



THE OFFICIAL GROUND RULES OF THE SOUTHEAST LITTLE BRITCHES RODEO ASSOCIATION - 2024 – 2025



MEMBERSHIP/LOCAL POINTS

- 1) Contestant members are required to pay \$80 for a National membership per contestant.
- 2) Non-members may ride on a \$25 permit, per contestant, PER RODEO.
- 3) Contestants competing for year-end awards at the local level must pay a local membership fee and meet fundraising/sponsorship/work requirements. Contestants must also be a National member. Local membership fees will be \$75 per family and non-refundable.
- 4) Points for local membership will not begin accumulating until the local membership has been paid. Points will be discontinued if fundraiser/sponsorship/work requirements are not met by the required deadlines. Local membership fees MUST be paid by entry due date for upcoming rodeo.
- 5) Fundraising/sponsorship/work requirement is mandatory for Contestants that choose to become a local member.
- 6) National points will be awarded based on the NLBRA Rulebook. See rulebook for further information on the point system.
- 7) Local points will be awarded to contestants who pay their local membership fees. Points will be awarded for 1st through 7th places in all divisions, as follows. No bonus points will be given at the local level. If a contestant is not a local member, the points will roll to the next available contestant that completed a qualifying run. Local contestants not placing in the top 7 places will receive 1 point for participation.

PLACING	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
POINTS	70	60	50	40	30	20	10

WORK ASSIGNMENTS

- 1) ***All contestants*** are required to work. Children 10 & under will require an adult/parent to work with them. ALL contestants will receive a work assignment and MUST sign in and sign out with the event director. Contestants and parents will be required to sign a contract.
- 2) A family member may work for the contestant. They must sign in and sign out with the event director and give the contestant's name.
- 3) If contestant (or someone on their behalf) does not work their designated/assigned event, they will receive 1 warning and then a fine in the amount of \$150 will be assessed for each future violation. Local points will be forfeited for each rodeo not worked. All fees must be paid prior to the start of the next rodeo.
- 4) All workers must be in complete official dress code while in the arena/on arena floor.
- 5) Contestants will not be allowed to have cell phones in the arena at any time (competing or working).

OFFICIAL DRESS CODE

- 1) All contestants, volunteers, & directors MUST be in official western attire while in the arena. Official western attire consists of western hat or safety helmet, wrist length sleeved shirt that buttons or snaps close and has collar and cuffs, western boots with heel, and long pants. Contestants must remain in full official dress code while on the arena floor/in arena during rodeo event. If outside of the arena floor/fence, they are required to always wear their back number from start (first contestant runs) to finish (last contestant runs) of the rodeo, back number is required to be always visible.
- 2) Hats must remain on contestant's head until he/she crosses the plane of the arena, or he/she will be disqualified. Approved riding helmets are allowed. No hat/helmet should be intentionally



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taken/thrown off during competition in the arena, if so, will result in a disqualification.

- 3) Shirts MUST be completely tucked in when crossing the plane of the arena or contestant will be disqualified.
- 4) Back numbers are required to be worn and visible all weekend. Competing without your back number is a disqualification. NO other association back numbers are allowed.
- 5) The only exception to the dress code attire rule will be on dress code forgiveness day. Please see Local Awards (3)(iv) for more information.

RODEO ENTRIES

- 1) Call in/entries will close the Monday 2 weeks prior to the rodeo, unless noted in advance. Call-in/entries will be completed through the online entry system available on the National website at www.nlbra.com. Parents must obtain a log-in (only need one log-in per family). Online entries open a minimum of 3 weeks prior to the rodeo and close at midnight EST on the Monday 2 weeks prior to rodeo. There is NO standing call-in.
- 2) Late entries will be accepted until 8 pm on the Friday after call-in. Late entries must call-in to the rodeo secretary at (386) 208-4777. There will be a \$50 late call-in fee.
- 3) Contestant must call-out by 8 pm on Friday after online entries close to avoid being assessed fees.
- 4) \$50 fee will be added for returned checks. Local points will be pulled and will not resume until payment has been satisfied. Contestant will not be able to enter any future Little Britches rodeos until all fees have been paid up to date.
- 5) All callouts must go through the rodeo secretary. Entry fees will only be returned for call outs that have a signed veterinary or doctor release on their official letterhead and emailed prior to the start of the rodeo (email paperwork/release to southeastlbra23@gmail.com). The rodeo secretary must be notified in advance at (386) 208-4777, prior to the start of the rodeo.
- 6) If a visible injury to a contestant or contestant's animal occurs during the rodeo, the injury needs to be verified by Judge and Arena Director to have fees refunded.
- 7) Entry fees are to be paid in advance, through TD Bank invoice; either by ACH payment or by check mail-in. Fees MUST be received by midnight on the Monday, one week prior to the scheduled rodeo. Contestants will be removed from the draw and unable to compete if entry fees are not received by the due date/deadline. There will be an additional invoicing fee of \$6.00.

MAIL-IN ENTRY FEES ARE TO BE SENT TO:

SELBRA, Attn: Shelly Head

Post Office Box 1132, Live Oak, Florida 32064

GROUNDS FEE/OFFICE FEE/DIVISION/ENTRY FEES/STOCK CHARGES

- 1) All contestants are required to pay a \$21 Contestant/Grounds Fee per contestant per rodeo (includes \$10 NLBRA fee for contestant insurance and \$11 to association for expenses).
- 2) Entry fee per class/contestant – Non-livestock-\$20.00 – Livestock-\$15.00
- 3) 60% of entry fees (not including stock charge) goes toward jackpot
- 4) Stock Charge Roping: Cattle-\$15.00
- 5) Stock Charge: Goats-\$15.00
- 6) Stock Charges: Rough Stock: \$35.00



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Little Wrangler Boys & Girls (ages 5-8)

Barrel Racing:	\$20.00
Pole Bending:	\$20.00
Flag Racing:	\$20.00
Goat Tail Untying:	\$30.00

Junior Girls (ages 9-13)

Barrel Racing:	\$20.00
Pole Bending:	\$20.00
Trail Course:	\$20.00
Goat Tying:	\$30.00
Breakaway Roping:	\$30.00
Dally Ribbon Roping:	\$30.00 per roper/runner
Dally Team Roping:	\$30.00 per roper

Junior Boys (ages 9-13)

Flag Racing:	\$20.00
Goat Tying:	\$30.00
Breakaway Roping:	\$30.00
Dally Ribbon Roping:	\$30.00 per roper/runner
Dally Team Roping:	\$30.00 per roper
Saddle Bronc Steer Riding:	\$50.00
Bareback Steer Riding:	\$50.00
Bull Riding:	\$50.00

Senior Girls (ages 14-18)

Barrel Racing:	\$20.00
Pole Bending:	\$20.00
Trail Course:	\$20.00
Goat Tying:	\$30.00
Breakaway Roping:	\$30.00
Dally Ribbon Roping:	\$30.00 per roper/runner
Dally Team Roping:	\$30.00 per roper

Senior Boys (ages 14-18)

Tie Down Roping:	\$30.00
Steer Wrestling:	\$30.00
Dally Ribbon Roping:	\$30.00 per roper/runner
Dally Team Roping:	\$30.00 per roper
Saddle Bronc Riding:	\$50.00
Bareback Riding	\$50.00
Bull Riding	\$50.00



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EVENT INFORMATION

- 1) Little Wrangler Goat Tail Untying – 45 second time limit
 - i. Must cross designated line and run past the judge.
- 2) Junior Boy/Girl Goat Tying – 30 second time limit
 - i. **Boys** must use a **pigging string** to make the tie.
 - ii. They are required to step back 3' from the goat after completing tie before time starts.
- 3) Junior Dally Ribbon Roping – 45 second time limit
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.
 - ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. Roper may rebuild if no catch is made with the first loop. Only 2 loops are allowed.
- 4) Junior Team Roping – 45 second time limit
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.
 - ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. A team is allowed a combined total of 3 loops. The roper must rebuild.
- 5) Junior Breakaway Roping – 30 second time limit
 - i. Roper is allowed 2 loops but must carry 2 loops. Roper is not allowed to rebuild.
 - ii. Roper **MUST** use string provided by committee. Ropes and strings will be checked for proper tie.
 - iii. Required to step back 3' from the goat after completing tie before time starts.
- 6) Senior Dally Ribbon Roping – 30 second time limit
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.
 - ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. Roper is allowed only 1 loop.
- 7) Senior Team Roping- 45 second time limit
 - i. Teams may consist of 1 boy & 1 girl, 2 boys, or 2 girls.
 - ii. Contestant must indicate partner at time of entry. No draws will be made if there are no available partners to draw from. Contestants are allowed one entry.
 - iii. A team is allowed a combined total of 3 loops.
- 8) Senior Tie Down Roping-30-second time limit
 - i. Roper is allowed 2 loops. Must carry 2nd loop, not allowed to rebuild.
 - ii. Dragging of calf, of 10' or greater of distance will result in a no time. Jerk down rule is in effect. 10-second penalty for jerk down.
 - iii. Roper will be flagged no time for training his horse after giving signal.
- 9) Senior Girl Breakaway Roping-30-second time limit
 - i. Roper is allowed 2 loops. Must carry 2nd loop, not allowed to rebuild.
 - ii. Roper **MUST** use string provided by committee. Ropes and strings will be checked for proper tie.
 - iii. Required to step back 3' from the goat after completing tie before time starts.
- 10) Junior/Senior Trail Course -60-second time limit
 - i. Objective is to maneuver through a series of obstacles while mounted horseback, successfully negotiating each obstacle in sequence in the shortest amount of time possible.



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11) Rough Stock Events

- i. Safety protective vests specifically designed for rodeo events and mouth pieces are mandatory in all rough stock events.
- ii. Junior bull riders and steer riders are required to wear a helmet.
- iii. Senior bull riders are required to wear a helmet.

TIME LIMITS/BROKEN PATTERN-BUZZER USE/NOTIFICATION

If contestant(s) break the pattern or comes to the required time limit for that event, a buzzer will sound, and contestant(s) should leave the arena immediately and not complete/finish the pattern/event.

OFF ROAD VECHILE USE

Segways, electric bikes, electric scooters, 4-wheelers or 3-wheelers, are not permitted. Crickets, Golf Carts and Side x Sides are allowed but must be operated by someone with a valid driver license and be 18 years of age or older.

LOCAL AWARDS

- 1) Contestant must be a National member and Local membership paid.
- 2) Contestant must compete in at least 75% of the SELBRA rodeos for each event to be eligible for awards in that event.
- 3) Contestant must meet the following mandatory fundraisers/sponsorships:
 - i. Sponsorship: Every contestant is required to obtain a \$100 sponsorship per contestant. Families of more than two (2) contestants are responsible for a minimum of \$200 sponsorship, due by the January rodeo.
 - ii. Fundraiser to be determined by the Board of Directors as needed.
 - iii. If fundraiser/sponsorship requirements are not met, local points will no longer accumulate. Upon meeting fundraiser/sponsorship requirements, points will begin accumulating from the date the fundraiser/sponsorship requirement was met.
 - iv. Dress Code Forgiveness is an optional fundraiser to raise money for SELBRA. Contestants and volunteers may purchase SELBRA t-shirts and caps to wear at designated rodeos in lieu of long sleeve western shirts and cowboy hats. Non-local members may also purchase shirts and hats.
- 4) Checks will NOT be held for fundraisers/sponsorships.
- 5) All awards will be based on the financial stability of the association.
- 6) Duplicate prizes may be awarded to tying contestants at the rodeo committee's discretion. There will be no duplicates for event champions or reserve champions. Any ties will be resolved with a runoff as follows:
 - i. ROUGH STOCK – 1 ride each on random draw.
 - ii. BARRELS, POLES, FLAGS & TRAIL – fastest time on 1 run.
 - iii. TIMED EVENTS with stock – 2 stock numbers will be drawn, and each contestant will run both, best average wins.



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- (7) To be eligible for All-Around, contestant must have competed in 75% of at least 2 events for the rodeo season. No ties for an All-Around award shall be recognized. In the event of a tie for All-Around, the All-Around prize will be awarded to the contestant who earned the most points throughout the finals weekend of competition.

PAYOUT CHECK DEPOSITED/CASHED POLICY

All payout checks should be deposited/cashed within thirty (30) days of the date of the check, if check is lost, a reprint check will be offered. Any check that is not deposited/cashed will only be good until the date of the first rodeo of the next season, after that date the check will become voided, and funds will not be available.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1) It is the contestant's and parent's responsibility to read the rulebook. Any questions regarding the rulebook can be brought to Arena Director, Rodeo Secretary, or Board Member for clarification. If they cannot determine the rule, an email will be sent to the National office requesting an explanation.
- 2) **Judge's call/decision is final at that time, no parent or contestant will be allowed to argue/yell/show disrespect to a judge at any time during an event/rodeo regarding the judge's call/decision, if this happens the contestant will be disqualified.**
- 3) All rules and regulations will follow the NLBRA 2024-2025 Rulebook. Please read the NLBRA rulebook.
- 4) All calls/decisions made by judge(s) are final, anyone wanting to contest or appeal a call/decision must submit an Appeal Form and \$25 appeal fee to the rodeo secretary prior to the end of that rodeo. If the appeal is overturned in your favor, the appeal fee will be reimbursed.
- 5) Any rule that is not listed in the NLBRA Rulebook or covered in these Ground Rules will be determined based on the PRCA rulebook.

Ground rules are subject to change at the discretion of the Board of Directors.