

NMQHA

Stallion Service Auction, Stallion Nominations, Mare Nominations, and Futurity Rules

STALLION NOMINATIONS and STALLION SERVICE AUCTION

A. Stallion Nominations & Stallion Service Auction

1. A Stallion owner may donate a breeding service to New Mexico Quarter Horse Stallion Service Futurity. Nominations will be accepted until June 15th.
2. All stallion owners must be current members of NMQHA by June 15th.
3. Stallions shall be offered for mail bid. Minimum Bid will open at \$300 for stallions standing in New Mexico and \$400 for stallions standing outside New Mexico. The first bid received by mail shall be honored. If two checks are received on the same day, the postmark date will be the determining factor.
4. In the event a stallion service does not sell or the owner does not want to offer the horse for auction, the stallion owner may pay the nomination fee postmarked by June 15th in order for the stallion's foals to be eligible for the NMQHA Futurity.
 - a. Nomination fee for stallions standing the entire breeding season in New Mexico is \$300.
 - b. Nomination fee for all other stallions will be \$400.
5. All stallion nomination & stallion service money will be mailed directly to the futurity management where the checks will be copied and deposited into the futurity account.
6. The stallion owner must nominate the stallion or give written permission that the stallion can be nominated to the futurity making his foals eligible to compete in the futurity classes for foals by nominated stallions. All high point stallion money and/or awards will go to the stallion owner who nominated the stallion.
7. There will be no substitutions once a horse is donated to the Stallion Auction.

B. Eligibility of Stallions

1. Nominated stallions must have an AQHA registration number and a copy of the stallion's registration papers must accompany nomination.

C. Futurity Eligibility of Horses by Nominated Stallions

1. When a stallion that stands the entire season in New Mexico is nominated and fee is paid or service is sold, his foals of any age are eligible for the current year futurity classes for foals by nominated stallions and foals of the following year will maintain eligibility through their three-year-old year.

2. When a stallion that stands outside of New Mexico is nominated and fee is paid or service is sold, his foals of any age are eligible for that year's futurity classes for foals by nominated stallions.

3. All horses exhibited in the futurity classes designated for foals by nominated stallions must have AQHA registration papers.

- D. If due to ill health or death, a stallion whose breeding fee was purchased becomes unavailable for breeding, the full purchase price will be refunded to the purchaser.

- E. A stallion may move anywhere within 250-mile radius of the place that he was advertised as standing when his service sold. When move is more than 250 miles, the Board of Directors will agree to hear the purchaser's complaint concerning a hardship and will act on the complaint.

F. Rules Established for Mare Owners Purchasing Stallion Service through Auction

1. All mare owners bidding on stallion services must be current members of NMQHA.
2. Resulting foal must be eligible for AQHA Registration.
3. The mare owner who purchases the stallion service must sign and abide by all terms and conditions of the participating stallion owner's breeding contract.
4. If a mare does not settle by June 15th, at the stallion owner's option, a return for the next season can be granted to the mare owner with no refund.
5. In case of the mare's death, the matter should be brought before the futurity committee with particulars of the situation.

BROODMARE NOMINATIONS

A. Mare Nominations

1. A mare owner may nominate an AQHA registered mare.
2. All mare owners must be current members of NMQHA and mare must be New Mexico owned on or before February 1st of year nominated.
3. Nomination fee for a mare will be \$75.00 per year.
4. Mare nominations will be accepted until July 15th of the breeding year, making her foal(s) of any age eligible for the current year futurity classes for foals out of nominated mares and her foals of the following year will maintain eligibility through their three-year-old year.
5. All mare nomination money will be mailed directly to the futurity management where the checks will be copied and deposited into the futurity account.
6. Mare owner must pay mare nomination fee or give written permission that the mare can be nominated to the futurity making her foals eligible to compete in the futurity classes for foals out of nominated mares. All high point mare money and/or awards will go to the mare owner who nominated the mare.
7. There will be no substitution, once a mare is donated to the breeders futurity.
8. In the event the mare does not settle and this is certified in writing by a licensed veterinarian, the nomination fee may be applied to the following breeding season. If the mare dies and there is no resulting foal, the full nomination fee will be refunded less a 10% handling fee.

B. Eligibility of Mares

1. Mares must have an AQHA ID Number.
2. Registration papers of mare, showing current ownership, must accompany nomination.
3. Mare must be New Mexico owned on or before February 1st of year nominated.

C. Futurity Eligibility of Horses out of Nominated Mares

1. When a mare is nominated and fee is paid, her foals of any age are eligible to compete in the current year futurity's classes for foals out of nominated mares and her foals of the following year will maintain eligibility through their three-year-old year.
2. All horses exhibited in the futurity classes designated for foals out of nominated mares must have AQHA registration papers.

FUTURITY PROGRAM

The NMQHA Futurity features three separate programs:

1. The Stallion Service Futurity (for foals by nominated stallions) will showcase NM stallions and stallions nominated from outside the state.
2. The Breeders Futurity (for foals out of nominated mares) will showcase NM broodmares.
3. Open Classes are also available for registered horses by any stallion and out of any mare.

Stallion Service Futurity money, Mare Breeders Futurity money, and Open Classes entry fees will not be co-mingled.

Payback for Stallion Service Futurity and Breeders Futurity will be from entry fees and nomination money after expenses.

Payback for Open Futurity Classes will be from entry fees after expenses.

Corporate monies will be added when received.

All owners and exhibitors must be current members of NMQHA.

All entry fees will be mailed directly to the futurity management where the checks will be copied and deposited into the futurity account.

A. Entries in Futurity Classes

All entries must be postmarked by the postal service on or before the stated date.

1. First entry payment is due June 15th to reserve a spot in a class.
2. Second entry payment is due July 15th.
3. Third payment is due August 15th and entry must be named with a copy of the registration papers or send a copy of its registration application. All horses must have permanent registration papers by the day of the show.
4. Late payment = double each payment until September 1st.
5. Entries can be made until 12:00 noon of the day prior to the Futurity at triple fees according to payment schedule.
6. Cost of each class is designated on entry blank. Increases will be made when necessary.
7. Entry fees minus 15% will be refunded in the event a horse dies. No entry fees will be refunded under any other circumstances.

Payment	Date	Halter	All Other Classes
1 st	June 15	\$35	\$55
2 nd	July 15	\$35	\$55
3 rd	August 15	\$35	\$55
Total Entry Fee per Class		\$105	\$165

8. The weanling exhibitor numbers will correspond to the weanling's birth date and the youngest foal will enter the arena first.

If two horses have the same birth date, they will be numbered A and B. All other classes will be drawn by computer (if available) for arena entry positions.

B. Classes

- Class 1-S Weanling Colts (by nominated stallions)
- Class 1-M Weanling Colts (out of nominated mares)
- Class 1-O Weanling Colts (OPEN)
- Class 2-S Weanling Fillies (by nominated stallions)
- Class 2-M Weanling Fillies (out of nominated mares)
- Class 2-O Weanling Fillies (OPEN)
- Class 3-S Yearling Colts (by nominated stallions)
- Class 3-M Yearling Colts (out of nominated mares)
- Class 3-O Yearling Colts (OPEN)
- Class 4-S Yearling Fillies (by nominated stallions)
- Class 4-M Yearling Fillies (out of nominated mares)
- Class 4-O Yearling Fillies (OPEN)
- Class 5-S Yearling Geldings (by nominated stallions)
- Class 5-M Yearling Geldings (out of nominated mares)
- Class 5-O Yearling Geldings (OPEN)
- Class 6-S Yearling Lunge Line (by nominated stallions)
- Class 6-M Yearling Lunge Line (out of nominated mares)
- Class 6-O Yearling Lunge Line (OPEN)
- Class 7-S 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (by nominated stallions)
- Class 7-M 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (out of nominated mares)
- Class 7-O 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (OPEN)
- Class 8-S 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (by nominated stallions)
- Class 8-M 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (out of nominated mares)
- Class 8-O 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (OPEN)
- Class 9-S 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (by nominated stallions)
- Class 9-M 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (out of nominated mares)
- Class 9-O 2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (OPEN)

Class 10-M	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (out of nominated mares)
Class 10-O	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (OPEN)
Class 11-S	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (by nominated stallions)
Class 11-M	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (out of nominated mares)
Class 11-O	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (OPEN)
Class 12-S	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (by nominated stallions)
Class 12-M	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (out of nominated mares)
Class 12-O	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (OPEN)
Class 13	2&3 Yr. Old Hunter under Saddle Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares, or OPEN)
Class 14	2&3 Yr. Old Hunter under Saddle Amateur Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)
Class 15	2&3 Yr. Old Hunter under Saddle Youth Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)
Class 16	3 Yr. Old Reining Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares, or OPEN)
Class 17	3 Yr. Old Reining Amateur Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)
Class 18	3 Yr. Old Reining Youth Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)

Classes with less than three (3) entries will be combined with corresponding classes provided there are no conflicts with horses and riders (or handlers) being entered in the classes being combined (i.e. 2 YO Western Pleasure by nominated stallions with two entries will be combined with 2 YO Western Pleasure out of nominated mares with one entry). Each class will have participant(s) and placing(s) announced separately. Monies will not be combined and will be paid back as separate classes. An entry can potentially be placed in the Stallion Service Futurity, the Breeders Futurity, and Open Classes provided the horse is by a nominated stallion and out of a nominated mare AND entry fees for all classes are paid in full.

C. Eligibility for Stallion Service (by nominated stallions) & Breeders (out of nominated mares) Classes

1. Entries must come through the stallion nomination procedure or through the mare nomination procedure and be entered in the appropriate class(es).

2. Horses must have AQHA registration papers to exhibit in the Futurity.

D. Eligibility for Open Classes

1. Horses must have registration papers. Classes are for any registered horses.

2. Horses do not have to be by eligible stallions or out of nominated mares.

E. Amateur Rules

1. Exhibitors must hold an Amateur Card in their respective breed association, or meet AQHA Amateur eligibility and ownership requirements as stated in AQHA amateur rule # 403.

2. Amateur must submit a photocopy of amateur card with entry.

F. Youth Rules

1. Youth must hold a Youth Card in their respective breed association, or meet AQHA Youth eligibility and ownership requirements as stated in AQHA youth rule # 404.

2. Youth must submit a photocopy of youth card with entry.

JUDGES AND JUDGING

A. Number of Judges

1. If there are less than 100 total entries as of July 15, one judge will be used. Two judges will be hired specifically to judge each of the futurity classes if there are more than 100 entries.

2. If a multiple judge system is used, each judge's placings will be announced.

B. Selection and Hiring

1. All prior year paid up futurity entry owners will submit 5 names in order of preference by December 1st of the respective year. It will be the responsibility of the futurity committee to canvas previous year's futurity owners for the names of the judges to be contacted.

2. All attempts will be made to hire a judge for the futurity that has not judged the corresponding classes previously that day. All attempts will be made to hire a judge who is not a resident of New Mexico.

3. The judges cannot have judged a NMQHA Futurity in the past two years.

4. Judges must be AQHA card-carrying judges.

C. Scoring System

1. Judges will be judging at the same time. Each judge will score individually. First place horse will receive the highest number of points. If there are 12 horses, the first place horse gets 12 points and the points awarded down through ten places. Points of both judges will be added together for the high point winner. Scores of each judge will be called out. All classes must be placed to 10 places.

D. Tie Breaking System

1. For placings, a tiebreaker judge will be selected for each class.

2. If a tie for 1st occurs, first and second place monies will be added together. The total monies for those 2 places will be split between the ties. On other ties, the same procedure will be followed.

E. Judging Rules

1. Three-year-old reining will be judged according to AQHA Jr. Reining Rules.

2. The yearling lunge line class will be judged under current National Snaffle Bit Association Rules.

3. All other classes will be judged according to AQHA rules. Exhibitors must comply with all rules. The judge will check bits.

4. There will be a 10-minute warm up for lunge line classes. A mandatory 15-minute warm up between lunge line and performance will be held for pleasure horses only. Contestants may request there be a 5-minute warm up between each riding class for horses in that class only. Reining horses will have a separate 15-minute warm up before the Reining classes.

5. There will be a 30-minute gate call before the first futurity class begins.

6. If there is a tack change requested and required between classes, the gate will be closed and horses will not be allowed to

F. Substitutions

1. Substitutions will be accepted on a sick entry when accompanied by a vet certificate.
2. Substitutions must be in the same respective class and must be eligible for the class entered.

DRUG TESTING

- A. All horses are subject to drug testing at random.
- B. If a horse should test positive in a drug test, all monies are forfeited and the other horses will move up the scale with money being awarded accordingly. Disciplinary action will be at the discretion of the NMQHA Board of Directors. All futurity payback will be held until drug test results are returned.

PAYBACK

# of entries	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
1-2	100%					
3-5	60	40				
6-9	50	30	20			
10-14	40	30	20	10		
15-20	30	25	20	15	10	
21 +	30	24	18	12	9	7

HIGH POINT AWARDS

- A. High Point Stallion Award
 1. One award will be given to the top nominated stallion of the futurity whose get earns the most points. The points will be tabulated on the number of foals exhibited in the class with the first place horse receiving as many points as there are exhibited horses.
 2. 10% of each money earner's winnings will be paid to the stallion owner.
- B. High Point Mare Award
 1. One award will be given to the top nominated mare of the futurity whose produce earns the most points. The points will be tabulated on the number of foals exhibited in the class with the first place horse receiving as many points as there are exhibited horses.
 2. 10% of each money earner's winning will be paid to the mare owner.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. Horses MUST have registration papers.
- B. No one shall approach a judge with regard to a decision.
- C. Exhibitors will not be allowed in a class once the gate has been closed. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to make the gate for all classes. A one minute gate will be called.
- D. Any protest concerning futurity management or actual futurity must be in written form accompanied by a \$50 deposit and submitted to the futurity committee within 24 hours of the final class. If the protest is disallowed, the deposit is forfeited.
- E. Exhibitor must be declared with the final payment. Any changes must be declared in writing to the futurity management prior to the beginning of the first class of the futurity.
- F. By entering this futurity, the owner and exhibitor agree to abide by the rules and regulations herein stated and any decisions made by the judges or futurity management.
- G. No single class in the Stallion Service Futurity, the Breeders Futurity or the Open Futurity may be cancelled. Futurity management reserves the right to cancel the entire futurity without notice and without liability any time prior to August 15th with the NMQHA Board of Directors approval. In any case, all entry money minus 15% will be refunded.
- H. All prize money will be paid by check payable to the owner (the person whose name is listed as owner at the time of final payment) and will be mailed approximately 30 days following the futurity. If the winnings or prizes are to be paid to anyone other than the recorded owner, the futurity management must receive a notarized release from the owner by September 30th. Owners must supply Social Security numbers on the entry blank. No prize money will be awarded without this number.
- I. All protests in regard to payback amount must be made within 30 days of the postmark on the payback checks. The protest needs to be in writing and mailed return receipt.
- J. On any returned checks there will be a \$50 service charge in addition to the amount of the check to cover the bank charge and postage.
- K. **The futurity management reserves the right to make any decisions it deems necessary pertaining to these futurities. All decisions are final with no recourse of any kind.**