

2024 TJRA - Important Information

1. **ENTRIES:**

MEMBERS: Entry fees MUST be paid by the Monday prior to the rodeo when entering TO AVOID A LATE FEE. Entry fee checks will not be cashed until the Wednesday after the rodeo. The first rodeo entries are due by Monday, January 15, 2024. Leaving your entry and check/cash at each rodeo is the only guarantee your entry will not be late. Completed entry forms are accepted by mail and email but are still due by the Monday before the rodeo, and all entry fees MUST be paid by that time to avoid late fees. Electronic entry fee payment can be made by Debit/Credit Card with a 4% fee included through our invoicing option, and a Debit/Credit Card can be kept on file with the Secretary (4% fee included with payment). There will be NO PAYPAL OPTION this year. 2024 TJRA members will be allowed to call in and enter any rodeo (not including Finals) on the Monday prior to the rodeo, but fees must be invoiced or paid by end of the call-in night, or **a \$25.00 late fee will be applied per rodeo.**

Any changes made to an entry after the Thursday before the rodeo will also incur a \$25.00 late fee.

Draw-outs must be done by contacting rodeo secretary by 6:00pm on the Thursday before the rodeo. Any time after Thursday you MUST have a written doctor or vet release presented before the rodeo, or it will be considered a turn out and entry fees will not be rolled over or refunded.

Entries can be mailed to:

TJRA
PO BOX 663
DURANT, OK 74702

NON-MEMBERS: Prefer entry by call in the Monday prior to the rodeo or can enter at the rodeo 1 hour prior to the rodeo start time (8:00am, unless otherwise posted). There will be a \$10.00 non-member fee for each rodeo.

Call in for the first rodeos will be Monday, January 15, 2024, from 6:00pm – 9:00pm. For all other rodeos, call in will be 7:00pm – 9:00pm on the Monday before.

2. **Returned check policy:** All returned checks must be paid in cash at the following rodeo, as well as the entry fee for that rodeo before your child or children will be allowed to compete. *In the event of a second returned check, entry fees will be required to be paid in cash or money order for the remaining of the rodeo season. There is a \$35.00 service charge for all returned checks.*
3. All rodeos will start at 9:00am. Church services will be at 8:30am on Sunday before the rodeo for those who wish to attend.
4. **FORMS:** Included in each membership packet is one entry form and one membership form. If you have more than one child, please make as many copies as you will need. There should be **one**

completed entry form for EACH RODEO, Saturday and Sunday. Be sure to put a mobile contact number and an email on your membership form. These will be used for reminders.

5. Each member will be required to sell \$100.00 worth of raffle tickets. Raffle ticket money will be due by the end of the rodeo on Sunday, June 16, 2024. Tickets can be turned in no later than check-in at the Finals as long as the required money is paid by the deadline. Any TJRA member that sells \$500 or more of the required raffle tickets will be given a 2025 TJRA membership.

Each member that sells at least \$200.00 worth of raffle tickets will qualify to compete for the 2024 TJRA Finals Champion Trailer(s) that will be awarded at the Finals Award Ceremony. See 2024 TJRA Rule Book for details. As long as the \$100 in raffle tickets required for membership is paid by the deadline in June, additional raffle ticket money can be paid up until the contestant is checked in at the Finals. After check-in, no raffle ticket money will be counted towards qualification for the trailer(s).

6. Each family will be required to volunteer for 2 events, in at least 4 rodeos each year to be eligible for points / Finals participation. Please sign up ahead of time with the event director.
7. All Finals contestants MUST bring an auction item of \$25.00 value for the silent auction to be held at the TJRA Finals.
8. In order to qualify for the TJRA Finals, a competitor must compete in at least 10 of the 18 rodeos and be in the top 15 placings of an event. ALL FEES AND FINES MUST BE PAID TO BE ABLE TO ENTER THE FINALS.
9. All contestants, while in the arena, must be in official dress code. All rough stock riders (including Mutton Busting but excluding pony bareback) are required to wear a helmet, protective vest, and mouthpiece. Please refer to the rule book for the required bareback riding equipment.
10. In the event of a question or concern during an event PARENTS MUST GO TO AN EVENT DIRECTOR IN THE ARENA IMMEDIATELY, not the judge.
11. If you are in an event that requires assistance such as a mugger, pushing your calf, ribbon runner, etc., it is YOUR responsibility to ask someone to help. If you need assistance finding someone to help you, contact your event director.
12. **ALL MEMBERS - please take responsibility in selling program ads, and gathering as many sponsors as you can, to help promote the TJRA and add to the year-end awards. Start now, as most businesses began to budget at the beginning of the year. There is a sponsorship packet in your membership packet and there is one on the TJRA website. We need as many as we can get, as early as possible, to ensure the year-end awards are covered.**

2024 TJRA RULE BOOK CHANGES:

Please read the following changes to the rule book. It is the contestant's and/or the parent's responsibility to understand the rules. A printed copy of the rule book can be found in the rodeo secretary's office at any time. An electronic copy of the rule book can be found on the association's website.

- An association secretary position is a nominated unpaid position added to the Board of Directors this year. This position will serve a term of 1 year and hold a voting position on the Board.
- If a contestant is issued a re-ride or re-run in any event, the ride/run will take place at the end of the contestant's age group in that event.
- A 7-10 Rookie Calf Riding and an 11-14 Rookie Jr. Steers/Bulls event has been added to allow beginner rough stock riders an easier transition to these events. This event is ONLY open to contestants that have not competed in the standard Calf Riding or Jr. Steers/Bulls previously. A contestant can only enter the "Rookie" event for a period of 1 season and will remain designated as a "Rookie" for the duration of the season, unless they officially request a designation change. All "Rookie" event rules can be found in the 2024 TJRA Rule Book.
- Ropers will only be allowed one loop, even when an average will be paid. There will be no rebuilding or extra ropes allowed.

We are looking forward to an amazing 2024 TJRA rodeo season!

If you have any questions please ask any Officer, Director, or TJRA Board Member.