

Canadian Girls Rodeo Association
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FACT SHEET FOR CGRA RODEOS

Rodeo today is becoming one of the fastest growing spectator sports in North America. All Girl Rodeo in Canada and the United States is gaining popularity because it is an exciting sport filled with fast action. The novelty of All Girl Rodeo is a big drawing card and the rules and regulations are the same as the men's events.

ALL GIRL RODEO EVENTS

OPEN (17 & OVER) EVENTS:

Barrel Racing	Steer Undecorating	Goat Tying
Tie Down Roping	Pole Bending	Break Away Roping
Team Roping	Cow Riding	

JUNIOR (15 & UNDER as of January 1) EVENTS:

Barrel Racing	Goat Tying
Pole Bending	Break Away Roping

TINY MITE (10& UNDER) EVENTS:

Barrel Racing	Goat Tail Untying
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Your **RODEO COMMITTEE** will be responsible for the arena, stock, workers, prize money, etc... More detailed information follows.

A **RODEO CHAIR PERSON** should be appointed. Anyone who has been involved with any type of rodeo and is familiar with the responsibilities. The CGRA will help out in the organization of your rodeo in any way we can.

PRIZE MONEY is regulated by the CGRA (a minimum of \$100 per senior event and \$50 per junior event), and provided by the individual rodeo committee through sponsors/donors. The amount of prize money added, the distance the girls have to travel and the time of year will have a lot to do with the number of contestants you will get.

Your **ANNOUNCER** is very important to the success of your rodeo. If he/she is familiar with rodeo, he/she will be able to describe the events as they happen. The CGRA may be able to suggest someone to announce if need be. All contestants must be members of the **CGRA**, although non-members or locals are allowed to compete in one rodeo per season.

JUDGES for your rodeo must be knowledgeable of rodeo and are a very important part of a good rodeo. You will need 2 judges. Most CGRA events are no different to judge then the same events in other rodeo associations. The cow riding is marked the same way, the barrier and score lines for team roping, tie down roping, breakaway and steer undecorating are set the same. Flagging the barrel racing and pole bending is the same. One event that some judges may not have seen is goat tying. Rulebooks will be supplied prior to your rodeo. Judges should meet with the **CGRA EVENT DIRECTORS** to discuss rules and answer any questions.

OFFICIAL RECORDERS at your rodeo must be someone who is experienced with rodeo. They will write the official times down in the official book, so the rodeo can be paid out correctly. Mistakes would mean the wrong person gets paid for winning. Times are recorded in every event to the hundredth.

Each **CGRA EVENT DIRECTOR** is responsible for setting up her event.

The **CGRA PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR** can assist you in planning your advertising campaign and/or assist you in preparing an article for your local paper. The CGRA has some generic posters available that each committee can complete and post around the rodeo area. Please contact us so we can help make your rodeo a success.

STOCK for CGRA rodeos is mainly the same as required for other rodeos. Following is some guidelines for the required stock.

STOCK	SIZE	NUMBER REQUIRED
Calves	Max 250lbs	1 per entry with one spare
Break Away	Max 350lbs	1 per entry with one spare
Cows	Min 900 lbs Max 1100 lbs	1 per entry with one spare
Goats - Open	Goats Max 50lbs	1 goat per 3 to 4 entries
Junior - Goats	Smaller	
Team Roping	Uniform Size	1 per team with one spare
	Yearlings - horned	
Undecorating	Uniform Size	1 per entry with one spare
	Yearlings – horns max. 6”	

All stock must be run and /or tied down prior to the rodeo.

The Cattle Stock is chute run but the goats and tie down roping calves are drawn for. Draws should be posted one hour before the rodeo time. The same cattle **cannot** be used for both the team roping and undecorating. Any successful rodeo depends largely on the type of stock used. Stock that is familiar with their respective events will be more easily handled by both the contestants and the chute help.

It is suggested that when possible the committee run the team roping as one section to speed up the rodeo.

NOTE: The CGRA will provide insurance for any animal that is injured or killed in the arena during a CGRA rodeo performance. Insurance will not be provided during transit to or from the rodeo.

EQUIPMENT:

The **CGRA Event Directors** supply equipment such as:

Barriers	Undecorating Glue & Ribbons	Cow Flanks
Goat Peg/tether	Barrel and Pole Markers	Marking Chalk/paint
Electric Timer	Poles for Pole Bending	Stop Watches
Flags for Grand Entry		

Your **RODEO COMMITTEE** is responsible for supplying:

- Suitable stock
- Suitable arena with good running ground, roping and bucking chutes
- Suitable Washroom facilities/Concession
- Safe bleachers/seating area for spectators
- Announcer/timer stand
- Public address system
- **AMBULANCE**

If the rodeo is more than 5 minutes from a hospital an ambulance **MUST BE** in attendance. If the arena is less than 5 minutes from a hospital, alternate arrangements (St. Johns, EMR EMT) may be provided. If proper emergency care is not available the rodeo **WILL NOT PROCEED**.

- 3 Clip Boards

- 3 Field Flags
- Whistle/Air Horn for Cow Riding
- Photographer (optional)

WORKERS: The following is a suggested checklist for the number of workers needed.

Directors and contestants will also be available to assist wherever possible.

- Rodeo Chairperson
- Rodeo Secretary
- Rodeo Timers (2)
- Judges (2)
- Announcer
- Chute Help (3-5) for both the timed and riding events
- Arena Director – Can often make or break your rodeo by setting the pace
- In/Out Gate Man
- Catch Pen (2)
- Spectator Gate (2 – 3) collects money from spectators coming to watch

NOTE: All contestants can pay admittance; it is at the discretion of the rodeo committee. Seniors pay \$5 and juniors pay \$3

APPROVAL FORM

The enclosed “Approval Form” must be completed and received by the CGRA at **least 30 days prior** to the proposed rodeo date. CGRA Rule books will be forwarded to your committee approx. 2 weeks prior to the rodeo date.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Committees are eligible for financial assistance from the CGRA at \$1000.00 per day. This request must be completed on the Rodeo Approval Form.

ENTRIES:

The CGRA takes all rodeo entries through our **CENTRAL ENTRY SYSTEM**. If slack may be needed, the committee must alert the Central Entry System, so the contestants can be alerted as to callback time and date. Local Entries are to be taken by your committee and forwarded to the Central Entry System by 4pm of the entry date. Drawing of positions and making up the programs will be done immediately following the closing of entries. The Central Entry System will forward a copy of the program to your committee, so copies can be made for the rodeo. (Min 100 copies need). Judges’ cards will be made up by the Central Entry System and brought to the rodeo.

COLLECTING ENTRY FEE MONEY:

A rodeo secretary must be appointed by your committee to collect the Entry Fees at the rodeo. Individual receipts are prepared by the Central Entry System for collecting entry fees. Secretary must open the entry office at the rodeo at least **ONE HOUR BEFORE** the rodeo begins. An office should be set up close to the arena, out of the weather (wind and rain.)