



Ground Rules for 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier Event

- RODEO RULES refers to the WPRA Rule Book that will be in effect for the Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier event. Unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this document or in the RODEO RULES will prevail during the 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier. CONFLICT OF DOCUMENTS AND RULE BOOK: Order of Precedence: In the event of conflict, the 2023 Calgary Stampede Animal Care Code of Practice prevail over the 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier Ground Rules and the RODEO RULES. The 2023 Calgary Stampede Ground Rules prevails over RODEO RULES.
- Contestants agree to abide by all posted premises rules and regulations of the Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier.
- The Arena Director will have final say in the arena on all matters related to production and procedure.
- No family members (including children), guests, escorts, etc., will be allowed in chute or arena areas.
- All competitors will ensure their participation and the participation of any and all individuals associated with them are familiar with the 2023 Calgary Stampede Animal Care Code of Practice.
- Stampede Officials shall in their absolute discretion have the right at any time to add a Rule or Rules in order to clarify or address a circumstance or action not previously outlined or contemplated in the existing 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier Ground Rules.

Entries

- All entries must be done through the Calgary Stampede Western Events & Agriculture entry site. Only online entries will be accepted. No emails or calls will be accepted as official entries.
- Entry fees are \$500 CDN per entry.
- Competitors may purchase a maximum of three (3) entries. Each Entry will consist of rider and any combination of horses.
- Time Only runs will be available in 15-minute increments for \$15 and must be paid in full at time of entry. Time Onlys are non-refundable and a maximum of one (1) Time Only per entry.
- A maximum of 400 entries will be taken for the qualifier event. Should the entries exceed 400, second or third entries will be removed at random draw.
- All participants must be a minimum of 18 years old at the time of entry.
- Entries open at 9 A.M. Monday, May 8 and close at 4:00 P.M. Monday, May 15. No late entries will be accepted.
- Competitors with a previously confirmed invitation to the 2023 Calgary Stampede Rodeo will not be permitted to enter and compete in the Qualifier Event.

TURNOUTS AND DOCTOR/VET RELEASES

- Once confirmation of intent to compete has been submitted, if for any reason a contestant is unable to compete, the contestant must notify the Calgary Stampede. No refund will be given for entry fees.

COMPETITION FORMAT

- Go Round 1: All competitors entered will run in Go Round 1 on **Wednesday, June 7.**
- Semi Finals: The top 70% of the competitors from Go Round 1 will advance to Go Round 2 on **Thursday, June 8.**
- Finals: The top 25 competitors based on a 2-run average will advance to the Final round.
- **The final round will be held a minimum of 1 hour following Go Round 2.**
- The invited Calgary Stampede qualifiers will be selected based on the fastest runs from a 3 run average. All positions filled will be based on the final results from the Qualifier Event.
- Only one qualifying position is available per barrel racer regardless of number of entries.
- All runs will be timed to the 1000th of a second.
- All ties for qualifying positions will be broken based on fast run of the event between any tied competitors. (All three rounds will be considered)
- Should there still be a tie- tie will be broken based on fastest run in the final round.
- Notwithstanding and in any event of the qualification structure outlined above, the Calgary Stampede reserves the right in its sole and unfettered discretion to not issue or retract an invitation to any Rodeo Contestant.

PAYOUTS AND PAYOUT PROCEDURES

- Payout will be 30% of total entry fees:
 - Go Round 1 will pay 45% of payout:
 - 1 – 21%, 2 – 18%, 3 – 15%, 4 – 13%, 5 – 10%, 6 – 8%, 7 – 6%, 8 – 4%, 9 – 3%, 10 - 2%.
 - Go Round 2 will pay 45% of payout:
 - 1 – 21%, 2 – 18%, 3 – 15%, 4 – 13%, 5 – 10%, 6 – 8%, 7 – 6%, 8 – 4%, 9 – 3%, 10- 2%.
 - Finals will pay out 10% of payout between fastest time of Go Round 3, and 5 – 10 placings in average.
 - 1 – 4 in Average Qualifies to Calgary Stampede Rodeo.
- The Calgary Stampede will produce the payoff. All prize money will be paid by direct deposit from the Calgary Stampede. This will require a direct deposit form will be sent to all money earners who are required to complete and emailed to the Calgary Stampede.
 - Any fines assessed to a contestant must be paid to the Calgary Stampede
- Contestants qualifying and advancing to the Calgary Stampede Rodeo are required to secure WPRA membership, if not already a member.

The following Ladies Barrel Racing Rules will apply

- Ladies Barrel racers must begin their run within 45 seconds of receiving the all clear from the head judge or designate. A verbal warning will be provided 15 seconds prior to expiration of the time limit. If the contestant exceeds the time limit, except in the case of mechanical failure, she will receive a fine of \$250. For every 20 seconds over the 45 second limit the fine will be progressively doubled.
- Ground will be dragged at 5 on paper and big drag every 50.
- The Calgary Stampede has the right to drug test any animal at their will. The rules pertaining to drug testing are as follows:
 - Calgary Stampede is responsible for all testing processes and related procedures, including, but not limited to, veterinarian/tester selection, sampling protocols, lab selection, chain of custody, and obtaining test results from the lab.

- The Calgary Stampede will directly notify a Responsible Member of a positive test result. Calgary Stampede will not release a contestant's prize money prior to receiving a negative test result. Within a reasonable period after the conclusion of the 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier, Calgary Stampede will release final results for the Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier reflecting any disqualifications and redistributions.
- A positive drug test result may result in a fine issued by the Calgary Stampede and certain penalties issued by Calgary Stampede, as follows:
 - Calgary Stampede Fines: In the event of any positive drug test result, the Calgary Stampede may issue the following fines as determined in its sole discretion:
 - Class 1: a fine of up to \$7,500.
 - Class 2: a fine of up to \$5,000.
 - Class 3: a fine of up to \$750.
 - Class 4: a fine of up to \$250.
 - Class 5: No Penalties.
- More than one NSAID in a blood or urine sample: A fine of up to \$1,500.
- Calgary Stampede Penalties: In the event of any positive drug test result, Calgary Stampede may issue any or all of the following penalties as determined by Calgary Stampede in its sole discretion:
 - Class 1: (i) Prohibition from competition at the next Calgary Stampede for which the Responsible Member qualifies and/or (ii) Disqualification from the 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier and redistribution of prize money. If the Responsible Member is disqualified for a Class 1 positive drug test result, all prize money won by the disqualified Responsible Member during the entirety of the 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier will be redistributed in each round in which the disqualified Responsible Member competed and won prize money.
 - Class 2: (i) Prohibition from competition at the next Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier and/or (ii) Disqualification from the go-round with a Class 2 positive drug test result and redistribution of prize money for that go-round.
 - More than one NSAID in a blood or urine sample: Disqualification from the go-round with a positive test result for more than one NSAID and redistribution of prize money for that go-round.
- Disqualification and Redistribution
 - When a contestant is disqualified from a go-round they will be declared unplaced and prize money will be redistributed to the highest placing contestant(s) until all paid positions are filled for that go-round.
 - When a contestant is disqualified from the Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier they will be declared unplaced and prize money in each go-round that they placed in will be redistributed to the highest placing contestant(s) until all paid positions are filled with the exception of the semi-finals and finals, which will result in ground money being paid.
 - For purposes of payout and redistribution, all rounds are treated as separate go-rounds.

GENERAL RULES

- The “Arena” includes the Rodeo Arena proper.
- The Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Arena Director will have final say in the arena on all matters related to production and procedure.
- The ARENA and facilities are Non-Smoking.
- Contestants are required to check in at the On-Site Event Office, upon arrival. Stalling and camping on Stampede Grounds is available to contestants upon request at time of entry.
- All advertising, sponsorship and broadcast rights and the exposure related thereto lie with and are owned by the Calgary Stampede.
- No signs, banners or posters shall be displayed without prior approval of the event organizers.
- No contestant will have rights or access to the broadcast – either in whole or in part – produced at the 2023 Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier. All footage remains the property of the Calgary Stampede and its licensed broadcast partners.
- Contestants agree to abide by all posted premises rules and regulations of the Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier or affiliated facilities.
- All dogs must be confined to contestant’s trailer area. Dogs are not permitted in the Nutrien Western Event Centre.
- The Calgary Stampede is represented in the arena by the Arena Floor Director and the Event Producer. Their decisions on non-scoring, production, performance and procedural issues are final.
- All decisions of the Calgary Stampede judges are final. All scores, once tabulated and certified by the judges and the event Secretary, are final.
- Contestants must refrain from speaking to the judges while in the arena unless a judge initiates the conversation. Contestants must refrain from attempting to persuade or to intimidate the judges inside or outside of the arena - to include appeals for a re-run. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a breach of the Ground Rules.
- Any contestant protests or appeals may only be filed with Calgary Stampede management, whose sole decision is final. (a) Protests or appeals must be filed immediately (within 12 hours) of notification.
- Access to Arena. No person shall be allowed in the arena during an event go-round unless entered in an event.
- Contestants should be aware that the Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier is a family event. Contestants will perform in a manner that is not offensive to any social or ethnic groups and that is suitable for a family audience. Contestants will be mindful that the arena floor is covered by video cameras and microphones.
- Contestants and traveling companions/ assistants (whether entered at The Calgary Stampede Ladies Barrel Racing Qualifier or not) must comply with all Calgary Stampede Animal Care Codes as they pertain to their personal animals, the animals of Calgary Stampede’s stock contractors or any other animals with which they may come in contact. Failure to comply with these rules and regulations will result in breach of the Animal Care Code and may result in criminal prosecution or citation if local and/or provincial animal welfare laws are violated.