2023 ALBERTA PROFESSIONAL CHUCKWAGON AND CHARIOT ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE

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ALBERTA PROFESSIONAL CHUCKWAGON AND CHARIOT ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

SECTION A: NAME

The name of this Society shall be **ALBERTA PROFESSIONAL CHUCKWAGON AND CHARIOT ASSOCIATION, hereinafter known as A.P.C. & C.A.**

SECTION B: OBJECTIVES

- Item 1: To promote chuckwagon and chariot racing.
- Item 2: To stimulate interest in the market.
- Item 3: To provide the public with the best program of chuckwagon and chariot racing possible.
- Item 4: To provide the recreation of members and to promote an affordable opportunity for friendly and social activities.
- Item 5: To encourage and promote amateur games and exercises.
- Item 6: To provide all necessary equipment and furniture for carrying on the various subjects.
- Item 7: To provide a central and suitable meeting place for all various activities of the society.
- Item 8: Generally encourage, foster and develop among its members recognition of the importance of agricultural and natural life.
- Item 9: To sell, manage, lease, mortgage, dispose of or deal with the property of the Society.

SECTION C: JURISDICTION

The operation of the Society is to be chiefly carried out in the Province of Alberta.

ALBERTA PROFESSIONAL CHUCKWAGON AND CHARIOT ASSOCIATION BYLAWS

SECTION A: POWER

The legislation of rulemaking power of the A.P.C.& C.A. shall be held by the general membership except as otherwise set out herein, but the supervision over the business and affairs of the Association shall be left up to the Executive.

SECTION B: MEMBERSHIP

- Item 1: Shall be open to such persons connected with chariot and chuckwagon racing as the Executive may decide to admit.
 - a. A membership fee shall be set accordingly each year by the Executive.
 - b. Annual membership fees for next race season shall be payable on or before current annual general meeting, to be able to vote at upcoming annual meeting.
 - c. Anyone wishing to buy a membership after April 1, shall pay a \$15.00 penalty plus the membership fee for that year.
 - d. The membership fee shall include the cost of public liability and property damage insurance coverage purchased by the Association.
 - e. Members will sign waivers for insurance purposes for the hosting organization as required.
 - f. Associate members are not entitled to vote.
- Item 2: All members, excluding associate and probationary members, shall be eligible to vote, hold office, drive chariots and wagons and accumulate points by the Alberta system.
- Item 3: Lifetime memberships will be awarded to those retired from racing for one year after having raced for twenty-five (25) years and made a contribution to the betterment of racing. Will be awarded sooner in exceptional circumstances.
- Item 4: Each member shall abide by the constitution and comply with the bylaws and rules and regulations of this Association and only members in good standing shall be allowed to participate at races, vote, or hold office in the Association.

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- Item 5: A person and his outfit shall cease to be a member of this Association by:
 - a. A letter of resignation to the Association.
 - b. His/her death.
 - c. Being suspended or expelled.
 - d. Not paying a fine levied by the Association.
- Item 6: A member may be disciplined by means of:
 - a. Written reprimand.
 - b. Penalties.
 - c. Fine, disqualification or retraction of winning and / or points.
 - d. Suspension, expulsion or whatever is considered by the Executive to be just and reasonable in the circumstances.
- Item 7: A member may be disciplined under Item 7 for:
 - a. Fighting.
 - b. Abuse, mistreatment or doping of horses.
 - c. Racing illegally measured horses.
 - d. Racing unmeasured horses.
 - e. Racing illegal wagons or chariots.
 - f. Issuing an NSF cheque to the Association or to an Alberta director.
 - g. Driving a chuckwagon or chariot under the influence of alcohol or drugs, and also timers and judges for carrying alcohol in the infield
 - h. Failing to pay entry fees.
 - i. Failing to cancel entry to show before deadline without valid reason.
 - j. Switching horses outside the spare horse rule.
 - k. Repeatedly causing accidents on the track.
 - I. Using a substitute driver without permission from the Race Director.
 - m. Undesirable conduct or language in public.
 - n. Abusive conduct or language towards judges or officials.
 - o. Infraction of any bylaws or rules in the Association.
 - p. Double running horses without permission get no time for that day.
 - q. Going to fair boards with complaints without the directors knowledge.
- Item 8: New members shall be on probation for one year, and then membership shall be reviewed by the Executive.
- Item 9: All memberships can be reviewed by the Executive at any time. The executive has the power to cancel memberships of those not in good standing the previous year, by a 2/3 majority vote. The member has the right to be in attendance to present his view.

SECTION C: MEETINGS OF MEMBERSHIPS AND OF DIRECTORS

- Item 1: The annual general meeting shall be held the second last Saturday of October each year, except under exceptional circumstances. The fiscal year end to be August 31 of each year.
- Item 2: Meetings of the society may be called at any time by the secretary upon the instructions of the President or board by notice in writing, by newsletter to the last known address of each member, delivered in the mail one (1) month previous to the date of such meeting. A special meeting shall be called by the President or Secretary upon receipt by him of a petition signed by one third (1/3) of the members in good standing, setting forth the reasons for calling such a meeting, which shall be by letter to the last known address of each member, delivered by mail one (1) month previous to the meeting.
- Item 3: Members shall be given notice of any meeting one (1) month prior to the date of the meeting by newsletter.
- Item 4: Making, altering and rescinding of bylaws or constitution may only be done by special resolution in accordance with the Alberta Societies Act. Quorum (12%) of total membership must be present at meeting; 75% of quorum present must approve.
- Item 5: Making, altering and rescinding of rules and regulations by the members may be done by special resolution (provided the rules and regulations must be worded properly for effective enforcement, must be for the interest and good of the Association in general and must not conflict with a rule otherwise enforced).
- Item 6: The Executive shall hold a meeting when necessary.
- Item 7: All meetings shall be run by the agenda method.
- Item 8: A member must register at a general meeting in order to vote.
- Item 9: Voting by proxy shall be allowed when special resolutions to amend these bylaws are presented to the membership, otherwise voting by proxy is not allowed.
- Item 10: The quorum of members at any meeting is twelve percent (12%) of the membership present.

SECTION D: DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Item 1: **PRESIDENT**

- a. Shall be elected by the members for a three-year term.
- b. Shall be ex officio a member of all committees.
- c. Shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors.
- d. Must be an active member for one year before being elected. Never have been suspended by the association for any reason.
- e. Shall have free discussion but no vote except in the case of a tie.
- f. Shall run affairs of Association according to the constitution and bylaws of the Association and in accordance with the Alberta Societies Act.

Item 2: VICE PRESIDENT

- a. Shall be elected from the Board of Directors by the Directors each year.
- b. Shall assume the duties of the President in his absence.
- c. Never have been suspended by the association for any reason.

Item 3: SECRETARY/TREASURER

- a. Shall be elected by the members for a two-year term.
- b. Shall attend all meetings of the Association if possible.
- c. Shall keep minutes, correspondence and other reports in books provided for that purpose.
- d. If unable to attend a meeting shall ensure that the books are sent to the meeting.
- e. Shall have no vote at the Board of Directors meeting.
- f. Shall take care of all money matters by way of receipts and cheques concerning the Association.
- g. Shall present the audited books at the fall general meeting.
- h. Shall have custody of the seal of the Association.
- i. Shall maintain a register of the members.
- j. Shall maintain a register of horses measured under the A.P.C.&C.A. rules.
- k. It shall be the duty of the secretary to attend all meetings of the Society and the Board; and to keep accurate minutes of the same. He or she shall have charge of the Seal of the Society, which, when used shall be authenticated by the signature of the secretary and the President, or, in the case of death or inability of either to act, by the Vice President. In case of absence of the secretary, his or her duties shall be discharged by such officer as appointed by the board. The secretary shall have charge of all correspondence of the society and be under the direction of the President and board.
- I. The Secretary Treasurer shall keep a record of all the members of the society and their addresses, send all notices of the various meetings as required, and shall collect and receive the annual dues or assessments levied by the society, for deposit in the Bank, Trust Company, Credit Union or Treasury Branch.
- m. The Secretary Treasurer shall receive all monies paid to the Society and shall be responsible for the deposit of same in whatever Bank, Trust Company, Credit Union or Treasury Branch the Board may order. He or she shall properly account for the funds of the Society and keep such books as may be directed. He or she shall present full detailed accounts of receipts and disbursements to the Board whenever requested and shall prepare for submission to the Annual Meeting a statement duly audited as hereinafter set forth of the financial position of the Society and submit a copy of same for the records of the Society. The office of the Secretary Treasurer may be filled by one person if any annual meeting for the election of officers shall so decide.

Item 4: AUDITING

- a. The books, accounts and records of the Secretary Treasurer shall be audited at once each year by a duly qualified accountant or by two members of the society elected for that purpose, at the annual meeting. A complete and proper statement of the standing of the books for the previous year shall be submitted by such auditor at the Annual Meeting of the society. The fiscal year of this society in each year shall be the 31st day of August.
- b. The books and records of the society may be inspected by any member of the society at the annual meeting provided for herein or at any time upon giving a reasonable notice and arranging a time satisfactory to the officer or officers having charge of same. Each member of the board shall at all times have access to such books and records. The books and records shall be available to the members for inspection at every meeting of the members.

Item 5: DIRECTORS - UP TO NINE TO HOLD OFFICE

- a. Each area shall have a director elected by the general membership for three (3) year term on offsetting years.
- b. Shall be a member in good standing and be accepted by the A.P.C.&C.A. Never have been suspended by the association for any reason.
- c. Shall negotiate contracts with the various host organizations to have race meets or contract shows in his area.
- d. Shall work with draw committee to make draws according to the aforesaid contracts, keeping the best interest of the spectators in mind.
- e. Shall control, communicate and delegate as necessary between the host organizations members so as to put on the best show possible.
- f. Shall enforce the constitution, bylaws and rules and regulations at each race meet under his control.
- g. Shall split monies according to the contract and pay out all prize money.
- h. Shall hire competent judges to start and judge races.
- i. Shall turn into the A.P.C.& C.A. a list of winners including outfit numbers after each race meet.
- j. Shall turn into the A.P.C.&C.A. a copy of the payout sheets for each race.
- k. Shall choose a member knowledgeable of the rules and regulations to run a show in his or her absence.
- I. The Board shall, subject to the bylaws or directions given it by the majority vote at any meeting properly called and constituted, have full control and management of the affairs of the society. Meetings of the board shall be held as often as may be required, but at least once every three months and shall be called by the President. A special meeting may be called on the instructions of any two members thereof, provided they request the President to call such meeting in writing stating the business to be brought before the meeting. Meetings of the Board shall be called by one (1) months' notice in writing mailed to each member. Any three members shall constitute a quorum, and meetings shall be held without notice if a quorum of the Board is present, provided, however that any business transaction at such meeting shall be ratified at the next regularly called meeting of the Board, otherwise, they shall be null and void.

Item 6: ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS

- a. Shall be elected for a three (3) year term by general membership. Offsetting terms as decided by the executive.
- b. Shall be available to the director to help at shows (two per director).
- c. Shall have a vote on executive decisions.

Item 7: PROCEEDINGS OF EXECUTIVE

- a. Each member of the Executive shall uphold the constitution of the Association and enforce the bylaws and rules and regulations to the best of their ability and fairness.
- b. No members of the Executive shall be remunerated for being or acting as a member of the Executive, but may be reimbursed for expenses necessarily and reasonably incurred while engaged in the affairs of the Association
- c. Any decision or vote made by a member of the Executive shall be made with the best interest of the Association in mind and shall not reflect any personal interest.
- d. Any Executive member who has a personal interest in an Association matter shall excuse himself from the proceedings in that matter and shall abstain from voting on that matter.
- e. Any Executive member may check an Association members horses or equipment at any time.
- f. Any member of the Executive may be removed by special resolution and shall be elected by ordinary resolution.
- g. No member of the Executive may hold more than one office or position at any one time except the position of Vice President and Secretary Treasurer.
- h. The President, Secretary Treasurer and Directors shall be paid thirty (\$.30) cents per kilometer to attend Executive meetings.
- i. The President shall be paid one hundred (\$100.00) dollars per year for expenses.
- j. Each director shall be paid one hundred (\$100.00) dollars per year for expenses.
- I. The Secretary Treasurer shall be paid one thousand (\$1000.00) for expenses.
- k. A director in charge of a show may take a maximum of twenty (\$20.00) dollars per day from the show money to cover expenses.
- I. All A.P.C.&C.A. cheques shall be signed by both the Secretary Treasurer and the President, or one other director.
- m. Any bills to the Association must be paid by cheque on receipt or expense vouchers.
- Item 8: (a) Subject to provisions of the Societies Act, directors may by ordinary resolution at special meetings, remove any director from office. Vacancy created by such removal may be filled at same meeting by the directors.

END OF BYLAWS

MEASURING.

The measure approved by the Interprovincial Measuring committee is a laser measure. The horse must be led through, at a natural walk, by loosely holding the halter shank. This is the method of measurement agreed to at the Interprovincial meeting held in 2005. It is 58.5 inch walking measure.

- Item 1: The Executive may introduce, with Interprovincial, such rules and guidelines as are necessary to ensure that this measurement stays consistent.
- Item 2: Any horses to be run in A.P.C.&C.A. sanctioned shows must be measured at any Interprovincial measure.
- Item 3: The measuring crew shall be elected by the Interprovincial and Executive. Decisions are made by the five crew members. The Alberta representative looks out for our concerns.
- Item 4: Video review can be requested.

INTERPROVINCIAL MEASURING RULES:

- 1. Laser measure within a four (4) foot long area, to be led through a natural walk on a loose halter shank. Three walk throughs allowed 3 failures mean measured out. Time limit is at the discretion of the measuring crew.
- 2. Measure area is three (3) feet wide for one panel length on two (2) sheets of plywood.
- 3. The handler must be an Alberta member.
- 4. Bridles may be used. Halter shanks must be attached to the halter.
- 5. Horse with a "full mouth", all four teeth must be showing, will be freeze branded "in" for life. The freeze brand will be recorded with the association.
- 6. Horses that measure "in" and do not have a full mouth shall be branded on the right front hoof.
- 7. Horses that measure "out" shall be branded on the left hoof and are out for the current year.
- 8. Feet may be checked at the discretion of the measuring crew. A horse deemed "cut too close" will be measured out. Tops of hooves must be cleaned before measure to show any evidence of

previous brands in the same year.

- 9. Any infraction of the measuring rules will be cause for the horse to be measured out for the current year
- 10. Any evidence of tampering with the structure of the withers, feet, brand or teeth, or the use of drugs or freezing agents, will be cause for suspension. If a horse shows signs of being doped will not be measured.
- 11. Measure marks (brands, freeze brands, etc.) must be visible. 12. Any horse deemed too thin will not be measured.

Freeze Brand Release (APC&CA) – Required by Livestock Identification Services -

Obtained when a horse is branded in for life with the "bar over A on the right shoulder" -Measuring brand for APC&CA. Must be presented to purchasers of this horse in the future. Copies of the form can be obtained from APC&CA secretary, upon request, for past horses that have been branded.

ALBERTA PROFESSIONAL CHUCKWAGON & CHARIOT ASSOCIATION (A.P.C.& C.A.)

Location of Show:	Date of Show		
Start Times of Each Performance			-
Organization and Contact Responsi	ble		
A.P.C.& C.A. Director responsible _			
Price of Show	Per Day		
Length of Track	Announcer Supplied By	Paid by	
Carts Guaranteed:: Limit	_ No: Wagons Guaranteed;	Limit N	No
Trophies Supplied by	Carts	Wagons	
Other Trophies:	Judges and Timers		
Passes: A.P.C.& C.A. cards accepted	ed: Yes No		
Other Passes: Type	: Per wagon _	Per ca	art

THE A.P.C.& C.A. AGREES TO THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. All shows will be presented in an appealing and professional manner.
- 2. A.P.C.&C.A. will supply all personnel and supplies necessary to run the show unless otherwise stated in writing in this contract.
- 3. The Fairboard and A.P.C.& C.A. must agree on rainout conditions. Fairboard will pay only for races or portion of races completed.
- 4. Members responsible for veterinarian costs.

THE FAIRBOARD IS TOTALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- 1. Paying the show Director, in cash, the monies due to the A.P.C.& C.A. each day.
- 2. Provide parking and crowd control.
- 3. Paying costs for mounted judges, on days that have been cancelled due to poor track conditions, at a rate of \$75 per judge to a maximum of \$225.
- 4. Personal property and spectator liability damage.
- 5. The track and infield being in good running condition and sufficiently fenced to contain a runaway outfit.
- 6. The track must have entrance and exit gates.
- 7. The track, its condition and maintenance, shall be under the supervision of the A.P.C. & C.A. Director. If not done in this way, the Fairboard is responsible to pay out all monies for all days that are cancelled due to poor track conditions..
- 8. Toilet facilities in contestant parking area.
- 9. Ambulance for injured drivers; Veterinarian and horse (trailer) ambulance for injured horses, to be present during races. Must be there before races will begin. Responsible for disposal of dead horses.
- 10. Water available for contestant stock.
- 11. Necessary equipment available to harrow or repair track; water truck for track dust control and grader on standby.
- 12. Negotiations between authorized parties, if race is cancelled due to rain.
- 13. Consideration to be given to A.P.C.& C.A. major sponsors banners, barrels, etc.
- 14. Tarp Auctions: Initiated by Fairboards shall guarantee the sale of all contestants entered in the race at a minimum of \$_____ per chuckwagon.
- 15. Reserve a seating area for 10, for APC&CA corporate sponsors, to be marked out by APC&CA banners.
- 16. Once track prepared for races, no vehicles allowed to cross except emergency vehicles and personnel.

SIGNATURES:

A.P.C.& C.A. Show Director	Date	_
Organization Responsible for Show:		
Organization Show Director	Date	
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***** FOR A.P.C .& C.A. USE ONLY ****

Entry close date	Payout Money	<pre>/ Average Money</pre>	
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INSURANCE WAIVER

I, _____, a member of the Alberta Professional Chuckwagon and Chariot Association, waive any claim for damage sustained by myself as a result of participation in a Chuckwagon or Chariot event at any fair, sports association, rodeo or related event in the Province of Alberta, during the year _____.

As a chariot or chuckwagon owner/driver I take full responsibility for the safety of any passenger, child or adult, riding in my outfit, whether it be in camp, on the way to or from races, or in the infield during races.

A.P.C.&C.A. has the power to hold horses and equipment over any offense or problem incurred by that outfit until a solution is reached. The Director may, in his sole opinion, conduct blood tests as he deems necessary.

Witness	Signature	
Emergency Contact:		
Emergency Contact Phone Number:		

VOLUNTEER WAIVER

I, ______, a volunteer for the Alberta Professional Chuckwagon and Chariot Association, waive any claim for damage or injury sustained by myself as a result of participation in a chuckwagon or chariot event at any fair, sports association, rodeo or related event in the Province of Alberta, or at any APC&CA sanctioned event during the year _____.

The volunteer positions include any of the following:

Timing; holder for cart or wagon; judging on the barrels; judging on horseback; opening or closing gates; moving barrels or helping in any capacity.

Witness

Signature

Emergency Contact: ______ Emergency Contact Phone Number:

N.B

Any non member riding in any cart or wagon must have signed a waiver, absolving the APC&CA of any liability in the event of an accident of any kind in camp, on the grounds or on the track. The director of the show will remind everyone at the drivers meeting. No exceptions.

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Section G GENERAL PROVISIONS

- Item 1: This Association shall have no borrowing power.
- Item 2: Notice of general meetings shall be given by way of bulletins to members in good standing.
- Item 3: Records of race payout sheets to be kept by Secretary for inspection by members at general meetings.
- Item 4: All race meets sanctioned by the A.P.C.&C.A. will be run or supervised by an Alberta Director under the A.P.C.& C.A. bylaws and rules. The Alberta Director is enabled to choose a member knowledgeable of the rules and regulations to run a show in his absence.
- Item 5: The Executive or Association assume no responsibility for injury or damage to the persons, property or stock of any owner, contestant, or assistant.
- Item 6: The A.P.C.& C.A. shall maintain and enforce a set of rules known as "Rules and Regulations" regarding terms, standards, Conduct and administration of races and members at contract shows.
- Item 7: Interprovincially measured horses cannot be run more than once a day at any one given show unless a legitimate claim is made to the Director or Executive.
- Item 8: Members can enter two shows in one day providing one show is over before the other begins.
- Item 9: The deadline for signing an Alberta point show shall be June 1 of each year.
- Item 10: A club will be considered affiliated with the A.P.C.& C.A. if it follows the constitution, bylaws, and rules of this Association and is accepted by the Executive.
- Item 11: Alberta point system is all shows start at 40 points and go down; if only 20 outfits points go from 40 to 20, etc. Payout decided by the director, but will be in the bulletin with the schedule. (Top 24 or within boundaries of the rule book). At end of show average placings counted for points from 40 for first, down to 1 for 40th place overall.
- Item 12. By-laws, rules, and regulations have been drawn up to cover most circumstances but judges and/or Directors have the right in fairness to all concerned to make further rules and regulations which do not conflict with the current rules and regulations or these By-laws and which shall be binding on all members to cover cases where these by-laws or rules do not cover the situation.
- Item 13. The Executive shall have the power to make new rules and regulations and to amend or rescind the old rules and regulations but in doing so the Executive shall bear in mind the best interests and the general consensus of the members

regarding such additions, changes or deletions from the existing rules and regulations. The executive shall not make any additions, changes or deletions to the rules and regulations which would result in the rules and regulations conflicting with these By-laws which can only be changed by Special Resolution of the members.

Item 14. The Executive shall make available to all members printed copies of these Bylaws and all Rules and Regulations currently enforced by the Association. The Executive may charge a reasonable fee to offset the cost of such printed materials.

ALBERTA PROFESSIONAL CHUCKWAGON AND CHARIOT ASSOCIATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. MEMBERS:

- 1. Every member must be knowledgeable of the by-laws and rules.
- 2. Members in good standing may drive more than two wagons and two chariots in any Alberta sanctioned show.
- 3. Rookie wagon drivers must be the full age of sixteen years. Cart drivers must be the full age of fourteen years, with parents written permission. A copy of the birth certificate is to be sent to the secretary by the first day of May of that year. Rookies cannot have raced anywhere or anytime before.
- 4. Members may run wherever they want to.

2. OUTFITS:

- 1. Each wagon or chariot outfit must have their own wagon or chariot except in the case of an accident in which the wagon or chariot has been damaged.
- 2. Each wagon outfit must have a holder.
- 3. Each chariot outfit may have a holder if so desired but is not compulsory.
- 4. Holder must ride in or be by the wagon until approaching the track barrel and exit the infield in the most direct route without interfering with any other outfit.
- 5. Driver and holder must have matching racing jackets or vests, corresponding with the barrel colors. Any footwear chosen by driver is permitted. Flak jackets must be worn under race jacket or vest, not over top.
- 6. Any driver who is injured or becomes ill, may use another member to drive his outfit with the approval of the show director.
- 7. Any member must have approval of the Director in charge of the show to use a substitute driver.
- 8. Hard hats may be worn on the track.
- 9. Each outfit must have a number of its own and when a member is running more than one outfit, each number shall be registered with the association.
- 10. Drivers shall have reliable help (at least 14 years of age) to hold outfits in the infield until races are completed.
- 11. Each owner is responsible for drug testing for any horse hooked on his outfit.
- 12. All first-year drivers and minors must wear helmets and vests.

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3. SHOWS:

- 1. All Alberta shows will pay in cash
- 2. All entry fees paid at race meets shall be paid in cash.
- 3. The entry fee to Alberta shows is \$10.00 per day for carts and \$15.00 per day for wagons.
- 4. Pay for timers and extra pay for outriders will be paid from the extra \$5 per cart and wagon entry fee. The head timer will get \$100 per day and the assistant timers will get \$60 per day. The

balance will pay other show expenses.

- 5. All payments are to be made to the secretary and no petty cash shall be kept on hand.
- 6. All Alberta point shows shall be signed by an Alberta director.
- 7. Any show with \$2000.00 or over per day payout shall be an Alberta point show if approved by the board and signed before the deadline. Any show under \$2000.00 will be an Alberta show but not count for Alberta points.
- 8. Payout sheets shall be posted on the first day of a race meet.
- 9. All times plus penalties are to be posted each day and totaled on final day.
- 10. Limited shows will count for Alberta points.
- 11. Expenses for shows will be taken out of purse money, unless paid by sponsors.
- 12. A veterinarian and an ambulance for horses and drivers must be present at all Alberta shows.
- 13. Passes Directors shall request that all host organizations allow 2 passes per wagon, one pass per cart and one pass per mini driver. If drivers are charged at the gate they must be

reimbursed in this way, or it will not be a point show. Directors will give entry list, judges, and timers names for passes to gate personnel. Passes for judges partners if needed.

- 14. Permits one show \$50, second show must pay \$65 balance of membership.
- 15. All show entries made to the draw committee who forwards entries to the show director.
- 16. For rain out days the draws stay the same the as the day before, unless the whole race is canceled.
- 17. Entry fees will not be paid back on rain out days unless the whole race is canceled. If the whole race is canceled, all entry fees will be paid back in full.

18. Organizations putting on tarp sales for point shows are responsible for finding sponsors. If they cannot sell the tarp the driver does not have to pay the fees.

4. TIMING:

- 1. Timing shall be done with the video camera and timer. Time given an outfit will be the part of the horse recorded touching the finish line first whether nose or foot.
- 2. Starter will signal the start of the race with the horn.
- 3. Mechanical device used to start hand watches simultaneously will be used for backup in case of power failure or problems with video timer.
- 4. There must be one (1) watch for each barrel in carts and wagons at every show.

5. HORSES AND EQUIPMENT

- 1. No horse under two years old shall be allowed to run at any race.
- 2. Horses which are thin, underfed and not properly cared for shall not be permitted to run.
- 3. Any horse which drops dead on the track shall be checked by a veterinarian.
- 4. All stallions must be tied with two separate headstalls to separate rings or spokes.
- 5. Barn space will be on a first come first served basis.
- 6. Equipment must be in good repair. Any equipment may be ordered repaired by the directors and these repairs must be done before it can be used in a race.

6. RACES:

- 1. Barrels used for chuckwagons and chariots must be made of plastic.
- 2. All outfits must try to complete every race.
- 3. Holder must go the fastest way out of the infield without interfering with other outfits, not to run alongside the outfit after the horn is blown.
- 4. **Average time** If interfered with, through no fault of your own, driver gets average time of their own heat, unless no one finishes the race, then average time from the slowest heat

and fastest heat of the day will be given.

- 5. Random testing for drugs can be carried out at the track at the discretion of the government veterinarian.
- 6. Anyone seen giving horses anything by syringe, orally or with needles, without the directors' permission, must be willing to prove that it is nothing illegal, if asked.
- 7. To protest a penalty in the barrel area the complainant will pay 100.00 protest fee or same as the first-place envelope, whichever is greater. Will be returned if complainant is right, forfeited if wrong. Must go to director within one hour of last race. Video will be reviewed by the protest committee. Director will relay the verdict to the complainant. Cannot protest track calls made by judges on horseback, even if video provided.
- **7. INSURANCE:** If a claim is made for property damaged by a chuckwagon or chariot outfit the person responsible will pay 50% and the Alberta Association will pay 50% of the deductible up to two thousand and five hundred (\$2500) dollars.

8. FINES AND SUSPENSIONS:

- 1. Suspension of a member shall include his outfit. Horses can be run again if there is written proof that they have been sold to another person.
- 2. Out of province suspension lists will be honored.
- 3. Anyone leaving a show early, without a legitimate excuse or without directors permission, will be fined \$150.00.
- 4. A fine of \$50.00 will be levied for not canceling the entry to a show before the closing date without a valid reason.
- 5. Fighting at races will result in a \$200.00 fine plus no prize money and no points for 5 racing days. All directors at that show will deal with the matter.
- 6. Anyone seeking reinstatement into the APC&CA after being suspended will have to appeal to the executive for reinstatement.
- 7. Anyone running an unmeasured or illegally measured (Interprovincial) horse at APC&CA shows will get no time and no pay for those days, and will be issued a \$500 fine, to be paid before being sold another membership.
- 8. Wagon weights if wagon is light the first time it is to be brought up to proper weight., second time found light will be fined \$500 plus given no time.

9. All dogs are to be tied up during race time, if dogs are loose there will be a \$100 fine. If the dog does not belong to a member, the member whose camp they are in will receive the fine.

9. BARREL COLORS:

- Barrel 1 White
- Barrel 2 Red
- Barrel 3 Black
- Barrel 4 Yellow

CHUCKWAGON RULES

- 1. A chuckwagon outfit consists of a legal wagon drawn by four horses measured under the A.P.C.&C.A. accepted measurement.
- 2. Wagons can be weighed at any show. The total weight of wagon including added weight shall be stamped on wagon by Director conducting the weighing.

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- 3. Wagon weight must be minimum of 550 pounds dry without the driver. Only one chance shall be given to get the wagon up to proper weight.
- 4. Wagon wheel tires must be iron or steel.
- 5. Wagon wheel tires must be 1 1/4 inches to 2 1/2 inches in width.
- 6. Wagon wheel must not be more than 43 inches in height.
- 7. Wagon wheels must not track more than 62 inches in width.
- 8. Wagon box length must be between 7 and 9 feet.
- 9. Wagon box width must be between 34 and 38 inches.
- 10. Wagon wheels may be equipped with bearings.
- 11. Wagon wheels must not be equipped with rubber tires.
- 12. All wagon wheels must have wooded or false fellies.
- 13. Wagon wheels must not turn under wagon box.
- 14. Each outfit must do a figure eight around their designated set of barrels. Positions will be drawn for the first day and thereafter will be changed one, two, three, four.
- 15. Barrels shall be set according to the infield shape and size.
- 16. A legible chalk line mark between top barrels must be used as a guide for judging interference. Mark to be midway between top barrels. Wagon must stay within 10 ft. of barrel one.
- 17. Each outfit shall have a name on the canvas. Standard tarp size is 50 in. x 70 in.
- 18. Spare horse horses can be hooked from a cart to a wagon and from a wagon to a cart with directors permission or discretion.
- 19. Any wagon ahead of any other wagon must stay in their own lane from the fourth(4th) corner to the finish line.
- 20. Allowed maximum two attempts coming into the barrels, then must pull out if second attempt fails. Will be penalized for each pullout. No penalty if starter calls pull out. If having trouble, driver can call out to the starter before the designated mark is reached.
- 21. Steady pace coming into barrels set by outfit on barrel $\overline{3}$ (or 4).

CHARIOT RULES

- 1. A chariot outfit consists of a legal chariot drawn by two horses measured under the Alberta Professional Chuckwagon and Chariot Association accepted measurement.
- 2. Chariot must be of basket type and wheels enclosed.
- 3. Chariot width must be between 36 and 48 inches.
- 4. Wheel size must be rubber 400 x 8 inches.
- 5. Bearings will be allowed.
- 6. Each outfit must do a figure eight around their designated set of barrels. Positions will be drawn for the first day and thereafter will be changed one, two, three, four.
- 7. Barrels to be set according to infield shape and size
- 8. A legible chalk line mark between top barrels must be used as a guide for judging interference. Mark to be midway between top barrels.
- 9. Spare horse horses can be hooked from a cart to a wagon and from a wagon to a cart with directors permission or discretion.
- 10. Allowed maximum two attempts coming into the barrels, then must pull out if second attempt Fails, will be penalized for each pullout. No penalty if starter calls pullout. If having trouble, driver can call out to the starter before the designated mark is reached.
- 11. Steady pace coming into barrels is set by outfit on barrel 3 (or 4).
- 12. All carts in the lead must stay in their own lane from the fourth (4th) corner to the finish line.

PENALTIES

ONE SECOND:

- 1. For each pull out to outfit causing it. Maximum 2 pull outs. (except if called by starter). No time after the second attempt fails. Called when first outfit reaches the designated mark in the infield.
- 2. Short or rolled sleeves, driver or holder.
- 3. No western hat or hard hat at start of race

TWO SECONDS:

- 1. If drivers and holders jacket or vest do not match; flak jacket worn over top of race jacket or vest.
- 2. Holder assisting after the horn blows touching horses or waving arms or physically hazing.
- 3. Holder interfering with other contestants.
- 4. Holder knocking over a barrel.
- 5. Wagon starting ahead of horn, if the wheels of the outfit are in forward motion as the horn blows.
- 6. Driver interfering with another driver after the race.
- 7. Whipping with line ends or substitute or slapping with hands.
- 8. Ahead of barrel if daylight can be seen between the back of the cart or wagon and the barrel.
- 9. Canvas or sign coming loose and flapping or falling down during race. Any type of debris coming out of an outfit or flapping, with the exception of hats.
- 10. Dragging lines for carts; wagons at discretion of outriders or judges if dragging on the ground.
- 11. Off course for going outside 10 ft. mark coming into barrel one.

12. Holder not in the wagon or by the wagon until approaching the track barrel and not exiting the infield by the most direct route.

FIVE SECONDS:

- 1. Being slow coming into barrels or deliberately holding up the race. Called by starter or judges. Barrel 3 or 4 set a steady pace to be followed by 2 and 1.
- 2. Knocking over a barrel (five seconds for each barrel).
- 3. Not running own barrel pattern going around someone else's barrel(s)
- 4. Off course (barrel area or on the track). Not running the figure 8 pattern.
- 5. Touching barrel with free hand to avoid tipping it over.
- 6. Wagon having no holder. Holder must be at least by the wagon coming into barrels.
- 7. To driver of an outfit whose horses or outfit knocked over a competitor's barrel and is unable to reset before the horn blows. Pullout called, barrel set up, come in again.
- 8. Not following procedure when assessed a penalty going to the judge rather than going to the director then the protest committee.
- 9. Off course going through your opponents barrel loading into the barrels.

TEN SECONDS:

1. Missing a barrel - short cut, not going around the barrel.

FIVE TO TEN SECONDS:

- 1. Interference (cutting off another driver.)
- 2. Crowding (judges discretion).

TWO TO TWELVE SECONDS:

- 1. Foul or abusive language.
- 2. Unsportsmanlike conduct plus loss of points at year end.

NO TIME:

- 1. Cutting or injuring a horse. If you receive a no time the penalty still stands, and the appropriate demerit points will be applied.
- 2. Having a passenger under the age of 10 in your wagon or chariot outfit (meaning when the horses are hooked up). Passengers under the age of 10 can be in a mini outfit.

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Unsportsmanlike conduct and interference – lose one point per penalty second from total year standings

Complaining to fair boards without director knowledge – includes those members talking, within earshot of fair board members, at the track while decisions are being made as to the condition of the track after rains, etc. Each person will have 1 second penalty added to time plus 5 points deducted from total year standings. Track committee only to be there.

Protests: Assess 5 second penalty for not going to director, then protest committee. If you lose a protest the fee is \$100 or the highest day money in the cart/wagon, whichever is greater.

JUDGES:

- 1. Judges must wear cowboy hats and western shirts, or matching shirts or vests if provided.
- 2. Judges and/or Directors may disqualify a member for one or more days if he has been guilty of a deliberate infraction of the Association By-laws or Rules.
- 3. When penalties are awarded, the judges and/or Directors decision will be final.
- 4. There will be one judge per barrel.
- 5. Barrel judges shall be appointed or hired by the Director in charge of the race meet.
- 6. Starter shall start the races and observe infractions in the starting area and will not judge barrels (except in emergency situations).
- 7. There must be at least one judge on horseback to observe infractions or Rules or By-laws on the track and to pick up outfits in trouble.
- 8. Judges will have the power to suspend a contestant through the Director in charge of the race meet.
- 9. Judges must write down reasons for all penalties and turn them in to the race recorder. All must go through starter.
- 10. Judges shall carry out their duties without prejudice or favoritism.
- 11. Judges and/or Directors may check any driver, pony, or equipment before a race, and any driver or outfit who for any reason in their opinion is a menace to other contestants will not be allowed on the track and not be allowed to run.
- 12. Judges with horses at the same race meet shall be paid equally.
- 13. Starter on horseback will be paid \$200 per day.
- 14. Starters on foot will be paid \$25 per day plus gate pass.
- 15. Outriders will be paid \$200 per day.
- 16. Barrel judges may instruct drivers on their barrel to back up if they are ahead of the barrel.
- 17. Barrel judges and judges on horseback will be expected to attend the annual meeting.
- 18. Directors should not judge at their own shows, except in emergency situations.
- 19. Protest committee will be allowed to remove a penalty or move that penalty to another driver, if proven to be in the wrong, after reviewing our own infield camera. On this incident only.
- Drivers will be allowed to protest to have a non-called penalty applied to another outfit, if shown on our infield camera, On this incident only.

JUDGES TO STAND IN THE DESIGNATED POSITION AS PER THE JIG AND WATCH YOUR OUTFIT UNTIL IT GETS TO FIRST CORNER.

Alberta Professional Chuckwagon & Chariot Association

Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct identifies the standard of behavior which is expected of all Alberta Professional Chuckwagon & Chariot Association members and participants, including but not limited to all drivers, outfit owners, holders, judges, executive members and volunteers involved in APCCA activities and events.

All participants will:

- Consistently demonstrate the spirit of sportsmanship, leadership and ethical conduct in the best interest of the safety of all participants and animals, and the integrity of the sport of chuckwagon/chariot racing and the APC&CA;
- Ensure responsible care in the handling and treatment of their horse as well as horses placed in their care;
- Provide an environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity, and avoid any actions that might threaten or intimidate any person or organization involved in the APC&CA, including spectators, sponsors, competitors, directors, judges, officials, show committees and volunteers;
- Act in a professional manner in order to maintain the trust and confidence of the public and defend the integrity of the APC&CA as well as the sport of chuckwagon/chariot racing;
- Refrain from publicly criticizing other members, judges, directors, show committees or the association in general;
- Cooperate in the enforcement of the APC&CA Rule Book and Code of Conduct and agree to accept the authority and decisions of the judges, directors and officials;
- Present themselves in western attire anywhere within sight of the grandstand/racetrack during the entirety of the races.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action including, but not limited to, the loss or suspension of certain or all privileges connected with the APC&CA both present and future.