

Kansas Junior



Bullriders Association

**Official Rules & Regulations
2017 - 2018**



MISSION:

Providing a safe and family friendly environment to help prepare our kids for the next level as they move up. We assure our kids a drug and alcohol free zone, and the quantities our youth today need in and out of the arena. The rodeo arena tests something besides the stock; also inside each and every kid, to bring out the best of their ability, to not be afraid to work hard for something, and look within.



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MEMBERSHIP:

Membership fee is \$50 per rider & must be paid in order for points to be awarded.

There is a one-time \$50 sponsorship per division (ex. – 8U calves-\$50, 10U calves - \$50), must be turned in by date set by the Board, in order for points to continue to accumulate. This money is used to buy awards, knowing an accurate estimate of members and having adequate time, gives more power in negotiating with vendors on price and results in nicer and /or more goodies for your money.

In order to be a member in good standings or eligible for awards members must:

- Pay a \$50 membership (one-time, per person)
- Pay a one-time \$50 sponsorship per division -for example, if a contestant competes in “juniors” and “seniors” and want points to count in both, they must pay a one-time \$50 sponsorship in each of those events they want points to accumulate in.
- Membership dues and fundraiser money are a onetime occurrence regardless of number of divisions entered at finals.

Membership must be paid by the beginning of the rodeo if you want points for that rodeo to accumulate.

Sponsorship & fundraiser money must be paid by the date set by the Board to be eligible for finals.

The KJBA will not accept the responsibility of postdated checks, nor will the association hold any checks. All payments must be available on the date received.

Membership fees & sponsorship can be paid by check. If the check bounces points will become NSA until the check is made right with the association, points will be in “Freeze Mode”.

Buckles will be awarded accordingly:

- 1 kid: must pay remaining amount above what sponsorship of \$50 covers.
- 2 kids: 1 champ buckle will be awarded
- 3 or more kids: Champ and reserve champ buckle will be awarded

CALL-IN:

You must call in Monday & Tuesday evening 6:00 – 9:00 pm prior to the event to enter an event or sign the book for the upcoming event. **NO CALL-IN POINT WILL BE GIVEN IF NOT CALLED IN WITHIN THE APPROPRIATE TIME FRAME.** If you choose to enter late you are gambling on whether or not someone will answer the phone. Stock will be ordered approximately 48 hours prior to sanctioned event and once ordered, waiting list entries will be taken only. If someone has a scheduling conflict with another sporting event, they have the opportunity to go ahead and enter a rodeo with the understanding (by informing the board member during call-in) that their stock will be held till the end of the rodeo. If the contestant doesn't show by the end of the rodeo: the stock will be turned out, no points will be awarded, and the contestant will still be responsible for paying full amount of fees prior to next rodeo.

The KJBA doesn't guarantee the timing of their rodeos and this is solely a chance afforded to the contestant who wishes to utilize this option. If a contestant needs to draw out, they must draw out 48 hours prior to the start of the rodeo or they will be responsible for both the stock fee and the association fee. Both amounts must be paid prior to participation in the next rodeo.



Emergency Numbers:

If for any unforeseen reason something comes up and you need to contact one of the board members.

ENTRY FEES:

All riders must be paid up 30 minutes prior to scheduled start time of KJBA sanctioned rodeo or you will be drawn out of your specific event(s) entered and placed on the ineligible list. If you called in and are not paid up 30 minutes prior to sanctioned rodeo, the rider will be responsible for the stock charge and association fee charge. Once placed on the ineligible list, the rider must pay fine to a designated board member before being allowed to enter another event, or they will be placed on the “waiting list” with no guarantee of entry. It will be the rider’s responsibility to get payment to a “designated board member”. If unforeseen circumstances arise and you cannot pay up 30 minutes prior to start of a sanctioned rodeo, it is the rider’s responsibility to contact someone that can pay their fees for them.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Fees are as follows:

Event:	Stock Fee:	Association Fee:	Payout Fee:	Total:
Sheep	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$9.00	\$25.00
8 & U Calves	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$19.00	\$35.00
11 & U Jr Riding	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$19.00	\$35.00
13 & U Sr Riding	\$15.00	\$6.00	\$24.00	\$45.00
15 & U & Jr Bulls	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$24.00	\$50.00
19 & U Sr Bulls	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$24.00	\$50.00

All entry fees must be paid in cash! We will NOT accept checks for entry fees, NO EXCEPTIONS!

Once entry fees have been paid, under no circumstances will they be refunded. If a contestant members up and requests a refund it will be up to the board’s discretion. If the member has participated in 2 rodeos there will be no refund of membership or sponsorship fees.

Payouts:

# Contestants:	Monies:	Percent:
1-4	1	100%
5-8	2	60%, 40%
9-12	3	50%, 30%, 20%
13-16	4	40%, 30%, 20%, 10%
17 or more	5	35%, 30%, 20%, 10%, 5%

If no rider covers in an event, ground money will be will go towards add money for Finals.



GENERAL RULES:

Age is determined as of September 1st of the year that the series begins. A contestant may ride in his/her appropriate age group or in a higher age group, but not in a lower age group. A photo copy of contestant's birth certificate must be presented to the KJBA secretary to be kept on file.

All scores are unofficial until the Judge's sheets have been checked for errors and tallied. All decisions made by the judges will be final.

If there is a tie for first place where there is a championship award at stake:

- Back judge will be utilized if present. If tie still exists.
- Ride off will take place to break the tie. A quarter point system will be used by the judges. If tie still exists due to buck off, ground time will be compared. The most evenly scored bulls based on judge's sheets will be used, at stock contractor's discretion, for the ride off. Once agreed upon, contestants will flip a coin to see who draws first and then they will draw their own stock.
- If both ride and tie again, start back with number one and progress until tie is broken.

EMT must be on the grounds at all times during competition.

All contestants and parents/ guardians should know and understand the rules, but particularly the ones that pertain to your age group. By contesting/ riding in a KJBA event you agree to abide by these rules.

Liability forms must be signed by parent(s) and or legal guardian(s).

Copy of birth certificate must be turned in to the KJBA secretary by the 3rd sanctioned rodeo you compete in as a member.

Any official of the KJBA, its members, non-members, parents, guardians, contestants, exhibitionists, volunteers, helpers spectators, or any person in attendance are expected to conduct themselves in a polite, fair and respective manner at all KJBA functions. KJBA board members reserve the right to ask anyone not behaving in such manner to leave an event.

The consumption or possession of alcohol and/ or drugs before, during, or after a KJBA event is strictly prohibited. Immediate disqualification and forfeiture of all entry fees will result. You will immediately be asked to leave the premises and/ or the local law enforcement will be called.

The intentional falsification of a name, age or other personal information pertaining to a member or nonmember will not be tolerated. Immediate disqualification and forfeiture of all entry fees will result.

Fighting, quarreling or the use of profane language or gestures will result in the disqualification, fines or possible suspension, as deemed appropriate by the board of directors.



Mistreatment, endangerment, or neglect of rodeo livestock will not be tolerated. Immediate disqualification and forfeiture of all entry fees will result.

Any violation of rules may result in being asked to leave the event. If deemed severe by the board of directors or if asked three (3) or more times on minor violations the child's membership may be revoked and points will become void.

Any attempt made by a contestant or agent of contestant to bribe, fix, threaten, influence, or harass the judge(s) at any time will be dealt with severely by the board of directors.

Parents or other persons inappropriately approaching engaging or in any way causing a distraction to the judge(s) or official(s) during an event, for any reason, will be subject to penalties described below.

Turn out fines will be assessed for entering an event and failing to pay entry fee. You may call and draw out no less than 48 hours prior to the start of the performance. The fine will consist of stock charge and award fund fee.

If it is not time for your event or your event is not coming up or you are not working then you don't need to be behind the chutes, and can result in expulsion from the arena.

FINES & PENALTIES:

MISCONDUCT by a KJBA contestant, member, parent/ guardian or companion could result in suspension, disqualification, entry fee forfeiture and/ or fines accordingly. Judges, arena director, officers or board members have the authority to disqualify a contestant from an event for any serious rule infraction. Suspension from the association, either temporary or permanent will be determined by a vote of the board of directors. Serious rule infractions are determined by the board of directors in response to witnessed events, or complaints by spectators, contestants, stock contractors and/ or judges.

There will be a \$30 fee for any checks written to the association that bounce. Also all points will be in "Freeze Mode" till the check situation is rectified. **NO CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR GATE OR ENTRY FEE MONEY!! NO EXCEPTIONS!**

DRAW:

Two individuals appointed by the board will draw the stock. Anyone wishing to witness the draw must be at the rodeo 2 hours prior to the start time. An animal that is bucked twice in any age group must be in the initial draw twice labeled as 1st out and 2nd out. If an error has been made before the first animal is bucked in a division/ age group, then the entire group will be re-drawn. If error is brought to the judge's or arena director's attention after the first animal is



bucked out then the fairest most logical approach will be taken to resolve the dilemma. (Ex #66 was in the draw but was left at home, #76 was not in the draw but no one knew he was here, the obvious assumption would be that a typo was made and the rider would compete on #76). Re-ride animals may be designated before the draw. Draw to be done by contestants themselves or by a judge.

DRESS CODE:

Contestants and any helpers will adhere to a western dress code that will be in effect and enforced. This will consist of a long-sleeved, collared shirt, western hat and cowboy boots being worn in the arena as well as behind the chutes. A protective helmet may be substituted for a hat during the ride.

POINTS:

Riders will receive 1 call-in point if call-in was made during appropriate call-in time. Rider must participate in the event to receive call-in point

Riders will receive 1 participation point if they paid their entry fees 30 minutes prior to the rodeo and made an attempt to ride. This includes nodding of the head and being pulled off the animal in the case of injuries.

Call-in and Participation Points will not be awarded to any contestant that is not at an event. The contestant must be in attendance at an event for the points to be awarded to them.

Points will be awarded, per go-round as follows:

Place:	Points:
1 st	12
2 nd	10
3 rd	8
4 th	6
5 th	4
6 th	2
7 th	0

Splits will be averaged, (Ex if there is a 1st & 2nd split each contestant will receive 11 points)

Non-member's points will be eliminated. Members will only receive points for the place they actually place. (Example: If 3rd place is a non-member and 4th place is a member, no one will get 3rd place points and 4th place will get 6 points)

The KJBA is a YBR World Finals Qualifying event. The top 2 places in each event will receive a spot at the 2014 YBR World finals. With this being said, the KJBA notes that we are not responsible for any of the happenings at the YBR. The YBR is a separate association that has extended an invitation to our members that qualify through our association. All YBR questions or concerns need to be directed to the YBR directly.



The KJBA just provides the opportunity for the YBR qualification.

A copy of the judge's sheets will be available for review within a reasonable time following completion of each individual riding event. Updated points will be posted no later than the following rodeo. It is the contestant and/ or contestant's parent(s)/ guardian(s) responsibility to audit points and judges sheets on a routine basis and bring any discrepancies or mistakes to the KJBA secretary immediately upon notice. Judges sheets need to be audited by the secretary before payoff by treasurer will be issued.

GENERAL RIDING RULES:

SHEEP-SR BULLS

- A cushioned pad (neoprene) a minimum of a half inch in thickness must be between bull rope and animal extending over the animals backbone. The pad must extend at minimum one and a half inches on either side of backbone and one and a half inches on either side of bull rope.
- Riding is to be done with one hand and loose rope, with or without hand hold.
- No knots or hitches to prevent rope from falling off animal when rider dismounts.
- A bell must be on bottom of rope, excluding sheep riding.
- Livestock is to be ridden for given time limit in each age group. Time starts when animal's inside shoulder breaks the plane of the chute or if animal comes out backwards when inside hip breaks plane of chute.
- If a rider makes a qualified ride with any part of the rope in his hand he is to be marked.
- No more than 2 people may be on chute to pull contestant's rope excluding a spotter.
- Hooks or rings cannot be used on bull ropes.
- All sharp horns must be tipped the size of a 50 cent piece. Discrepancies will be determined by the judges and/ or board of directors
- Rider will be disqualified for any of the following reasons:
 - Being bucked off
 - Touching animal or self with free hand
 - Intentionally placing spurs in bull rope before or while leaving the chute
 - Using sharp spurs
 - Placing spurs or chaps under the rope being tightened
 - Taking a finger tuck (unless age group allows)
 - Taking a hand wrap above the wrist
 - If the rider has been advised he is next to go and his is not above the animal with his glove on when the previous animal leaves the arena. (Excluding unforeseen circumstances and uncontrollable situations.)
- Head fighting bulls or steers having bad horns must be dehorned or kept out of the draw.
- All contestants and riders are required to wear protective vest and mouth piece, protective head gear is recommended by some, but not required. Do realize that by wearing protective head gear, some inherent risks are increased because of the helmet. Do to the fact that there is no helmet on the market specifically designed for bull riding



and the helmets being marketed to this sport have not been proven to reduce the overall risk in this sport using scientific studies and statistical analysis and criteria directly related to the overall injury and death rate, the reward to risk ratio cannot be sufficiently calculated and you are left to making your own decision to its benefit or detriment.

- Competing on incorrect stock will result in disqualification on that ride. It is the contestant's responsibility to verify correct stock.
- Slap – If rider touches him or herself, the ground, rope, or animal with free arm from the elbow down – rider will be disqualified. If rider gets swatted with a horn at no fault of rider consider a score (if it had been a Mulley would the slap had taken place, did it help aid the rider, did the rider grab the horn – use common sense in your decision)
- If judge is approached by contestant, parent, or anyone with a question, comment, or conversation during competition (unless it has to do with the production of the sanctioned event) –said person should be immediately informed by judge that all questions and/or comments and/or conversation must be presented to arena director and arena director will act as a go between. Opinion calls have no chance of being overturned; rules from the KJBA rule book not followed by a judge can and should be protested.
- Parent and or helper must remain in the chute area until contestant they are helping either makes a qualified ride or is disqualified. Once animal leaves the chute any interference by parent or helper will cause rider to be disqualified.

Photo Finish Rule: If for any reason a contestant is running late or needs to leave early, if given advance warning, that contestants stock can be bucked first or held to the last of his or her division and age group. No other changes to accommodate contestant's need to rearrange the order of stock being bucked will be administered.

PROTESTS:

Anyone wishing to file a protest or complaint (constructive criticism helps bring to light inconsistencies or flaws and allows for correction if deemed necessary for the betterment of the association and all involved) shall go to the arena director, not judge, before the next division begins and voice their protest. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES will KJBA allow video protests. If the subject is deemed worthy (a rule book infraction, not a judge's opinion call – all judges calls are final except when in direct conflict with the rule book), the arena director will request a written protest be submitted and you must post a \$100 Protest bond to be presented to the rodeo secretary. A minimum of three board members and all judges will form a committee to determine the outcome of the protest. Under no circumstance will the \$100 bond be returned on an invalid protest. If the protest is valid, the money will be refunded and corrective measures will be implemented. Valid protests are a result of an entity not following the KJBA rule book or not having a rule to cover a particular occurrence. Gripe sessions result from not agreeing with an opinion call - - - Limit the gripe sessions.

Under no circumstance will loud boisterous complaining continue to take place in the arena, behind the chutes, or anywhere on the grounds. If this occurs, arena director, board member, or judge, at his or her discretion will administer a \$100 fine which must be paid before contestant enters another KJBA. If behavior still persists, contestant and/or contestant representative will be asked to leave the premises and return at earliest, the next event. If this behavior becomes



common, contestant and/or contestant representative will be banned from future KJBA functions with no chance of return of any monetary investments.

EVENTS:

6& Under Sheep Riding:

- Sheep riders not exceed 60lbs.
- Must wear mouthpiece, protective vest, helmet is optional.
- The ride is 6 seconds, no ground time.
- Riders will ride with one hand.
- Sheep will not be flanked.
- Stock is drawn.
- It is contestants, parent's and/or helper's responsibility to make sure sheep are at the opposite end of arena and a lead sheep is present.

8& Under Calf Riding / 11& Under Junior Riding:

- Must wear mouthpiece and protective vest, helmet is optional.
- The ride will be 6 seconds, no ground time is given.
- Riders will ride by the one-hand rule.
- Stock will be drawn and will be flanked.
- Calves may be defined as young bulls, heifers, or steers.

13& Under Senior Riding / 15 & Under Junior Bull Riding:

- Must wear mouthpiece and protective vest, helmet is optional.
- The ride will be 8 seconds, no ground time is given.
- The rider will follow the one hand rule.
- Stock will be drawn and flanked.
- Steers may be defined as young bulls, heifers, or steers.

19& Under Senior Bull Riding:

- Must wear mouthpiece and protective vest, helmet is optional.
- The ride will be 8 seconds, no ground time is given.
- The rider will follow the one hand rule.
- Stock will be drawn and flanked.
- Finger tuck is allowed.

JUDGES CRITERIA:

What the KJBA expects from judges and a more detailed description of some rules and how they



will be implemented:

- Use colored handkerchief to declare disqualification by throwing on ground.
- If back judge is present then he or she will have official time.
- If no back judge is present then latch side judge will have official time. The only time non-latch side judge's time will be used is if slap, fall, or disqualification that latch side judge could or did not see or a malfunction.
- Mark all judges' sheets in pen and initial any scribbles or changes.
- Record all disqualification times and give reason why.
- Mark all stock and make comments if pertinent e.g. was about to stop, weakening etc.
- Sign all judges' sheets
- Ride and animal are to be marked 1-25 separately by each judge. For a grand possible total of 100pts. Quarter and/or Half points can and should be utilized.
- Check arena conditions. ex: shoot gates swing and have twist rope, arena worked, all gates chute, etc. (safety)
- Check all bulls for sharp horns prior to event, if stock is drawn before animals arrive then give three options:
 - Horns meet tipping requirements
 - give stock contractor option of tipping bull before competition,
 - Automatic re-ride animal
- One judge is to be designated to check for vests, mouthpieces, western attire, pinky tuck (when age group does not allow it) before contestant calls for livestock – it is a disqualification if they leave the chute not abiding by these rules, yet bring to light and give opportunity to make corrections before they nod
- Catching and using knots are not illegal, it happens, catching knots intentionally while in chute or while leaving chute are grounds for disqualification. Watch for it.

SCORING:

(Sheep – SR. Bulls)

Animal to be marked according to difficulty to ride. Things to consider when marking animal: speed, rear, kick, forward motion, reverse motion, belly roll, sun fish, lead changes, lunge, spin, direction changes, drop, shoulder roll, rhythm, fade, strength, power, hop, skip, drift, flat, slow, cumbersome, etc. and especially a combination of some and all of the above. All these things contribute to the degree of difficulty. Remember it is either a 6 or 8 second score.

Example:

6 seconds - An animal may be a 22 pointer for 2 seconds, 20 pointer for two seconds, and a 0 pointer for two seconds (stop for two seconds) – for a grand total of 14 (find an average) with an option of re-ride.

8 seconds - 20 pointers for 5 seconds, 15 pointers for 3 second, – for a grand total of 18pts (find an average)

You know the drill, mark the animal accordingly.



One of the goals of the KJBA is to give opportunity for kids to develop the skills and techniques needed to compete at a professional level once they progress through our seven age groups. The development of skills and techniques that will best prepare our kids for his or her next level of progression must be second only to safety and fairness. You as a judge must contribute to this cause. Aggressiveness is a must to succeed in this sport and should be rewarded, but loss of control due to aggressiveness on the other hand should be discouraged not rewarded.

A rider's score:

- **Sheep-** remember the next step up the ladder is calf riding. An 18 point sheep is one which runs moderately throughout the ride predetermined average/spread – get a visualization of this caliber sheep in your mind before they buck the first one). Again refer to “things to consider” when marking a sheep higher or lower. Mark the stock score and then consider the rider score. You as a judge should be looking for qualities that will help, not hinder the contestant’s skill and technique building process from sheep to calves.

Example:

In order for a kid to make an 18 point ride on an 18 point sheep, he or she must remain in CONTROL and in good FORM (balanced, in time, centered, stay on rope, arm in time with animal and body, etc.) throughout the ride. Control and form meaning in a position that if that sheep started bucking or had a direction change the contestant is in position to ride. If at any time throughout the ride any part the contestants body is out of position (free arm dropped, body off centered, leaning back, draped forward, slid off rope, etc) points will be deducted based on duration and extremity of lack of form and control. If a contestant rides his or her sheep correctly then no points will be deducted. Hence an 18 point ride on an 18 point sheep. This holds true for a 17 pointer, 19 pointer etc.

If a contestant rides his or her sheep picture perfect then no points will be deducted and possibly points added for “making a tough one look easy”. Spurring may or may not increase a contestant’s score and very well may reduce it. In order for spurring an animal to increase the ride score over the animal, contestant must maintain control and form throughout the ride or the two entities will cancel each other out.

Example:

A contestant spurs a sheep every stride, but lets his or her arm drop and/or leans away from his or her hand. The increase for spurring would be cancelled out by the loss of control. Hence no deduction for lack of form, but also no increase for spurring. If you marked the sheep a 17 then the ride score would also be a 17. If the loss of control was great enough, no matter how hard and fast a kid spurs, the ride score will be reduced. Aggression is great, but must be controlled. **If control and form are not compromised while spurring**, then increase ride portion of score accordingly.

- **Calves-** remember the next step up the ladder is steer riding. An 18 point calf is one which jumps and kicks moderately with few if any direction changes average/spread – get a visualization of this caliber calf in your mind before they buck the first one): Again



refer to “things to consider” when marking a calf higher or lower. **Mark the stock score and then consider the rider score.** You as a judge should be looking for qualities that will help, not hinder the contestant’s skill and technique building process from calves to steers.

Example:

In order for a kid to make an 18 point ride on an 18 point calf, he or she must remain in CONTROL and in good FORM throughout the ride. **Quality control and form meaning: in time with calf (like a rocking chair), staying on rope (not getting jerked off rope and using kick to reposition back to it), arm up and in time with calf and body motion, centered, compensating for direction changes without having to struggle, not leaning back, at end of arm, or away from arm, not draped forward, not having free arm dropped down to side, etc.** If at any time throughout the ride control and form are compromised, points will be deducted based on duration and extremity of lack of form and control.

If a contestant rides his or her calf correctly then no points will be deducted. Hence an 18 point rides on an 18 point calf. This holds true for a 17 pointer, 19 pointer etc. If a contestant rides his or her calf picture perfect then no points will be deducted and possibly points added for “making a tough one look easy”. Spurring may or may not increase a contestant’s score and very well may reduce it. **In order for spurring an animal to increase the ride score over the animal, contestant must maintain control and form throughout the ride or the two entities will cancel each other out.**

Example:

A contestant spurs a calf every jump, but lets his or her arm drop and/or leans away from his or her hand or allows himself or herself to slide back off rope while spurring, or loses timing and has to regain, etc. – the increase for spurring would be cancelled out by the loss of control. Hence, no deduction for lack of form, but also no increase for spurring. If you marked the calf a 17 then the ride score would also be a 17. If the loss of control was great enough, no matter how hard and fast a contestant spurs, the ride score will be reduced. Aggression is great, but must be controlled. If control and form are not compromised while spurring, then increase ride portion of score accordingly.

- **Jr & Sr. Steers** – Remember the next step up the ladder is Junior Bulls. An 18 point steer is one which jumps and kicks with some snap/drop and speed not covering a whole lot of ground. Should include some direction changes and/or lead changes or circle. Lack of these qualities should reduce score and additions (things to consider above) should increase score. Riders score – refer to calf riding and sheep riding
- **Junior Bulls** – An 18 point junior bull will possess the same qualities as an 18 point steer yet with more intensity, speed and/or size. For the most part, this age group is just a smaller version of the senior bull riding utilizing younger bulls and some larger bulls that have not stepped up to meet the standards to justify them being in the senior draw. Riders score – refer to calf riding and sheep riding.
- **Senior Bulls-** Judge it as you would any major bull riding event. Use full spread. Know in your mind what an 18 point bull looks like and go from there. Rarely should you see anything less than a 16 or stronger than a 21. Riders score – refer to calf riding and sheep



riding

RERIDES:

*There will be no re-ride for contestant equipment failure. Re-ride options are given at the discretion of the Judges. **JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL**

- When applicable, judge is to give score as well as option as a choice to contestant
- Re-rides will be offered to contestant when either of two judges, or back judge if present in their own opinion can justify giving one based on the rules below. **Contestant must not ask the judge for a re-ride**, yet it is the judges responsibility to inform contestant before next contestant rides that he was offered a re-ride and when applicable, a score with an option of a re-ride. Be prepared to defend and justify (jot it down) your opinion one way or the other. If contestant feels he or she deserved a re-ride, he or she may approach arena director with dilemma and arena director in a reasonable amount of time, arena director, will relay judge's justification and or explanation as to why re-ride was not awarded.
- It is the responsibility of the contestant and not the parent to accept a re-ride. Once the contestant is given the option for the re-ride. The judges and the arena director will accept the answer given to them by the contestant.
- Under no circumstance should a contestant be forced to declare him or herself, if fouled, to receive a re-ride, whether contestant makes a qualified ride or gets bucked off does not affect the re-ride option if deserved. If foul was severe enough to hinder riders start, then score with an option would be given.
- If judge is approached by contestant, parent, or anyone with a question, comment, or conversation during competition (unless it has to do with the production of the sanctioned event) –**said person should be immediately informed by judge that all questions and/or comments must be presented to arena director** and arena director will act as a go between.

LEGITIMATE REASONS FOR A RE-RIDE OR RE- RIDE OPTION:

Sheep – If at any point sheep maintains two full strides at a gate slower than a trot (walking) before reaching end of arena, lead sheep, group of sheep, or six second buzzer. **This is a judge's opinion call.** If contestant is in the middle when sheep starts to fall then contestant will receive an automatic re-ride if fall occurs. **Falls due to rider being off balance, off center, slid back, bowed forward, etc. (with no immediate effort to re-center with a successful result) - do not constitute a re-ride. THIS IS A JUDGES OPINION CALL AND IS NOT BLACK AND WHITE.** If sheep goes to belly, rider is not disqualified for feet touching ground nor is a re-ride awarded unless forward motion is lost. There are no fouls at the chute in the sheep riding. It's the parents/helpers responsibility to make sure the sheep comes out straight.

8& Under Calves -

- There are no fouls at the chute in the 8 & U calves. It's the parents/helpers responsibility



to make sure the animal comes out straight.

- In the 8 & under calves, any calf that does not maintain at minimum, a rocking horse motion (the angle of the back should change periodically throughout the ride and not maintain a horizontal position to the ground, lunging with no kick is acceptable, as is kicking with little forward motion), a change in elevation (leaping in air with no kick), and/ OR a change in direction (spin with little or no kick) for the majority of the six second ride or stops should be given a re-ride. Walking (and possibly trotting) in a circle for the majority of the ride would constitute a re-ride option. Again a judge's opinion.

Sheep (see above), 8& Under Calves (see above), 11& Under Jr Riding, 13& Under Sr Riding, 15 & Under Jr Bulls, 19 & Under Sr Bulls, -

- If the stock is not equal to the quality of the rest of the pen.
- Fall (to belly, side, butt, or chest) for sheep see judges criteria
- Foul at gate - Foul must be great enough that contestant's ride was hindered. ex. bull hips himself so hard causing an immediate direction change and contestant gets pile driven to ground or left sitting on flank, gate hits contestants leg hard enough to disrupt timing and off balance rider (be careful, not the same as just getting beat out of the chute) Contestant jobbing spurs in bull as gate opens and bull jumping up in front of box does not constitute a re-ride unless contestant is fouled on gate on way out. Realize a contestant could make a qualified ride and still be offered a re-ride for a foul. For sheep see judge's criteria.
- Foul in arena – e.g. if bull runs a contestants leg down fence and drags him off, contestant will receive a re-ride, if bull hits contestants leg on fence and only disrupted his ride because he or she looked at fence, then no re-ride will be given. – e.g. - if bull kicks through the arena fence causing a severe hesitation and forces rider out of time then re-ride should be given, if bull kicks through the arena fence and there is no timing change, then no re-ride should be awarded You get the drill - - this is a cowboy sport - - COWBOY UP!
- Flank comes off – if **flank comes off** prior to 6 or 8 second whistle contestant receives a re-ride **as long as contestant makes a qualified ride up to the point of flank coming off**. No flank in sheep riding.
- Poor animal performance – be careful – realize every effort is made to make the pens as even as possible, yet at this level is an impossibility. Don't get caught giving a re-ride on the strongest animal there. Nor get caught not giving a re-ride on a weak animal that doesn't fit the herd. BE CONSISTENT and if you make a mistake on the first animal out in a specific age group and realize it shortly after – BE CONSISTENT.



Example:

First calf out is weak: you as a judge are faced with a decision. Re-ride or no re-ride. There is no right or wrong answer only a possible mistake. If this calf is weaker than the rest of the herd and you give a re-ride then all is good. If this calf is middle of the road or one of the better ones there, than you made a mistake.

TOUGH DECISION It is too late to fix the mistake, if made; you have to roll on with consistency. At minimum this calf becomes your basis for future re-rides – if any of the rest of the calves is as weak or weaker, than a re-ride is awarded. If all the rest are stronger than your re-ride cutoff may go up and a contestant may very well receive a re-ride on a slightly stronger calf. If this was the strongest calf in the herd than all contestants who cover would receive a re-ride and we would start a new contest with a new draw and rethink your re-ride standards for this pen of calves.

Again whatever bind you might get yourself into with a tough decision ---be consistent. There may very well be no way of knowing if you made the right or wrong decision until the contest is over. Don't try to fix a mistake with another mistake, just be consistent and firm.

At no time will a re-ride be given due to the failure of contestant's equipment.

You as a judge make your own subjective call on many issues. We will support your calls based on opinion and opinion calls will be binding but be able to justify your reasoning and decision making process. A protest is only valid if your decision was not consistent with the rules.

A re-ride will be offered to any rider that makes two **legitimate** attempts on an animal, **deemed by judge**, to be impossible to get out on. AGAIN - - !! COWBOY UP!!

The matter of re-rides shall be decided by judges and are final once decision has been made.

Re-rides must be decided before the next contestant rides.

If a re-ride is offered, the rider must give the judge his decision immediately, before next contestant calls for animal.

When re-ride is offered, for anything except lack of performance (weak performance of animal based on the majority of the herd), contestant may ride same animal if stock contractor agrees or may choose the designated re-ride animal.

Re-ride animals due to lack of performance will not be placed back in the draw at any one event for needed re-rides. At a two head average these animals may be put back into the draw in the second go-round).

Re- ride animals will be declared before the contest and be placed in order at the bottom of the posted sheets. A turn-out animal does not go directly into the re-ride herd, but back into the "already bucked" list to draw from, if needed; if not enough re-ride animals were drawn before the contest.



Stock contractors have the right to utilize the pick-up men and bull fighters to achieve what they feel will be the best strategy to gain the best performance from their animals.

Example--Catch

This bull is to the left, about three jumps out; let this horse follow you to the left, step in behind this one as he.

(There is a difference between making a mistake, and unjustness. Mistakes will happen, but realize it's a subjective opinion on most calls and not always black and white, opinions vary and so do our judges from rodeo to rodeo, **it is unlikely that an unjust call will be made**, but if that rare occurrence does happen, **his or her decision will still be binding**. Yet, with proof, not speculation, of this occurrence – said judge will be banned from judging future KJBA sanctioned events).

Any typos, inconsistencies, uncertainties, once brought to the board's attention will be corrected and revised. If required, a majority vote will be used to rectify the particular scenario. A revised, up to date copy of the rule book will be kept at the secretary's table during sanctioned events and be updated on the KJBA website: www.kjba.org.