

To: THSRA Saddle Bids

From: Susan Baldwin

THSRA Secretary

Re: 2025 Saddle Bid Requirements

Date: August 2024

We invite you to submit bids for the 2025 Texas High School Rodeo Finals awards. **This year, we are implementing a new bid process,** so please review the following changes carefully.

Enclosed you will find the saddle bid specifications for the 2025 Texas High School Rodeo Finals Awards. The Board of Directors of the THSRA invites you to submit your saddle bids. Your award saddle bids should include all shipping to Taylor County Expo Center. All saddles need to be delivered no later than May 30, 2025.

ALL BIDS ARE DUE TO BE EMAILED OR MAILED AND RECEIVED BY NOON, CENTRAL TIME, OCTOBER 4, 2024. *****Bids received after this date will not be accepted*****

1. Email or mail your company's submitted bid by noon, central time, October 4th and submit any additional pictures/proposed designs.

We would like for you to submit your bid in 4 different ways:

- 1. 3 saddles at Level 1 pricing: Queen, All Around Cowgirl, All Around Cowboy as stated in level 1 specs below. Please include a clear total.
- 2. 3 saddles at Level 2 pricing: Queen, All Around Cowgirl, All Around Cowboy as stated in level 2 specs below. Please include a clear total.
- 3. 16 saddles at Level 1 pricing: as stated in level 1 specs below. Please include a clear total.
- 4. 16 saddles at Level 2 pricing: as stated in level 2 specs below. Please include a clear total.

Email: texashighschoolrodeo@gmail.com and delaune.holly@gmail.com

Mail: Susan Baldwin, THSRA, 722 Southview Circle, Center, TX 75935

2. Text a video presentation by October 4th of you showcasing your saddles (it doesn't need to be fancy) to Holly DeLaune at 210-632-3208. If possible, use the saddles you've sent in the video for clarity. We would love to hear about the details of your saddle including trees used, leather quality, and different options.

3. Please make arrangements for your sample saddles to be in Hallettsville by 7 a.m. Saturday, October 12th either by arranging for someone to deliver on site or mail to our state office by October 7th along with a pre-paid return label. It is best to send samples of saddles that would be comparable to what you are bidding on. We will send the samples back the week following our meeting.

Mail to THSRA: THSRA, 722 Southview Circle, Center, TX 75935

Hand Deliver: in Hallettsville: Methodist Church, 206 S. Dowling, Hallettsville

<u>Please note, in-person presentations will not be held this year.</u> Due to the involvement of our student officers and their school commitments, we will review your presentations and saddles on Saturday morning instead of Friday evening. The Awards Committee recommendation will be voted on by the THSRA Directors at their meeting on Saturday, October 12th.

For any questions regarding this process, contact Holly Delaune at 210-632-3208. Please remember our deadline of October 4, 2024. We are again looking forward to working with you in our consideration for the THSRA State Finals Awards saddles.

Thank you for your participation.

Best regards,

Susan Baldwin

THSRA State Secretary

LEVEL 1: MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS FOR 2024 THSRA SADDLES:

- Fiberglass covered wood tree or Rawhide covered wood tree.
- Hand carved floral or floral geometric tooling.
- Fully tooled requirement.
- Quality American tanned skirting leather by Herman Oak Leather (or equivalent).
- Leather color- Natural, Chestnut, or Chocolate are considered valid options.
- THSRA logo on Seat Jockey.
- Year (2025) carved on saddle skirt.
- Championship carved on fenders. (ie. All Around Cowboy)
- Letters hand painted in color tones to compliment the saddle leather color selected. Logo to be painted in accordance with logo brand guide colors.
- Stitched skirt, seat jockey, and fenders.
- Seats: Suede or oil tan seats must be quilted and either pop stitched or buck stitched. Exotic seat options may also be considered. Split seats are not preferred.
- Real wool lined skirts.

LEVEL 2: MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS FOR 2024 THSRA SADDLES:

- Fiberglass covered wood tree or Rawhide covered wood tree.
- Hand carved floral or floral geometric tooling.
- Half tooled requirement.
- Quality American tanned skirting leather by Herman Oak Leather (or equivalent).
- Leather color- Natural, Chestnut, or Chocolate are considered valid options.
- THSRA logo on Seat Jockey.
- Year (2025) carved on saddle skirt.
- Championship carved on fenders. (ie. All Around Cowboy)
- Letters hand painted in color tones to compliment the saddle leather color selected. Logo to be painted in accordance with logo brand guide colors.
- Stitched skirt, seat jockey, and fenders.
- Seats: Suede or oil tan seats must be quilted and either pop stitched or buck stitched. Exotic seat options may also be considered. Split seats are not preferred.
- Real wool lined skirts.

Champion Saddle/Tree/Design List:

- THSRA 2025 Queen -14-inch barrel style tree. 2.5" flank cinch. 2-inch finished wood, engraved aluminum, or leather covered stirrups.
- THSRA 2025 All around Cowgirl- 14.5 inch team roper tree. 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch deep roper stirrups
- THSRA 2025 All Around Cowboy-14.5 inch team roper tree. 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch deep roper stirrups
- THSRA 2025 Barrel Racing Champion- 14-inch barrel style tree. 2.5" flank cinch. 2-inch finished wood, engraved aluminum, or leather covered stirrups.
- THSRA 2025 Pole Bending Champion 14-inch barrel style tree. 2.5" flank cinch. 2-inch finished wood, engraved aluminum, or leather covered stirrups.
- THSRA 2025 Goat Tying Champion- 14 inch calf rope style tree. 4 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch roper stirrups
- THSRA 2025 Breakaway Roping Champion- 14 inch calf roper style tree. 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch roper stirrups
- THSRA 2025 Girl's Cutting Champion- 16 inch cutting tree. 2.5 inch flank cinch. 1 inch Oxbow or 2 inch flat bottom stirrups.
- THSRA 2025 Boy's Cutting Champion-16.5 inch cutting tree. 2.5 inch flank cinch. 1 inch Oxbow or 2 inch flat bottom stirrups.
- THSRA 2025 Reined Cow Horse Champion-16.5" cow horse tree. 2.5 inch flank cinch. 2 inch flat bottom stirrups.
- THSRA 2025 Calf Roping Champion-14.5 inch calf roper style tree. Minimum 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch roper stirrups
- **THSRA 2025 Steer Wrestling Champion-**15.5 inch steer wrestling style tree. 7 inch flank cinch. 3 inch extra deep tooled leather stirrups.
- THSRA 2025 Bareback Riding Champion- 14.S inch team roper tree. 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch deep roper stirrups
- THSRA 2025 Bull Riding Champion-14.S inch team roper tree. 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch deep roper stirrups
- THSRA 2025 Saddle Bronc Riding Champion-14.5 inch team roper tree. 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch deep roper stirrups
- THSRA 2025 Team Roping Champion Header-14.S inch team roper tree. 7 inch flank cinch. Tooled leather covered 3 inch deep roper stirrups

Thank you for your consideration. Please don't hesitate to call with any questions.