



# OFFICIAL RULE BOOK

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### 1. Membership:

#### **a. Requirements (NOTE: All Memberships are Non-Refundable):**

i. **Contestant (Bull Rider) Membership** is \$200.00 plus \$50.00 Finals Fee: \$250.00. All bull riders participating in a BRC Inc. sanctioned event must hold a valid and current BRC Inc. contestant card. A one-time "Single Event Permit" fee of \$100.00 shall be allowed to non-members; however a rider who competes under Permit (hometown) status will not receive points towards the Finals event and must purchase a full membership if he wishes to become a contestant. Any Permit (hometown) Contestant will have a maximum of three (3) business days following the event to purchase the remaining balance of their Membership for their points to count toward the BRC National Standings.

ii. **Association Permit** – Bull Riders who hold a Membership in good standing with other recognized Rodeo Associations will be allowed to enter BRC Events using an Associate Permit for a minimal charge of \$35.00 per bull riding event. Permit fee is payable at the time of entry and is non-refundable. BRC Members will have first right to all spots available. Any points won by Associate Permit riders will not count in the BRC Standings OR THEIR RESPECTIVE ASSOCIATION STANDINGS. However, Bull Riders riding on an Association Permit will be able to contact the BRC Office within 3-business days following the event to purchase the remainder of their BRC Membership and have any points won at the event count toward the BRC National Standings. There is no limit to the amount of Association Permits purchased by an individual throughout the Season.

BRC Bull Rider Members will be able to enter these same recognized Association rodeos as well.

iii. **Stock Contractor Membership** is \$200.00 plus \$50.00 Finals Fee: \$250.00. Permits for Stock Contractors are **NOT Permitted**.

iv. **Personnel Membership (Bullfighters & Announcers)** is \$200.00 plus \$50.00 Finals Fee: \$250.00; (**Judges, Safety Man/Bull Roper, Chute Boss, Secretary, Sound, Clown/Entertainers**) is \$100.00 plus \$25.00 Finals Fee: \$125.00. Permits for Bullfighters & Judges are **NOT Permitted**.

v. Any person or entity that has an outstanding debt with the BRC Inc. may not purchase a BRC Inc. membership until all debts/fines/fees have been paid in full.

vi. All BRC Inc. members must be turning 16 (sixteen) in the calendar year of membership. Any applicant under the age of majority (which is eighteen (18) in Alberta) must have a guardian sign a release of liability that shall be notarized by an official notary of the applicant's resident province or state.

vii. All potential BRC Inc. Permit applications and Membership applicants must read and sign the official ***BRC Inc. Pledge, Waiver and Release***.

viii. All BRC Inc. card carrying members as well as BRC Inc. sanctioned event personnel must sign and hand deliver to an event secretary or mail to the BRC Inc. a Pledge, Waiver and Release form.

#### **b. Standings:**

The standings shall be comprised of a system as follows:



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i. Points: shall be the value assigned by the BRC Inc. to the contestant based on the contestant's respective finish (placing) at a particular event.

1. See Section 5, Subsection f. Item i.

2. A contestant who is drawn back to the short round during an event and makes a successful ride shall receive no points for long round. Contestant will receive points for short round and average based on placing in short round.

### **c. Qualifications:**

Contestant Qualifications based on Added Money as follows:

i. Events with under \$5999.00 added: BRC, Inc. shall use the previous Year End Standings for the first (5) events that do not overlap in calendar date of the new season and fill the first 10 event spots using a top-down format based on which Contestants enter. The remaining spots shall be filled by random Contestant draw from all other entries and/or Permits. The Event Committee has the option to add up to two (2) bull riders of their choice so long as the two riders have a BRC Inc. membership purchased. After the first five (5) events have occurred, the current BRC Inc. Standings shall be used for the remainder of the season.

ii Events with \$6000.00 and over added: BRC Inc. shall use the previous Year End Standings for the first (5) events that do not overlap in calendar date of the new season and fill the first 15 event spots using a top-down format based on which Member Contestants enter. The remaining spots shall be filled by random Contestant draw from all other entries and/or Permits. The Event Committee has the option to add up to two (2) bull riders of their choice so long as the two riders have a BRC Inc. membership purchased. After the first five (5) events have occurred, the current BRC Inc. Standings shall be used for the remainder of the season.

## **2. Competition:**

### **a. Ride Specifics:**

i. It is MANDATORY that Contestants have their BRC logo/sticker they receive with their Membership Card VISIBLE on their vest when competing at a BRC Event. If a Contestant does not have the BRC logo/sticker visible on their vest, they MUST purchase one from the Event Secretary for a \$5.00 fee (if available), or be subject to a \$50.00 Fine.

ii. Time shall be eight (8) seconds for each ride, that time to start when any shoulder or hip portion of the bull passes the plane of the chute gate. Contestant must complete the eight (8) second ride to be eligible for a marking.

iii. Riding to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without a handhold.

iv. No knots or hitches to prevent the rope from falling off the bull when the contestant leaves him.

v. The rope must have a bell and bell must be placed under the belly of the bull when the contestant leaves the chute entering the arena.

vi. If a contestant makes a qualified ride with any part of the rope in riding hand, he is to be marked.

vii. A contestant may request a ruling on whether the bull is properly flanked.



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- viii. No bull tails will be allowed under the flank straps.
- ix. Absolutely zero horse flanks allowed. Rope pull flanks are acceptable and are required to not have a tail length exceeding 2.5 feet after being pulled tight. There are absolutely zero exceptions. \$200 fine first offence and every offence after. Not per performance, per animal.
- x. Sharp spurs will not be allowed, and may result in disqualification of contestant at any time; this includes wire or protruding screws/bolts on any part of the spur or shank.
- xi. No more than two (2) men may be on the chute to pull or assist the contestant while in the chute. Maximum of three (3) hands pulling a single bull rope tight.
- xii. Once a bull rider has taken their final wrap with their hand inside the bull rope, and then that rider wishes to remove their hand for a “re-pull” on the bull rope, that rider must obtain **clearance/permission from the judge BEFORE** they remove their hand and re-pull. Failure to obtain Judges permission for a re-pull could result in the bull rider being placed on a chute clock (Chute Clock = 30 Seconds) to leave the bucking chute before being at risk of being disqualified/turned out.
- xiii. No bull may be put in the draw until his horns have been dulled and reduced to the minimum diameter (size) of a “toonie”.
- xiv. Any of the following shall disqualify the contestant:
  - 1. Being bucked off.
  - 2. Touching bull, equipment or person with free hand.
  - 3. Using sharp spurs or wires on spurs which may injure bull.
  - 4. Placing spurs or chaps under rope while it is being tightened.
  - 5. Not having a bell on bull rope when bull leaves the chute.
  - 6. When a contestant has been advised he is next to go and he is not above the bull with his glove on when the previous bull leaves the arena.
  - 7. Re-pulling bull rope after taking final wrap before obtaining clearance/permission from the Judge.
  - 8. Intentionally leaving the chute with spurs hooked or lodged in bull rope.
  - 9. Contestants taking too long in chute may be disqualified or fined at the discretion of the judges.

### **b. Scoring of Rides:**

- i. The contestant and bull are to be marked separately. The contestant will be marked according to their control of the ride and degree of difficulty of the bull. Figures used in markings shall range from zero (0) to twenty-five (25) including ½ points per judge on both the contestant and bull. The total may reach no more than one hundred (100) points. All judges **MUST** have/use a working stopwatch.
- ii. Judges will submit to the event secretary, their markings for each ride for that performance immediately following the completion of the performance. In case of a clerical error only the judges may change their books. Such markings shall be termed official when posted and/or verified by the judges and may not be changed once submitted.



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- iii. No judge may be replaced during an event unless injured or by decision of the BRC Inc. Board during the course of an event.
- iv. Markings shall be totaled by both judges, verified by the event secretary and posted after each performance.
- v. No contestant may compete on the same bull at the same event unless the contestant is offered a re-ride on that bull (he may choose to have same bull again).
- vi. Judges decisions are final and judges have the authority to have interfering individuals removed or fined.
- vii. The latch side judge shall be the official watch when there are two (2) judges at an event.
- viii. If there are three (3) judges present, the back judge will become the official clock. All three judges are required to time. In specific cases the third judge's watch may be used.
- ix. In addition, where a back judge is used, the back judge shall be responsible for running the prevailing watch, making sure there are no hot shots, watching for fouls, intent to cheat and working with both contestants and contractors to keep the re-ride order straight.
- x. Judges MUST record all buck off times and mark all livestock even in the event of an unqualified ride by the contestant.
- xi. BRC Judges have the authority to remove any Contestant(s) from the event if the Judge(s) sees tangible evidence that a Contestant(s) is unfit to compete (i.e. impaired, concussed from a prior ride at this same event).
- xii. Any Contestant(s) being removed from the event by the Judge(s) for impairment, will be immediately disqualified from the event. Thus removing all points and money they may have won so far at said event, and may be subject to a Fine for Arena Conduct (see Section 2; Subsection g; viii).
- xiii. Any Contestant(s) being removed from the event by the Judge(s) due to being concussed from a prior ride at this same event, will be a Visual Medical Turnout. Thus allowing them to keep all points and money they may have won so far at said event.
- xiv. There will be no refund on entry fees in either instance noted above. Judges decisions are final.

### **c. Re-rides:**

- i. If a re-ride is given by any official, the judges shall inform the contestant of his marking and an option of a re-ride. Contestant may refuse the re-ride and take his marking. Contestant must notify the judge immediately of his decision to accept or reject the option upon learning which bull would be used as a re-ride and the time of the re-ride.
- ii. Re-rides will be given at the discretion of the judge. Reasons for possible re-rides include the following: if a bull stops or fouls the rider, stock contactors equipment fails, performance of the bull is inferior to the others. If in the case of leaving the chute the judge feels the rider had an unfair advantage.
- iii. No re-ride will be given if the contestant's own equipment fails.



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- iv. No hotshot or prod will be used after rider has mounted bull.
- v. If a contestant is granted a re-ride, he may take the same bull for the re-ride, provided the stock contractor is willing and a mutually agreeable time can be arranged. If a contestant chooses to accept the re-ride on the same bull, he must take the marking for the re-ride, unless there is a foul or the stock contractors equipment fails on the re-ride.
- vi. If a drawn bull becomes sick or injured before it is competed on, a judge must pass on the bull's ability to be used. At that point, the first re-ride bull will be used.
- vii. Re-ride bulls must be designated prior to an event starting with a minimum of three (3) for the long go and a minimum of one (1) for the short go.
- viii. Turn-out bulls will be placed at the bottom of the re-ride list.
- ix. If a re-ride bull is offered and turned down that bull is placed at the bottom of the re-ride list.

### **d. Bull Performance:**

- i. Bulls will be reviewed by judges before the start of each event. If an animal is visibly unable to be showcased in the event: limping, torn brand, blood anywhere on hide or body, broken horn or other visible injury at the discretion of an event judge, then the animal will be replaced with the first available re-ride.
- ii. Any animal that becomes sick or injured between the time it is inspected and the time to compete will be replaced with the first available re ride.
- iii. Inferior bull performance in comparison to the other animals in the same event will result in a re-ride option for the contestant at the discretion of a judge and provided that the contestant had a qualified ride on that animal.
- iv. If contestant has made two (2) honest attempts to get out on a chute fighting animal, the judges may award a re-ride option immediately.
- v. If in the opinion of the judges a bull deliberately throws itself, the contestant shall have the choice of the same bull again or he may take the first re-ride.
- vi. A contestant being "rubbed" "knocked" or fouled at the chute or any other place within the arena, at the discretion of the judge, may be granted a re-ride.
- vii. If a bull falls in the discretion of the judge to hinder a ride or cause foul. The contestant must not be the reason or cause of the foul or fall.
- viii. If an animal stops, provided the contestant has qualified up to that point, a re-ride will be awarded. If bull stops, the contestant must remain qualified until the eight-seconds has elapsed (buzzer sounds) in order to be offered a re-ride. If the contestant is awarded a re-ride, the contestant may accept another animal or the score given by the judges.
- ix. The BRC Inc. shall impose a "3-Strike" rule for all livestock used at any BRC Inc. event. This methodology is in place for the overall animal's performance at any BRC Inc. event: bull score, handling ability, loading ability, ability to vacate an arena, risk factor for jumping/injury. All bull scores/comments shall be submitted and accepted from judges, contestants and other stock contractors and considered by the BRC Inc. Board. All queries must be submitted in writing within one month of the event in question in order to be valid and considered.





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**e. Draw:**

- i. The draw for an event must be completed by BRC Inc. Office the evening one week following the entry date. This draw must then be approved by the BRC Inc. President and sent to the event producer and/or secretary the next morning. If the President is not available another Board member will cover.
- ii. In the event that the BRC Inc. Office is unavailable to perform the draw, the President must assume the responsibility and ensure that the event personnel receive the draw on time.
- iii. No bull may be bucked twice during the same performance except in the event of the need for a re-ride bull and all available bulls have been used.
- iv. With Double Entry spot(s), each 'entry' for the Contestant(s) who double entered, must fall a minimum of eight (8) bulls between each ride, wherever possible.

**f. Short Round:**

- i. If there are not enough qualified rides in the long go, judges must use the recorded times for all contestants and bring back the contestants with the longest time; regardless of the animal/bull score or ability.
- ii. When a Contestant qualifies for the Short Round more than one time they must attempt all Short Round bulls for which an actual Long Round Score was received.
- iii. Short Round places filled by a Contestant on time may be declined by such Contestant and offered to the next Contestant based on Long Round time.
- iv. There must be a minimum of one short round re-ride bull available. This animal must also be available for selection if the format at the event is "Pick Your Poison".

**g. Contestant Check-in/Responsibilities and Fines:**

- i. All event fees must be paid in cash only – in FULL BEFORE Contestants ride! No exceptions!
- ii. Contestants must be checked in or have notified the secretary at least sixty (60) minutes prior to the event or his position will be filled off of the alternate list. Alternates also need to check in with the event secretary. The completed event draw will not be available until the event has been filled.
- iii. Contestants are allowed to turnout without a fine so long as the turnout occurs no later than one day following the close of entries! Entries close at 5:00PM on Monday evenings and contestants will have until 5:00PM the following day (Tuesday) to turnout without a fine. Proper notification of a turnout must be given to the BRC Inc. Office.
- iv. Contestants turning out following the 5:00PM Tuesday cutoff will be required to have 1) a Doctor's note for verification if the turnout is a medical. A Doctor's note shall mean that the contestant does not have to pay a fine. However, that Doctor's note must be submitted to the BRC Inc. office within five (5) business days or regular fines will apply and the contestant will be responsible to pay a \$100.00 turnout fine as well as their full event entry fees (if their spot is not filled). All contestants turning out on a Doctor's release (medical) will be removed from any upcoming BRC events they are currently entered in and will be in-eligible to compete in another BRC event for ten (10) days from their turnout date. Or 2) if the





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turnout is not a medical, the contestant is responsible to pay a \$100.00 turn-out fine as well as their full event entry fees (if their spot is not filled).

Contestants with fines are in-eligible to enter another BRC event until all fines are paid in full.

v. Contestants turning out within four (4) hours of the event start time or contestants turning out **without contacting the BRC Inc. Secretary**, will be considered “un-notified” and be required to pay their full fees plus a \$200.00 turn-out fine. This includes Medical turnouts. Contestants will be considered inactive until said fine is paid.

vi. This fine will DOUBLE with each offence during the season. For example, a first event is \$200 plus entry fees, second is \$400 plus entry fees, third \$800 plus entry fees and so on.

vii. If a contestant is injured while mounting his drawn bull but is unable to nod due to the injury he shall be reimbursed his entry fees and the turnout will be considered a “Doctor’s release.”

viii. Fines for Arena Conduct: profanity, abusive behaviour, objectionable conduct, rude or offensive behaviour or any action (verbal or physical) that is deemed detrimental to the production of the BRC Inc. event and or objectionable to any spectator, committee member, BRC Inc. Board member or other BRC Inc. Member will result in a First Offense Fine of \$500.00. Second Offense Fine shall be \$1000.00 and the Third Offense Fine shall mean termination from the current year standings.

### **h. Contestant Re-entering:**

i. Contestants may request to double-enter at the time of entries. Upon entering, Contestants can specify if they would like to enter twice. Once entries are completed, if the event has not filled, the BRC Office will go to the double entry list and draw names from there to fill the event. As each name is drawn, the Contestant will be called and/or texted to be sure they still want that double entry spot. Once that double entry spot is accepted, they will then be told that each entry will be considered a separate contestant and fined as such in the event of a turnout. Meaning, if that one contestant turns out of the event and they also entered in a double entry spot, they will be fined for BOTH spots. However, once the contestant shows up to the event, they are now considered one person and if they turn out of one spot (due to injury, etc.), they will be turned out of the whole event. For example, if the contestant rides their first long round bull and then turns out of their second long round bull, they will be turned out of the entire event immediately and not allowed to ride in the short round.

ii. If the event is not full the day of, Contestants may place their names on a re-entry list at the time they check in with the event secretary and pay their fees.

iii. The event secretary must advise the BRC judges and stock contractors with at least 30-minutes advance notice. The judges shall then make the draw for re-entry positions not including re-ride bulls and ensure that the stock contractors are aware. At that time, the event draw can be distributed.

iv. The judges shall then make the draw for re-entry positions based on the turn out bulls and the re-ride bulls. All of the bulls are put together and drawn for re-entry contestants and then the remaining bulls put in order and used for re-rides at event.



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Finally, the Judges must ensure that the event secretary and event stock contractors are aware. At that time, the event draw can be distributed.

v. Contestant fees for re-entry in events with added money less than \$5000.00, where regular entry fees are \$120.00, re-entry fees are the same as the fees for the event and must be paid in cash in-FULL BEFORE the contestant rides. Contestant fees for re-entry in events with added money \$5000.00 or more, where regular entry fees are \$165.00, re-entry are lowered to \$120.00 (re-entry fee only – original entry fee remains \$165.00) and must be paid in cash in-FULL BEFORE the contestant rides.

v. If a contestant turns out a bull for any reason during an event, they are then removed from all other bulls in that event that they may be entered on or eligible for.

vi. Re-entry granted to Members only first; permit members last if needed.

### **i. Member Code of Conduct:**

i. All BRC Inc. members are expected to act in a sportsmanlike manner, not engaging in physical threats or violence, the use of profanity, and shall not be under the influence of drugs or alcohol while participating in a BRC Inc. sanctioned event.

ii. Alcohol or recreation drugs of any kind will not be permitted anywhere in the arena area which includes behind the bucking chutes; infractions may be subject to a BRC Inc. fine.

iii. BRC Judges have the authority to remove any Contestant(s) from the event if the Judge(s) sees tangible evidence that a Contestant(s) is unfit to compete (i.e. impaired, concussed from a prior ride at this same event).

iv. Any Contestant(s) being removed from the event by the Judge(s) for impairment, will be immediately disqualified from the event. Thus removing all points and money they may have won so far at said event, and may be subject to a Fine for Arena Conduct (see Section 2; Subsection g; viii).

v. Any Contestant(s) being removed from the event by the Judge(s) due to being concussed from a prior ride at this same event, will be a Visual Medical Turnout. Thus allowing them to keep all points and money they may have won so far at said event.

vi. There will be no refund on entry fees in either instance noted above. Judges decisions are final.

vii. The BRC Inc. Member Code of Conduct must also be followed during other related BRC Inc. events or transactions including entering, calling back and conversations held with the BRC Inc. Office, other Personnel and Directors.

viii. Fines for Arena Conduct: profanity, abusive behaviour, objectionable conduct, rude or offensive behaviour or any action (verbal or physical) that is deemed detrimental to the production of the BRC Inc. event and or objectionable to any spectator, committee member, BRC Inc. Board member or other BRC Inc. Member will result in a First Offense Fine of \$500.00. Second Offense Fine shall be \$1000.00 and the Third Offense Fine shall mean termination from the current year standings.



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### **j. Arbitration Clause:**

- i. Any member who is fined by a BRC Inc. judge or Director may bring an appeal to the Board of Directors.
- ii. The BRC Inc. Board of Directors has the sole discretion to determine action in all appeals.

### **3. Corporate Office:**

#### **a. Address:**

- i. The current corporate office address is: Box 515, Irricana, Alberta T0M 1B0 CANADA
- ii. The current corporate phone number is: 403-589-5566
- iii. The current corporate website is: www.bullriderscanada.ca

#### **b. Hours:**

- i. The current hours of the corporate office are Monday through Saturday from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM. The office is closed on Sundays and Canadian Statutory Holidays (with the exception of Entry days as entries will always take place on Monday's).

#### **c. Financial Declarations:**

- i. The BRC Inc. shall make all annual statements available to all shareholders at the Shareholders Meeting (held at the Finals) and also available for viewing at any time by any Shareholder.

### **4. Contestant Entries/Call-backs:**

#### **a. Entries:**

- i. All entries for BRC Inc. sanctioned events shall be taken on the Monday two weeks before said event between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM MST **UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED.**

#### **b. Entry Format:**

- i. Phone call or Text – texted entries preferred: 403-589-5566
- ii. Email: bullriderscanada@gmail.com
- iii. Text and email entries must have contestant name or names, card number or numbers. Return texts or emails will be sent by the BRC Inc. office to confirm that the entry was received.

#### **c. Responsibility:**

- i. It is the contestant's responsibility to ensure that they have received confirmation of their entry before the entry time has ended.

#### **d. Call-backs:**

- i. Call-backs for all events will be posted on the BRC Inc. website the Wednesday following entries. Contestants will have the same office hours and using the same contact information as listed in subparagraphs "a." and "b." to contact the office in the event of a discrepancy.



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### 5. Sanctioning:

#### **a. Minimum Prize Money:**

- i. Producers/Committees are required to add a minimum of \$3,000 added money per event performance.

#### **b. Sanction Application Form:**

- i. A completed **Sanction Application Form** along with the appropriate Sanction Fee must be in the BRC Inc. office no later than two weeks prior to entries opening. Upon completion of the event, all results including payout must be in the BRC Inc. office no later than five (5) business days following the completion of the event.
- ii. Producers/Committees MUST follow the minimum pay/suggested pay structures for all BRC Member personnel hired at BRC Sanctioned Events, as listed on the BRC Official Sanction Form (BRCFM-002).
- iii. Sanction forms are available to be downloaded from BRC Inc. website and also provided to a requesting committee from the BRC Inc. Office via mail or email.

#### **c. Contestant Fees:**

- i. Events with \$3000.00 - \$4999.00: \$120.00 (per contestant, per entry)
  - \$120.00: (\$5.00 BRC Inc. Office, \$10.00 Finals Fee, \$5.00 Entry Fee; 5% BRC Inc. Sanction Fee) is \$95.00 in Total Purse from each contestant entry.
- ii. Events with \$5000.00 and above: \$165.00 (per contestant, per entry)
  - \$165.00: (\$5.00 BRC, Inc. Office, \$10.00 Finals Fee, \$5.00 Entry Fee; 5% BRC Inc. Sanction Fee) is \$137.75 in Total Purse from each contestant entry.

#### **d. Committee Fees:**

- i. Producer/Committees must submit an application fee of \$750.00 (\$650.00 Sanction and \$100.00 Finals Fee) for a 1 (one) day event. 2 (two) day events are \$950.00 (\$850.00 Sanction and \$100.00 Finals Fee). Events 3 (three) or more days must be approved by the BRC Inc. Board to determine Sanction Fee and format. Fees include GST.
- ii. A completed application must be submitted to the BRC Inc. Office and the application fee will be refunded in the event the BRC Inc. denies approval of event.
- iii. An event may not be approved if it conflicts with another BRC Inc. event that has already been approved (some exceptions apply).
- iv. New Events will NOT be listed on the BRC Inc. website or any other medium without a completed Sanction Form and the Sanction Fees received.
- v. Previous Season Events will be listed as TENTATIVE on the BRC Inc. website until such time as the completed Sanction Form and the Sanction Fees have been received.
- vi. Once an event is listed on the website (and TENTATIVE removed for previous Season Events) and other mediums, the Sanction Fee is non-refundable.
- vii. The BRC Inc. shall take ten percent (10%) from the Added Money of each association approved event in order to assist with promoting the event pre and post



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and support office activities (Entries, Callbacks, Draws, Turnouts, PR, Social Media, Video Highlights, etc.). The Committee/Producer must assist BRC Inc. in this by following/mentioning/tagging BRC Inc. in their event posts.

vii. The Committee/Producer must provide proof of liability insurance for the event with the BRC Inc. and Molson Canada 2005 named additional insured on the policy. Both shall be listed exactly as:

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**e. Payout:**

Four Types of Event Payouts:

- Events with Two Head (Two Round) Format; No Short Round
- Events with \$3000.00 to \$6000.00 added
- Events with \$6001.00 to \$10,000.00 added
- Events with over \$10,000.00 added
- Working with the best interest of both the Committee (to be sustainable) and the Contestants (to maximize points/payout), Bull Riders Canada Inc. reserves the right to amend the Event Formats, Points, and Payouts on a case-by-case basis if required.

**Events with Two Head (Two Round) Format; No Short Round:**

i. Payouts shall occur in one format: Top 4; Total on Two.

ii. The sum of the contestant's Total Purse (based on entry fees less BRC deductions) and the Added Money (less BRC deductions) will be combined and paid out to the top 4 on two head as follows:

- First Place: 40-percent
- Second Place: 30-percent
- Third Place: 20-percent
- Fourth Place: 10-percent
- NOTE: In the event less than four rides occur, the remaining vacant placing shall be split equally among the placing contestants.
- NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.
- NOTE: Event Champion is determined by highest total on two head or highest score on one if no contestant makes two qualified rides.



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### **Events with \$3000.00 to \$6000.00 added:**

- i. Payouts shall occur in two formats: Long Round and Short Round. There will be no average payout.
- ii. Contestant Entry Fee money paid in Long Round and Added Money paid in the Short Round.
- iii. LONG ROUND: The sum of the contestant's Total Purse (based on entry fees less deductions) shall be calculated and used to pay out the long round as follows:
  - First Place: 40-percent
  - Second Place: 30-percent
  - Third Place: 20-percent
  - Fourth Place: 10-percent
  - NOTE: In the event less than four rides occur in a long round, the remaining vacant placing shall be split equally among the placing contestants.
  - NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.
- iv. SHORT ROUND: The advertised Added Money shall have the ten (10) percent removed and the new dollar amount be used to pay out the short round as follows:
  - Four (4) or more Qualified Rides:
    - First Place: 40-percent
    - Second Place: 30-percent
    - Third Place: 20-percent
    - Fourth Place: 10-percent
  - Three (3) Qualified Rides:
    - First Place: 40-percent
    - Second Place: 30-percent
    - Third Place: 20-percent
    - Split evenly among qualified rides
  - Two (2) Qualified Rides:
    - First Place: 40-percent
    - Second Place: 30-percent
    - Split evenly among qualified rides
  - One (1) Qualified Ride:
    - First Place: 100-percent
  - NOTE: In the event of zero qualified rides in the short round, the results and placing's from the long round will be used to pay out the short round money in the exact same percentages.

### **Events with \$6001.00 to \$10,000.00 added:**

- i. Payouts shall occur in three formats: Long Round, Short Round and Average.





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ii. Sum of Contestant Entry Fee and Added Money (less all deductions) will be combined into the contestants Total Purse.

iii. Total Purse will be paid as follows:

- 20-percent for the LONG ROUND: Paid four (4) places as follows:
  - First Place: 40-percent
  - Second Place: 30-percent
  - Third Place: 20-percent
  - Fourth Place: 10-percent
  - NOTE: In the event less than four rides occur in a long round, the remaining money will be split evenly among placing Contestants.
  - NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.
- 20-percent for the SHORT ROUND: Paid four (4) places as follows:
  - First Place: 40-percent
  - Second Place: 30-percent
  - Third Place: 20-percent
  - Fourth Place: 10-percent
  - NOTE: In the event less than four rides occur in a Short round, the remaining money will be split evenly among Short Round placing Contestants.
  - NOTE: If there are no rides in Short Round then Short Round Payout moved to Average Payout.
  - NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.
- 60-percent for the AVERAGE (sum of Long Round and Short Round scores): Paid four (4) places as follows:
  - First Place: 40-percent
  - Second Place: 30-percent
  - Third Place: 20-percent
  - Fourth Place: 10-percent
  - NOTE: In the event less than four rides occurred in the Long Round and no rides occurred in the Short Round, the remaining money will be split evenly among placing Contestants in the Long Round.
  - NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.

### **Events with \$10,001.00 and above added:**

i. Payouts shall occur in three formats: Long Round, Short Round and Average.

ii. Sum of Contestant Entry Fee and Added Money (less all deductions) will be combined into the contestants Total Purse.



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iii. Total Purse will be paid as follows:

- 20-percent for the LONG ROUND: Paid four (4) places as follows:
  - First Place: 40-percent
  - Second Place: 30-percent
  - Third Place: 20-percent
  - Fourth Place: 10-percent
  - NOTE: In the event less than four rides occur in a long round, the remaining money will be split evenly among placing Contestants.
  - NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.
- 20-percent for the SHORT ROUND: Paid four (4) places as follows:
  - First Place: 40-percent
  - Second Place: 30-percent
  - Third Place: 20-percent
  - Fourth Place: 10-percent
  - NOTE: In the event less than four rides occur in a Short round, the remaining money will be split evenly among Short Round placing Contestants.
  - NOTE: If there are no rides in Short Round then Short Round Payout moved to Average Payout.
  - NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.
- 60-percent for the AVERAGE: Paid six (6) places as follows:
  - First Place: 33-percent
  - Second Place: 25-percent
  - Third Place: 18-percent
  - Fourth Place: 12-percent
  - Fifth Place: 8-percent
  - Sixth Place: 4-percent
  - NOTE: In the event less than four rides occurred in the Long Round and no rides occurred in the Short Round, the remaining money will be split evenly among placing Contestants in the Long Round.
  - NOTE: Contestants must have a valid ride/score to fill a payout spot in any round.

### **f. Points:**

i. Points shall be awarded in the Long Round, Short Round and Average (10-placings each) as follows:

- LONG & SHORT ROUND POINTS:



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- First Place: 100 Points
  - Second Place: 90 Points
  - Third Place: 80 Points
  - Fourth Place: 70 Points
  - Fifth Place: 60 Points
  - Sixth Place: 50 Points
  - Seventh Place: 40 Points
  - Eighth Place: 30 Points
  - Ninth Place: 20 Points
  - Tenth Place: 10 Points
  - AVERAGE POINTS:
    - First Place: 200 Points
    - Second Place: 180 Points
    - Third Place: 160 Points
    - Fourth Place: 140 Points
    - Fifth Place: 120 Points
    - Sixth Place: 100 Points
    - Seventh Place: 80 Points
    - Eighth Place: 60 Points
    - Ninth Place: 40 Points
    - Tenth Place: 20 Points
  - NOTE: Points will only be awarded as earned. For the short round, the number of points available will be determined by the number of successful rides. A Contestant may only earn the points for their single finish in a Short Round (will not receive all possible Short Round Points).
  - NOTE: Events with \$7500.00+ added money on a 1-day event or \$10,000.00+ added money on a 2-day event, DOUBLE POINTS will be awarded for the Long Round, Short Round and Average (10-Placings each). Bonus money of any kind is not included (i.e. Bounty Bulls, etc.).
  - NOTE: Events that consist of one Round only, points will be double.  
Example: 1<sup>st</sup> place 200pts, 2<sup>nd</sup> place 180pts and so on.
- ii. Points for Two Head (Two Round) Events will be awarded in Round One, Round Two and Average (10-placings each) as follows:
- ROUND ONE POINTS:
    - First Place: 100 Points
    - Second Place: 90 Points
    - Third Place: 80 Points
    - Fourth Place: 70 Points
    - Fifth Place: 60 Points



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- Sixth Place: 50 Points
- Seventh Place: 40 Points
- Eighth Place: 30 Points
- Ninth Place: 20 Points
- Tenth Place: 10 Points
- ROUND TWO POINTS:
  - First Place: 100 Points
  - Second Place: 90 Points
  - Third Place: 80 Points
  - Fourth Place: 70 Points
  - Fifth Place: 60 Points
  - Sixth Place: 50 Points
  - Seventh Place: 40 Points
  - Eighth Place: 30 Points
  - Ninth Place: 20 Points
  - Tenth Place: 10 Points
- AVERAGE POINTS:
  - First Place: 200 Points
  - Second Place: 180 Points
  - Third Place: 160 Points
  - Fourth Place: 140 Points
  - Fifth Place: 120 Points
  - Sixth Place: 100 Points
  - Seventh Place: 80 Points
  - Eighth Place: 60 Points
  - Ninth Place: 40 Points
  - Tenth Place: 20 Points
- NOTE: Points will only be awarded as earned.
- NOTE: Events that consist of one Round only, points will be double.  
Example: 1<sup>st</sup> place 200pts, 2<sup>nd</sup> place 180pts and so on.

iii. Working with the best interest of both the Committee (to be sustainable) and the Contestants (to maximize points/payout), Bull Riders Canada Inc. reserves the right to amend the Event Formats, Points, and Payouts on a case-by-case basis if required.

### **g. Central Entries:**

- i. The number of entries will be event specific as listed on the sanction form.
- ii. All entries will be conducted through the BRC Inc. Office.
  - 1. Entries may not be conducted by committees.



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2. Any committee that wishes to make an entry on behalf of a valid BRC Inc. contestant member must make the entry on behalf of that rider to the BRC Inc. office during entry dates and times.

iii. No entries will be taken until a completed sanction form and appropriate fee is received and approved by the BRC Inc. Office.

### **h. Results:**

i. Copies of the results, including Judges Sheets and payout must be received in the BRC Inc. Office no later than five (5) business days following the last performance of the event.

### **i. Listings:**

i. No event will be listed in any BRC Inc. approved newspaper, BRC Inc. website or other mediums until a completed sanction form and appropriate fee is received and approved by the BRC Inc. office. Once the listing is added, the sanction fees are non-refundable.

### **j. Personnel:**

i. All personnel: **Judges, Bullfighters, Barrel Men/Clowns, Entertainers, Stock Contractors, Announcers, Chute Boss, Bull Roper, Secretary, Sound personnel and Photographers** hired at BRC Inc. sanctioned events must be approved by and hold a valid and current BRC Inc. card.

ii. In the event that the Event Personnel is working only ONE BRC Event in the current Season, BRC will allow said Event Personnel to work on a **ONE-TIME USE EVENT PERMIT**. This Event Permit is at a cost of \$100.00 to the Personnel or Committee and is **valid ONLY for the ONE-EVENT**. If after working an event on a Permit, the individual is hired to work another BRC Event, they **MUST** purchase a BRC Membership. **NOTE: Event Permit DOES NOT APPLY to Judges or Bullfighters – they MUST be BRC Carded Members!**

ii. Each BRC Inc. sanctioned event shall allow for all current BRC Inc. members, plus one companion per member, free admittance to the sanctioned event unless otherwise negotiated with the BRC Inc. office. Members must have Card and Companion Card present for verification at any time.

### **k. Ambulance:**

i. All BRC Inc. sanctioned events, at Committee/Producer's expense, must have an **AMBULANCE capable of transporting on site during performance times.**

ii. In the event that the AMBULANCE is required to transport a person to the hospital, the performance must be halted until a backup AMBULANCE arrives on site.

### **l. Veterinarian:**

i. The BRC Inc. highly suggests that Committee/Producer(s) (at their own expense) have a large animal veterinarian on site during performance times and on call during non-performance times.

ii. Additionally, a conveyance to quickly and humanely remove injured animals from the arena to a private, confined treatment area shall be available at all times during the event.



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### **m. Sponsors:**

- i. The Committee/Producer maintains the first right to sell, secure and utilize sponsorship signage, banners, programs, event tickets, passes and other sponsorship materials, benefits and activities surrounding the sanctioned event.
- ii. The BRC Inc. thereafter will be entitled to sell, secure and utilize sponsorships other than those maintained by the producer.
- iii. It is the responsibility of both the producer and the BRC Inc. Office to work together to maintain a fair and well managed sponsorship base.

### **n. Event Responsibility:**

- i. The Committee/Producer is solely responsible for the infrastructure and staff of the event: arena rental; ticket sales; ticket gate laborers, concessions stand laborers; ushers; security; ambulance; arena setup laborers; gatemen and stripping chute help.
- ii. The Committee/Producer is solely responsible for the production of the event, including, but not limited to, the hiring of stock contractors, judges, announcer, bullfighters, barrel men/clown/entertainer (optional) and event laborers.
- iii. Producer is responsible for all non- BRC Inc. Carded Members, their respective actions, liabilities and risks.
- iv. The producer is solely responsible for payment of added purse money, the payment of laborers, judges and other parties providing work, services and / or materials related to event and THE PRODUCER UNDERSTANDS THAT THE BRC Inc. WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FAILURE BY THE PRODUCER TO PAY THE ADDED AMOUNT OR FOR PAYMENT OF ANY PERSONNEL ASSOCIATED WITH THE EVENT.
- v. The event must comply with all rules as stated in the BRC Inc. rule book.
- vi. The Committee/Producer is solely responsible for ensuring ALL GOVERNMENT and PROVINCIAL guidelines surrounding the current COVID-19 Pandemic are met prior to and during their event.

### **o. Indemnity:**

- i. Event Producers/Committees will indemnify and shall continue to indemnify and agree to hold harmless BRC Inc. and all related companies, parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates, associates, members, partners, shareholders, officers, directors, employees, agents, officials, contractors and sponsors from any and all claims, liabilities, actions and costs, asserted, made or threatened by any person against BRC Inc. and all related releases in respect to all injuries, damages of property or person, injury or death arising out of participation in any BRC Inc. sanctioned, approved, affiliated or related events.

### **p. Variances:**

- i. The number of contestants in the long round, the number of contestants in the short round, whether to have contestants pick their own stock in the short round and whether to have a Calcutta of the short round contestants and stock as shown on Sanction Form. Finally, Committee's or promoters may have a maximum of two (2) spots for local contestants whom they wish to be assured of a spot. Committee





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must “name” contestants before entries open, preferably on Event Sanction form and must be prepared to add up to two additional bulls if these two entries needed are in addition to the number of contestants in the long round.

ii. If there are 17 or fewer Contestants set to compete at a BRC, Inc. sanctioned event (including total re-entries for the event). Then the Producer or Committee may elect to have an event which has two (2) long rounds of competition with all of the riders and no short round. The event would be paid as listed above for Two Head (two Round) Events in Section 5, subsection e.

iii. In the event there are NO RIDES, the Contestant Entry Fee money (less BRC Inc. fees) would be sent back to BRC Inc. and used toward the BRC Inc. Finals; the Added Money (less BRC Inc. fees) would go back to the Event Committee.

iv. Working with the best interest of both the Committee (to be sustainable) and the Contestants (to maximize points/payout), Bull Riders Canada Inc. reserves the right to amend the Event Formats, Points, and Payouts on a case-by-case basis if required.

### **q. Bonds:**

i. The BRC Inc. has the ability to require a monetary bond to events deemed on probationary status due to failures to follow BRC Inc. rules and regulations.

## **6. Finals Event:**

### **a. Qualifications:**

- i. The qualification for all contestants (to the Finals) shall be determined by the number of points earned by the contestants throughout the BRC Inc. season.
- ii. The BRC Inc. “Finals Event” format shall be determined on an annual basis.
- iii. Season Leader and Season Champion shall be determined off of the BRC Inc. point system.

### **b. Entries and Call backs:**

i. Entries and call backs for the Finals shall follow the same protocol as a regular season event.

### **c. Format and Payouts:**

i. Format and Payouts to be determined by the Board of Directors.

### **d. Personnel Qualification:**

- i. All valid and active personnel (card carrying members) of the BRC Inc. shall be included on the Contestant Finals Ballot in order to be considered (voted) on to participate in the Finals event.
- ii. The number of personnel to be voted on either by BRC Inc. Members and/or BRC Inc. Board of Directors shall be as follows:
  - One (1) Announcer
  - One (1) Sound Person
  - One (1) Chute Boss
  - Two (2) Bullfighters plus Alternate
  - Two (2) Judges



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- One (1) Safety Man (Bull Roper)
- One (1) Secretary
- One (1) Timer
- Entertainment (if Host Committee requests)

iii. Contestants qualified for the Finals Event must comply with all BRC Inc. Office timelines for voting, submitting documentation (pictures, ballots, biographies) or they will be responsible to pay their own hotel accommodations during the Finals.

iv. Contestants turning out of the BRC Inc. Finals event will be fined \$500.00 without a Doctor Release and verification from outside sources of medical accident, need or trauma.

v. Contestants who must be contacted by BRC Inc. Office to enter the Finals Event will be subject to an additional \$50.00 Fine which will be added to their Finals Entry Fees.

### **e. Stock Contractor Qualification:**

i. All valid and active stock contractors (card carrying members) of the BRC Inc. shall automatically have their livestock included and considered to attend the Finals Event. The BRC Inc. Stock Director shall use all available resources of the BRC Inc. to ensure an even pen of livestock in all rounds at the Finals event; including re-rides.

ii. Requirements for individual animals are as follows: the animals have to have at least one (1) marked trips (even if under another stock contractor/owner) in that particular Season. Additionally, the animal must be in good standing with the BRC Inc. according to Section 2, subsection d, item vii.

iii. Bulls for consideration of Bull of the Year shall be considered based on a submission list by all BRC Stock Contractors and then voted on by all BRC Finals Event Contestants. All animals submitted for Bull of the Year must have had at least one (1) marked trips at BRC Inc. events within the current season. The winning bull will be announced at the Finals Event.

iv. If the Finals event format includes a Bull Team format of any kind, the qualifications of the animals remains the same however the contestants do not get to vote on the bulls within each contractor's team. The contestants do, however, get to vote on the re-ride bulls as submitted by the stock contractors to the BRC Inc. for consideration.

### **f. Committee Qualification:**

i. Every sanctioned event within the BRC Inc. regular season shall be eligible for consideration/voting on the Event of the Year by all BRC Inc. Members as well as the BRC Inc. Directors and Shareholders.

## **8. Board of Directors:**

a. Board of Directors: The positions and the duties for each position are shown as *Appendix 1: Board of Directors: Duties* and also listed on the BRC Inc. website at [www.bullriderscanada.ca](http://www.bullriderscanada.ca)

b. Committees: Shall be struck and utilized and communicated to the membership at the call of the President for special projects or circumstances as required. Committees shall be



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comprised of at least one (1) Board member and one (1) Shareholder; the Board member may also be the Shareholder.

### **9. Appeals/Grievance Procedure:**

**a. Process:** The grieving member shall bring the subject matter of the grievance to the attention of the appropriate BRC Inc. Board member. The appropriate Board member will bring together those members / officials / committee members / contestants that have a direct bearing on the grievance for the purpose of a resolution.

i. In the event that the grieving member is dissatisfied with the decision of the BRC Inc. Board member, they can submit the grievance in writing to the BRC Inc. President for a decision which shall include feedback from the entire Board. The notice from the grieving member to the President must be received within seven (7) days of the original decision from the BRC Inc. Board member.

ii. All grievances shall be subject to BRC Inc. rules and grievance procedures as a condition of membership of the Bull Riders Canada Inc.

iii. All persons within a grievance process shall conduct themselves with the utmost of professional manner as to adhere to a normal code of conduct for a professional event / organization.

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