

**SAN JUAN COUNTY 4-H RODEO  
YOUTH CODE OF CONDUCT**

The San Juan County 4-H Rodeo contestants will abide by the New Mexico 4-H Youth Code of Conduct as well as the following guidelines regarding conduct at 4-H rodeos and related activities.

**CONDUCT EXPECTATIONS:**

- (1) Rodeo participants will not have any association with alcoholic beverages, tobacco, e-cigarettes, vaping, narcotics or other non-prescribed drugs during 4-H rodeo events and activities.
- (2) Rowdy behavior, quarreling or fighting at any time in the rodeo arena or any place on the event premises will not be tolerated.
- (3) Conduct or speech of any kind, including social media, that is detrimental to the best interests of the San Juan County 4-H Rodeo program is prohibited.
- (4) Participants and their associates will show respect for property and rodeo facilities used during an event and will assume financial and legal responsibility for any damages they cause. Property damage by contestants or their associates must be reported to the County Extension Agent.
- (5) Contestants will not attempt to cheat or to threaten, bribe, influence, harass or coerce any rodeo official or committee member at any time before, during or after a rodeo event or activity.

For any infraction of the above stated Code of Conduct, the San Juan County 4-H Rodeo Committee may enforce a level of penalty up to the following:

First Offense

- a. 1 rodeo suspension

Second Offense

- b. Suspension from remaining rodeos in the rodeo season

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the San Juan County 4-H Rodeo Youth Code of Conduct and the New Mexico 4-H Youth Code of Conduct Contract in regards to my participation in San Juan County 4-H Rodeos and related activities.

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Contestant Signature

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Date

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Parent (Guardian) Signature

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Date

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Parent (Guardian) Signature

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Date

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## New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program & San Juan County 4-H Rodeo Adult Code of Conduct Contract

**According to New Mexico State 4-H Policies and Procedures all participants (members, leaders, parents and other attendees) at 4-H activities at any level will adhere to high standards of personal behavior and conduct.** All 4-H youth and adult volunteer leaders enrolled in the New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program are required to sign and abide by the NM 4-H Code of Conduct for youth and adults. In addition, San Juan County 4-H Rodeo participants must also sign a separate 4-H rodeo code of conduct form. **Parents and/or guardians of 4-H rodeo participants are required to sign the following adult code of conduct contract regarding responsible behavior at all 4-H activities, including 4-H rodeos. This form must accompany the youth rodeo entry form in order for youth to be eligible to participate in San Juan County 4-H Rodeos.**

The positive influence of caring, capable and responsible adults plays an important role in the lives of youth and the 4-H Youth Development Program. Adults working with 4-H youth are charged to lead by example and create a sense of belonging for the youth they support. Therefore, the adult, by signing this form agrees to conduct him or herself in a responsible manner and abide by all expectations as stated.

### Expectations:

- To cooperate with, support and empower adult staff and the rodeo committee as they facilitate the 4-H rodeo program.
- To oversee the health, safety and whereabouts of the youth while at rodeo events and activities.
- To abide by the same rules as the youth as spelled out in their code of conduct, 4-H appropriate clothing guidelines, and use or possession of alcohol, drugs or weapons, before, during or after an event.
- To orient youth participants as to expectations of dress, manners, safety, punctuality, etc. for the event and to answer concerns and questions of the youth.
- To enforce all written and signed behavior expectations established for youth participating in the 4-H Youth Development program.
- To refrain from causing or demonstrating conflict with other parents, volunteers, chaperones or 4-H agents in front of youth.
- To act in the best interest of the youth in the event of an emergency.
- To communicate with fellow adults and youth in an appropriate manner with no swearing, cursing or abusive language in all forms of communication, including social media.
- To avoid sexual contact of any type with youth and/or personal displays of affection with other adults in the presence of youth.
- To not ignore situations involving bullying, hazing or harassment, nor fail to intervene if youth are being threatened, humiliated, or intimidated by other youth or adults.

I understand that as an adult I should model positive behaviors and lead by example. I also understand that my behavior not only affects the youth, but the entire 4-H Youth Development Program and that I represent myself, my son or daughter's 4-H club, San Juan County 4-H and the overall State 4-H Program. Therefore, I have read and understand the expectations related to the Code of Conduct for Adults and agree to be bound by it.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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