Contestant can only use one rein at the World Finals. May use single leather strap on back, opposite side of riding hand at Regionals and World Finals

*Rowels* – Must be 4 or 5 point. No locked rowels.

*Halter* – Horse may be throat latched or traditional bronc halter may be used at contractor's discretion

*Boots* – Must demonstrate the ability for the boot to come out of the stirrup and off of the foot easily. Cannot be bound or tied on

***Bareback Rules:***

*Riggin* – \*Beastmaster riggins (plastic handle) are approved

\*Must use riggin pad

\*Cannot use prods, spikes, or other devices on riggin which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or sprays

\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the riggin

\*Nylon or leather latigos approved

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\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the saddle

*Markout Rule*– Not Enforced/No disqualification

*Rowels* – Must be 4 or 5 point. No locked rowels.

*Glove* – Grabbers, tits, and palm pieces are allowed so long as the contestant is able to demonstrate the ability to get hand free with ease. If unable to do so contestant will need to use a different glove/riggin or sit out the remainder of the event

**JUNIOR DIVISION:**

Age: 10-11 (Age as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019)

Contestant will ride for 6 seconds

Contestant Weight Limit: 65-95lbs Max (weight limits will be enforced during the season, at Regional Finals, and at World Finals)

Stock Requirements: Welsh and Shetland/13.2HH max/425-675lb max

Number of contestants for World Finals Max of: 35 bareback/35 saddle bronc (if all regions do not fulfill their spots, lesser number may be at the finals)

Number of contestants from each Region: 3 bareback/3 saddle bronc

***Saddle Bronc Rules:***

*Saddles* – \*Must be bronc riding saddles or approved custom saddles.

\*No prods, spikes, or other devices may be placed on the saddle which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Leather latigos required at world finals

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or spray

\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the saddle

*Markout Rule*– Not enforced/No Disqualification

*Blown Stirrup* – 5-point deduction each side

*Reins* - May use 2 reins or single leather strap on back, opposite side of riding hand

*Rowels* – Must be 4 or 5 point. No locked rowels.

*Halter* – Horse may be throat latched or traditional bronc halter may be used at contractor's discretion

*Boots* – Must demonstrate the ability for the boot to come out of the stirrup and off of the foot easily. Cannot be bound or tied on

***Bareback Rules:***

*Riggin* – \*Beastmaster riggins (plastic handle) are approved

\*Must use riggin pad

\*Cannot use prods, spikes, or other devices on riggin which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or sprays

\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the riggin

\*Leather latigos required at world finals

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or spray

\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the saddle

*Markout Rule*– Enforced/No Disqualification/5-point deduction

*Rowels* – Must be 4 or 5 point. No locked rowels.

*Glove* – Grabbers, tits, and palm pieces are allowed so long as the contestant is able to demonstrate the ability to get hand free with ease. If unable to do so contestant will need to use a different glove/riggin or sit out the remainder of the event

**SENIOR DIVISION:**

Age: 12-14 (Age as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019)

Contestant will ride for 8 seconds

Contestant Weight Limit: 70-145lbs Max (weight limits will be enforced during the season, at Regional Finals, and at World Finals)

Stock Requirements: Pony & Quarter Pony/14.2HH max/550-1000lb max

Number of contestants for World Finals Max of: 35 bareback/35 saddle bronc ( plus option for Little Britches and Highschool Champions to be invited)

Number of contestants from each Region: 3 bareback/3 saddle bronc

***Saddle Bronc Rules:***

*Saddles* – \*Must be bronc riding saddles or approved custom saddles.

\*No prods, spikes, or other devices may be placed on the saddle which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Leather latigos required at world finals

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or spray

\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the saddle

*Markout* – Enforced/No disqualification/5-point deduction on each side

*Rowels* – Must be 4 or 5 point. No locked rowels.



*Blown Stirrup* – Disqualification

*Halter* – Horse may be throat latched or traditional bronc halter may be used at contractor's discretion

*Boots* – Must demonstrate the ability for the boot to come out of the stirrup and off of the foot easily and cannot be bound or tied on

***Bareback Rules:***

*Riggin* – \*Handholds must be a combination of leather and rawhide. No plastic or metal handholds are allowed.

\*Must use riggin pad

\*Cannot use prods, spikes, or other devices on riggin which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or sprays

\*Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the riggin

\*Leather latigos required at world finals

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or spray

*Markout Rule*– Enforced/Disqualification

*Rowels* – Must be 4 or 5 point. No locked rowels.

*Glove* – Grabbers, tits, and palm pieces are allowed do long as the contestant is able to demonstrate the ability to get hand free with ease. If unable to do so contestant will need to use a different glove/riggin or sit out the remainder of the event

**NOVICE DIVISION:**

Age: 15-17 (Age as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019)

Contestant will ride for 8 seconds

Contestant Weight Limit: No Weight Limit

Stock Requirement: Based on ability, not size.

Number of contestants for World Finals Max of: 35 bareback/35 saddle bronc ( plus option for Little Britches and Highschool Champions to be invited)

Number of contestants from each Region: 3 bareback/3 saddle bronc

***Saddle Bronc:***

*Saddles* – \*Must be bronc riding saddles or approved custom saddles.

\* No prods, spikes, or other devices may be placed on the saddle which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Leather latigos required at world finals

\* Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or spray

\* Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the saddle

*Markout* – Enforced/Disqualification

*Blown Stirrup* – Disqualification

*Halter* – Horse may be throat latched or traditional bronc halter may be used at contractor's discretion

*Boots* – Must demonstrate the ability for the boot to come out of the stirrup and off of the foot easily and cannot be bound or tied on

***Bareback:***

*Riggin* – \*Handholds must be a combination of leather and rawhide. No plastic or metal handholds are allowed.

\*Must use riggin pad

\*Cannot use prods, spikes, or other devices on riggin which may affect the horses bucking ability

\*Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or sprays

\* Contestant cannot tie or bind themselves to the horse with anything other than the saddle

\* Leather latigos required at world finals

\* Only rosin is allowed to be used on the equipment. No adhesives or spray

*Markout Rule*– Enforced/Disqualification

*Rowels* – Must be 4 or 5 point. No locked rowels.

*Glove* – Grabbers, tits, and palm pieces are allowed do long as the contestant is able to demonstrate the ability to get hand free with ease. If unable to do so contestant will need to use a different glove/riggin or sit out the remainder of the event

**GENERAL GROUND RULES:**

(PRCA Rules will be followed, the following are amendments to the PRCA Rules to meet the JRA Program or details that the directors want to ensure are read by the parents/contestants)

- Contestant must be above the horse when the previous rider leaves the chute. Failure to do so will lead to D.Q. If the contestant is called upon to go, he/she has 30 seconds to do so or faces disqualification.
- All contestants/parents must be professional. Failure to do so will lead to suspensions from any future events for both contestants and parents.
- No quarreling, arguing, or disrespect will be accepted by family or contestant. Violation of this rule will lead to disqualification of contestants and families.
- Long sleeve shirts, boots, neck roll, and spurs are required for all riders.
- All contestants and (or) anyone in the arena must wear a cowboy hat and long sleeve collared shirt (this includes all personnel and parents).
- Contestant is allowed to roll up riding sleeve.
- Cowboy hats are required while in the arena, if contestant wants to ride in a helmet he/she may do so, but must wear a hat behind the chutes and when not competing.

- Chaps are optional, but considered part of the Championship attire.
- For the safety of contestants, it is recommended that the arena footing be loosened to the depth of 3 inches
- Emergency Medical Personnel is required to be onsite at all sanctioned events.
- Contestant is allowed to roll up riding sleeve.
- Parents will be held responsible for their behavior; unruly conduct will lead to disqualification of children involved with the event.
- Contestants may be required to sell advertisement (program ads) and or raffle tickets.
- Contestant and parent attitude, manor, and character will be part of the judge's overall consideration on all scoring. Disqualification for cursing or attitude will occur at the judge's discretion only.
- Contestant use of tobacco, alcohol and/or narcotics will lead to disqualification from the association.
- All gear must be checked-in and approved. Any gear changes throughout the event must be discussed with arena director.
- Parents threatening arena personnel, contractor's other contestants or other parents will be provided a written warning.
- Parents threatening legal retaliation of event or event coordinators will be immediately banned along with competing contestant. Legal action will be sought in said situation. (Including but not limited to number of contestants competing, judge's discretion, stock, stock draw, arena personnel). Contractual events with host rodeos will always proceed our rules.
- The Junior World Logo is owned by Las Vegas Events and cannot be used without permission.
- The Mini Bareback and Mini Saddle Bronc World Championship Logo and Junior Roughstock Association/Championship Logo is independently owned and can be used with permission, or rights can be purchased by contacting the National Office at 406-490-7767.
- Contestants are required to maintain cowboy attire and professional conduct at all events/functions associated with the Junior NFR; including but not limited to the event, autograph sessions and other functions.
- If a contestant is off to the side with both feet on one side of the mane with no control or no ability to regain control for more than two jumps professional arena personal will step into assist the rider.
- Fanning the horse or disrespecting the stock contractor will result in a no score. (Contestant cannot fan horse with hat).
- All Contestants must fill out a W-9 in order to receive payment for winnings.
- Only contestants and one helper is allowed behind the chutes. No one is allowed in the arena at any time. Only the arena help or contract personnel will be allowed, unless permission is given by the arena director. Only the contestants and helpers of stock that is loaded and approved Arena Staff can be on the back of the chutes. All other contestants and companions must find another place to watch the remaining part of the rodeo.
- Chapping and flagging out of horses with any device/object will not be tolerated at any time.
- Contestants are required to maintain cowboy attire and professional conduct at all events/functions associated with the Junior NFR; including but not limited to the event, autograph sessions and other functions.
- At no point can parents approach stock contractors, arena personnel or secretaries. Please See above "problem resolution" for procedure. Any parent, contestant, spectator that fails to follow procedure will be disqualified and fined \$500.

- Any fighting or cursing in or around the arena or hosted events will lead to legal action.
- In order for event points to be awarded, both contestant and animal must break the plane of the chute

#### **PROBLEM RESOLUTION:**

- Social Media: Negative social media is not good for the industry, contestants or organizing personnel, any non-necessary negative social media will not be tolerated and can result to disqualification. Please follow the steps for problem resolution if you have an issue. Anyone violating this rule will be fined and directly involved contestant may be disqualified. If you are planning on publishing professional photographs, live feed from the event, and or recording the event for future public viewing or to be shared via social media you must contact Lacie at 406-490-7767 for details. Anyone caught live feeding of event or selling/sharing pictures or video for public viewing can be fined up to \$1,000 and banned from future events. Las Vegas events has sold TV rights on the events, they will keep us informed should they choose to do anything with their TV rights. This is enforced by Las Vegas Events.
- Bashing of any stock contractors, personnel, sponsors or volunteers will not be tolerated.
- Parents threatening arena personnel, contractor's other contestants or other parents will be provided a written warning and possible disqualification.
- Parents threatening legal retaliation of event or event coordinators will be immediately banned along with competing contestant. Legal action will be sought in said situation. (Including but not limited to number of contestants competing, judge's discretion, stock, stock draw, arena personnel). Contractual events with host rodeos will always proceed our rules.

- Parents will be held responsible for their behavior; unruly conduct will lead to disqualification of children involved with the event.

#### **OFFICIATING:**

- PeeWee and Juniors will ride for 6 Seconds, Senior and Novice will ride for 8 Seconds.
- Re-rides will be given for flank failure, interference, and fouling. Judges may give re-rides at Judges discretion alone. Rider Must declare themselves if fouled. Rider must make qualified ride if flank comes off or horse turnout backwards to receive re-ride.
- Second qualification for complete ride. Time will start when the inside shoulder of the horse passes the chute gate plane. All rides will be flagged out at the gate to start time.
- Judges will throw a flag for failed mark out (yellow) and re-rides (red).
- Rider must use only (1) hand in all age groups, no double reins
- Rider who keeps feet in the neck will be considered better spur ride than rider with feet in the cinch.
- Spur Out Rule (5 pts per side) Junior Bareback and for Junior, Senior and Novice in Saddle Bronc (Spur out rule is waived for PeeWee Bareback and Saddle Bronc and Junior Saddle Bronc). Senior and Novice Bareback must mark out their animal.
- Scoring System: Rider 25/Animal 25 per each Judge
- Judges will keep a stop watch for each contestant. The judges will have a final call on all matters, and their discretion only on re-rides. Equipment, contestant's attitude and behavior will be taken into account.
- Arena director and chute boss will be directly involved with all chute procedures and activities. The arena director will interact with the judges on any miss-conduct, language, or contestant readiness when called on the ride.

- No contestant or parent may approach or interfere at any time with the judges. Judges are not required to explain decisions in markings, and only at their permission after the contest may they be approached. Violation of rule will lead to disqualification of contestants. On the contrary all judges were hired to make the final decisions.
- Un-sportsman like conduct by Parents or Contestant may be called upon for disqualification.
- A great ride is considered feet in the neck with a spurring motion for the entire ride. A good ride is considered feet in the neck for a part of the ride. A poor ride is considered feet in the cinch for the ride. The rides will be marked accordingly.
- Horse is graded on, degree of difficulty and kick VS running. All judging criteria is based on PRCA criteria.
- Contestant and parent attitude, manor, and character will be part of the judge's overall consideration on all scoring. Disqualification for cursing or attitude will occur at the judge's discretion only.

#### **HUMANE REGUALTIONS:**

- Anyone caught harming or purposely injuring a horse will be disqualified. Anyone caught sulking horses, by the discretion of the chute boss or contractor will be disqualified. Contestants will be informed when to tighten equipment on horse. Anyone pulling before being informed to pull will instantly be disqualified from that round and fined \$250.

#### **PERSONNEL FOR FINALS:**

- All buck outs will have at least two pick up men present in the arena.
- Pony Mugger, Pick-up Men, Chute Boss and Arena Director will be required to wear sponsor provided gear. Failure to do so will disqualify contractor for receiving payment for contracted work.
- Pony Mugger will be in arena for event.
- 4 Judges will be present for event.

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