

TEXAS CLASSIC FUTURITY AND DERBY CONDITIONS

ELIGIBLE HORSES- ALL AQHA registered foals of 2019 are eligible to nominate to the Texas Classic Futurity while ALL AQHA registered foals of 2018 are eligible to nominate to the Texas Classic Derby. Owner/Nominator must be a member of the Texas Quarter Horse Association at time of nomination and at time of race events. TQHA reserves the right to move, postpone, cancel or otherwise alter the racing format of the Texas Classic Futurity and Derby for good cause. **If a horse has a positive drug test in the trials that would warrant disqualification said horse will be ineligible to enter the final.**

PAYMENTS- Nomination and sustaining payments are to be received at the TQHA offices by mail or in person at 14 N. Main St, Suite B, Elgin, TX 78621 and must be postmarked by due date. Checks for nomination or sustaining payments that are returned for any reason shall constitute no payment. The TQHA requests all payments be sent via certified mail. Horses must be named at time of original nomination; a horse may not be substituted after a payment has been made. Sustaining payments (for nominated horses) that are received after due date may be subject to late penalties prior to the next sustaining payment due date to maintain horses' eligibility. Penalty for missed payment will be equal to amount of the missed payment. Two missed payments in succession will render the subject horse ineligible with all prior payments forfeited.

FINALS PURSE- Net purse includes all nomination payments, sustaining payments, and late fees less administration fees and Juvenile purse (from Futurity), plus added money and interest. Payout in the finals shall be apportioned first through tenth position 44.5%-22-11-5-4-3-2.75-2.75-2.50-2.50.

TRIALS- Futurity entrants shall carry 124 lbs and Derby entrants shall carry 125 lbs. Each time trial shall consist of no more than ten (10) horses. Time trials will be conducted with the horses posting the ten fastest times from all time trials advancing to the final. In the event there are more horses eligible to compete in time trials than may be run in a single day the racing secretary, with advice from the TQHA, may divide the races evenly over two days with the five fastest times from each day advancing to the finals and the next fastest times each day advancing to the Juvenile. In the time trials, horses shall qualify on the basis of time and order of finish. The times of the horses in the time trials will be determined only to the limit of the timer. The only exception is when two or more horses have the same time in the same trial heat. Then the order of finish shall also determine the preference in qualifying for the finals. Should two or more trial contestants have the same qualifying time to the limit of the electronic timer for the final qualifying position or positions, then a draw by random lot shall be conducted as directed by the Board of Stewards. Except in the possible case of a disqualification, under no circumstances shall a horse qualify ahead of a horse that finished ahead of that horse in the official order of finish. Should a horse be disqualified for interference during the running of a time trial, it shall receive the time of the horse it is immediately placed behind plus one thousandth (1/1000 or 0.0001) of a second, or the maximum accuracy of the electronic timing device. No adjustment shall be made in the times recorded in the time trials to account for head wind, tail wind, off-track, etc. Should a malfunction occur with the electronic timer on any time trial, finalists from that time trial will be determined by whatever the stewards, racing secretary and TQHA deem as the most accurate method available. For the purpose of qualifying, the remaining horses in that time trial will be given a time according to the winning time and beaten lengths. If a mechanical failure of the gate occurs, or if a horse is inadvertently left in or behind the gate when the field is dispatched, that horse will be declared a non-starter and his nomination, starter fees will be refunded from the purse. Should that occur during the running of the final, the horse(s) will be declared a non-starter and be awarded last place money.

JUVENILE- a Juvenile race will be conducted for horses competing in the time trials for the Futurity. Those horses that competed in the trials for the Futurity who did not qualify for the final shall be eligible to enter the Juvenile. Preference shall be given to those horses who posted the fastest times, starting with the eleventh fastest time. 5% of the gross purse will be set aside for the Texas Classic Futurity Juvenile and will be distributed as follows: 44.5 % to first, 30% to second, 15% to third, 6% to fourth and 4.5% to fifth.

QUALIFIERS- In the event any of the ten (10) fastest qualifiers does not enter the final, for any reason other than a positive drug test or ineligibility according to the conditions of the race (i.e. age, breed, ringer, etc) such horse or horses shall receive last place purse money.

SCRATCHES- If a horse is scratched from the final for any reason other than a positive drug test, or ineligibility according to the conditions of the race (i.e. age, breed, ringer, etc) such horse shall receive **last place purse money**. If a horse scratches from the consolation, the purse money that might have been due to such horse will be divided proportionately among the other starters in the race in accordance with the purse distribution percentages. Any remaining purse money with respect to such withdrawn horses will be distributed proportionately to those horses running in the final or Juvenile in accordance with the purse distribution percentages.

ALSO-ELIGIBLES- Except in the case of disqualification for a positive drug test or ineligibility of a horse according to the conditions of the race (i.e. age, breed, breeding, ringer), there will be no also-eligible list for the finals of these races. Should a horse be disqualified for a positive drug test report or ineligibility of the horse according to the conditions of the race (i.e. age, breed, ringer, etc), the next fastest qualifier shall assume the disqualified horse's position in the final.

DEDUCTIONS- TQHA reserves the right to deduct up to 10% from the nomination, sustaining, and late fees for advertising and administration of the Texas Classic Futurity and Derby. The added money and time of entry fees will not be subject to any deductions. TQHA reserves the right to deduct up to \$10,000 from race payments toward the cost of blood or urine testing if deemed necessary.

TQHA shall not be liable for, and the owner and lessees of the horse will indemnify and hold harmless the TQHA, against all responsibility or liability or claim for injury or damages to any person, horse or other property of the undersigned, or any other person whether by negligence or otherwise.

THE DECISION OF THE STEWARDS OR THE TEXAS RACING COMMISSION
IN ALL MATTERS UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION SHALL BE FINAL