

2018 Rulebook

STATE OF MISSOUR,

John R. Ashcroft Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS,

Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC LC001577716

filed its Articles of Organization with this office on the 19th day of February, 2018, and that filing was found to conform to the Missouri Limited Liability Company Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Ashcroft, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do certify and declare that on the 19th day of February, 2018, the above entity is a Limited Liability Company, organized in this state and entitled to any rights granted to Limited Liability Companies.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 19th day of February, 2018.



Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC RULES & BY-LAWS

Mission Statement

Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC is comprised of talented and experienced participants committed to promoting the sport of rodeo, sportsmanship and family togetherness. In partnership with board members, contestants and contractors, it shall continue to improve the quality of rodeo productions to meet or exceed its members' expectations. With teamwork and the persistence to achieve these ideals, all members will share in its success.

Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC was formed by Craig Nichols, Rodney Robinson, and Charles McDonald in February 2018. Business address:

RR 2 Box 494 Ava, MO 65608

No Power of Endorsement...No member shall have any right or authority to grant an endorsement to any third-party on behalf of Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC.

BY-LAWS

Membership

- Membership is open to any person.
- No rider will be able to participate until his membership paperwork is filled out, turned into the Secretary and dues are paid. Minors must have notarized membership form on file before participation in anyway is allowed. No exceptions.
- All riders must obey and follow the rules of Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, its venues, and sponsors. Subject to disqualification, fine, and/or suspension from all events.
- Membership may be denied, withdrawn completely, suspended or changed, with or without cause at any time by Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, at its sole and absolute discretion. Fines and other disciplinary measures may also be imposed for violation of any of the applicable Membership Rules or violation of terms and conditions governing a Member's behavior or participation at any time.
- Acceptance of your membership application by Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC does not make you and should not be construed as making you an employee or partner of Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, or any other related entities.
- All members are required to read the rules and bylaws carefully. Failure to understand rules and bylaws will not be accepted as an excuse.

Membership Dues

- Membership dues are \$100.00 per year and are due before or on the first event.
- Dues must be paid before a rider will be allowed to ride, no exceptions.
- Promoters are responsible to have at least one judge and one bullfighter that are current members.
- Only personnel with a current membership will be eligible for the finals.

Membership Cards

Each member, upon payment of dues, shall receive a membership card. This card will show the member's name and membership number and should be retained by the member. In some cases, it will be mailed to the rider. Every member should always have a membership card available, as it may be required for admittance.

Event Descriptions

- All events will incur a \$100.00 sanction fee payable by producer to Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC.
- There will be a minimum of \$1000 total added money per event, with \$500 minimum added per Young Guns and Senior divisions.
- Entry fee will be \$100 payable in cash only. Entry fee may be modified at certain events as management deems necessary, but will be advertised in advance of entry date.

100 entry fee = 10 sanction fee + 25 stock charge + 65 jackpot

• Producer must remit \$10 sanction fee per contestant per ride to DZBR within five (5) days of event closing along with all \$10 permit fees, \$100 memberships sold, judges sheets, payout sheets, and summary sheets.

Finals & Year End Awards

To be able to compete at the Finals:

- A member must be in good standing to be eligible to compete at the Finals and be eligible for awards.
- Number of contestants competing in each division at the Finals will be determined by management.
- Qualified Injured: Member must pay all Finals fee's to be eligible to receive awards.
- Finals award will be based upon Finals Entry only.
- In case of ties, awards will be determined by points, amount of money won and the number of events entered.
- Finals entry fee will be set by management and must be paid in full prior to Finals.

General

- Any person becoming a member shall comply with all its rules, by-laws and decisions and shall be bound by the same.
- Event entry may be limited per division and/or performance. Preference given to top riders in the standings at the time, buddy groups, and cardholders. Producer guaranteed five (5) entries per event, which must be given to event secretary prior to event call-in.
- You must call event secretary on Monday before the event between 6 pm 9 pm or text in to enter an event.
- Before NOON on Monday before the event, you may text or email entry to
 - **dangerzonecallin@gmail.com** with full name and event location to enter. Confirmation will be sent back. If you do not receive confirmation, then you are not entered and must call-in.
- You must call, email, or text (leave/enter Full Name in text) in by 7 pm on Thursday before an event to draw out. After Thursday, you are subject to full entry fees and costs to producer and/or ineligibility of competing.
- Members must pay current dues and all outstanding debts to Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, sponsors, etc. before being allowed to participate in any approved event.
- Riders must be on hand and ready to compete when it's their turn. If rider is not there, stock will be turned
 out. A \$35.00 turn out fine will be owed. No stock shall be brought back after turning out. Stock so turned
 out can be used for re-rides.
- Bulls must be tipped to the size of a fifty-cent piece.
- Protective vest is required for any competing member or permit rider.
- The judges' decisions are final.
- Permit riders Permit riders will be required to pay entry fee plus a \$10.00 permit fee of cash only. Permit fee may be waived with approval.
- No previous member can ride on a permit
- Only two permit rides will be permitted, before a membership is required

Code of Conduct

- All members will always conduct themselves in an exemplary manner representing Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC in a positive light in and out of the arena.
- Anytime a member speaks of or to other members, judges, stock contractors, etc. in a negative manner they will be subject to a fine. Please see Fines List.
- Dress Code enforced 1 hour before any Event.
- Fighting, quarreling, taunting, intimidation, cockiness, rudeness, whining, etc. are not acceptable. Alcohol or profanity is not acceptable at certain venues; you are expected to conduct yourself as an adult and abide by

The Chute

- Time start When the bull breaks the plane of the gate.
- Time Stop When the riders' hand is no longer touching the bull rope or 8 seconds, whichever comes first.
- A rider must be ready when it comes his turn. No more than three hands pulling a bull rope will be allowed.
- A rider must make two attempts to get out on the bull, if not able, he will get a re-ride option.
- No competing member may flank a bull in the event they are competing in.

Rider shall be disqualified for any of the following offenses:

- If rider gets bucked off.
- If free hand or arm touches the bull, or any other object. (Incidental contact created by the bull or while making a bull riding move, will not be a disqualification)
- If spurs are hooked in the bull rope when a rider leaves the chute.
- Using sharp spurs or placing spurs or chaps under the rope when the rope is being tightened.
- It is the bull rider's decision to have their bull hot shot.

Re-Ride

- If the bull fouls the chute coming out or if the bull falls, a re-ride option will be available.
- Rider does not have to declare himself on a foul.
- Fouls will be at the judges discretion.
- If the flank rope comes off during the ride, the contestant must complete the 8-second ride, before an option for a re-ride is determined.
- If a bull leaves the chute without a flank, it will be an automatic re-ride option.
- If the rider accepts the re-ride he must take it. If not, he will receive no score.
- The re-ride bull must be equivalent to the original bull draft. EXAMPLE: You can't be last in the draw and get a 6-level pick, then receive a re-ride that is an 8-level pick. Re-ride bulls will be a high and low-end bull. Re-ride bull will be the level of bull you originally picked.

The Arena

- Bull rider may be fined (amount of fine to be determined by management) and/or disqualified for any of the following offenses during an event: Please see fines List.
- Being under the influence of alcohol or narcotics in the arena.
- Being rowdy or quarreling in the arena.
- Not wearing western hat, boots and long sleeve shirt with collar in the arena.
- Mistreatment of Stock in or out of the Arena.

Draw/Draft

- At all sanctioned events a draft format will be utilized.
- Any sanctioned event not hosted by Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC could be subject to draw.

Drafting/Drawing of Bull

• At any event a bull rider (draft/draw) cannot pick the same bull twice.

Judges and Judging

- Judges must be experienced.
- Judges totals must be turned in to and checked by the Secretary before winner is announced.
- All judges should carry a stopwatch.
- The decisions of the judges will be final and no protest by riders will be permitted.
- Judges membership fees are \$100.00 per year.
- Only judges with a membership will be eligible for the finals.
- No competing member may judge an event at any time, during the year they are competing as a bull rider.

Point Awards & Payoff

- The point award system is a ten-point system. Points will be awarded to the top ten (10) places if qualified. Points will be awarded as follows: 100/90/80/70/60/50/40/30/20/10.
- Each rider will receive 20 points for paying entry fees and 1 point for each rider that breaks the plane of the chute.
- Event points will be based after combining all division performance results together. This is for event points only, not jackpot payout. No contestant may receive monies in more than one division at an event.
- If a contestant pays their fees and decides not to ride/cross the plane of the chute, only 20 points will be awarded to the contestant points.

The following payoff will be used:

- 1 to 5 riders - 1 money - 100%

- 6 to 10 Riders - 2 monies 60% - 40%

- 11 to 15 Riders - 3 monies 50% - 30% - 20%

- 16 to 20 Riders - 4 monies 40% - 30% - 20% - 10%

- 21 to 49 Riders Over 5 monies 30% - 25% - 20% - 15% - 10%

- 50 & Over 6 monies 30% - 24% - 18% - 13% - 9% - 6%

Fines List

- Member not in dress code behind the chutes will be fined \$25.00 for the 1st offense, \$50.00 for the 2nd, and \$100 for the 3rd fine.
- No one will be allowed behind the chutes that is not in complete dress code; cowboy hat, shirt with long sleeves
 and a collar, jeans and boots.
- Harassing of Officials: Producers, Contractors, or Members \$100.00 Fine.
- Quarreling: In Arena or behind chutes \$100.00 Fine.
- Assaulting or Striking an Official: Disqualification from that event, \$300.00 Fine and/or Suspension
- Under Influence: Drugs or Alcohol before or during an event \$100.00 Fine and Disqualification from that event (no refund).
- Facebook/Social Media: Slander of the Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, owners, sponsors, or members will not be tolerated. Members will be fined \$300.00 and suspended from 3 events following date of Comment.
- Stock 1st offense: mistreatment of stock, soaking, cutting, etc. (review) 25.00 fine
- Stock 2nd offense: suspension of 2 shows following incident and a \$50.00 fine.
- Stock Further offenses: Not eligible to compete at Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC events

These are some of the items that will warrant a fine. The management reserves the right to add, change, or modify this list at any time throughout the year to protect Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC. If a member (Rider) is fined three (3) times for any offense their membership will be terminated indefinitely (excludes turn out fines).

Special Event Rules (must be approved/advertised prior to event)

Points for Year-End Standings

- Points will be awarded to the top ten (10) places based upon qualified ride total scores, then total ride times if needed. Points will be awarded as follows: 100/90/80/70/60/50/40/30/20/10. Producer may modify jackpot payout with prior approval.
- Each rider will receive 20 points for each sanction fee he paid and 1 point for each rider that breaks the plane of the chute.
- If a contestant pays their fees and decides not to ride/cross the plane of the chute, only 20 points will be awarded to the contestant points.

Assumption of Risk and Release of Liability...THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY. BY BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE DANGER ZONE BULL RIDING, LLC, YOU ARE AGREEING TO RELEASE DANGER ZONE BULL RIDING, LLC AND OTHER PARTIES FROM LIABILITY. PLEASE READ THIS PROVISION CAREFULLY:

Members acknowledge that rodeo events, including Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sanctioned events, are inherently dangerous activities. Members further acknowledge that participation in a Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sanctioned event (whether as a competitor, independent contractor, official, laborer, volunteer or observer) exposes the participant to substantial and serious hazards and risks of property damage, personal injury and/or death. Each member, in consideration of his or her membership in the Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC and his/her being permitted to participate in a Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sanctioned event in any capacity, does by such membership and participation agree to assume such hazards and risks.

Each member further agrees to discharge, waive, release and covenant not to sue Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, all Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sponsors, all Members (including without limitation, Contestants, Stock Contractors, Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC Producers, Rodeo Committees, and Contract Personnel), and any other Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sanctioned event production entity (and each party's respective officers, directors, employees and agents), from all claims, demands and liabilities for any and all property damage, personal injury and/or death arising from such Member's participation in a Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sanctioned event. This discharge, waiver and release includes claims, demands, and liabilities that are known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, future or contingent, and includes claims, demands, and liabilities arising out of the negligence of the parties so released by such Member. Furthermore, where permitted by applicable law, this discharge, waiver and release also includes claims, demands and liabilities arising out of the gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct of the parties so released. This discharge, waiver and release also includes claims, demands, and liabilities by a Member for indemnities and contributions arising from property damage, personal injury and/or death to a third-party.

The undertakings and covenants of the foregoing provisions shall be binding upon each Member, his or her heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

Indemnification...Each member (including, without limitation, contestants, stock contractors, event producers, rodeo committees, contract personnel) agrees to indemnify and save and hold harmless Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC and all Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sponsors from any and all claims, demands, and liabilities for any and all property damage, personal injury and/or death asserted by a third party (defined as any party other than the Member, Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC or Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sponsor) and arising from such Member's participation in a Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sanctioned event.

Advertising by Members...Garments, tack or gear advertising a commercial business, product, service or individual in an arena may only be worn or displayed by Members under guidelines approved by Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC.

Application for Membership...An individual applying for any membership or permit in Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC must submit an application using forms provided by Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC. An application must be signed and submitted directly to the Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC Office. Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC may in its sole discretion, deny an applicant membership in the Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, or may deny renewal of an existing membership, if the applicant or Member has been convicted of a serious crime.

Legal Age Requirement...No membership or permit will be issued to anyone under the age of <u>16</u>. Individual applicant who is between the ages of <u>16-17</u> will be required to submit a parental or guardianship release form provided by Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC, with no exceptions. Parent or Legal guardian <u>must be present</u> with proper ID at Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC sanctioned event. Release form shall be notarized.

No Financial Obligations Outstanding...No membership renewal in any membership category will be processed if the applicant for renewal has any delinquent financial obligations due to the Danger Zone Bull Riding, LLC.

SSN or **Tax ID Number Required...**No membership will be processed without that person's United States Social Security number or tax identification number.