



## 2019 Apprentice and Journeyman Event

### CLIMBING SKILLS DEMONSTRATION

Mean Time: 10 MIN, Journeyman – 5 MIN, Apprentice

Drop Dead Time: 15 MIN, Journeyman – 10 MIN, Apprentice

In this event, each climber will demonstrate the skills needed to climb, maneuver, and work aloft safely. Several steps require specific tasks that the climber must accomplish before moving on.

The teams and apprentices will have five minutes to setup and ask questions.

Pole must be sounded with hammer prior to climbing.

For this event ground to ground rubber glove rules apply for Journeymen. Apprentices will use work gloves only.

Time starts when the judge signals "GO".

The climber will climb to the first arm where the pin insulator will be removed and reinstalled back in same location.

The climber continues up the pole, goes over neutral and ties a snub rope around the pole, using a square knot.

The groundman raises hoist, grip and suspension insulator to the lineman using handline.

Note: the handline will be pre-positioned on the pole and will remain there for entire event. Climber proceeds to change out the suspension insulator on the phase, then lowers the hoist, grip and the exchanged suspension insulator back down the pole. The snub rope is also lowered to the ground using the handline.

The climber continues up to the top of the pole. At the top of the pole will be a canvas bag containing a cow bell. The climber will remove the bell from the bag and ring it.

Once rung, the cow bell will be placed back in the bag. Then the climber climbs down the pole (no other tasks remain except to safely climb down). For journeyman, once on the ground, the climber taps out to the second climber who goes through the same process as the first climber. Time stops when the second climber steps back on the ground.

For apprentices, time stops when the climber steps back on the ground. Apprentice operate their own handlines.

Note: *Every attempt will be made to run the event exactly as described above. In the event of unforeseen circumstances or conditions, the Rodeo Events Committee reserves the right to alter the event as needed.*