

IGRA STATEMENT CONCERNING COVID-19

April 18, 2020

During the meeting of the IGRA Board of Directors, held on April 18, 2020, via video conference, the Board discussed the impact of COVID-19 on IGRA, on our Member and Recognized Associations, and on the individuals who are part of, or are associated with, our organization.

The Board gave weighted consideration to health and safety, financial, logistical, and other concerns, and adopted a plan to address these, specifically the *IGRA COVID-19 Plan*.

The plan states as follows:

- That membership in IGRA (Member and Recognized Associations) shall not expire in 2020 but shall extend through 2021 without the need to renew or pay additional dues.
- That the term of any elected or appointed IGRA position shall not expire in 2020.
- That the 2020 rodeo year be extended through 2021, becoming the 2020-2021 rodeo season with a term of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021.
- That annual IGRA-produced events (e.g., Finals Rodeo, Annual Convention, Royalty Competition) scheduled in the remainder of 2020 be rescheduled to 2021.
- That Member and Recognized Associations shall continue to conduct their business as they deem appropriate, keeping in mind their obligation to be in concurrence with the stated goals and purposes of IGRA.
- That Member and Recognized Associations consider adjusting the terms of their elected or appointed positions that are associated with IGRA rules (e.g., trustees, association royalty) to reflect the changes made by IGRA.
- That, for purposes of this Plan, the IGRA Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Rodeo Rules, and supporting exhibits be revised on an emergency basis to implement the Plan outlined herein.
- The changes adopted by the plan apply only to 2020 and 2021.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

In essence, the rodeo years 2020 and 2021 will be combined into one season. All points earned at any rodeo held in 2020 will apply to the combined season. Sanction fees paid for 2020 rodeos that are postponed to 2021 will carry forward to those rodeos.

The Finals Rodeo and Annual Convention will not be held in 2020. Officers, directors, certified officials, royalty, and other elected or appointed positions will continue in their roles into 2021.

The specific revisions to the Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Rodeo Rules are outlined in the following documents, adopted as part of the *IGRA COVID-19 Plan* and can be obtained from your association's trustee or on the IGRA web site:

- *IGRA 2020 Bylaws with COVID-19 Changes 2020-04-18*
- *IGRA 2020 Standing Rules with COVID-19 Changes 2020-04-18*
- *IGRA 2020 Rodeo Rules with COVID-19 Changes 2020-04-18*