



THE OFFICIAL GROUND RULES OF THE FLORIDA LITTLE BRITCHES RODEO ASSOCIATION 2020 – 2021

MEMBERSHIP / LOCAL POINTS

- 1) Contestant members are required to pay \$80 for a National membership per contestant.
- 2) Non-members may ride on a \$30 permit, per rodeo.
- 3) Contestants competing for year-end awards at the local level must pay a local membership fee and meet fundraising requirements. Contestants must also be a National member. Local membership fees will be \$75 per family. If received by August 31, there will be a discounted price of \$50 per family.
- 4) Points for local membership will not begin accumulating until the local membership has been paid. Points will be discontinued if fundraiser requirements are not met by the required deadlines.
- 5) Fundraising is not mandatory for Contestants that choose not to become a local member, however, any help in the fundraising is greatly appreciated.
- 6) National points will be awarded to 1st through 7th place with bonus points. Please review the NLBRA Rulebook for further information on the point system.
- 7) Local points will be awarded to contestants who pay their local membership fees. Points will be awarded for 1st through 7th place in all divisions, as follows. No bonus points will be given at the local level. If a contestant is not a local member, the points will roll to the next available contestant that completed a qualifying run.

PLACING	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
POINTS	70	60	50	40	30	20	10

WORK ASSIGNMENTS

- 1) All contestants will receive a work assignment. They must check in with Arena Director to receive credit for working. Work assignments will be posted at least 3 days prior to rodeo.
- 2) Anyone (family, friend, another contestant) may work for the contestant. They must check in with the Arena Director and give contestant's name. All workers must be in dress code while in the arena. It is recommended that an adult or older sibling work for or supervise Little Wranglers.
- 3) If contestant (or someone on their behalf) does not work their designated event, they will have the option of losing their local points for that rodeo or paying a fine in the amount of \$100. If they do not have any points, a fee will automatically be assessed. All fees must be paid prior to the start of the next rodeo.

DRESS CODE

- 1) All contestants MUST be in western attire 15 minutes prior to the start of the rodeo and during the ENTIRE rodeo. Western attire consists of western hat or safety helmet, wrist length sleeved shirt that buttons or snaps close and has collar and cuffs, western boots, and long pants.
- 2) If you are caught out of dress code, you will have the option to work an event chosen by the arena director or pay \$100 fine. All fines must be paid prior to the start of the next rodeo.
- 3) Anyone working in the arena or behind the chutes MUST be in western attire.
- 4) Hats must remain on contestant's head until he/she crosses the plane of the arena or he/she will be disqualified. Approved riding helmets are allowed.
- 5) Shirts MUST be tucked in when crossing the plane of the arena or contestant will be disqualified.
- 6) Back numbers are required to be worn all weekend. Competing without your back number is a disqualification. NO other association back numbers are allowed.
- 7) Only exception to the dress code attire rule will be on dress code forgiveness day. Please see Local Awards (3)(iv) for more information.



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RODEO ENTRIES

- 1) Call in will close the Monday 2 weeks prior to the rodeo, unless noted in advance. Call in is to be completed through the online entry system available from the National website at www.nlbra.com. Parents must obtain a log in. Online entries open at least 3 weeks prior to the rodeo and close at midnight EST on the Monday 2 weeks prior to rodeo.
- 2) Late entries will be accepted until 8 pm on the Friday after call in. Late entries must call in to rodeo secretary at 850-544-6877. There will be a \$50 late call in fee.
- 3) Contestant must call out by 8 pm on Friday after online entries close to avoid being assessed fees.
- 4) Contestant must enter in every rodeo through online link. There is NO standing call in.
- 5) \$100 fee will be added for returned checks. Local points will be pulled until payment is satisfied. Contestant will not be able to enter any future Little Britches rodeos until all fees have been paid up to date.
- 6) All call outs must go through the rodeo secretary. Entry fees will only be returned for call outs that have a vet or doctor release. The secretary must be notified in advance at 850-544-6877.
- 7) If a visible injury to a contestant or contestant's animal occurs during the rodeo, the injury needs to be verified by a rodeo director to have funds refunded.
- 8) Contestant will not be able to enter any future Little Britches rodeos until all fees have been paid up to date.

DIVISION / ENTRY FEES

- 1) All contestants are required to pay a \$20 Grounds Fee per contestant per rodeo. A portion of this fee goes to the NLBRA. Local members only, in good standing, who enter up in all rodeos on a scheduled weekend, the grounds fee will be discounted to \$30 for the weekend, per contestant.
- 2) Entry fees listed below include stock fees, where applicable.
- 3) Little Wrangler Boys & Girls (ages 5-8)
 - Barrel Racing \$15
 - Pole Bending \$15
 - Flag Race \$15
 - Goat Untying \$25
- 4) Junior Boys (ages 9-13)
 - Flag Race \$15
 - Goat Tying \$25
 - Breakaway Roping \$30
 - Dally Ribbon Roping \$30
 - Team Roping \$30
 - Saddle Bronc Steer Riding \$30
 - Bareback Steer Riding \$30
 - Bull Riding \$45
- 5) Junior Girls (ages 9-13)
 - Barrel Racing \$15
 - Pole Bending \$15
 - Trail Course \$15
 - Goat Tying \$25
 - Breakaway Roping \$30



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- Team Roping \$30
- Dally Ribbon Roping \$30
- 6) Senior Boys (ages 14-18)
 - Tie Down Roping \$30
 - Steer Wrestling \$30
 - Team Roping \$30
 - Dally Ribbon Roping \$30
 - Saddle Bronc Riding \$45
 - Bareback Riding \$45
 - Bull Riding \$45
- 7) Senior Girls (ages 14-18)
 - Barrel Racing \$15
 - Pole Bending \$15
 - Trail Course \$15
 - Goat Tying \$25
 - Breakaway Roping \$30
 - Team Roping \$30
 - Dally Ribbon Roping \$30

EVENT INFORMATION

- 1) Little Wrangler Goats – Must cross designated line and run past the judge.
- 2) Junior Boy Goats – Boys must use a pigging string to make the tie.
- 3) Junior Dally Ribbon Roping
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.
 - ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. Roper may rebuild if no catch is made with the first loop. Only 2 loops are allowed.
- 4) Junior Team Roping
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.
 - ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. A team is allowed a combined total of 3 loops. The roper must rebuild.
- 5) Junior Breakaway Roping
 - i. Roper is allowed 2 loops but must carry 2 loops. Roper is not allowed to rebuild.
 - ii. Roper MUST use string provided by committee. Ropes and strings will be checked for proper tie
- 6) Senior Dally Ribbon Roping
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.
 - ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. Roper is allowed only 1 loop.
- 7) Senior Team Roping
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.



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- ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. A team is allowed a combined total of 3 loops. The roper must rebuild.
- 8) Senior Tie Down Roping
- i. Roper is allowed 2 loops. Roper must carry 2 ropes if using 2 loops. Roper may not rebuild.
 - ii. Intentional dragging of calf, regardless of distance will result in a no time. Intentional dragging is defined as caused by contestant.
 - iii. Roper will be flagged no time for training his horse after giving signal.
- 9) Senior Breakaway Roping
- i. Roper is allowed 2 loops but must carry 2 loops. Roper is not allowed to rebuild.
 - ii. Roper MUST use string provided by committee. Ropes and strings will be checked for proper tie.
- 10) Rough Stock Events
- i. Safety protective vests specifically designed for rodeo events and mouth pieces are mandatory in all rough stock events.
 - ii. Junior bull riders and steer riders are required to wear a helmet.
 - iii. Senior bull riders are required to wear a helmet.

SLACK

- 1) Slack will only be offered to contestants for educational purposes that affect their GPA. It will be offered for placement testing such as ACT, SAT or equivalent, and/or graduation. Slack must be run the same weekend as the original rodeo.
- 2) Rodeo Secretary must be notified at 850-544-6877 of slack request no later than online entry deadline, 2 weeks prior to start of rodeo.
- 3) Official documentation from school must be furnished to Rodeo Secretary.

LOCAL AWARDS

- 1) Contestant must be a National member and Local Membership must be paid for.
 - 2) Contestant must compete in at least 75% of the FLBRA rodeos for each event to be eligible for awards in that event, except for team roping and ribbon roping. Team Roping and ribbon roping contestants must compete in 50% of the FLBRA rodeos for these events.
 - 3) Contestant must meet the following mandatory fundraisers:
 - i. \$100 yearbook ad per family. This will be due prior to the start of the November rodeo.
 - ii. \$200 in raffle tickets per family. Required ticket sales will be due prior to the start of the January rodeo. Additional tickets can be sold through our final rodeo of the season. Any tickets sold over the required \$200, will be split 50/50 between FLBRA and the family. It can be applied toward entry fees or reimbursed at end of season. This offer applies to local and non-local families that sell tickets.
 - iii. If fundraiser requirements are not met, local points will no longer accumulate. Upon meeting fundraiser requirements, points will begin accumulating from the date the fundraiser requirement was met.
 - iv. Dress Code Forgiveness is an optional fundraiser to raise money for FLBRA. Contestants and volunteers may preorder FLBRA t-shirts and caps to wear at designated rodeos in lieu of long sleeve western shirts and cowboy hats. The rodeo committee will decide which rodeos will be approved.
- PREVIOUS YEAR SHIRTS ARE NOT ALLOWED



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- v. Non-local Members are also able to purchase shirts and caps for dress code forgiveness.
- 4) Checks will NOT be held for fundraisers.
- 5) All awards will be based on the financial stability of the association.
- 6) Duplicate prizes may be awarded to tying contestants at the rodeo committee's discretion. There will be no duplicates for event champions. Any ties for event champions will be resolved with a runoff.
- 7) No ties for an All-Around award shall be recognized. In the event of a tie for All-Around, the All-Around prize will be awarded to the contestant who earned the most points throughout the finals weekend of competition.

TRAVEL MONEY

- 1) Contestant(s) must meet all local mandatory fundraisers. (See LOCAL AWARDS).
- 2) Contestant(s) must have competed in 75% of the rodeos.
- 3) Travel money is not guaranteed and will be based on the financial stability of the association.
- 4) Travel money, when available, will be paid out per family, NOT per contestant.
- 5) Contestant must be entered to compete at the NLBFR and present at the location of the NLBFR to receive travel money.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1) It is the contestant's responsibility to read the rulebook. Any questions regarding the rulebook, can be brought to Arena Director, Secretary, or Officer for clarification. If they cannot determine the rule, an email will be sent to the National office requesting an explanation.
- 2) All rules and regulations will follow the NLBRA 2020 - 2021 Rulebook.
- 3) Anyone wanting to contest or appeal a call must submit an Appeal Form and \$25 to the rodeo secretary prior to the end of the rodeo. If the appeal is overturned in your favor, the fee will be reimbursed.
- 4) Any rule that is not listed in NLBRA Rulebook or covered in these Ground Rules will be brought before the Board for a vote.