



## 2022 Women's Rodeo World Championship – Qualifier Series Events:

### About:

Women's Rodeo World Championship (WRWC) is a partnership event produced by WCRA and PBR during the PBR World Finals annually. The event guarantees a \$750,000 payout and crowns World Champions in the Women's Rodeo disciplines of Barrel Racing, Breakaway Roping, Team Roping (Heading and Heeling).

### When and Where:

May 16 – 18, 2022

Fort Worth, TX,

Cowtown Coliseum – Monday and Tuesday

Dickies Arena – Wednesday

### How Athletes Can Qualify:

- Option One: Earn points through nominations on the Virtual Rodeo Qualifier (VRQ) prior to the W22 segment deadline and secure a position on the WRWC Leaderboard (PRO or CHALLENGER)
  - o Top 1-20 PRO Leaderboard Athletes
  - o Top 1-20 CHALLENGER Leaderboard Athletes
- Option Two: Earn a generic qualification to the WRWC event by participating in the WRWC Qualifier Series event side pot at select events. The WRWC Qualifier Series is limited to six (6) events per leaderboard/discipline for Segment W22 in the VRQ.

### WRWC Qualifier Series event details:

- Earning a WRWC Qualifier Series Generic Qualification is an important opportunity for the athlete. These earned competition positions automatically place the athlete in the Qualifying Round of the WRWC regardless of Segment W22 leaderboard position.
- Up to Six (6) select women's rodeo/standalone events hosted by WRWC and/or an approved event producer will feature women only OPEN and CHALLENGER competition in Barrel Racing, Breakaway Roping and Team Roping.
- Athlete must participate in an optional WRWC Qualifier Series Side Pot to be eligible to earn a generic qualification to the WRWC event. Participation in the WRWC Qualifier Series is verified once the athlete voluntarily nominates Segment W22 for the QS event.
- The generic qualification will be given in the average round of the event to the highest placing athlete in the Pro and Challenger competition. If the event does not have an average, then the qualification will be given based on the round that determines the overall event winner.
- The WRWC Qualifier Series will also feature a VRQ Fast Cash payout at the event. The Qualifier Series Fast Cash will be no less than 40% of nomination fees from the athletes participating in the WRWC Qualifier Series Side Pot.
  - o Example: The WRWC Qualifier Series event is designated as a VRQ D3 level event with a \$100 nomination fee.
    - 60% of nomination = \$60 per nomination applied to WRWC event prize money
    - 40% of nomination = \$40 per nomination applied to Qualifier Series Fast Cash at the event
  - o VRQ Fast Cash Example: (Each leaderboard (Pro and Challenger) must have a minimum of 5 nominations for the Fast Cash to be paid)

4D BARREL RACE	OPEN	CHALLENGER
QS Nominations	25	15
Nomination Fee	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Sub-Total	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
WRWC Payout 60%	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 900.00
Fast Cash Payout 40%	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 600.00
Added \$\$ (if applicable)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Fast Cash Payout	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 600.00



- Each Qualifier Series event will also feature VRQ Expand Points to 20 places in any paid round of competition for the main competition. The Qualifier Series Side Pot is not eligible for nomination. The Expanded Points feature provides opportunities for more athletes to earn valuable W22 leaderboard points
- Qualifier Series events competition format, ground rules and entry fees will be determined by each host event producer.

### **Leaderboard Benefits**

W22 WRWC Leaderboard Benefits: following the final points audit of the WRWC W21 on April 21, 2022:

Segment W22 Leaderboard #1s will:

- Be seeded into the WRWC Showdown Round
- Receive one (1) complimentary stall rental for the duration of the event
- Receive one (1) standard double occupancy hotel room or RV spot at Will Roger Memorial Center for up to three (3) nights

(Seeded position note - Team Roping competition seeded position based on team's combined header and heeler leaderboard points.)

Segment W22 Leaderboard #2 - #4 and all WRWC Qualifier Series winners:

- Receive one (1) complimentary stall rental for the duration of the event
- QS winners with multiple QS wins will earn a complimentary stall for each QS win.

### **WRWC CHALLENGER – athlete rankings will be determined as follows:**

- Team Roping: #9.0, capped at a #4.5 each end as determined by Rope Metrics, Global Handicaps, Wrangler Team Roping, ACTRA or other approved ranking systems. The athletes verified highest rank membership will be used to verify their WRWC classification.
- Barrel Racing: Earnings threshold is determined by current Equistat data. An athlete is eligible to participate in the CHALLENGER leaderboard if their earnings do not exceed the amount listed below in any of the defined time periods:
  - 2018 = \$20,000 Annually
  - 2019 = \$20,000 Annually
  - 2020 = \$20,000 Annually
  - 2021 = \$20,000 Annually
  - 2022 = \$20,000 Annually
  - Lifetime Earnings = \$100,000
- Breakaway Roping: Earnings threshold are determined by Rodeo Logistics Athlete Classification (RLAC). RLAC is a proprietary rankings format developed for Rodeo Logistics and based on athlete earnings derived from select national and regional rodeo associations; select stand-alone events; WRWC events, and WCRA earnings from the 2018-2021 calendar years. The RLAC database currently includes over 1,750 Breakaway Roping athletes.
  - 2018 = \$6,000 Annually
  - 2019 = \$6,000 Annually
  - 2020 = \$6,000 Annually
  - 2021 = \$6,000 Annually
  - 2022 = \$6,000 Annually
  - Lifetime Earnings = \$20,000
- An athlete's status as a PRO or CHALLENGER for the 2022 event will be determined based on known information as of **October 4, 2021**. Athlete classification status will be reviewed quarterly starting December 31, 2021 to evaluate an athlete earnings from select national and regional rodeo associations; select stand-alone events. Additional classification updates may be made mid-quarter based on select stand-alone event results. Athletes that are reclassified after each review period will be notified.
  - Any athlete that is reclassified will have all earned W22 VRQ points transferred to the appropriate leaderboard based on the new classification.