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Rangeland Derby

Rule Book

# **CALGARY STAMPEDE GMC RANGELAND DERBY**

## **2009 CHUCKWAGON RULE BOOK**

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## **2009 GMC RANGELAND DERBY RULES**

The GMC Rangeland Derby is the chuckwagon racing event held annually during the Ten Day Calgary Stampede.

“Stampede Officials” shall comprise of those individuals designated by the Calgary Stampede to produce and conduct the operation of the Calgary Stampede GMC Rangeland Derby.

### **ADDITION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Stampede Officials shall in their absolute discretion have the right at any time to add a Rule or Rules in order to clarify or address a circumstance or action not previously outlined or contemplated in the existing Calgary Stampede GMC Rangeland Derby Rule Book.

#### **1. CODE OF CONDUCT**

1.1 All Chuckwagon participants will:

- a) Consistently demonstrate the spirit of sportsmanship, sports leadership and ethical conduct in the best interest of the safety of all participants and animals, and the integrity of the sport of chuckwagon racing and the GMC Rangeland Derby;
- b) Ensure their participation, and the participation of any and all individuals associated with their chuckwagon outfit in the GMC Rangeland Derby, is conducted in accordance with the GMC Rangeland Derby Rule Book and the Code of Conduct;
- c) Promote a safe sporting environment by avoiding any behaviour on the track – before, during and after the race – that compromises the safety of other competitors or animals;
- d) Ensure responsible care in the handling, treatment and transportation of their horses as well as horses placed in their care for any purpose;
- e) Provide for the continuous well-being of horses by encouraging routine inspection and consultation with health care professionals and competition officials to achieve the highest possible standards of nutrition, health, comfort, sanitation and safety as a matter of standard operating procedure;
- f) Treat all other participants with respect and dignity, and avoid any actions that might threaten or intimidate any person or organization involved in the GMC Rangeland Derby, including spectators, sponsors, other chuckwagon competitors and Stampede Judges, Stampede Officials, staff and volunteers;

- g) Exhibit standards of professional behaviour which will maintain public confidence and trust in the integrity of the GMC Rangeland Derby, the sport of chuckwagon racing and/or the Calgary Stampede;
  - h) Refrain from publicly criticizing the manner in which the Judges, Chuckwagon Safety Commission, or Stampede Officials perform their duties or resolve any dispute or disciplinary matter resulting from a breach of the GMC Rangeland Derby Rules and/or Code of Conduct; and,
  - i) Cooperate in the enforcement of the GMC Rangeland Derby Rule Book and Code of Conduct, and agree to accept the authority and decisions of the Stampede Judges, Chuckwagon Safety Commission and Stampede Officials.
- 1.2 Chuckwagon participants shall be subject to sanctions by the Chuckwagon Safety Commission if they are found to have breached the Code of Conduct.

## **2. GENERAL RULES**

- 2.1 Drivers and their wagon outfits agree to participate in each performance of the GMC Rangeland Derby. Stampede Officials will decide if a performance is to be postponed or cancelled due to unsatisfactory conditions. Extra performances may be added to replace cancelled performances at the sole discretion of the Calgary Stampede. If any part of a performance is cancelled, the times recorded prior to cancellation will be null and void. Any fines and/or suspensions and/or disqualifications levied prior to cancellation may be assessed at the discretion of Stampede Officials.
- 2.2 Drivers must meet physical standards as required for safe operation of a chuckwagon as determined by Stampede Officials. The medical certificate supplied by the Calgary Stampede certifying physical fitness must be completed and submitted with the performance bond. Drivers will be subject to further examination by the Calgary Stampede physician at the discretion of Stampede Officials. Each driver is responsible for the physical well-being and mental alertness of his outriders.
- 2.3 A driver must be a minimum of 16 years of age and a maximum of 65 years of age as of the first day of competition of the GMC Rangeland Derby.
- 2.4 A driver is only allowed to enter ONE chuckwagon outfit.

- 2.5 The Calgary Stampede does not tolerate the use of alcohol or drugs that impair performance by participants in the GMC Rangeland Derby. All participants may be requested from time to time to undergo medical examinations and/or drug and alcohol tests. If a participant refuses to take any such tests, he shall be disqualified immediately from participating in the GMC Rangeland Derby.
- 2.6 The Calgary Stampede does not guarantee that a chuckwagon driver and/or wagon outfit will perform for ten consecutive days.
- a) If a driver must be replaced due to illness, injury or compassionate reasons prior to or during the 2009 GMC Rangeland Derby, Stampede Officials must approve the replacement driver.
  - b) If a driver is suspended or disqualified, Stampede Officials have the right to replace that driver and wagon outfit for the performance(s) during which the suspension or disqualification is in effect. The replacement driver and wagon outfit will be entitled to all prize monies and canvas proceeds on a pro rata basis for the performance(s) in which they compete.
  - c) If a driver is unable or decides, for any reason, not to compete at the 2009 GMC Rangeland Derby after the Canvas Auction has taken place; Stampede Officials, in their sole and unfettered discretion, will replace that driver and wagon outfit with another driver. The replacement driver and wagon outfit will be entitled to all prize monies and canvas proceeds on a pro rata basis for the performances in which they compete.
- 2.7 Fines and/or suspensions and/or disqualification will be levied for any actions, including breaches of the Code of Conduct, committed by chuckwagon participants on or off the track which are deemed detrimental to the sport of chuckwagon racing and/or to the Calgary Stampede. Chuckwagon participants shall at no time interfere with the conduct of duties by Stampede Officials. Participants with a dangerous driving/riding record may be deemed by the Calgary Stampede, in its sole discretion, to be ineligible for competition in the future.
- 2.8 Should a driver, of his own accord, fail to complete the race meet, he will be ineligible for an invitation the following year. Stampede Officials will review the details of any such infraction to determine if there will be any dispensation such as medical or compassionate grounds.
- 2.9 Any driver who has been disqualified from the GMC Rangeland Derby, for whatever reason, will not be invited to future GMC Rangeland Derby competitions unless reinstated. The disqualified driver must apply in writing by September 1<sup>st</sup> for reinstatement consideration by the Chuckwagon Safety Commission and the Calgary Stampede.

- 2.10 Drivers and replacement drivers shall not compete in more than two (2) heats per night.
- 2.11 Designated Stampede Officials have the right to check all drivers and outriders before they enter the racetrack or infield, and disqualify any driver or outrider who, for any reason should not be allowed to run. (E.G. if deemed a menace to other contestants). All drivers, outriders, chuckwagon personnel, and canvas advertisers and guests are at all times answerable to the Calgary Stampede and its designated Stampede Officials.
- 2.12 A driver or outrider may not place a wager, or have a wager placed on their behalf, on the outcome of any GMC Rangeland Derby chuckwagon race, races or overall race placing.
- 2.13 A suspended or disqualified driver is not allowed to participate as an outrider or driver's assistant, and a suspended or disqualified outrider is not allowed to compete as a driver or driver's assistant.
- 2.14 Each outfit is to consist of a wagon drawn by a four (4) horse team with driver, and four (4) mounted outriders, all dressed in western attire, including cowboy hats or race helmets. Driver, outriders and driver's assistant shirts and/or jackets must be same colour and will match the barrel position colour for the heat they are competing in. Each outfit is to wear the following colours based on barrel position:  
#1 - WHITE      #2 - RED      #3 - BLACK      #4 - YELLOW
- 2.15 All drivers and outriders must wear a CSA Approved Flak jacket at all times while on the racetrack during the races and in training.
- 2.16 Each driver is allowed to take one (1) driver's assistant with him in the chuckwagon and one (1) additional helper on foot if required through the four-furlong pass gate each evening. The additional helper will not be allowed to accompany his wagon beyond the four-furlong chute when the wagons are called for a heat. The driver's assistant must be out of the wagon before it pulls into the infield prior to the commencement of the race. Penalty for first offence - \$50; 2nd offence - \$100; and subsequent offences - three (3) seconds added to running time. At the conclusion of the race, the driver's assistant must get on wagon at the four-furlong turn around point (see Running Rules 12.33).
- 2.17 No Smoking in the Barns or in a 25' perimeter around the Barns. 1<sup>st</sup> Offence is a warning, 2<sup>nd</sup> Offence Stampede Gate Accreditation will be revoked. A Fire Extinguisher must be present at all BBQ sites.  
STRICTLY ENFORCED

2.18 Drivers failing to attend the Canvas Auction Driver's meeting, the pre-Stampede Driver's meeting, and /or their designated GMC Trading Card Autograph sessions will be fined as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> offence - \$150.00; 2<sup>nd</sup> offence - \$300.00; 3<sup>rd</sup> offence - \$600.00;  
4<sup>th</sup> offence\* - \$1,200.00

\* The final four drivers are required to attend the GMC Trading Card Autograph session on the final Sunday.

2.19 Each Chuckwagon Association can designate a maximum of two official farriers.

### **3. PERFORMANCE BOND**

Each wagon driver applying to compete in the GMC Rangeland Derby must post a \$1,000.00 performance bond by the date requested in the invitation. This performance bond will be refunded in full to the driver if he is not selected to compete. All or any portion of the performance bond will be refunded to the driver within 30 days of completion of the GMC Rangeland Derby, a) providing the driver's allotted stalls are cleaned out prior to departing Stampede Park, and b) providing the driver or members of his outfit are not responsible for any theft of, or damage to, Calgary Stampede property during the GMC Rangeland Derby.

### **4. STALLING**

Each chuckwagon outfit will be permitted a maximum of 14 stalls on Stampede Park. Chuckwagon and outrider horses are to be stabled in an area designated by Stampede Officials. The stabling of any chuckwagon or outrider horses in any stalls designated for other Calgary Stampede events is strictly prohibited, with wagon drivers being subject to a fine by Stampede Officials for failure to comply. Each driver is responsible for cleaning out their allotted stalls prior to departing Stampede Park.

### **5. WAGONS & EQUIPMENT**

5.1 The Calgary Stampede will furnish each driver with an identifying mark(s) and the corporate signage of GMC to be attached to the wagon in a location(s) designated by Stampede Officials. NO other corporate signage or messages will be permitted on the wagon box, running gear, or equipment.

5.2 Wagon and harness must be in good condition. Failure of any equipment is the responsibility of each driver.

5.3 A wagon cannot be used in consecutive heats.

- 5.4 Each wagon shall weigh at least 1,325 pounds with the driver on the seat. All wagons shall be weighed on the weigh scales at Stampede Park prior to 2 p.m. on the first day of the GMC Rangeland Derby. If at any time, after the official weigh in, a written complaint from another wagon driver, accompanied by a \$500.00 bond, is received at the Rodeo Office by Stampede Officials, the wagon and driver, in relation to which the complaint is filed, shall be re-weighed at the weigh scales at Stampede Park immediately after that day's race. If the complaint is not upheld, the \$500.00 bond will be forfeited and the complainant's name will be released. If the wagon and driver, when re-weighed, do not meet the weight requirements, the driver will be penalized \$1,000.00 for the first offence, and will receive a penalty of two (2) seconds for that race and disqualification for the second offence. Drivers will be responsible for supplying additional metal weight if required. The metal weight must be attached permanently to the wagon box or running gear, either welded or bolted. Weights must be registered with Stampede Officials at the Rodeo Office.
- 5.5 Wagons must be traditional round-up wagon with wooden box and floor and square corners with no outside metal corners and braces. Outside dimension shall not be less than 38 inches wide, 20 inches high, and 11 feet 4 inches long. Width of running gear must not be more than 64 inches wide from centre of spoke at hub to centre of spoke at hub on corresponding wheel. Chuckwagon must have standard running gear, with traditional large hubs and tapered spindles. No lubricant seals which facilitates oil bath; no machined roller bearings. Hubs must not be extended beyond the outside of the truss rod nut. No false bolsters allowed and bolster pin must not drop down past the bottom of the axle more than one inch and must be secured. Metal poles are mandatory and metal or wood reaches are acceptable. Hoops supporting the canvas shall be a minimum of 28 inches above the top of wagon box. The back hoop must be perpendicular with the back of the wagon box.
- 5.6 Canvas fly must be attached to the inside of wagon box, be 30" wide, and extend 5 feet from the front of the stove rack when stretched. Each pole must be painted white. Two (2) poles minimum 5 1/2 feet in length each to hold up outside end of fly. Poles must be attached directly to fly, or by a maximum of 4 inch piece of rope for each pole.
- 5.7 Stove racks must not be more than 38 inches wide, 32 inches long and 14 inches deep, and must not extend past the back of wagon box. Corners on the exposed portion of stove rack must be rounded with bent pipe or tubing. No sharp corners. Stove rack must be enclosed on 4 sides and bottom with heavy gauge expanded steel mesh. The sides above the stove rack are to be closed in with plywood. The bottom of the stove rack must be 18 inches off the ground and the top of the stove rack must be 32 inches from the ground. Stove racks must be secured on the side of wagon box as per the design. No modifications will be accepted.

- 5.8 Regulation stoves will be supplied by the driver. Stove must be made of a collapsible material, and must be 16 inches in diameter, with 2 handles and must be red in colour.
- 5.9 Barrels are to be constructed of a collapsible material, and of standard size. A marker is to be placed under each barrel. Markers will be set by designated Stampede Officials.
- 5.10 For safety reasons, both lead horses must wear a halter.
- 5.11 The driver of each wagon outfit must have his name placed on the lower front of both sides of the canvas.

## **6. HUMANE TREATMENT**

- 6.1 At any time during the GMC Rangeland Derby, all chuckwagon horses and outriders' horses will be subjected to an examination by a Calgary Stampede veterinarian to establish chuckwagon racing soundness.
- 6.2 Horses deemed unsafe or unsound to race by the Calgary Stampede veterinarian will NOT race. Grounds to scratch an outriding horse or wagon horse shall include lameness, injury, sickness or any other condition so noted by the Calgary Stampede veterinarian as detrimental to racing soundness and/or safety.
- 6.3 An equine ambulance shall be available to remove horses from the track in case of injury.
- 6.4 The Calgary Stampede veterinarian will have the right to euthanize an injured horse without the consent of the owner if it is deemed necessary, at the sole discretion of the Calgary Stampede veterinarian.
- 6.5 Chuckwagon participants will be fined and/or suspended and/or disqualified for any mistreatment of livestock, or for any actions, including but not limited to negligence, that result in the mistreatment of livestock.
- 6.6 No horse shall be beaten, mutilated, or cruelly prodded. The placing of fingers in eyes, lips or nose on any horse is forbidden. No wooden paddles. Straps are permissible. No sharp or cutting objects in cinch, saddle girths, or harness shall be permitted.
- 6.7 The use of whips or the ends of lines on wagon horses will not be permitted.
- 6.8 The use of electric prods or devices are not permitted on any horses.

## 7. EQUINE THERAPEUTIC MEDICATION POLICY

No horse shall be entered in the GMC Rangeland Derby if it has been administered in any manner any forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance.

7.1 Permitted Medications:	Trade Names:
a) Phenylbutazone	Butazone
b) Oxyphenbutazone	Oxybutazone
c) Flunixin	Banamine, Cronyxin
d) Furosamide	Lasix
e) Trimethoprim Sulfadoxine	Trivetrim, Borgal, Tribriksen
f) Stanozolol	Stanozolol
g) Boldenone	Equipoise
h) Nandrolone	Durabolin
i) Testosterone	Testosterone

### 7.2 Forbidden Drugs And Medications:

- a) Any drug or medication not approved for use in Canada according to the *Food and Drugs Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c.F-27, as amended.
- b) Any drug or medication not listed in the permitted medications list above and listed under the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act*, S.C. 1996, c.19, as amended.
- c) Any drug or medication which has as one of its major pharmacological actions, a stimulant or depressant affect on the central nervous system.
- d) Any local anesthetic.
- e) Any drug, medication or substance which in the opinion of the chemist interferes with the thorough testing of a sample.
- f) All drugs or medications or foreign substances other than normal feed not specifically approved and described in the Permitted Medications section of this policy.

Stampede Officials shall appoint a licensed technician to obtain blood and/or urine samples. Stampede Officials may select for testing any or all horses competing in the GMC Rangeland Derby. Also, Stampede Officials will select for testing any of the four (4) wagon horses from each of the four (4) wagon outfits competing in the Final Heat of the 10th performance. Horses may be tested prior to and/or after competing in a performance. In the case of testing of horses prior to competing in a performance, the licensed technician will obtain blood samples at any locations within the backstretch, barns and four-furlong chute as designated by Stampede Officials. Horses selected to be tested following a performance must be taken to the drug-testing barn **immediately** after their race. Test markings must be **clearly visible** on the selected horse(s). Refusal to submit the selected horse or horses for drug testing,

and/or refusal or interference in allowing the licensed technician to perform his/her duties related to the obtaining of blood and/or urine samples, shall constitute a violation and subject the responsible driver to any combination of penalties, fines, suspension, or disqualification.

Whether a blood sample is taken before or after a race, a reading of blood bicarbonate content of 37 or more mmol/L is to be considered over the acceptable limit. Penalties will be assessed as outlined in the following section of the Rules.

The wagon driver shall protect his horses (including any rented or borrowed horses) from the administration of any forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance. The wagon driver shall be solely responsible for the condition of his horses tested regardless of the acts of third parties and regardless of the time of administration of any drug, medication, or foreign substance that results in an identification in the official sample.

The identification of any prohibited drug, medication or foreign substance in any official sample of urine and/or blood obtained from tested horses shall constitute prima facie evidence that the performance of the horse was affected by the drug, medication, or foreign substance and that it was administered by the wagon driver having the care and custody of that horse. Penalties and/or sanction shall be assessed to the wagon driver.

All decisions rendered by the Calgary Stampede and its designated Stampede Officials pertaining to drug, medication and foreign substances are final and are not subject to appeal of any kind.

### **7.3 Penalties For Drug, Medication Or Foreign Substance Identifications**

Penalties for forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identifications shall be assessed as follows:

- a) the wagon driver will be fined a minimum of \$1,000.00 and,
- b) the wagon driver will forfeit, and be required to return to the Calgary Stampede, all prize money and awards received, if any, for the performance in which the forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identification was obtained; and,
- c) the wagon driver will be placed on probation for the next GMC Rangeland Derby in which the wagon driver is a participant.

Penalties for forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identifications, while the wagon driver is on probation, shall be assessed as follows:

- a) the wagon driver will be fined a minimum of \$2,500.00 and,

- b) the wagon driver will forfeit, and be required to return to the Calgary Stampede, all prize money and awards received, if any, for the performance in which the forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identification was obtained; and,
- c) the wagon driver will be disqualified from competing in the next GMC Rangeland Derby for which the wagon driver would have otherwise met the Calgary Stampede qualifications to compete.

Additional penalties for forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identifications shall be assessed as follows:

- a) In the case of the **winner of the Aggregate Award**, The wagon driver, in addition to the penalties previously described, will forfeit, and be required to return to the Calgary Stampede, all awards received for winning the Aggregate Award if a forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identification was obtained on any of his horses from any of the first eight performances of the current GMC Rangeland Derby.
- b) In the case of **all participants in the \$150,000 Sunday Showdown Final Heat**, the wagon driver, in addition to the penalties previously described, will forfeit, and be required to return to the Calgary Stampede, all prize money and awards received in the final heat if a forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identification was obtained on any of his horses from any performance of the current GMC Rangeland Derby.
- c) In the case of **all winners of an Aggregate Bonus Award**, the wagon driver, in addition to the penalties previously described, will forfeit, and be required to return to the Calgary Stampede, all aggregate bonus prize money and awards received if a forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identification was obtained on any of his horses from any of the first eight performances of the current GMC Rangeland Derby.

Within ten (10) days of receiving notification by Stampede Officials that a forbidden drug, medication or foreign substance identification was obtained, the wagon driver is required to pay all fines and return the forfeited prize money and awards received, if any. Failure to do so, will result in the wagon driver being disqualified from future participation in the GMC Rangeland Derby, and may subject the driver to civil action to recover any forfeited prize money and awards.

Wagon drivers who have been assessed drug, medication or foreign substance related penalties by the Calgary Stampede may be subject to further disciplinary action from their respective Chuckwagon Associations.

## **8. JUDGES**

The Calgary Stampede will have the sole authority for hiring all chuckwagon judges. The chuckwagon judges will be responsible for judging the chuckwagon races during each performance of the GMC Rangeland Derby. There will be one (1) judging coordinator, four (4) wagon judges, four (4) outrider judges, three (3) spotting judges and two (2) breathalyzer judges (the "Judges"). Judges have the authority to interpret and administer the rules as described in the 2009 GMC Rangeland Derby Rule Book, to add to or modify the rules and penalties and decide all questions in the best interests of the GMC Rangeland Derby. The Judges shall have absolute discretion and the ultimate decision of the Judges shall be final, excepting that the Calgary Stampede has established a Chuckwagon Safety Commission that is authorized to act as the review and appeal body with respect to interference penalties that have been assessed by the Judges during the chuckwagon races. (Refer to Chuckwagon Safety Commission – Terms of Reference – Section #20).

All Judges' decisions shall be kept in confidence. The Calgary Stampede will not make the Judges available to chuckwagon drivers or outriders to discuss calls that have or have not been made during the race heats of the GMC Rangeland Derby.

Any complaints or comments regarding judging or the Rules of the GMC Rangeland Derby must be submitted in writing to the attention of the vice-president responsible for Chuckwagon Racing, Calgary Stampede. Any issues that are raised will form part of an annual review and assessment of the judging system and the GMC Rangeland Derby Rule Book.

All participants agree to abide by the decisions made by the Calgary Stampede and its designated Officials.

## **9. RACE REVIEWS**

Drivers will be able to see race films at 10:00 a.m. the morning following the performance at a location to be advised.

## **10. CHUCKWAGON COMPETITION FORMAT**

### **10.1 Round 1 – Day 1 – 8 ... Aggregate Competition**

- a) 36 wagon drivers will compete for Day Money and the Aggregate Standings over the first eight days of competition.
- b) The 36 wagons will be seeded based on a formula established by the Stampede. Designated Stampede Officials will be responsible for the initial night's draw and subsequent re-draws.

- c) The formula for the first night's draw will be:  
The 36 wagon drivers will be seeded – four from each association into heats 9 – 1 from the top of their current 2009 chuckwagon association standings (as published prior to Stampede) down.  
CPCA: 4 drivers in Heats 8, 6 & 4  
WPCA: 4 drivers in Heats 9, 7, 5, 3, 2 and 1
- d) Each wagon will compete on all four barrels for Day 1 through Day 4.
- e) The 36 wagons will be re-seeded after Day 4 of chuckwagon racing. The wagons will be matched in heats based on total running time (excluding penalties) for the first four performances at the sole discretion of Stampede Officials.
- f) Each wagon will compete on all four barrels for Day 5 through Day 8.
- g) The eight fastest wagons based on total aggregate time will qualify to advance to the Saturday Semi-Final run-off. In the event of a tie for the eighth position, it will be broken by:
  - i- fastest total running time
  - ii- total day moneys earned
  - iii- Judges' draw.
- h) **The Aggregate Winner** will be based on the Aggregate Standings following completion of Round 1 (Days 1 through 8). The wagon outfit with the fastest total time (including penalties) after completion of the first eight performances will be declared the Aggregate Award winner and will be presented with appropriate awards as determined and published by the Calgary Stampede prior to the GMC Rangeland Derby. In the event of a tie the Aggregate Award winner shall be determined by:
  - i- the driver with the most day money won after eight performances
  - ii- the driver with the fastest total time (including penalties) after completion of the second four performances (Days 5 – 8)
  - iii- Judges' draw.
- i) **The Aggregate Bonus** will be paid to 16 positions following completion of Round 1 (Days 1 through 8). Refer to section 19 – Prize Money – Aggregate Bonus.

## 10.2 Round 2 – Day 9 ... Semi-Final Saturday

- a) 36 wagon drivers will compete for Day Money.
- b) The 28 drivers who have not qualified for the Semi-Final Saturday run-off will be matched in Heats 1 – 7 based on total running time (excluding penalties) for the first eight performances, at the sole discretion of Stampede Officials.
- c) The eight drivers who have qualified for the Semi-Final Saturday run-off will be seeded into Heats 8 and 9 based on a selection process outlined in 10.2 d).
- d) Seeding selection process: The order of selection to compete in

Heat 8 or 9 and barrel position will be based on the order of placing (total aggregate time) from Round 1 (Day 1 through 8) competition. The driver with the fastest total aggregate time will have first choice of competing in Heat 8 or 9 and the first choice of barrel position in the Heat selected.

The selection process for Heat and barrel positions will proceed as above for the remainder of the qualified drivers until both Heats 8 and 9 and all barrel positions have been filled. In the event of a tie for any of the qualified positions it will be broken by:

- i- fastest total running time from Round 1
  - ii- total day moneys earned from Round 1
  - iii- Judges' draw.
- e) The four drivers with the fastest times (including penalties) from Heat 8 and 9 races in the Semi-Final Saturday run-off (Day 9 performance) will advance and qualify for the final heat on Day 10. In the event of a tie, in order to determine the participants of the final heat, it will be broken by the wagon outfit having, after completion of the first nine performances:
- i- the fastest total aggregate time
  - ii- the fastest total running time
  - iii- total day moneys earned
  - iv- Judges' draw.

### 10.3 Round 3 – Day 10 ... Sunday Showdown Final

- a) 32 wagon drivers (not qualified for the Showdown Final) will compete for Day Money.
- b) The 28 drivers from Heats 1 to 7 on Day 9 will be reseeded in these heats for Day 10. The wagons will be matched in Heats 1 to 7 based on total running time (excluding penalties) for the first nine performances, at the sole discretion of Stampede Officials.
- c) The fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) to eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) place finishers based on the four slowest times in Heats 8 and 9 from the Semi-Final Saturday run-off (Round 2 – Day 9) will be seeded into Heat 8 for Day 10.
- d) **\$150,000 SUNDAY SHOWDOWN FINAL HEAT  
GMC RANGELAND DERBY CHAMPION**

The participants of the \$150,000 final heat will be those four wagon outfits with the fastest times (including penalties) from Heat 8 and Heat 9 races in the Semi-Final Saturday run-off (Day 9 performance).

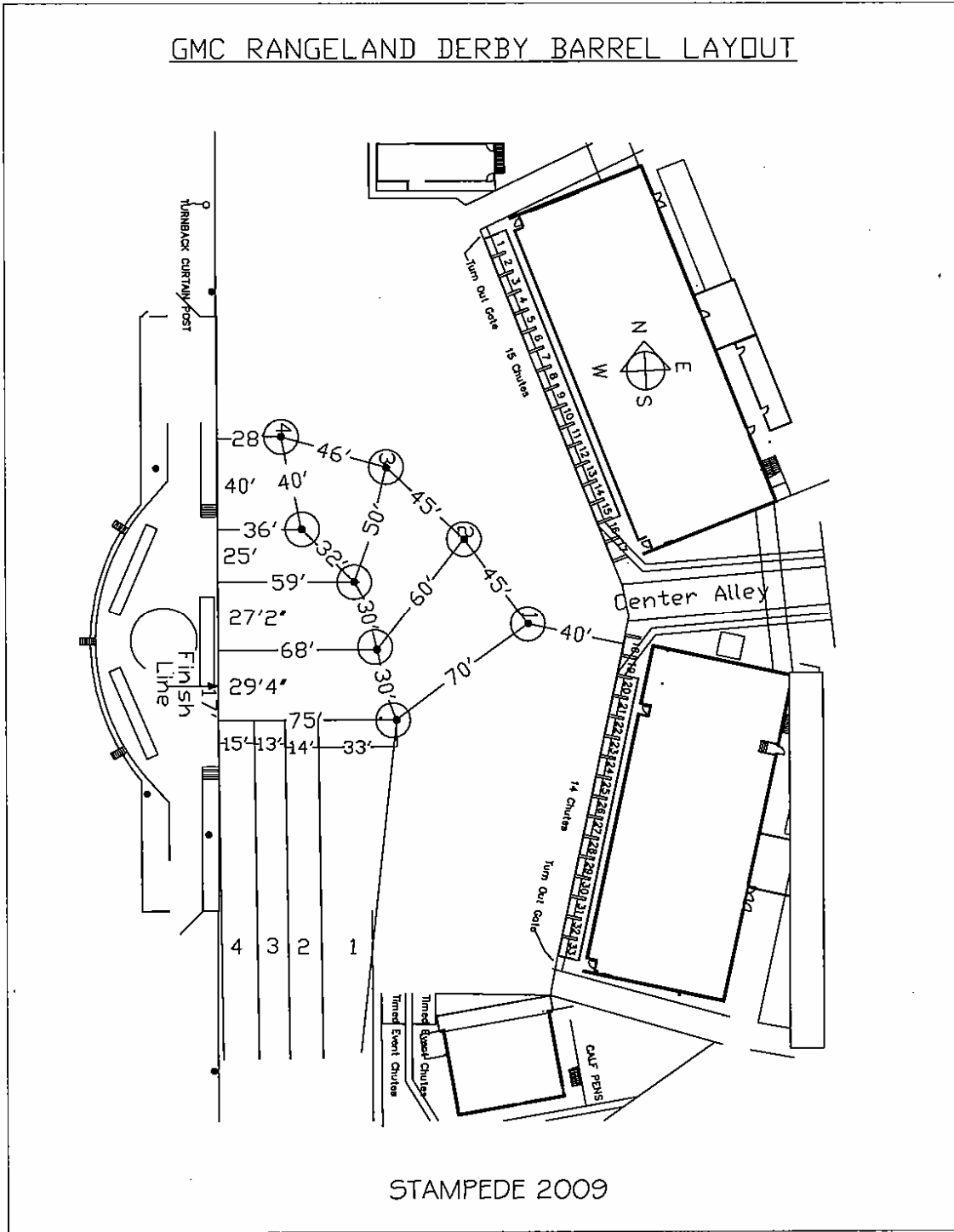
During the final performance, and prior to the final heat, the four wagon drivers will draw, in order of placing in the Semi-Final run-off (Day 9 performance), for barrel positions in the final heat as directed by Stampede Officials.

The wagon outfit with the fastest time (including penalties) in the \$150,000 Sunday Showdown Final Heat will be declared the GMC Rangeland Derby Champion. If the final heat ends in a tie for the fastest time (including penalties), either as a result of the actual race results or awarding by the judges of Average Time and/or No Time, the tie will be broken by:

- i- the fastest total aggregate time from Rounds 1 and 2
- ii- total day monies earned from Rounds 1 and 2

The \$150,000 Sunday Showdown Final Heat cheques will be held pending the receipt of drug, medication and foreign substance reports by the Calgary Stampede. In the event any driver of the \$150,000 final heat receives a drug, medication or foreign substance identification result, that driver is thus required to forfeit the prize money, awards and championship title (if applicable) from the final heat performance, then the prize money, awards and championship title (if applicable) will be awarded to the next driver with the fastest time (including penalties) in the final heat, provided that driver has adhered to the rules of the GMC Rangeland Derby Rule Book.

# 11. BARREL SET DIAGRAM



## 12. RUNNING RULES

- 12.1 No wagon or outriding horse will compete in more than one heat per day. It is the driver's responsibility to ensure compliance.
- 12.2 Stampede Officials will determine when the racetrack is to be watered and harrowed.
- 12.3 Wagons will circle H Barn in a clockwise direction until called for the start of the heat line-up.
- 12.4 A heat shall be that period of time commencing when the wagons enter the racetrack when called by a designated Stampede Official and ending when the last wagon in the heat has left the racetrack.
- 12.5 Wagons for the first three heats must be lined up in the order of heats in the four furlong chute by 7:50 p.m. (i.e. fifteen (10) minutes before the start of the first race of the evening). Wagons for heats 4 to 6, and heats 7 to 9 will be called for by a designated Stampede Official, so as to preclude any time delay in the performance.
- 12.6 Outriders must be in the infield chute area by 7:30 p.m. (i.e. one half hour before the start of the first race of the evening), and will not be allowed to leave the infield until the conclusion of the ninth heat. At the Stampede's discretion and direction, outrider horses may be allowed to leave the infield and go back to the barn area after the third and sixth heats.
- 12.7 If a chuckwagon outfit is not ready to compete when the race is scheduled to start, **the race starts without them**. Outriders must be in the infield before all wagons complete their practice turns. If any wagon has not left the four furlong chute by the time the other wagons of the same heat have passed the winner's circle, that wagon may not be allowed to leave the four furlong chute and compete in that race. It will be at the discretion of the Judging Coordinator whether a wagon is ready to start when the race is called, and if the race is run without a wagon; that wagon outfit shall be subject to those penalties assessed by the Judges. The Judges may assess a penalty against any wagon outfit that fails to cooperate, by not properly moving into position, upon entering the barrels.
- 12.8 When the wagons enter the track for their heat, they must enter in reverse order of barrel position, and in line a maximum of two wagon lengths apart, and proceed along the outside rail with the lead wagon setting a reasonable speed to the Grandstand. Each wagon driver is allowed one warm up barrel turn, which must be executed on his own set of barrels. Wagons will not be allowed to proceed any further down the racetrack during their warm-up than the southwest turn back rope

(adjacent to the Winner's Circle) which also may be placed across the racetrack to hold the wagons back until the Judging Coordinator indicates the race is to proceed. Failure to follow proper procedures will result in a \$50 fine to the driver for each infraction.

- 12.9 No wagon will be allowed to go through another barrel position to line up for his start. The wagon on barrel four will enter first for starting position, then wagon on barrel three, two and one.
- 12.10 A chalk line will be drawn down the centre dividing the top barrel positions. Reference lane chalk dots shall be placed on the track to assist drivers. A chalk line, signifying the late outrider line will be drawn partially across the racetrack 150 feet before the finish line. There will be a flag on the outside rail marking this chalk line.
- 12.11 The barrels will be placed as shown in the BARREL SET DIAGRAM (SECTION 11).
- 12.12 A klaxon will be used as a starting signal for each chuckwagon heat.
- 12.13 The hub of the rear wheels of the wagon must be in line with any part of the bottom barrel. If they are ahead of the bottom barrel when the klaxon sounds a penalty will be assessed. One (1) outrider must be on the ground to hold the lead team until the race starts, after which no assistance may be given the driver. One (1) outrider will hold the stove on the ground until the klaxon sounds. Two (2) outriders will hold the tent poles on the ground with the fly extended past the stove box until the klaxon sounds. Camp must be loaded (stove in stove rack, tent poles, and fly in wagon box) before a wagon completes the top barrel turn or the outfit will be penalized. Refer to penalties in section 13.
- 12.14 A driver can at no time assist in loading the poles and/or the fly in the wagon.
- 12.15 Each wagon outfit will turn a figure eight around their respective barrels only, with each wagon outfit passing on the left side of the top barrel and the left side of the bottom barrel. Each wagon shall enter the racetrack in its respective lane and shall continue in that lane until it is safe to move out of that lane. No assistance can be rendered to a driver by any of his outfit. A driver must drive his own team and must proceed in a counter-clockwise direction around the racetrack.
- 12.16 If the Arena Director observes any interference by any wagon outfit in the infield after the start of a heat, he shall report it to the Judges.
- 12.17 Outriders must continue straight ahead to start their barrel turn at the sound of the klaxon.

- 12.18 Outriders must turn a figure eight around their respective barrels and then move out on the racetrack running in a counter-clockwise direction around the racetrack. If a barrel is pulled off of its marker, the outrider must then turn around the barrel marker. If an outrider loses control of his horse prior to completing at least half of his barrel turn, he will be deemed to have missed the barrel and will be subject to penalties. (i.e. enter the barrel at six o'clock – must remain in control to twelve o'clock.)
- 12.19 Outriders must not return to make the figure eight after passing their bottom barrel.
- 12.20 No outrider or chuckwagon may complete the figure eight and start to race after the first lead team has passed the turn around marker located on the backstretch.
- 12.21 At the discretion of the Judges, the four (4) mounted outriders with each outfit must stay behind their own wagon, so that other teams may pass their outfit if possible. However, with the exception of rule 12.22, wagons must always have the right of way.
- 12.22 From the head of the stretch to the clubhouse turn, fifteen (15) feet from the outside rail is designated by a chalk line as the outrider safety lane in which outriders have the right of way over wagons.
- 12.23 Outriders will be deemed to be late if they are back of the late outrider flag when the nose of one of their outfit's lead team horses reaches the finish line.
- 12.24 A wagon or team that swings wide or out of lane and impedes any other wagon or team will be assessed an interference penalty.
- 12.25 A wagon or team that bumps and impedes any other wagon or team will be assessed an interference penalty.
- 12.26 A wagon or team that causes interference, either in the infield or on the racetrack, that prevents another wagon or team from completing the race, will be assessed an interference penalty.
- 12.27 A wagon driver passing another wagon must be at least one wagon box length (11'4") ahead of the lead team of the outfit he is passing before cutting in front of that outfit, otherwise an interference penalty will be assessed if the wagon cutting in front impedes another wagon.
- 12.28 Lead wagon driver must select his lane prior to the stretch run and maintain that position throughout the stretch run.
- 12.29 A driver is responsible for his outriders at all times during the running of a heat.

- 12.30 Wagons and/or outriders are not to enter the rodeo infield during the homestretch run.
- 12.31 Official time starts when the klaxon sounds. Times will be taken as each lead team's nose reaches the finish line of the racetrack. The wagon must be intact with four (4) horses hooked and a driver mounted in the wagon box and holding the reins at the finish.
- 12.32 At the completion of the race, the wagons should not go further down the track than the turn around mark. The turn around mark will be clearly defined. Wagon must make a right turn from inside rail to outside fence. Driver's assistant must get on the wagon at the four furlong turn around point. Wagon must stay on outside rail for their pass in front of the Grandstand, after which pass they will turn around and exit against the inside rail to the exit gate, at the north end of H barn. Repeated failure to follow proper procedures will result in a fine to the driver.
- 12.33 Any tarp not fitted securely while the wagon is on the track will result in a \$50 fine.
- 12.34 Any participant failing a breathalyser test, (0.03 maximum blow), prior to racing will result in the following:
- a) Driver – Outfit will be suspended from competing in that evening's performance and receive a No Time (plus \$1,000 fine)
  - b) Outrider will be suspended from competing in that evening's performance (plus \$250 fine). If a qualified replacement is not found, the outfit will be assessed a six (6) second penalty for each missing outrider.
- 12.35 A participant refusing to take a breathalyzer test will be disqualified from the GMC Rangeland Derby.

### 13. PENALTIES

Note: Judges Discretion ("JD") means that the Judges will have the discretion to assess the number of penalty seconds and/or the fine amount for the indicated infraction.

#### OUTRIDERS

A	Knocking over or moving any barrel when lining up for start, each barrel	1 second
B	Less than four (4) outriders starting the race	6 seconds/outrider
C	Stove off ground	1 second
D	Pole off ground, each pole	1 second
E	Fly not stretched	1 second
F	Any assistance to driver after start of race	2 seconds
G	Oustrider not continuing straight ahead at sound of horn	JD
H	Oustrider interfering with other contestants	JD
I	Any assistance to an oustrider horse	JD
J	Oustrider failing to follow the proper figure 8 pattern	1 second
K	Oustrider knocking over barrel, each barrel	2 seconds
L	Oustrider missing barrel, each barrel	2 seconds
M	Pole or fly left dragging (if a pole or fly is knocked or thrown out at any time after it has been loaded in the wagon, no penalty will be assessed)	1 second/pole or fly
N	Oustrider forcing an apparently injured horse	2 seconds + JD
O	Oustrider entering rodeo infield during homestretch run	JD
P	Oustrider finishing ahead of lead team	2 seconds
Q	Late oustrider	1 second
R	Oustrider failing to finish race	2 seconds

#### WAGONS

AA	Any driver failing to cooperate with starter	2 seconds
BB	Wagon going through another barrel position to line up	2 seconds
CC	Knocking over or moving any barrel when lining up for start, each barrel	1 second
DD	Wagon on Barrel #4 failing to allow access to Barrel #3 for wagon and oustriders	JD
EE	Wagon failing to stop with hub of left rear wheel in line with or behind any part of right side of bottom barrel	1 second
FF	False start, or creating a false start	1 second

GG	Wagon starting ahead of horn	1 second + JD
HH	Wagon starting ahead of barrel	1 second + JD
II	Driver loading poles or fly	3 seconds
JJ	Stove not loaded in rack before wagon completes top barrel turn; if the stove is knocked or thrown out at any time after it has been loaded in the rack, no penalty will be assessed.	2 seconds
KK	Wagon failing to follow the proper figure 8 pattern	5 seconds
LL	Wagon knocking over barrel, each barrel	5 seconds
MM	Wagon missing barrel, each barrel	10 seconds
NN	For whipping with ends of lines or any substitute	2 seconds
OO	Driver forcing an apparently injured horse	2 seconds + JD
PP	Lead Wagon driver failing to select a lane down the homestretch	1 second + JD
QQ	Wagon entering rodeo infield during homestretch run	JD

### **WAGON INTERFERENCE**

IA Wagon interference with outrider(s) JD

IB A wagon driver that **swings wide or out of lane** coming out of the infield onto the track **and impedes** any other wagon or team will be assessed a 5-second penalty (additional offences during the same year of competition – a 5-second penalty and a \$2,500 fine).

IC A wagon driver **that impedes another wagon while passing and cutting in** will be assessed a 5-second penalty (additional offences during the same year of competition – a 5-second penalty and a \$2,500 fine).

ID A wagon driver that **bumps and impedes another wagon or team, in the infield or on the track**, will be assessed a 5-second penalty plus Judges' discretion and a \$2,500 fine (additional offences during the same year of competition – a 5-second penalty plus Judges' discretion and a \$5,000 fine).

IE A wagon driver that causes **interference in the infield that prevents another wagon or team from completing the race** will be assessed a 20-second penalty, a \$5,000 fine and a suspension of one performance (second offense in the same or subsequent year of competition – a 20-second penalty, a \$10,000 fine and disqualification).

IF A wagon driver that causes **interference on the racetrack that prevents another wagon or team from completing the race** will be assessed a 30-second penalty, a \$10,000 fine and a suspension of two performances (second offense in the same or subsequent year of competition – a 30-second penalty, a \$20,000 fine and disqualification).

IG Wagon interference during a heat that occurs prior to the start or after the finish of the race. JD

### **ADDITIONAL INTERFERENCE FINES**

If chuckwagon (driver or outrider) interference occurs at anytime while hitched, including morning practice, prior to, during or after a race and results in an injury to a horse, the driver whose horses(s) sustained the injury shall be compensated according to the following guidelines:

- a) If the interference results in a minor bruise, contusion, or laceration (not requiring sutures) that limits the horse from competing in its regular racing schedule - \$500.
- b) If the interference results in a major injury or laceration (requiring sutures) and the horse must be withdrawn from its regular racing schedule - \$1000.
- c) If the interference results in a serious injury, laceration or fracture that prevents the horse from competing for the remainder of the year - \$2,000.

The source of the compensation for injury to a horse shall be provided from the fine assessed to the Wagon driver whose outfit caused the interference.

All medical attention remains the responsibility of the owner of the injured horse. The appropriate fine will be determined following completion of the medical assessments. If necessary, Stampede Officials shall have the right to consult with the attending veterinarian to assist in the determination of the appropriate category of the injury.

If a chuckwagon driver or outrider creates interference on the track and causes an accident resulting in the death or euthanization of one or more horses within forty-eight (48) hours, an additional fine of \$10,000.00 per lost horse will be levied against the wagon driver of the offending outfit. The Stampede will assess the wagon interference infraction at the time of the incident - in the event that a lost horse(s) fine assessment is applied to the same incident the **total fine** assessed will be either the interference or the amount of the lost horse(s) – whichever is greater. All horse injury fines relating to the interference incident shall be fined independently.

The Stampede will collect the additional fine and compensate the driver who sustained the loss of the horse(s). The Stampede may deduct an amount to cover the cost of veterinary expense prior to compensating the driver.

In all cases, the severity of fines and compensation amounts will be at the sole discretion of Stampede Officials having taken into consideration the circumstances associated with the interference infraction.

## **OTHER**

S	Shirts and/or jackets not matched	\$50 fine or JD
T	Turn back Barrier violation	\$50 fine or JD
U	Tarp not fitted securely while wagon is on track	\$50 fine
V	Driver's assistant still in wagon when wagon enters Infield for start of heat	\$50 2 <sup>nd</sup> offence - \$100 3 <sup>rd</sup> & subsequent offences - 3 seconds
W	Other penalties	JD/Stampede Officials
X	Other fines	JD/Stampede Officials

If a driver, outrider, or wagon causes another wagon outfit penalties, it is at the Judges' discretion to penalize the wagon outfit causing the penalties, the same amount of penalties incurred (by the fouled outfit).

### **14. AVERAGE TIME**

Average time may be awarded by the Judges, if the infraction was no fault of the fouled wagon. The wagon shall receive the average running time of the heat in which the foul occurred, plus the penalties incurred by the fouled wagon prior to the foul taking place, excepting those incurred as a result of the foul. At the discretion of the Judges, the average time of the previous heat may be assessed. Average time will qualify for day money in order of placing.

### **15. NO TIME**

No time will be assessed for a wagon if that wagon fails to finish a race due to that outfit's actions.

After the sound of the klaxon until the end of that race, if one or more wagon horses falls (off all four feet), that wagon will receive NO TIME. However, if another wagon outfit caused the horse or horses to fall, that wagon will receive AVERAGE time of that heat. The wagon outfit causing the infraction shall receive NO TIME if he wrecks his own outfit and cannot run. If he finishes the race, then penalties will be assessed according to the severity of the accident.

### **16. RE-RUNS**

No re-runs shall be awarded except in the circumstances referred to in 2.1.

## **17. RACE RESULTS**

All track time penalties will be assessed within one hour of the completion of the final heat of each performance. The Judging Coordinator has the authority to extend this time limit if required.

Race result sheets, posted each evening, are considered "Un-official" pending confirmation by Stampede Officials of the accuracy in transferring Judges' card data to the Race Results Sheets, after which the Race Results will be deemed "Official".

## **18. ADDITIONAL AWARDS**

### **18.1 Orville Strandquist Rookie Driver Award**

The Orville Strandquist Rookie Driver Award is awarded to a driver winning the most money (day money and aggregate money) in his first year driving in the GMC Rangeland Derby after 10 nights of racing. A bonus of \$2,000.00 will be awarded to the winner. In the event of a tie, the driver with the fastest total running time (including penalties) will receive the award.

### **18.2 SNC Lavalin Inc. Safety Award**

The SNC Lavalin Inc. Safety Award is awarded to the driver with the fewest penalty seconds after successfully completing Round 1 (Days 1 through 8) of competition. In the event of a tie, the driver with the fastest total running time will receive the award. A bonus of \$5,000.00 will be awarded to the winner.

**19. PRIZE MONEY**

Total prize money for the 2009 GMC Rangeland Derby will be \$1,154,400.

**DAY MONEY** - Day money will total \$897,400.

Day 1 – 9 Performances - Day money payouts will be to 36 positions.

1 - \$6,000	10 - \$2,500	19 - \$2,000	28 - \$1,900
2 - \$5,200	11 - \$2,400	20 - \$2,000	29 - \$1,900
3 - \$4,600	12 - \$2,300	21 - \$2,000	30 - \$1,900
4 - \$4,200	13 - \$2,200	22 - \$2,000	31 - \$1,900
5 - \$3,800	14 - \$2,150	23 - \$2,000	32 - \$1,900
6 - \$3,400	15 - \$2,100	24 - \$2,000	33 - \$1,900
7 - \$3,100	16 - \$2,050	25 - \$2,000	34 - \$1,900
8 - \$2,850	17 - \$2,000	26 - \$2,000	35 - \$1,900
9 - \$2,650	18 - \$2,000	27 - \$1,900	36 - \$1,900

Day 10 Day money payouts will be to 32 positions for Heats 1 to 8.

1 - \$6,000	10 - \$2,500	19 - \$2,000	28 - \$1,900
2 - \$5,200	11 - \$2,400	20 - \$2,000	29 - \$1,900
3 - \$4,600	12 - \$2,300	21 - \$2,000	30 - \$1,900
4 - \$4,200	13 - \$2,200	22 - \$2,000	31 - \$1,900
5 - \$3,800	14 - \$2,150	23 - \$2,000	32 - \$1,900
6 - \$3,400	15 - \$2,100	24 - \$2,000	
7 - \$3,100	16 - \$2,050	25 - \$2,000	
8 - \$2,850	17 - \$2,000	26 - \$2,000	
9 - \$2,650	18 - \$2,000	27 - \$1,900	

**AGGREGATE BONUS**

Aggregate Bonus Payouts will total \$100,000 cash plus a GMC Truck, and will be paid out to the top 16 positions based on aggregate total time following the completion of the first eight performances (Round 1 – Day 1 to 8 ... Aggregate Competition).

1 – 2009 GMC Sierra Hybrid – valued at \$50,000			
2 - \$10,000	6 - \$8,000	10 - \$6,000	14 - \$4,500
3 - \$9,500	7 - \$7,500	11 - \$5,500	15 - \$4,250
4 - \$9,000	8 - \$7,000	12 - \$5,000	16 - \$4,000
5 - \$8,500	9 - \$6,500	13 - \$4,750	

**SUNDAY SHOWDOWN FINAL HEAT**

The \$150,000 Sunday Showdown Final Heat of the 10th performance will be paid out:

1- \$100,000	3 - \$15,000
2 - \$25,000	4 - \$10,000

## **PAYOUTS**

The Calgary Stampede reserves the right to adjust prize money payouts for the GMC Rangeland Derby performances following the receipt of drug, medication or foreign substance identification reports.

All Payouts will be paid by Direct Deposit – please present a void cheque with your banking information to the Rodeo Office prior to the first day of the GMC Rangeland Derby.

Day money will be released after the 4th and 10<sup>th</sup> days. Aggregate bonus money will be released after the 10<sup>th</sup> day.

Canvas Auction monies will be disbursed by the Calgary Stampede as follows:

- a. \$10,000.00 to the driver after the fourth day of racing at the GMC Rangeland Derby.
- b. Balance to the driver after the tenth day of racing at the GMC Rangeland Derby.
- c. In the event that a driver and/or wagon outfit is unable to complete the full ten days of chuckwagon racing, due to injury, illness, suspension or disqualification and the Calgary Stampede is unable to secure a replacement driver and/or wagon outfit, the Advertiser will be reimbursed on a pro rata basis, providing the Advertiser is not responsible for the disqualification.

The Driver is entitled to all prize money and trophies awarded at the GMC Rangeland Derby, except any monies and trophies withheld as a result of fines, penalties, suspension or disqualification.

## **20. CHUCKWAGON SAFETY COMMISSION TERMS OF REFERENCE**

### **1) GENERAL**

The Chuckwagon Safety Commission ("CSC") has been established by the Calgary Stampede ("Stampede") to enforce the Code of Conduct for participants (drivers, outriders and any and all individuals associated with a chuckwagon outfit) in the GMC Rangeland Derby and to act as a review and appeal body with respect to interference infractions that occur during the chuckwagon races of the GMC Rangeland Derby.

In addition to holding participants accountable to the Code of Conduct, CSC decisions will be made with the primary purpose of ensuring the safety of participants, animals and public and enhancing the reputation of the Stampede.

### **2) MEMBERSHIP**

The Stampede shall appoint three members to the CSC that will include: two independent members who will be neither directors, volunteers or employees of the Stampede; and, one member who may be a representative of the Senior Management of the Stampede.

The Stampede shall designate one of the members as the Chairman of the CSC. The Chairman will be responsible for communicating the CSC's rulings to the Stampede and the chuckwagon participants. The Chairman will also be available to assist the Stampede in communicating the CSC's rulings to the media and public.

In order to provide continuity to this new oversight body, the members of the CSC shall each be appointed for an initial three year term, subject to the satisfactory performance of their duties as CSC members, as determined by the Stampede Chuckwagon Committee Executive (Chair, Vice-Chairs, Director and Senior Management responsible for chuckwagons).

Following completion of the initial three year term, the Stampede Chuckwagon Committee Executive would bring forward a recommendation to the Board to reappoint or replace individual members of the CSC for a term(s) to be determined. (A balance between the desire for continuity and succession planning will be factored into future appointments.)

If, for any reason, one of the CSC members is unable to complete their term, the Stampede Chuckwagon Committee Executive would bring forward a recommendation to the Board for a replacement appointee to the CSC.

Quorum for the CSC is two members of the CSC. The Stampede may appoint persons as acting members of the CSC to act if the CSC is unable to establish a quorum.

CSC members, other than any active member of Stampede Management, would be paid for serving on the CSC. The initial rate of remuneration has been established by the Stampede CEO. Any future rate changes would be approved by the Stampede CEO.

### **3) AUTHORITY**

The CSC has the following authority:

#### a) Enforcement of the Code of Conduct

The CSC is responsible for imposing fines, suspensions and/or disqualifications in the event that the CSC determines any GMC Rangeland Derby participant either:

- (i) Exhibited conduct which was unbecoming to the sport of Chuckwagon Racing in general. This would include any breach of the Chuckwagon participant's Code of Conduct.
- (ii) Any conduct which the CSC deemed harmful either to horses or competitors during the chuckwagon races.

The Code of Conduct will be enforced by the CSC at any time prior to, during or following the GMC Rangeland Derby, provided that any violation of the Code of Conduct has an impact on the Stampede or its reputation as determined by the CSC.

#### b) Review and Appeal of Interference Infractions

The CSC is authorized to act as the review and appeal body with respect to interference infractions that have been assessed by the Judges during the chuckwagon races.

The CSC is responsible for determining if the assessed fine and/or suspension and/or disqualification, as documented in the GMC Rangeland Derby Rule Book, is appropriate for that specific infraction.

After conducting a review or appeal hearing, the CSC has the authority to waive, reduce, confirm or increase the assessed fine and/or suspension and/or disqualification.

The CSC does not have the authority to change or overrule any time penalties that have been assessed (or not assessed) by the Judges.

The Stampede may, from time to time, add to the responsibilities and authority of the CSC if the Stampede deems it so appropriate, and in the best interests of the Stampede and the conduct of the GMC Rangeland Derby.

#### **4) HEARINGS**

The CSC can decide on its own to convene a hearing to: a) address Code of Conduct breaches, or b) review interference fines and/or suspensions and/or disqualifications that have been assessed by the Judges during the chuckwagon races.

In addition, the CSC could also receive a request to convene a hearing to: a) address Code of Conduct breaches, or b) consider an appeal of interference fines and/or suspensions and/or disqualifications that have been assessed by the Judges during the chuckwagon races.

Under either instance involving a request to convene a hearing, the following conditions will apply:

##### a) Code of Conduct Review Process

Judges, chuckwagon participants or the Stampede Chuckwagon Committee Executive shall have the ability to request a hearing related to an alleged breach of the Code of Conduct.

Any request for a hearing must be submitted in writing within 48 hours of the incident occurring or within 48 hours of the incident being made public. The CSC will also consider the merits of convening a hearing if a request is submitted in writing outside of the 48 hour timeframe, if the CSC determines that circumstances warrant. The written request must be legible, detailed, dated and signed. It must be delivered to the Rodeo Office, Attention: Chuckwagon Safety Commission. Requests for a hearing from a chuckwagon participant must be accompanied by a \$500 deposit to be placed with the Stampede that would be refunded if the alleged breach of the Code of Conduct is determined by the CSC to have occurred, otherwise the deposit would be forfeited.

##### b) Interference Infraction Appeal Process

A chuckwagon driver who was a participant in a chuckwagon race heat in which interference fines and/or suspensions and/or disqualifications were assessed shall have the ability to request a hearing to appeal the assessment of interference fines and/or suspensions and/or disqualifications from that race heat, other than time penalties, as they are not subject to appeal or review by the CSC.

Any chuckwagon driver-initiated appeal for review must be submitted in writing

by no later than 8:00 a.m. of the morning immediately following the chuckwagon race heat. The written request must be legible, detailed, dated and signed. It must be delivered to the Rodeo Office, Attention: Chuckwagon Safety Commission. The driver must include a \$2,000 deposit to be lodged with the Stampede on the understanding that if the CSC rules in favor of the driver's appeal, the deposit would be refunded. Unsuccessful appeals will result in the deposit being forfeited.

If a chuckwagon driver has an unsuccessful appeal in respect of a prior race heat, this does not prevent him from appealing a separate interference infraction during a subsequent race heat, provided that each subsequent appeal will require a \$5,000 deposit to be lodged with the Stampede.

In all cases, once a hearing has been initiated, the chuckwagon participant whose action(s) or conduct is being reviewed will be provided the opportunity to attend before the CSC and answer to his actions during the chuckwagon races or to any complaint that has arisen against him. Furthermore, the CSC may further consider any representations from the Judges, other chuckwagon participants, Stampede Officials or other Stampede representatives, or any other individual that the CSC deem appropriate, in the sole discretion of the CSC.

## **5) RULINGS**

Whenever practically possible during the GMC Rangeland Derby, it is desirable that any CSC decisions or rulings involving suspensions or disqualifications of participants be made by the CSC and announced by 2:00 p.m. prior to the next performance.

In all cases, CSC rulings will be communicated in writing to the participants whose actions or conduct was being reviewed.

All decisions and rulings of the CSC are final and not subject to further appeal. The CSC may reconsider a previous decision or ruling made by the CSC if new information comes forward.