



Women's Professional Rodeo Association

World Championship Barrel Racing®

WPRA Card Holder 101

Whether you are a seasoned competitor or a rookie card holder, a tip sheet can be helpful. Remember, this information is not intended to replace your rulebook. If you have any questions refer to your rulebook, contact your Circuit Director or the WPRA office.

Tip # 1—Know when to call Procom to enter a rodeo

- Call Procom to enter WPRA barrel races at PRCA rodeos only.
- Check the WPRA web site for the latest EOO, EC, trade deadlines, ground rules, etc.
- Don't wait until the last minute to enter a rodeo. When entries close, they close.
- Keep your confirmation number from each call to Procom. Confirmation numbers are proof that a conversation took place in case of a discrepancy.

Tip # 2—Understand the difference between a Turn Out and a Release

- **Turn out:** You are responsible to pay entry fees and your turn out fines.
 - **Notified Turn Out**—Call Procom at least 3 hours before your performance or slack. \$10 fine for slack, \$50 fine for a performance.
 - **Non-Notified Turn Out**—When you call Procom less than 3 hours or you didn't call at all, there is a \$20 fine for slack, \$100 fine for a performance.
- **Release:** Call Procom at least 3 hours before your scheduled performance or slack. \$20 fine per rodeo (no entry fee). NOTE: You cannot compete for 7 days starting the day you were scheduled to compete.
- **Be sure to use the correct language. Listen to what Procom confirms back to you.**

Tip # 3—Know your trade rules

- You may trade the first go round of a WPRA approved rodeo. (Limit: 2 first go round trades per rodeo)
- Each contestant in a trade must notify Procom of the trade before the deadline for that rodeo. Procom will establish second position call back for contestants to confirm the trade was made.
- You can't trade within a performance (e.g., 9th position to 2nd position) or within any section of slack.
- Watch for trade deadlines in the rodeo ground rules.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WPRA Office Phone:
719-447-4627

WPRA Office Hours:
Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 5:00 pm (MT)
Closed 12:00 - 12:30 pm

Procom Phone: 800-234-7722

Card Membership Benefits

- **Enter regular season rodeos** (includes limited entry rodeos, if you qualify)
 - **Enter other WPRA events**
 - WPRA World Finals Card Holder Race, Waco, TX
 - WPRA Divisional Circuit Races and Divisional Circuit Finals
 - Futurity/Derby and Roping Division events
 - **Participate in the Pro Elite Sire Incentive Program**
 - **Have the Right to Run and Vote in WPRA Elections**
 - **Receive *Women's ProRodeo News* (WPRN)**
 - **Receive Accident Insurance**
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Tip # 4—Be familiar with how the buddy system works

- **Option #1**—Up to 4 WPRA barrel racers may buddy together.
- **Option #2**—If you choose to buddy with a PRCA member, they must be an immediate family member. You can add a WPRA barrel racer to this group BUT they must also be a WPRA immediate family member.
- When you buddy with a PRCA member, you will compete in the nearest performance or slack the same day your PRCA buddy is competing in the first go round only.
- The WPRA office must have a copy of your marriage certificate on file to buddy with a PRCA member.

Tip # 5—Know your options if you can't make it to the rodeo that you entered

- **Option #1**—Consider a draw out, if within 90 minutes of the books closing. Contact Procom. Fines do not apply.
- **Option #2**—Consider a release or notified turn out if the books are closed. Contact Procom. Fines apply.

Tip # 6—Register your sponsor patches

- If competing at WPRA/PRCA rodeos, you need to register and have your patches approved through the PRCA Patch Program.
- Register at www.prorodeo.com. Go to the membership tab and click on PRCA Patch Program.

Tip # 7—Sign up for RodeoPay

- With RodeoPay, if you place at a rodeo, winnings are deposited directly into your bank account.
- Without RodeoPay, you will be mailed a check for your winnings minus a \$10 check writing fee.
- To set up a RodeoPay account, visit www.rodeopay.com

Tip # 8 —Follow the standings

- Find all WPRA standings at www.wpra.com. Standings are updated once a week.
- Call the WPRA office or email contact@wpra.com if you see a discrepancy.
- Discrepancies can occur because of timing, office corrections to received results, etc.
- Give the office enough time to correct or re-post results from recent races.

Tip # 9—Take advantage of more places to compete—Divisional Circuit Co-approval jackpots

- There are over 800 WPRA Divisional Circuit Co-approved jackpots across the country. Find them on the WPRA website and in WPRN.
- Winnings in the 1D at these events count toward a separate Divisional Circuit standings and separate Divisional Circuit finals.
- Only Card holders can qualify for Divisional Circuit Finals

Tip # 10—Other valuable programs

- Develop future rodeo horses with the Futurity/Derby program. Nominate your horse(s) to earn points at WPRA approved races. For nomination forms and information visit www.wpra.com/futurity_derby.php
- Breed to the best rodeo horses with the Pro Elite Sire Incentive (PESI program) — Enroll your horse(s) in the PESI to collect bonus money at approved PESI Bonus Money races, including WPRA World Finals. For enrollment forms and more information visit www.wpra.com/pesi.php