



## NWYRA Grand Entry Procedures

### **CONTESTANTS / FLAG CARRIERS / POST RIDERS RULES & EXPECTATIONS:**

1. Arrive 15 minutes prior to start of Grand Entry @ entry gate/NWYRA cargo trailer.
2. Flag Carriers and Post Riders, check-in with Grand Entry Director, Amber Riesterer or Jennifer Rudisil.
3. Post Riders, your horses must be able to lead contestants, post your position in line and stand quietly.
4. Contestants will follow the Post Riders and parade into the arena on the rail at a walk/jog/trot/slow and controlled pace. Contestants need to post, facing the crowd. Absolutely NO running!
5. Flag Carriers must have their own flag boot, no exceptions!
6. Flag Carriers if you are unable to carry your assigned flag for any reason, please text Amber Riesterer ASAP so she can arrange for a back-up.
7. Flag Horses must willingly and safely enter the arena. Slow lope on the rail around the arena and post into line.
8. Grand Entry Director will remove any unsafe horses.

### **ORDER OF ENTRY:**

The following is the order of NWYRA Grand Entry. Please study the Arena Map and know your positions.

1. Post Riders lead Contestants, line up and stand quietly.
2. NWYRA Court run-ins
  - a. Queen
  - b. Princess(s)
3. Visiting Court Royalty
4. Sponsors Flags
5. NWYRA Flag
6. Oregon Flag
7. American Flag w/ National Anthem
8. Prayer (remove hats)

### **OTHER NOTES:**

- Absolutely NO running on horseback!
- Arrive on time for flags or you may lose your opportunity to carry.
- Contestants are expected to follow directions at all times.
- Back-up Flag Carriers must report.