

MISSOURI FOX TROTTING HORSE BREED ASSOCIATION

2008 Three Year Old Futurity

Rules and Regulations

NOMINATION:

- A. 2005 foals shall be nominated by September 29, 2007, midnight postmark at the entry fee schedule per Item F below.
- B. Entries must be made with markings and color (in detail) given on the back side of the entry blank.
- C. All entries are to be sent to the MFTHBA Office in Ava, Missouri with check payable to MFTHBA.
- D. A sufficient number of nominations must be received by September 29, 2007 or fees will be refunded.
- E. All entries shall abide by the MFTHBA Futurity rules.
- F. Entry fees are as follows: Nomination fee due on or before September 29, 2007, nomination fee being \$40.00. The first installment of \$40.00 will be due November 10, 2007, and the following three installments, excluding January, due the 1st to 10th of each month, the last installment being \$40.00 in March, 2008. Horses paid up at the nomination time will receive a 10% discount or a total cost of \$180.00. All horses must be paid in full, including all applicable penalties, by May 31, 2008. Postmark is NOT acceptable for the May 31 deadline. Horses nominated between October 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, midnight postmark, must pay an entry fee of \$400, with no payment schedule.

PAYMENTS

Nomination fee	\$40.00
November payment	\$40.00
December payment	\$40.00
February payment	\$40.00
March payment	\$40.00
	\$200.00

PENALTIES

Nov. penalty	\$40.00
Dec. penalty	\$40.00
Feb. penalty	\$40.00
Mar. penalty	\$40.00

- G. Declaration as to division (amateur, open amateur, or open) will be made at the time the horse is entered in the class. Entry must be made before class entries are closed on day of show.
- H. If in the case of death of a nominated horse, upon receipt of a death certificate from a licensed veterinarian, dated the day of death and received by the MFTHBA Office within thirty (30) days, a refund will be made.

TRAINING RULES:

- A. Horses may be shown at halter until January 1 of the year the horse is to be shown in the Futurity.
- B. No horse may be shown in performance prior to the Futurity.
- C. Horses to be shown in the Amateur Owned & Trained Division must have had no professional training.
- D. A current owner must be the trainer of a horse to be shown in the Amateur Owned & Trained Division.

EXHIBITING:

- A. Horses will show under MFTHBA show rules.
- B. Classes will be held in conjunction with the MFTHBA Spring Show held the second weekend in June.
- C. Classes shall be adjusted in number by the Board of Directors.
- D. Each class shall be ridden a maximum of 20 minutes; Time is to be kept by a timekeeper.
- E. The horse and rider shall be disqualified when the rider dismounts for any reason without permission of the ringmaster.

- F. Horses shall be inspected for certification at DQP. Inspections shall commence two and one-half hours prior to the start time of the show containing preliminary classes and shall last for two hours.
- G. In the Three Year Old Futurity Amateur Owned & Trained Division, the horse and rider are subject to the amateur owned and trained rules as specified in the MFTHBA Official Rules, Standards and Policies.
- H. Penalty for showing in the Three Year Old Futurity Amateur Owned & Trained Division if protested and found guilty will be to forfeit all winnings and be suspended from showing at MFTHBA shows for thirteen months.
- I. In the Three Year Old futurity Open Amateur Division, the horse must be shown by a current MFTHBA member who meets the MFTHBA definition of Amateur Status for the current year, as specified in the MFTHBA Official Rules, Standards and Policies.

JUDGING:

- A. The Futurity will be judged by the system approved by the MFTHBA Board for the 2008 Show Season.
- B. Judges shall not discuss Futurity classes before or during the show period.
- C. Neither the judge nor any member of his immediate family shall exhibit or own a horse in the Futurity.
- D. The judge will not be eligible to judge provided he has trained, exhibited, conditioned, boarded or owned any horse to be shown or acted as an agent or handler of a horse to be shown for a six-month period prior to Futurity date.
- E. Judges will be approved by the MFTHBA Board of Directors.

PAYBACK:

- A. Pay-back will be determined by the entries in each division. Money that is paid as entry fee for horses that do not show will be prorated to each division based on percent of horses shown in that division. Percentage will be determined by dividing the total horses shown in Futurity into the number shown in each division. Percentages established for each division in the preliminary classes where the total number of horses are shown shall be carried forward to stake class calculations. Winners' checks will be mailed.
- B. Pay-back shall be as follows in each performance class: 1st - 25% of allocation money; 2nd - 20%; 3rd - 15%; 4th - 10%; 5th - 9%; 6th - 6%; 7th - 5%; 8th - 4%; 9th - 3.5%; 10th - 2.5%.
- C. Pay-back money shall be as follows: 50 percent of the total collected entry fees, less the 5% administrative fee, will be paid back to preliminary classes and 50 percent to the stake class unless preliminary classes are not full in which instance any excess will be added to the stake class pay-back.
- D. 95%, (5% being withheld as an administrative fee) of the nomination fees will be paid back to the performance classes.