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PBBA Rules and Regulations

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GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. MISCONDUCT & CHEATING:

In the event a participant becomes verbally or physically abusive to any official, judge, employee or other participant, the PBBA reserves the right to disqualify that person and their entries from that event and / or revoke their participation rights in future events. Any winnings or entry fees will be forfeited. Misconduct and / or Cheating or attempting to cheat shall result in major disciplinary action, including, but not limited to suspension and / or fine. A second offense will result in suspensions from entering PBBA events for the balance of the year, and a \$1,000 fine. A third offense will result in a lifetime suspension from entering any PBBA events.

2. BAD CHECKS:

In the event a participant pays his or her fees with a check that is returned for any reason, the first offense will result in a \$50 fine and replacement with cash or a cashier check. Upon a second offense, payment of all fees will be on a cash, cashier's check, or money order only basis. Thirty days will be given to reconcile your account or you will become ineligible to enter any PBBA events until your debt with the PBBA has been settled.

3. PENALTIES:

In the event a participant competes with an ineligible bull the bull will be disqualified and forfeit all winnings and entry fees. The second offense is punishable by disqualification and a one year suspension of the owner from participation.

4. APPEAL PROCEDURE:

Appeal of any disciplinary decision may be made in writing within 30 days of the incident to the PBBA. The appeal will then be reviewed by the Board, the judges present at the event and the Director of Judges. Each case appealed will be reviewed on its own merits and the ultimate decision of the Board will be final.

5. RIGHT OF REFUSAL:

While every effort to accommodate each participant and event producer will be made, it is important to note that Professional Bucking Bull Association, LLC is a private company with obligations to its shareholders. If in the opinion of the Board of Directors or the management of the company it is determined that doing so would compromise the integrity, or in any way be detrimental to the best interests of the company, PBBA reserves the right to elect not to conduct business with whomever it chooses.

6. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK:

By entering an animal and/or attending a PBBA produced or sanctioned event participants assume the risk inherent in any bovine/rodeo type activity and hold harmless the PBBA. Professional Bucking Bull Association, LLC., nor it's shareholders, directors, employees, or contractors shall be responsible for any injury, death, or loss of any animal entered or present for any other reason at any PBBA produced or sanctioned event. Nor will PBBA be responsible for the injury or death of any person attending any PBBA produced or sanctioned event.

2008 PBBA RULES & GUIDELINES

1. AGE REQUIREMENTS:

No age requirement. However, the bull must old/big enough to carry a rider without harming or risking harm to its self. Prior to the start of the PBBA competition a PBBA judge may disqualify a bull from an event if he feels a bull is too small or too young to compete. The participant will forfeit their entry fees if a judge pulls a bull from the competition.

2. ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION:

Bulls must be branded with a permanent ID number. Bulls not branded as mentioned herein may be disqualified from any PBBA produced or sanctioned event and may forfeit any/all fees and expenses paid.

3. ENTRIES:

A. Entries will be taken through the PBBA offices for any PBBA event. Entry open date will be event specific and posted prior to each event's opening date. Methods of entry: Online with payment mailed over-nighted, Fax, with payment mailed or over-nighted, or US Mail or over night delivery with personal checks, cashiers check, money order, or credit card.) All payments must be received in the PBBA office no later than the entry close date.

B. Entry open date will be three (3) weeks prior to each event's opening date, unless otherwise noted.

C. Entry close dates will be one (1) weeks prior to the event, unless otherwise noted.

Entries and entry fees MUST BE IN THE PBBA OFFICE by 5:00 pm (Eastern Time) on "entries closed" date (not postmarked by entry closed date).

D. In order for a bull to be considered entered in any PBBA produced or sanctioned event the following must be received in accordance with the entry deadlines listed above:

- i. If entering by mail or by fax, a completed and signed entry form and all applicable fees. All fees must be paid in full or received by 5:00 pm (Eastern Time) on "entries closed" date. Acceptable forms of payment include: personal checks, cashiers check, money order, and Master Card or Visa credit cards.

F. Entries will be taken on a first come first serve basis until the entry close date. If more entries are received than the number of entries being taken for that particular event the excess entries will be placed in a random draw by contractor and will be drawn randomly for alternate positions. The event producer decides on the number of entries accepted based on the number of bull riders taken.

G. If positions are available, late entries will be taken, until 9:00 PM EST on the Monday posted prior to the event. Following the entry close date, the PBBA will make notice if there are any position available. Late entries will taken on a first come first served basis.

Bulls that have been to the PBR Finals (excluding ABBI Classic Competition Bulls), the NFR or CBR Finals are not eligible to compete in PBBA events. Bulls that competed in a PBBA event and in the same year go to a Finals mentioned above are eligible to compete in PBBA and the PBBA Finals in the same year. However, they will ineligible in the following year.

4. ENTRY FEES:

At all PBBA produced or sanctioned entry fees will be \$500 unless posted otherwise.

5. ENTRY LIMITS:

At all PBBA produced or sanctioned competitions, the number of entries accepted will be event specific based on the number of expected bull riders, and will be posted prior to the entry open date. A fifteen (15) entry minimum is required for all events.

6. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

All bulls competing at a PBBA event will be required to have the necessary health papers required of rodeo livestock to enter the state of the competition. A copy of these health papers may be required at check in or later upon state inspection. Bulls that do not meet these requirements will not be allowed to unload or compete and will forfeit entry fees. A producer may request additional requirements that must be approved by the PBBA and will be posted as ground rules in entry information.

7. PAYOUT:

At all PBBA produced or sanctioned events, excluding the Finals, payout will be as follows:

- A. The PBBA will withhold \$1,600 of the entry fees to pay four of the event judges.
- B. \$50/entry will go to the PBBA World Finals purse.
- C. \$50/entry will be withheld for pen fees and paid to the event Producer as a Producer's fee.
- D. \$10/entry will be withheld for the bull riding sanctioning organization added money for the bull riders that ride in the PBBA World Finals.
- E. After all deductions five (5) holes must be paid.
 - 1. First place will pay 30% of the entry money after all deductions and 30% of any added money.
 - 2. Second place will pay 25% of the entry money after all deductions and 25% of any added money.
 - 3. Third place will pay 20% of the entry money after all deductions and 20% of any added money.
 - 4. Fourth place will pay 15% of the entry money after all deductions and 15% of any added money.
 - 5. Fifth place will pay 10% of the entry money after all deductions and 10% of any added money.
- F. The PBBA Finals will pay five (5) if there are 30 or less entries. If there are 31 to 40 entries seven (7) holes will be paid.
 - 1. The \$50/entry for the Finals will not be withheld from the Finals entry fees.
 - 2. If seven (7) holes are paid at the PBBA Finals the holes paid are:
 - 3. First place will pay 25% of the entry money after all deductions and 25% of any added money.
 - 4. Second place will pay 20% of the entry money after all deductions and 20% of any added money.
 - 5. Third place will pay 18% of the entry money after all deductions and 18% of any added money.
 - 6. Fourth place will pay 15% of the entry money after all deductions and 15% of any added money.

7. Fifth place will pay 10% of the entry money after all deductions and 10% of any added money.
8. Sixth place will pay 7% of the entry money after all deductions and 7% of any added money.
9. Seventh place will pay 5% of the entry money after all deductions and 5% of any added money.

8. CONTESTANTS:

Bulls will be mounted by bull riders attempting an eight (8) second bull ride. The full card carrying members of the sanctioning bull riding association are given priority over permit holders and inexperienced riders. For as two day event the PBBA bulls should not be mounted by the same rider both nights.

9. COMPETITION FORMAT:

PBBA produced or sanctioned events may consist of one of the following:

- a. One (1) Long Round for a one day event, bulls are bucked once.
- b. Two (2) Long Rounds for a two day event, bulls are bucked twice, once during the first round and once during the second round.
- A. At the discretion of the Producer a one day may be a bring your own rider event.
- B. PBBA bulls cannot be bucked in the short go round.
- C. If a contractor wished to change the delivery of a bull he must let a PBBA official know three (3) hours before the start of the event.
- D. The bull fighters are not allowed to catch the bulls or in any way effect the bulls performance.
- E. All bulls must arrive by the check-in time or a \$50 per animal fine may be imposed. All fines money collected will be added to the "EVENT" purse.

10. JUDGES:

- a. The Director of Judges will approve all judges for a PBBA event.
- b. The PBBA uses a six (6) judge format. Dropping the highest score and the lowest score. The sum of the four (4) remaining scores will be the score for that performance. For a two day event the scores from both performances will be added together.
- c. One of the six judges at an event one judge will be designated as the in-charge judge at that event.
- d. Two (2) of the judges will judge the bull and the bull riders. The event producer will pay those two judges.
- e. Four (4) of the judges will judge the bulls only. The PBBA will pay those four judges.
- f. Each bull will be scored from 0 to 25 points.
- g. The judges will only judge the bull's performance while they are mounted by a bull rider.
- h. The judges will be positioned as follows:
 1. Two on the back of the chutes, one on the left hand delivery side and one on the right hand delivery side.

2. Four on the arena floor, two on each side. One on each side will have a stop watch to time the bull ride for the 1.75 second rule.
- i. The judges' decisions are final on all matters.

11. RE-BUCKS:

In PBBA produced or sanctioned events, re-bucks will be allowed only if in the opinion of any judge, the animal had no chance to perform due to situations outside the control of the animal itself or its flank man.

- A. A re-buck will be offered to a bull that is ridden less than 1.75 seconds. It is up to the bull owner or flank man to recruit a re-buck rider if the bull is not ridden 1.75 seconds. The owner may see his bull's scores before making a decision to re-buck. He must ask to see his scores immediately following the offer to re-buck and then make the decision to re-buck. He must notify the back pen judge of his decision.
- B. A PBBA judge may disqualify the bull for non-cooperation in the bucking chute and award the bull rider a re-ride if after three (3) valid attempts the bull rider cannot get out on the bull. Entry fees will not be refunded.
- C. A PBBA judge may disqualify the bull rider for a non-valid attempt in the bucking chute and award the owner a re-buck.
- D. All re-bucks must be re-bucked at the end of the long round for the performance.

12. ELECTRICAL DEVICES, FOREIGN OBJECTS, SHARP OBJECTS, DRUGS:

- A. Any and all electrical devices or sharp objects of any type used to stimulate the animal will not be allowed for use inside the bucking chute. "Heating up" (repeatedly stimulating with any type of electrical device) a bull while in the loading alley or back pens is prohibited. This rule applies before, after or during a PBBA while on the same grounds as the event.
- B. Electrical devices can only be used when absolutely necessary to move a bull while in the loading alley or back pens.
- C. Foreign objects in flanks will not be allowed.
- D. It is not allowed to repeatedly rub or see-saw a bull's flanks with the flank prior to flanking the bull.
- E. The use of any type of performance enhancing drug is prohibited. The PBBA reserves the right to hire an independent testing agency to randomly test bulls prior to and/or after competition.
- F. Any owner or flank man not adhering to these rules is subject to disqualification of the animal involved in the particular incident, and/or total disqualification from the competition in its entirety and forfeiture of entry fees. In addition, failure to adhere to this rule could result in suspension and /or fine as outlined in MISCONDUCT & CHEATING.

13. HORNS:

All competing bulls must have their horns tipped to the size of a half dollar (broken or loose horns are excluded from this rule). At the discretion of a judge, if an un-tipped or

inadequately tipped animal arrives at any PBBA produced or sanctioned event, the bull must be tipped and a \$50 penalty may be imposed. Failure to comply may result in forfeit or loss of any and or all fees and related expenses to the owner. All penalty money collected will be added to the "EVENT" purse.

14. DRAW/CHUTE POSITION:

Option One: Bucking order will be determined by random draw of owner and chute delivery. The order of the draw will be bucked first to last in the draw order in one round format. In a two round format bulls will be drawn again the second night.

Option Two: Bucking order will be determined by the order loaded by the arena director and the PBBA Director of Operations based upon delivery the requirements of the bull riding events. In a two round format bulls will be loaded in a different random order for the second performance.

15. TIE BREAKERS:

There will be no tie breakers employed at PBBA produced or sanctioned events. If animals are tied after scores are audited, a straight split will be used.

16. TAGGING:

Each bull will be identified for the event and a hip number will be placed on each bull using a safe adhesive. The bull owner should be present when their bull is tagged.

17. WITHDRAWAL:

Prior to entries closing a bull may be withdrawn without penalty or forfeit of entry fees. After entry closing, owners may withdraw animals from competition for any reason. However, doing so will forfeit all entry fees, unless a Vet Release is obtained. In the event a vet release is provided to the PBBA Office, entry fees will be refunded, but the bull will be ineligible for entry for 30 days from released event.

18. ALTERNATES:

Alternates will be defined as bulls entered but not taken due to unavailable positions. If a bull is withdrawn after entry closing, the first alternate will be substituted. If no alternates are available, owners may substitute an alternate animal of like ownership provided all requirements are met, and the original animal is withdrawn with notification of substitution, prior to the draw for the first round of competition.

19. PERSONNEL:

At all PBBA produced or sanctioned events, gate men, bull fighters, arena help and production labor will be provided by the producer. Only these designated individuals will

be permitted to conduct their specific tasks. The same gate men will be used both nights, of a two performance event, unless an injury or sickness prevents them from performing their duties.

20. POINTS:

At all PBBA produced or sanctioned futurities, points qualify toward the PBBA World Finals. They will be awarded on the basis of one point for every bull beaten in each competition plus the cumulative scores from each event plus the aggregate money won.

21. FINALS QUALIFICATION:

The top 30 or 40 point earning bulls will be accepted to the PBBA World Finals. Any remaining positions available may be filled by additional point earning bulls, in descending order, until all positions are filled or entries close.

To qualify as the High Point Bull of the Year the bull must be entered in and compete in the Finals.

22. EVENT GROUND RULES:

Specific ground rules may exist for a PBBA produced or sanctioned futurity. Failure to adhere to posted ground rules may result in disqualification and / or fine.

23. PBBA SANCTIONED EVENT:

The Professional Bucking Bull Association, LLC., its agents, its shareholders, directors, employees or representatives do not warrant, expressed or implied, information provided by the producing parties and/or participants in sanctioned events. The above stated parties and/or their agents, employees or representatives are not responsible or liable for any accident or injury to any owner, participant, livestock or any person involved in the PBBA Sanctioned event.

2008 PBBA APPROVED AND SANCTIONED EVENTS

1. JUDGES:

At any PBBA approved event there must be at least six (6) judges selected or approved by the Director of Judges. Judges must conduct themselves in accordance with standard PBBA judging procedures and be knowledgeable of the PBBA Rules.

2. ADDED MONEY:

At PBBA approved events, the added money is optional and at the discretion of the promoter.

3. POINTS:

Points awarded will count toward the PBBA World Finals.

4. RULES OF PARTICIPATION:

PBBA rules or participation will apply and be adhered to in conducting the events.

5. CO-SANCTION:

No event will be considered PBBA approved that is also sanctioned, endorsed, or produced by any other organization or association.

6. DISCLAIMER:

PBBA, its shareholders, directors or employees will not be responsible for any injury, loss or death of any animal or person, accidental or otherwise at or during the production of any PBBA approved event.

7. HOLD HARMLESS:

The promoters, participants and spectators at bovine/rodeo type activity realize the risk inherent in such activities and hold harmless the PBBA and anyone connected with the PBBA for any injury or death of any person or animal involved in any PBBA approved activity.

8. SUBJECT TO CHANGE:

The rules, regulations and guidelines are subject to change and modification. Any changes will be published immediately on the PBBA website and will also be communicated at PBBA events during the contractors' meeting.

2008 PBBA SANCTIONED EVENTS

Any of several types of events produced by the PBBA may be conducted by other entities, in the form of PBBA Sanctioned Events. The requirements for the sanctioning of these events by the PBBA are as follows:

1. Strict adherence to the published rules and regulations as to the production of the PBBA.
2. A Sanctioning Agreement between the producer and the PBBA must be signed and returned to the PBBA office forty five (45) days prior to the event.
3. Event pay-outs will be in accordance with PBBA rules and will be determined by the PBBA office.
4. Immediate report of results, including payout and points distribution to PBBA office.

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