

2023-2024 Event Director Nomination Information

We are now accepting **nominations for our Event Directors for the next rodeo season.**

Following are the Responsibilities of Student Event Directors

All Events

- Study the NHSRA rules for your event and have a rulebook with you during the event. You are the director, and your fellow contestants will look to you for information.
- Always wear your event director vest during your event except when competing.
- Be early for the event in which you were elected to serve as a leader.
- Be present in the arena except when preparing to compete, competing, or cooling off your horse (in applicable events).
- When the student event director is not available, duties should be turned over to the alternate event director. If the alternate falls closely in the draw to the event director, you may turn the duties over to another competitor in the event who is a junior or senior in high school. Please consider their knowledge of event rules in selecting contestants to fill in for this responsibility.
- Introduce yourself to the other contestants in the event and aid new contestants.
- Introduce yourself to the judges. Ask where they want you to stand during the event. Maintain the same position throughout the event.
- Watch that the contestant draw is in the correct order.
- The Event Director should report any inconsistencies to the Judge(s).
- Judges Sheets: Following the completion of your event, ask the judge for their signed sheets and bring them to the state rodeo secretary.
- Grievances: Occasionally, a contestant will have a concern or complaint about their run, ride, or other aspects of how the event may have been executed. You will serve as the initial point of contact for contestants in your event.
 - If you can't answer their question at the time, ask the contestant to standby and consult with the judge prior to the start of the next event. Do not disturb the judge while they are judging or flagging a contestant.
 - If a contestant does not agree with the judge's ruling, he or she has the right to ask that the matter be brought to the grievance committee.
 - The grievance committee will meet as soon as possible in or near the arena or at the office. People who should be present at such a meeting are the contestant, the event director (or acting event director on duty at time of incident), the judge(s) involved in the call, arena director, national director. If the National Director is not at the rodeo the NDHSRA Board President or Vice President will take the place of the National Director. Parents or others will be dismissed to allow the grievance committee to gather information about the matter at hand in a calm and quiet manner free of disruptions from others.

Bareback Riding

- Make sure the stock is satisfactory and have no open wounds or cuts.
- Keep an eye out for proper spurs and make sure they are not too sharp.
- Double check that each contestant is riding the stock drawn.
- Must ride with protective vest and mouthpiece.
- Pay attention to each ride. If something were to happen, you'd be on top of it to support your team.

Breakaway Roping

- The state secretary will supply you with the string. Pick it up in a timely manner to give you time to cut it prior to the rodeo.
- Cut enough strings for all contestants before the rodeo's start. Hang at the start of the rodeo near the arena gate entrance used by roping contestants.
- As contestants ride into the arena (not the box) be sure their rope is tied right and tight.
- Monitor stock. An event director may consult with an arena director and judges to request consideration for removal of stock in a two-day rodeo, or a rodeo with more than one go-round if performance is deemed greatly inferior or inconsistent with the rest of the pen provided.
- Watch the lining of the calves to be sure it is consistent from run to run and that liners are not blocking the timer's view of the barrier flag.
- When the roping boxes are back loading, one event director needs to be in the arena and the other one needs to be positioned behind the box checking the strings. Some of the arenas with back loading boxes are Mandan, Killdeer, Dickinson, New Salem & Bowman.

Tie Down Roping

- Monitor stock. An event director may consult with an arena director and judges to request consideration for removal of stock in a two-day rodeo, or a rodeo with more than one go-round if performance is deemed greatly inferior or inconsistent with the rest of the pen provided.
- Tie-down directors may be asked to recruit contestants to be sure fresh calves have been tied prior to the start of a rodeo.
- Assist with running calves through the arena from chute to catch pen as needed.
- Watch the lining of the calves to be sure it is consistent from run to run and that liners are not blocking the timer's view of the barrier flag.

Barrel Racing

- Prior to the start of the rodeo, locate the barrels and put sponsor covers/wraps on so they are ready and by the arena. The wraps are hung on the divider wall in the state van.
- At the completion of the barrel racing, remove covers/wraps from the barrels and hang back in the state van.
- Monitor that the arena volunteers are setting the barrels on the stakes and that they are set flat, straight, and consistently for each run.
- The flagging judge is to stand in the same spot behind the electric eye for each run.
- Monitor contestant draw, medical releases, and turnouts to be sure barrels are raked at the appropriate time. Consult with the judge and announcer if needed.
- The flag judge will give you their clipboard and judges sheets to keep track of the times and penalties of each run. The judge will sign the sheets at the end of the event. Bring the completed sheets to the State Secretary.

Saddle Bronc

- Make sure the stock is satisfactory and has no open wounds or cuts.
- Keep an eye out for proper spurs and make sure they are not too sharp.
- Double check that each contestant is riding the stock drawn.
- Must ride with protective vest and mouthpiece.
- Pay attention to each ride. If something were to happen, you'd be on top of it to support your team.

Steer Wrestling

- Monitor stock. An event director may consult with an arena director and judges to request consideration for removal of stock in a two-day rodeo, or a rodeo with more than one go-round if performance is deemed greatly inferior or inconsistent with the rest of the pen provided.
- Assist with running steers through the arena from chute to catch pen as needed.

Goat Tying

- Be sure goats are being switched at appropriate times and the corresponding tag matches the draw.
- Monitor stock. An event director may consult with an arena director and judges to request consideration for removal of stock in a two-day rodeo, or a rodeo with more than one go-round if performance is deemed greatly inferior or inconsistent with the rest of the pen provided.
- To not conflict with the path of the horse, it's recommended you stand off to the right side as to give the horse and rider a straight path passed the goat.
- The flag judge will give you their clipboard and judges sheets to keep track of the times and penalties of each run. The judge will sign the sheets at the end of the event. Bring the completed sheets to the State Secretary.

Team Roping

- Monitor stock. An event director may consult with an arena director and judges to request consideration for removal of stock in a two-day rodeo, or a rodeo with more than one go-round if performance is deemed greatly inferior or inconsistent with the rest of the pen provided.
- Assist with running steers through the arena from chute to catch pen as needed.
- At the end of the event, take the Box Pads down and hang in the state van.

Pole Bending

- Get poles out of the state van and have them where they are easily accessible for the rodeo committee. Put them back in the van at the end of the pole bending. If it's easier, feel free to drive the van closer to the arena.
- Be sure poles are straight and even for each run.
- The flagging judge stands in the same spot behind the electric eye for each run.
- Monitor contestant draw, medical releases, and turnouts to be sure poles are raked at the appropriate time. Consult with the judge and announcer if needed.
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Bull Riding

- Remind contestants they need to wear industry standard helmet while competing along with a mouth guard and protective vest.
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Boys Cow Cutting

- Monitor settling of cattle. Remind the first contestant in the draw that his team of helpers are responsible for settling the cattle.
- Monitor the switch of cattle if more than 10 contestants.

Girl's Cow Cutting

- Monitor settling of cattle. Remind the first contestant in the draw that her team of helpers are responsible for settling the cattle.
- Monitor the switch of cattle if more than 10 contestants.

Reined Cow Horse

- Assist the judge and/or arena director with hanging the arena markers.
- It's recommended to settle the cattle prior to the start of the event. Monitor the settling of the cattle.
- Pay attention to each ride/competition. If something were to happen, you'd be on top of it to support your team.

Trap and Rifle Shooting

- Assist James Harriman where needed.
- Pay attention to the shooting competition. If something were to happen, you'd be on top of it to support your peers.

See Nomination Form Below

Current contestants can nominate for the below events. Both you and the nominee must complete this form and return it to the State Secretary at the Killdeer rodeo. Voting will take place, by ballot, at the New Salem contestant meeting. Check those events you want to nominate your peer for. The nominee's name will appear on the ballot under each event checked below. The ballots will be tallied during the meeting.

For: _____ Bareback _____ Barrel Racing
 _____ Boys Cow Cutting _____ Breakaway Roping
 _____ Bull Riding _____ Girls Cow Cutting
 _____ Saddle Bronc _____ Goat Tying
 _____ Steer Wrestling _____ Pole Bending
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Signature

Date