2026-27 CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON

OFFICIAL FORMAT & CALENDAR

SEASON OPENER	REGULAR-SEASON FINALE	FRONTIER FINALS
9-11 October 2026	17-19 September 2027	3-7 November 2027

INAUGURAL SEASON

The FRC launches as a full-season championship tour. Fourteen regular-season rodeos are staged across the United States before the Top 12 in each discipline advance to the five-night Frontier Finals.

2026-27 REGULAR-SEASON CALENDAR

#	Dates	Event	Location	Status
1	Oct 9-11, 2026	Frontier Kickoff	Fort Worth, TX	Season Opener
2	Nov 6-8	Red Dirt Rodeo	Tulsa, OK	Regular
3	Dec 4-6	Desert Classic	Phoenix, AZ	Regular
4	Jan 15-17, 2027	Winter Roundup	Denver, CO	Regular
5	Feb 12-14	Lone Star Classic	Austin, TX	MAJOR
6	Mar 12-14	Heartland Rodeo	Oklahoma City, OK	Regular
7	Apr 9-11	High Desert Challenge	Albuquerque, NM	Regular
8	May 7-9	Texas Stampede	Dallas, TX	MAJOR
9	May 28-30	Panhandle Classic	Amarillo, TX	Regular
10	Jun 18-20	Wyoming Open	Casper, WY	Regular
11	Jul 9-11	Snake River Rodeo	Boise, ID	Regular
12	Jul 30-Aug 1	Mountain West Classic	Salt Lake City, UT	Regular
13	Aug 20-22	Crossroads Championship	Kansas City, MO	MAJOR
14	Sep 17-19	Frontier Championship Rodeo	Colorado Springs, CO	Season Finale

Note: The championship is branded as the 2026-27 FRC Championship Season. It begins in October 2026 and crowns its world champions in November 2027.

HOW AN FRC RODEO WEEKEND WORKS

FRIDAY	ROUND 1 Every entered competitor performs once. Round placings award bonus championship points.
SATURDAY	ROUND 2 Every competitor performs again. After two rounds, the Top 8 in each discipline advance.
SUNDAY	CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND The Top 8 compete again. The best overall weekend aggregate determines the event champion.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS

Finish	Points	Finish	Points
1st	100	7th	28
2nd	80	8th	22
3rd	65	9th	16
4th	55	10th	12
5th	45	11th	8
6th	35	12th	5

ROUND BONUS **1st: +10 pts 2nd: +6 pts 3rd: +3 pts**	**MAXIMUM REGULAR-STOP HAUL** **120 points**

MAJORS, MONEY & STANDINGS

Three regular-season stops are designated FRC Majors: the Lone Star Classic, Texas Stampede and Crossroads Championship. Major finishing and round points are worth 1.25x normal value. Every stop also carries a fictional prize purse and career earnings, but championship points - not prize money - determine the standings.

LONE STAR CLASSIC Austin - February	TEXAS STAMPEDE Dallas - May	CROSSROADS CHAMPIONSHIP Kansas City - August

WHAT THE STANDINGS TRACK

Championship points, event wins, round wins, podiums, qualified rides, 90+ point rides, average scores, fastest times and season/career prize earnings.

FRONTIER FINALS

After the regular-season finale, the Top 12 in every discipline qualify for the Frontier Finals in Fort Worth, Texas. Regular-season points carry forward - there is no reset.

THE FRONTIER FINALS | FORT WORTH, TEXAS | 3-7 NOVEMBER 2027

Night	Date	Format
Round 1	Wed 3 Nov	All 12 qualifiers compete
Round 2	Thu 4 Nov	All 12 qualifiers compete
Round 3	Fri 5 Nov	All 12 qualifiers compete
Round 4	Sat 6 Nov	All 12 qualifiers compete
Championship Round	Sun 7 Nov	Final championship performances

FINALS POINTS
All Frontier Finals championship points are worth 1.5x normal value.

POINTS CARRY OVER
Every point earned since October remains on the competitor's season total.

TITLES AWARDED

FRC WORLD CHAMPION	Highest total championship points after the final performance of the season.
FRONTIER FINALS CHAMPION	Best aggregate performance specifically across the five Finals rounds.
FRC ALL-AROUND CHAMPION	Top eligible competitor earning championship points across two or more disciplines.
FRC ROOKIE OF THE YEAR	Highest-ranked eligible first-season competitor.

SEVEN FRC DISCIPLINE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Bull Riding | Saddle Bronc | Bareback | Barrel Racing | Steer Wrestling | Team Roping | Tie-Down Roping

SEASON IN ONE LINE
14 regular-season rodeos -> Championship points -> 3 Majors -> Top 12 qualify -> 5-night Frontier Finals -> FRC World Champions crowned.