



# FIRST NATIONS RODEO & RELAY

Dear 2026 Calgary Stampede First Nations Rodeo Contestant,

On behalf of the Calgary Stampede, we are honoured to welcome you to the inaugural Calgary Stampede First Nations Rodeo & Relay. We know that for many contestants this may be your first time visiting Stampede Park, so we want to help make your arrival and time on site as smooth and welcoming as possible. Whether you are new to Calgary or returning to compete, we hope this experience is one you will remember with pride as part of this historic event. Below you will find important information to help you prepare for your time at Stampede Park and during the event.

## Contestant Check In

- Rodeo Contestants can access Stampede Park via the Nat Christie Gate at [650 – 25<sup>th</sup> Ave SE](#) as early as 8:00 am on Thursday, June 11. Early arrival prior to this time is NOT permitted.
- Contestants can check in at the FNRR Check In trailer, located west of the Nat Christie entrance area upon your arrival. Please Check In prior to the start of your event.
- Check In Hours are
  - Thursday, June 11 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
  - Friday, June 12 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
  - Saturday, June 13 8:00 am - 6:30 pm
- Contestants who have not completed their CS Contestant Agreement at the time of entry, will have the opportunity to sign at Check In. All Contestants must have a signed Contestant Agreement prior to competing.
- Wristbands will be provided to Contestants and Junior Helpers to allow access to competition areas.
- Entry Fees can be paid at the Check In trailer as well.
- RV Stalls & Horse Stalls will be available for purchase at the Check In Trailer.
  - Horse Stalls - \$50 per stall for the event, includes 2 bags of shavings
  - RV Stalls - \$100 per spot for the event
- No Cash will be accepted for payment of RV or Horse stalls.

## Horses

- No horses are allowed in the Lots 25 A & B – the RV Camping Areas.
- Horses are permitted to be tied only in designated areas in the infield.
- Feed & Hay can be purchased by contacting Lone Star Tack & Feeds. Mention the FNRR for a discount. Delivery to Stampede Park available:

403-730-9498

<https://lonestartack.com/shop/>

info@lonestartack.com  
225120 Range Road 285, Rocky View County, Alberta

### **Contestant Access & Tickets**

- Please note that the arena and chutes (roughstock & timed event) and working areas of the rodeo are restricted areas accessible only to contestants and approved personnel for each day of event. Contestants will be provided a wrist band to access these areas. Wristband must be visible whenever accessing restricted areas.
- Junior contestants will be provided a wristband for 1 Helper.
- Families and Guests who are not competing are able to watch the Rodeo from the Grandstand Tarmac for Thursday and Friday, tickets are not required for Thursday and Friday performances.
- General Admission Tickets for Saturday Night's performance will be available for purchase at the Main Ticket Office located west of the GMC Stadium. Tickets are also available for purchase online at [www.calgarystampede.com/tickets](http://www.calgarystampede.com/tickets)
  - Ticket Office Hours
    - Thursday June 11 – 8:30am – 5pm
    - Friday June 12 – 8:30am – 5pm
    - Saturday June 13 – 10am – 8pm

### **Saturday Performance Contestant Meeting**

- All Contestants competing in Saturday Evening's Performance must attend the Rodeo Contestant Meeting. Meeting will be held Saturday, June 13 at 12:00 pm outside of the Infield Rodeo Office. Important information for the performance will be shared.

### **Grand Entry**

- All contestants competing in Saturday's feature performance are asked to participate in the Grand Entry (exception is for Bareback riders only). Both Rodeo Contestants and Relay Teams will participate in the Grand Entry.
- Meet in the arena's center alley by 6:10 pm in western attire.

### **Contestants, Family & Friends FREE Pancake Breakfast**

- Please join us for a FREE Pancake Breakfast served by the Calgary Stampede Downtown Attractions volunteer committee - at H Barn on Saturday morning from 7:00 am - 9:00 am.
- The pancake breakfast will be served at the H Barn, which is west of the Nat Christie Bridge.

### **Important Contacts**

- **Calgary Stampede Dispatch**
  - Emergency (403)261.0595 OR 911
  - Non-Emergency – (403)261.0224
- **Vet – Moore & Company**
  - Call CS Dispatch to get in touch with the Vet.
- **Lone Star Feed & Tack**
  - 403.730.9498 or 403.650.9848

### **Track Crossing & Warm Up Arena (South Infield Arena) Schedule**

- Track Crossing at the Half Mile Gate – please be aware of the posted timings when crossing the track is permitted. Crossing the track is NOT permitted outside of the posted times.
  - Thursday – June 11 open at 1:00 pm – 8:00 pm
  - Friday – June 12 open at 8:00 am – 8:30 pm
  - Saturday – June 13 open at 4:00 pm – 7:55 pm
  - Access to infield can also be made via the vehicle tunnel on the east side of the track.
- **The Main Rodeo Infield Arena & Racetrack are NOT available for warm up at any time.**
- Please walk your horses when traveling across the lane to access the warm-up and rodeo arenas.
- Infield Warm Up Arena is available at 8:00 am each morning through the day.

### **Rodeo Event Information**

- Please review the included schedule to fully understand all performance times and order of events.
- **For all events**, please ensure you have read and understand the Rodeo Ground Rules as they pertain to production and the Animal Care Codes.
- **Ladies Barrel Racers** will enter the area from the racetrack south gate.
- **Timed Event** competitors will enter from Arena South Infield Alley Gate
- **Champions Presentations for Open events** will take place after the conclusion of the Bull Riding on Saturday evening.

### **Additional Information**

- Food Trucks will be available in the Infield and GMC Stadium Tarmac throughout competition.
- First Nations Market Place in GMC Stadium on Saturday, June 13 from 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Once again, on behalf of our entire team we wish you the best of luck in this year's Rodeo.



# **RODEO & RELAY**

## **ORDER IN ADVANCE**

We will be providing Pickup & Delivery Services  
for the following Rodeo & Relay Events:

**First Nations Rodeo & Relay - June 13**  
**Calgary Stampede - July 3 - 12**

IF YOU NEED:

**Hay**

**Straw**

**Shavings**

**Feed**

**Supplements**

**Vet Wrap**

or anything else for your team

**CALL US AT 403-730-9498**

We **cannot** guarantee same day delivery, please order a minimum of 24 hours in advance.



### **Directions for Nat Christie Gate (Entrance to Stampede Park)**

The entrance for rodeo parking is now at 650 25<sup>th</sup> Ave SE (Nat Christie Gate). That is on the southeast end of the Stampede grounds.

**From the North or the South** take Highway 2 (turns into Deerfoot Trail), Take Blackfoot Trail exit, then take Ogden Rd/ 26<sup>th</sup> Ave exit. (you will need to take the 26<sup>th</sup> Ave part of the exit) Go east on 26<sup>th</sup> Ave to the traffic circle and go left on Dartmouth Rd. Go one block on Dartmouth Rd and turn right at 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. Go to the first set of lights on 25<sup>th</sup> Ave and turn right, this is the entrance to Stampede Park. The parking gate attendant will direct you.

**From the West** go East on Highway 1 to Deerfoot Trail South, take Blackfoot Trail exit, then take Ogden Rd/ 26<sup>th</sup> Ave exit. (you will need to take the 26<sup>th</sup> Ave part of the exit) Go east on 26<sup>th</sup> Ave to the traffic circle and go left on Dartmouth Rd. Go one block on Dartmouth Rd and turn right at 25<sup>th</sup> Ave. Go to the first set of lights on 25<sup>th</sup> Ave and turn right, this is the entrance to Stampede Park. The parking gate attendant will direct you.

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**GPS Coordinates for Calgary Stampede:**

51.029767, -114.046467

[Google Maps Link to Stampede Park Entrance](#)

# FINDING YOUR WAY THROUGH STAMPEDE PARK



For more information on the Calgary Stampede please visit:  
[calgariystampede.com](http://calgariystampede.com)

UPDATED: May 27, 2026

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## Thursday, June 11, 2026

<b>8:00 am</b>	Constant Move In
<b>8:00 am – 8:00 pm</b>	Check In Trailer Open
<b>8am-9pm</b>	Rodeo warm up in Northern Lights Arena
<b>8:00 am</b>	Contestants may access infield warm up arena but not across track
<b>1:00 pm</b>	Half mile gate open to contestants with horses to cross track into infield
<b>3:00pm</b>	<b>CS First Nations Rodeo Performance 1</b> Jr. Barrels Jr. Break Away Sr. Break Away

## Friday, June 12, 2026

<b>8:00 am – 8:00 pm</b>	Check In Trailer opens
<b>8:00 am - 7:00 pm</b>	Rodeo warm up in Northern Lights Arena
<b>8:00am</b>	Contestants may access infield warm up arena but not across track
<b>8:00am</b>	Contestants on foot must cross though vehicle tunnel
<b>8:00am</b>	Rodeo warm up infield warm up arena
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>CS First Nations Rodeo Performance 2</b> 1. Barrel Racing 2. Breakaway Roping 3. Sr. Team Roping 4. Team Roping 5. Tie Down Roping 6. Steer Wrestling

## Saturday, June 13, 2026

<b>6:00 am-7:30 am</b>	Relay Team track access (tentative)
<b>7:00 am – 9:00 am</b>	Pancake breakfast (East side of H barn)
<b>7:00 am – 10:00 pm</b>	Rodeo warm up in Northern Lights Arena
<b>8:00 am – 8:00 pm</b>	Check In trailer opens
<b>8:00 am</b>	Contestants may access infield warm up arena but not across track No horses or contestants allowed to cross track Contestants on foot must cross though vehicle tunnel
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>CS First Nations Rodeo – Roughstock Only Performance 3</b> 1. Junior Bull Riding 2. Saddle Bronc Riding 3. Bull Riding
<b>12:00pm</b>	Rodeo Contestant Meeting (infield Rodeo office) – Saturday Contestants Only
<b>1:00pm</b>	Relay Contestant Meeting (G Barn)
<b>4:00pm</b>	Half mile gate open to contestants with horses to cross track into infield <b>Barrel racers only may ride down the top of the track to first corner</b>

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**6:30PM - 9:30PM** CS First Nations Rodeo & Relay Main Performance (TICKETED)

1. *Grand Entry*
2. Bareback Riding
3. Team Roping
4. Barrel Racing
5. Tie Down Roping
6. Saddle Bronc Riding
7. Steer Wrestling
8. Breakaway Roping
9. Bull Riding
  
10. *Rodeo Championship Presentations*  
*Dancers and Drummers*
  
11. Relay Heats 1 – 5
12. *Relay Racing Championship Presentations*