

# RULES FOR NOMINATING AND SHOWING IN THE CALIFORNIA SADDLE HORSE BREEDERS FUTURITY

## General Provisions

**THE FOUR DIVISIONS** American Saddlebreds in the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity are shown in four divisions: Weanlings, Yearlings, Two-Year-Olds and Three-Year-Olds. The classes are held at the Futurity Horse Show and are conducted under the rules of the US Equestrian Federation and the American Saddlebred Registry, Inc. See specific rules for In-Hand Division, US Equestrian Federation rule book, Subchapter SB-13, Articles SB174-SB178.

**ELIGIBILITY** All horses shown must be the produce of stallions and mares that have been nominated in the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MARE NOMINATOR TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SIRE OF THE FOAL HAS BEEN PROPERLY NOMINATED. THE CALIFORNIA SADDLE HORSE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY MARE OWNERS OR STALLION OWNERS OF INELIGIBILITY OF THE STALLION.

**SIRE NOMINATION** *Eligibility requirements:*  
(1) The stallion must be registered with The American Saddlebred Registry, Inc.  
(2) The stallion must be nominated on this entry blank and fee of \$60.00 be paid to the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity on or before August 1 of the year the foal is born. All stallions must be DNA tested.  
(3) The sire and the dam of the stallion must be entered on this form.  
It is customary for the stallion owner to nominate the stallion, in the event that this is not done, it becomes the responsibility of the weanling owner to make the nomination. Stallions are nominated only in the year that their foals are nominated as weanlings.

**DAM NOMINATION** *Eligibility requirements:*  
(1) The dam must be registered with The American Saddlebred Registry, Inc.  
(2) The dam must be nominated on this entry blank and fee of \$20.00 be paid to the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity on or before August 1 of the year the foal is born. All dams must be DNA tested.  
(3) The sire and the dam of the nominated dam must be entered on this form.  
NOTE: in the year of nomination, if two or more foals are expected to be registered from the same mare (embryo transfer foals or twins), all foals will be eligible for weanling nomination. The dam must be nominated for each foal, together with the foal nomination fee, due on or before August 1, if eligibility for each foal is to be maintained.

## The Weanling Division

**WEANLING NOMINATION** *Eligibility requirements:*  
(1) The sire and the dam must be nominated in this Futurity the year in which the foal is born.  
(2) The foal must be nominated on this entry blank and fee of \$40.00 be paid to the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity on or before August 1. All foals must be DNA tested.  
(3) The foal must be registered with the American Saddlebred Registry, Inc. before being shown in this year's California Futurity. The Nominations Secretary of the California Saddle Horse Breeders Association must have received the weanling's registered name and number *prior to the opening day of the show*.  
(4) A foal that has not been born before August 1 must be nominated on this entry blank as an "unborn foal."

*Competition:* The entries in this division are shown in hand. Entries may be shown in either separate classes for colts and fillies, with the winners competing for the Championship, or in one combined class for the Championship.

## The Yearling Division

**YEARLING NOMINATION** *Eligibility requirements:*  
(1) A filly, colt or gelding must have been nominated in the weanling division of the previous California Futurity, and fulfilled all conditions and requirements of that division.  
(2) The yearling must be nominated on this entry blank and fee of \$40.00 be paid to the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity on or before August 1.

*Competition:* The entries in this division are shown in hand. Beginning in 2008, entries may be shown in separate classes for colts and fillies, with the winners competing for the Championship, or in one combined class for the Championship.

## The Two-Year-Old Division

**TWO-YEAR-OLD NOMINATION** *Eligibility requirements:*  
(1) A filly, colt or gelding must have been nominated in the weanling and yearling divisions of prior California Futurities, and fulfilled all the conditions and requirements of those divisions.  
(2) The two-year-old must be nominated on this entry blank and fee of \$40.00 paid to the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity on or before August 1.

*Competition:* The entries in this division are shown as Fine Harness horses.

## The Three-Year-Old Division

**THREE-YEAR-OLD NOMINATION** *Eligibility requirements:*  
(1) A filly, colt or gelding must have been entered in the weanling, yearling and two-year-old divisions of prior California Futurities, and fulfilled all the conditions and requirements of those divisions.  
(2) The three-year-old must be nominated on this entry blank and fee of \$40.00 be paid to the California Saddle Breeders Futurity on or before August 1.

*Competition:* The entries in this division may be shown in one of four Futurity classes: Fine Harness, Five-Gaited, Three-Gaited or Three-Gaited Pleasure (Amateur Riders). Effective in 2009, Three-Gaited Pleasure will become Park Pleasure. They may compete in only one class. Manes are optional.

**REGISTRATION** All horses must be registered before December 31 of the foaling year (or application received by the American Saddlebred Registry office) in order to maintain eligibility. To continue eligibility, pending applications must be completed before January 31 of the yearling year.

**PRIZE FUND** The value of the prize fund of the Futurity each year shall be the total amount of money paid in nomination fees plus donations to the Futurity. Each year the specified awards to the nominators of the sires and dams will be deducted before the division of the prize fund among the four divisions of the Futurity. **All nomination receipts will be paid as prizes.** The nominator of the dam of the champion of the weanling division will receive \$50.00. The nominator of the dam of the reserve champion will receive \$25.00. The nominator of the sire of the champion of the weanling division will receive \$50.00. The nominator of the sire of the reserve champion will receive \$25.00

**PAYMENT OF FEES** All payments of nomination fees to the Futurity must be made to the California Saddle Horse Breeders Association, Inc. and be postmarked or handed in before August 1 of each year to the Nominations Secretary of the California Saddle Horse Breeders Association. In the event a closing date falls on a Sunday, postmark bearing the date of the following day will be accepted. Note: U.S. Postal Service postmark supersedes a postage meter date, and the U.S. Postal Service may re-cancel mail that has been backdated by a meter. **The late fee for submitting the form after August 1 is \$100.** The California Saddle Horse Breeders Association reserves the right to reject any entry and to debar it from competition for failure to comply with the conditions of the California Futurity.

**LIABILITY** No entry is liable for more than the amount paid in, but there will be no return of a payment. The right is reserved to reject any entry and debar any entry from competition for failure to comply with the conditions of this Futurity.

**NOTICE** Agents and/or owners making entry in this Futurity are responsible for making payments when due and the California Saddle Horse Breeders Futurity assumes no responsibility for reminding participant of payments data. If a previously nominated horse is sold, it is the seller's responsibility to notify the new owner of payment due dates. Keep a copy of all nominations made and these rules for future reference.