

Uvalde Youth Rodeo Club 2022 Summer Series

Summer Series Dates - June 28, July 12, & July 19 Open Youth Rodeo - July 22 & 23 Summer Series Awards - August 2

UYRC Summer Series Rules

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Current negative Coggins papers are required and will be checked.

ENTRY AND MEMBERSHIP

1. Age Groups are as follows: 7 & Under, 8-10, 11-13 & 14-19.
2. Age shall be determined as of January 1 of the current year. Have proof of age if a question arises. No married contestants. If you have attended college during one regular semester you are ineligible. Summer school is not considered a regular semester. High school graduates must have attended high school during the preceding spring semester.
3. Membership fees for the 2022 Summer Series shall be \$100 per family. Fee will be waived if a Gold sponsorship is acquired before signup.
4. Under **NO** circumstances may anyone compete without a release form, and Parent Code of Conduct & Rules Agreement appropriately signed and witnessed by a UYRC Board Member.
5. Fees must be paid and a release form signed by a parent or guardian before receiving membership.
6. Fees are as follows:

Family Membership Fees are as follows:

\$100.00 Series fee per family. The fee will be waived if a Gold sponsorship is acquired before signup.

Summer Series Entry Fees:

\$100.00 for Lead Line Division

\$30.00 per event for speed/roping

\$30.00 stock fee for roping events only

These fees are due before a contestant competes.

7. All entry and series fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.
8. No stallions allowed.
9. An electric timer is preferable and should be used for all events, where possible.
10. The same horse may be ridden in all events by more than one contestant in Tuesday night competition. We suggest that persons in this situation consider the time required for equipment changes and make prior arrangements so that other contestants will not have to wait an excessive amount of time.
11. Contestants must enter a minimum of three events to qualify for all-around. Contestant may not add events once the entry is turned in. Contestants may compete in their age group only.
12. No restraints other than rubber bands may be used by contestants. Handicapped contestants are exempt.
13. On point night, the contestant will not be allowed to compete in an event if their age group has already completed that event.
14. Appropriate **western attire** is required in order to participate in the UYRC Summer Series. If a contestant does not abide by this rule he/she will be disqualified. Ribbon runners must also abide by dress code regulations with the exception of footwear. No Exceptions!
 - a. Shirts must be long-sleeved, and must have a collar and buttons/snaps all the way down the front of the shirt. Shirts must be tucked in. Absolutely no polo style shirts, t-shirts or short sleeve, or sleeveless shirts allowed. If a contestant does not abide by this rule he/she will be disqualified. No Exceptions!
 - b. Western boots are required. Absolutely no tennis shoes will be allowed. If a contestant does not abide by this rule he/she will be disqualified. No Exceptions!
 - c. If a contestant chooses to wear protection on their head, a cowboy hat or helmet will be allowed. Absolutely no caps! If a contestant does not abide by this rule he/she will be disqualified. No Exceptions!
15. Contestants must be ready when called. After three arena calls (two-minute time limit), the contestant will be disqualified.

16. The following conduct will NOT be permitted at UYRC Summer Series:

A: The use of foul language

B: The use of alcohol in and around the arena.

C: Any unsportsmanlike conduct

D: Cheating or attempting to cheat.

E: Fighting.

F: Attempting to threaten, bribe, influence, harass, or coerce any judge, board member, or helper.

G: Roughing livestock, including beating or excessive dragging.

H: Infractions of any of the above will be handled in the following manner:

1. Board Member will give a verbal warning with one witness.

2. Letter from Board of Directors.

3. Contestants will be dropped and not allowed to compete in any remaining rodeos of the current rodeo series.

17. Any contestant found violating rules, in any event, will automatically be disqualified from that event.

18. In any matter involving the event rules the Board of Directors shall have the final decision.

19. If at any time a situation arises which is not covered in the rule book, the UYRC Board of Directors and Judge's decision will be final.

20. No re-run will be given to any contestant if handicapped by his/her own equipment failure or accident to horse or rider.

21. The UYRC Board of Directors will receive and act upon protests arising out of any event. A protest must be filed in writing, accompanied by a \$50.00 cash deposit, during or immediately upon the conclusion of the event contested. If the Board upholds the protest, the deposit shall be refunded to the protestor. If the protest is overruled, the deposit shall be forfeited to the club. No protest will be heard unless these steps are followed.

22. The Board of Directors may add or amend any rule at any time with a called meeting and majority vote.

23. Work Points:

a. Parents or designated persons must earn a total of six (6) points per contestant in this series including two (2) from the year-end rodeo. Only two (2) points can be earned each night. Points may be earned by working gates, speed events, and any other job available during an event.

b. 14-19 contestants may work for themselves or have an adult work for them. All other contestants must have adults work for them.

c. It is not the responsibility of UYRC to inform the member that he or she does not have work points. Signing up to work and not appearing to actually work will not result in a work point. Failing to sign up to work an event prior to the member competing in his/her events for the day is not an excuse for not obtaining their necessary work points, however, this does not mean the club does not want and appreciate contestants and parents helping beyond their work points.

d. All work point requirements must be met in order to qualify for year-end awards.

e. A fine of \$100.00, for not acquiring six (6) points, will be due before your child is eligible for prizes.

POINTS AND PRIZES

1. A six-point system will be used to determine all-around.

2. In case of a tie in events, points will be split.

3. In case of a tie in points for all-around, or runner-up, the contestant who has placed in the most number of events will be declared the winner. If events placed in are equal, then the contestant who has the most first places in events competed in will determine the winner. If all of the above are equal, a coin toss will determine the winner.

4. Contestants may enter as many events as desired in their age group.

5. In order to compete for All-Around Prizes, a contestant must enter and compete in a minimum of three (3) events.

6. UYRC will give an **All-Around** buckle to a boy and girl in each age group (excluding Lead Line).

7. UYRC will give an **Event** buckle to the winner of each age group (excluding Lead Line). A buckle will be awarded to the winning header and the winning heeler in the Team Roping Event.

8. UYRC will give prizes for 2nd thru 6th place in each event for each age group (excluding Lead Line).

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UYRC SPEED (TIMED) EVENT RULES

Note: *There will be a two-minute time limit for the horse and rider to enter the arena from the time the contestant's name is called. After two minutes, it will be a NO TIME for that event.*

LEADLINE RULES:

1. No restraint devices may be used to hold the contestant on horse. Rubber bands on feet allowed.

POLE BENDING:

1. The pole-bending pattern is to be run around six (6) poles. Each pole is to be 21 feet apart, with the first pole 21 feet from the starting line.
2. A horse may start either to the right or to the left of the first pole and run the remainder of the pattern accordingly.
3. Failure to follow the pattern shall cause disqualification.
4. No time will be given if the starting line is crossed before that pattern is completed.
5. Knocking over a pole shall carry a five (5) second penalty.
6. Touching a pole with the hand or body of the contestant is not a disqualification.

CLOVERLEAF BARRELS:

1. The pattern will be adjusted to fit the arena. The barrels will be placed at approximately 21 feet from the start and finish line.
2. The cloverleaf pattern may be started from either the left or the right and completed accordingly.
3. Failure to follow the pattern shall cause disqualification.
4. No time will be given if the starting line is crossed before that pattern is completed.
5. Knocking over a barrel will constitute a five (5) second penalty for each barrel knocked over.
6. Touching a barrel with the hand or body of the contestant does not constitute disqualification.

STRAIGHTAWAY BARRELS:

1. Barrels are to be set 21 feet from the starting line and 60 feet apart.
2. Contestants may start either to the left or right of the first barrel, and complete the pattern accordingly.
3. Failure to follow the pattern shall cause disqualification.
4. No time will be given if the starting line is crossed before that pattern is completed.
5. Knocking over a barrel will result in a five (5) second penalty for each barrel.
6. Touching a barrel with the hand or body of the contestant does not constitute disqualification.

GOAT TYING:

1. Girls and Boys in the 8-10 and 11-13 age groups and girls only in the 14-19 age group may enter.
2. A leather thong, piggin' string, or rope may be used.
3. Horse touching the rope or goat, before the contestant dismounts, will be a ten (10) second penalty.
4. Goat must be thrown by the contestant and any three (3) legs tied with piggin' string or goat string.
5. When the tie is complete, the contestant must stand three (3) feet from the goat for the six (6) second time clock.
6. If the goat gets up before the six (6) seconds, the contestant will receive a no time.
7. Horse touching rope or goat before contestant touches goat will result in a ten (10) second penalty.
8. Goat will be staked in the arena on a rope approximately ten (10) feet long.
9. There will be a 60-second time limit.

GOAT SLAPPING: (7 & UNDER):

1. Horse touching goat or rope before contestant dismounts will constitute a ten (10) second penalty.
2. Contestant will dismount, slap the goat anywhere, and run across the finish line.
3. Contestants must stop the horse and dismount under their own will.
4. Finish line will be measured by goat rope.
5. Goat to be held on starting line side of the stake and finish line past the stake.
6. Parent **cannot** help the child either stop the horse or dismount from the horse. There will be a line drawn in the arena that the parent is required to stand behind. Parent crossing the line before the child stops the horse will result in a ten (10) second penalty. A parent **can** hold the horse once the **child stops the horse**.

GENERAL ROPING EVENT RULES

1. All roping events will be timed.
2. All roping events will be conducted from the roping box.
3. One official will be designated as a barrier judge and one official will be designated as a flagman.
4. A barrier is to be used. Horse must clear the box before the calf is roped. * No stipulation on length of the barrier.
5. Breaking the barrier will result in a ten (10) second penalty.
6. All cattle must be roped before they exit the arena.
7. Back gate will be open.
8. Intentional dragging of cattle in roping events will result in a ten (10) second penalty.
9. There will be a 60-second time limit.

SLED ROPING:

1. Contestant must back in the box.
2. Time will start once the horse crosses the barrier. No barrier will be pulled but the horse must not leave before the sled dummy moves.
3. A five (5) second penalty will be added for leaving before the sled dummy.
4. Time will stop when the loop is tight around the neck of the sled dummy.

BREAKAWAY ROPING:

1. One loop only. Loop must pass over the calf's head and draw up on any part of the calf's body.
2. Calf must break the string or no time will be given.
3. Flag must be at the saddle horn.
4. Horse must clear the box before the calf is roped.
5. Calf must be roped and break the string from the saddle before the calf enters the catch pen.

RIBBON ROPING:

1. One loop only. Catch as catch can.
2. Calf does not have to be on his feet and the roper does not have to have his hands on the calf when the ribbon is pulled, however, the roper must be off the horse when the ribbon is pulled.
3. If there is no ribbon on the tail, the runner may pull hair and present it to the judge.
4. Runner may not pull hair if there is a ribbon on the tail.
5. Runner must run back across the calf score line and hand the ribbon to the flagman.
6. Runner must be entered in the rodeo and must be in the same age group, the runner must be of opposite sex.

TIE-DOWN ROPING:

1. All contestants in this event must use a neck rope and will only be allowed one (1) loop. Cannot rebuild.
2. Catch as catch can.
3. Calf must be daylighted.
4. If the calf is down when the contestant reaches it, it must be up prior to flanking, legging or mugging.
5. If the roper's hand is on the calf when the calf falls, the calf is considered thrown by hand.
6. Rope must be touching the calf when the contestant puts a hand on the calf.
7. For a tie to be legal, the string must go around any three legs at least one time with a hooey.
8. Calf must stay tied for six (6) seconds after the roper re-mounts and puts slack in the rope.
9. Only the roper may touch the calf. Any assistance will be a disqualification.

TEAM ROPING:

1. Ropers may enter the team roping one time.
2. There are three legal catches: head, half-head, and horns.
3. Five (5) second penalty for one heel.
4. Two (2) loops per team.
5. Headers must dally, female heelers may dally or tie on with the use of a quick-release device. You cannot dally over a hard tie.
6. No courtesy ropers will be allowed.

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Parent's Code of Conduct

Prior to any member competing in a rodeo, the member's parent must have on file with the UYRC a signed "Parents Code of Conduct." This code and signature page is attached to the original entry form. The Parents Code of Conduct is as follows:

Parents are expected to:

1. Remember that children participate in rodeos to have fun and that the rodeos are for those children, not adults.
2. Know the rules of the club and follow them.
3. Present a positive role model for all contestants and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy to other contestants and parents.
4. Demonstrate positive support for all contestants, judges, officials, and spectators at every event associated with UYRC.
5. Refrain from any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any judge, official, contestant, or parent such as booing, taunting, or using profane language or gestures during the event.
6. Act to prevent any behaviors that could endanger the health and well-being of the contestants or stock.
7. Encourage their child to follow the rules and resolve conflicts without hostility or poor behavior.
8. Encourage their child to treat other contestants, judges, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, or ability.
9. Not ridicule or yell at their child or other contestants for making a mistake or losing a competition.
10. Respect the judges and officials by following the rules for questions about calls or procedures and not confronting judges or officials in the arena or from the grandstands during an event.
11. Adhere to the rules forbidding the use of alcohol in the arena area during the rodeos.
12. Remember that the primary purpose of the youth rodeo is to teach responsibility, respect and character that will serve the contestants well as they become young adults.

Date

Parent Signature

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WARNING

UNDER TEXAS LAW
(Chapter 87, Civil Practice & Remedies Code),

AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE
DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE
INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES

AGREEMENT

I have read, understand and agree that my child(ren) and I will abide by the Parents Code of Conduct, UYRC Rules, and UYRC Event Rules for the 2022 Summer Series.

_____ Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

Print Name

Name of Contestant(s)

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