



Lawrencetown, Annapolis County  
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## **2023 DRAFT HORSE PRIZE BOOK**

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**Entry Deadline: July 26, 2023**

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## ANNAPOLIS VALLEY EX GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Rule change only by The Board approval

Board of Directors: John Bruce, Anne Callanan, Russell Ernst, Correna Keddy , Byron Lamb, Dave Leonard, Katrina Barrett, Kerwin Delong, Lori Height, Charlsea Fiske, Bob Best

These General Rules apply to all competitions and exhibitors and have precedence over any other rules adopted by Sub-Committees in any case where there is a conflict between rules.

1. The Board of Directors has the final and absolute right to interpret all rules and regulations and determine all matters, questions or disputes. The Board has the right to amend or add to these rules and regulations as their judgment may determine, from time to time. Entries are accepted subject to this rule, by signing the entry form, participants agree to abide by the rules defined.
2. Management may remove exhibitors without refund for disorderly conduct.
3. The Management reserves the right to refuse any exhibitor for lack of space subject to the provision that space will be allocated first come first serve.
4. All entries must be submitted on AVEx entry forms. Please refer to specific prize book for entry deadlines and rules. Late entries will only be accepted if space allows. A late fee will be charged. See entry form for amount.
5. Entries will not be accorded precedence as to order of receipt until they are complete in all respects.
6. The Management shall have the sole right and discretion to allocate exhibits and exhibitors to whatever barn, building, stall, or space is considered appropriate, notwithstanding any apparent outward designation on the building, grounds or any plan.
7. Articles exhibited other than livestock must be produced, grown or manufactured in the present year.

### GROUPS & BUILDINGS

1. The building and grounds will be open on **Sunday after 1pm** prior to the Exhibition for the reception and arrangement of exhibits, unless specified under Class Rules. Exhibitors are reminded that they enter all exhibits at their own risk.
2. The Exhibition grounds will be open to the public during the Exhibition week at times determined by the Management and posted or advertised each year.
3. No pets allowed on the Exhibition property during Exhibition week except pets of exhibitors which must be confined to the trailer park.
4. All officials will be designated by proper badges or other designation.
5. There is no exhibitor parking on the grounds. Supplies may be dropped off before 8:30 in the morning and vehicles are to be immediately moved to the designated exhibitor parking in the main parking lot. **\*\*\*First offense – a ticket on windshield, second offense – forfeit prize monies, third offense vehicle(s) will be towed at the owner’s expense.\*\*\***
6. The Annapolis Valley Exhibition restricts all smoking of tobacco, cannabis, and vapes within 15 meters of all structures on the Exhibition Grounds. No smoking or vaping of any substance is permitted in the bleachers.

### JUDGING & PRIZES

1. No person shall be permitted to enter the judge’s ring while judging is in progress, except the judges, their attendants, the officials, and such exhibitors as have been called into the ring by the judge or judges.
2. No changes in classification can be made after judging commences.
3. Any person interfering with the judge(s) while in the discharge of their duties shall be removed from the grounds.
4. All judges shall give reasons for the placings when asked and may give reasons in any case.

5. No person shall be allowed to receive more than one prize in any one section of a non-livestock class. Accordingly, two entries may not be made in any one section or class. Special prizes may be awarded in addition.
6. Any exhibitor found to have employed any dishonest measures shall not only forfeit the prize which might be awarded to him or her but shall, in future, be barred from competition in the Exhibition.
7. Due to the necessity of proceeding with judging as rapidly as possible, all animals must be ready to enter the ring when called and all other exhibits must be prepared and available when judging begins. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in forfeiting of the right to show in the relevant class.
8. All protests of the judge's decisions must be submitted in writing to the Manager of the Exhibition and accompanied by a deposit of \$25.00. Protests or appeals must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Manager within four (4) hours after the occasion for the protest. No protest will be accepted based on the contention that a judge has overlooked an exhibit. If the protest is not sustained, the deposit shall be forfeited.
9. Prize money may be reduced up to 50% at the discretion of the Board in the event of reduced income due to bad weather, lack of entries, or other valid reasons.
10. Committee discretion has the final word on whether livestock is fit to show.
11. All claims for prize money not received must be made to the Manager before September 30<sup>th</sup> of the current year.
12. Special prizes require a special entry and special exhibit when the terms of the special class vary from the terms of the regular section.

#### **LIVESTOCK ENTRIES**

1. Stalls for all livestock entries shall be allotted in order of receipt of entries at the time of entry. Exhibitors may not trade stalls without obtaining the approval of Management and recording the approved trade at the Exhibition Office.
2. All registered animals are subject to being checked for registration. Registration papers and R.O.P data must be available prior to and up to the time of judging. No animals will be accepted as purebred or registered until registration papers are available from the owner.
3. All animals must be owned by the exhibitor at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the Exhibition.
4. Entries in classes comprised of more than one animal may be made up of animals shown individually.
5. Any animal showing signs of infectious disease or parasite infection will be barred from the Exhibition and be removed immediately from the grounds.
6. All livestock competing for special prizes must also be entered in at least one (1) regular exhibition class.
7. Feed and bedding for livestock is the responsibility of the exhibitor. All manure and bedding shall be cleaned up by 8:30 am each day. Stalls will be cleaned, and all manure and bedding must be removed from the stall when the animal leaves the grounds. A minimum charge of \$50.00 per stall will be assessed against exhibitors failing to abide by the rule. Should this charge not be paid promptly, the exhibitor will be prohibited from future participation until fee is settled.
8. Grooming and care of animals will take place in the stalls or designated area. Cross-tying of livestock in the aisles is not permitted.
9. Due to concerns for the movement of traffic and safety of attendants and exhibitors at the Exhibition, the Board shall fix times for departure of livestock and other exhibits when classes have been completed each year. For the current year, livestock shall not be removed from the grounds until the following times: Dairy in between 4pm Sunday and 10am Monday. Out Wednesday b 10am. Beef in and settled Wednesday between 1pm and,4pm. Out after 9pm Saturday Lt Horse – after last class, Other Livestock – 10:00pm Saturday.

10. Livestock trailers are not permitted to be parked inside the grounds. Exhibitors in special Horse or Ox pulls will be permitted to work from their trailers, providing they ship in **no more than 2 hours prior to the pull and leave the grounds within one hour of the completion of the pull** in the area allocated. Animals must be supervised at all times and not left unattended. All others must be stabled.
11. The owner and handler of livestock will be responsible for the behavior and control of his or her animal. Livestock must be well-broke to halter. No dangerous, uncontrolled animals will be permitted. The Manager may order any such animal off the grounds without reimbursement for any entry fee or other fees paid.
12. Trailer Park admission as Livestock Exhibitor requires participation in 3 classes or more (or go as a non-exhibitor if space permits)
13. Campers/Trailers may arrive in the trailer court after 5pm Thursday before the Ex. Trailer court noise curfew is 11:00 pm.
14. Any Trailer pumping Grey Water or Black Water on the ground in the trailer park or exhibition grounds will be removed immediately.
15. **After each Exhibition and all Weekend Events trailers must be removed from the property within 24 hours or they will be removed at the owner's expense.**
16. Returning exhibitors have first refusal of campground space. After the entry deadline, the office will allocate new exhibitor spots (or returning who missed a year) according to size of the trailer. Non-Exhibitors are allocated spots after all exhibitors are accommodated. Please note if an exhibitor is not returning, you cannot give it to anyone, the office does the allocating. The manager's discretion is final.
17. Trailer Park: All 15 amps may be only 15 amps before the breaker trips. For Example: It will run Fridge, Lights. A small Hot Water heater will trip the breaker. Run Air Conditioners at your own risk. If there are any electrical problems in the Trailer Park, you will need a purchase order from the Office for Electrician to attend.

#### **SAFETY OF EXHIBITS**

1. Employees will endeavour to protect and ensure good order, but owners themselves must assume all risk for exhibits. Should any exhibit be accidentally or willfully damaged or injured, lost or stolen, the Exhibition will provide whatever assistance it can towards the recovery of the same, but will not make any payment for the value thereof or reimbursement for the loss.
2. **NEW - No Smoking within 15 meters (50 feet) of buildings, including barns and washrooms.**

#### **ANNAPOLIS VALLEY EXHIBITION LIQUOR AND SAFETY POLICY**

The Board and Staff of the Annapolis Valley Ex wish our visitors have a great time while at our Exhibition. Please note our policy on the supply of liquor during the Exhibition.

No person under the age of 19 will be permitted to purchase/consume liquor on our site.

- Identification to be presented when requested.
- No liquor is to be consumed outside of our pub area.
- For residents and guests of the trailer park areas, liquor may only be consumed inside trailers. Failure to follow this directive may result in fines from the RCMP.
- Persons who appear impaired will be refused entry to the Exhibition grounds or pub and will be removed by security/RCMP.
- Persons who are violent or causing upset will be removed by security/RCMP and may be barred from the grounds for a period decided by The Board of Directors.
- Please be safe – don't drink and drive. Impaired drivers will be reported to the RCMP.
- T-shirts or shirts must be worn at all times during your visit.
- Please enjoy yourself and act responsibly.

# DRAFT HORSE

## DRAFT HORSE RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Proof of \$1,000,000.00 insurance must be attached to entry form.
2. All purebred/registered animals must be owned by and registered in the name of the exhibitor and with the Canadian National Livestock Records. All animals maintained on the farm or breeding unit (owned solely or jointly) are considered to be the production of that farm or unit. All registration papers to be checked before showing of animals. No prize money will be paid if registration papers are not presented.
3. All exhibitors must display a sign with their name, address and breed.
4. All drivers are to wear appropriate ring attire. The Dress code will be enforced.
5. Juniors must wear approved equestrian helmets in all classes.
6. Horses must be properly groomed and stalls and area kept clean while at the Ex.
7. Exhibitors must be ready to enter the ring when called to do so.
8. Care and control of horses in the stable, show ring or elsewhere on the grounds is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor. Failure to provide such care and control, or any indication thereof, will be referred to the Draft Horse Committee for appropriate action. The Committee reserves the right, if warranted, to bar the exhibitor involved from further participation in the Exhibition.
9. No tack, hay or excess gear in aisle.
10. All hitch classes: Driver and a capable assistant must be on the wagon at all times with the exception of cart classes.
11. Ribbons and trophies must be presented in the line.
12. Children are not permitted to ride on the wagons with exception of juniors competing in a class.
13. Stalls will be cleaned and all bedding and manure must be removed before departing the Exhibition.

## DRAFT SHOW HORSE HIGH POINT AWARDS

Points will be collected and added together from the placings in the Draft Show Horse Classes to determine the high and reserve point awards. 1<sup>st</sup> -5 points 2<sup>nd</sup> -4 points 3<sup>rd</sup> -3 points 4<sup>th</sup> -2 points

### SECTION 1 - REGISTERED PUREBRED CLYDESDALE

### SECTION 2 - REGISTERED PUREBRED PERCHERON

### SECTION 3 - REGISTERED PUREBRED BELGIAN

1<sup>st</sup> 30.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 25.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 20.00

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|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Foal of current year            | 14. Stallion, 3 Years and Over  |
| 2. Yearling Filly                  | 17 . Registered Gelding,3 years and under<br>(papers must be stamped "gelding" and not showing grade) |
| 3. Filly, 2 years                  | 18. Registered Gelding,4 years and over<br>(papers must be stamped 'gelding" and not shown grade)     |
| 5. Filly, 3 years                  | 19. Progeny of Dam  |
| 6. Yield Mare                      | 20. Get of Sire   |
| 7. Brood Mare                      |   |
| 10. Foal of Current Year, Stallion |   |
| 11. Yearling Stallion              |   |
| 12. Stallion,2 years               |   |

**SECTION 4 – GRADE CLYDESDALE**

**SECTION 5 - GRADE PERCHERON**

**SECTION 6 - GRADE BELGIAN**

1<sup>st</sup> - 15.00 2<sup>nd</sup> - 13.00 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12.00

21. Gelding or Mare, 2 or 3 years old
22. Gelding or Mare, 4 and over (light)
23. Gelding or Mare, 4 and Over (heavy)

**SECTION 7 - DRAFT SHOW HORSE - HITCH CLASSES**

**All breeds combined - All champion hitches are ribbons only**

**1. Open Matched Team**

1<sup>st</sup> 30.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 25.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 20.00

Hitched to suitable vehicle.

**2. Six-in-Hand Hitch**

1<sup>st</sup> 90.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 75.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 60.00

One class only (any breed), hitched to suitable vehicle, not necessarily one owner, driver & assistant only on wagon.

**3. Feed Team Race**

1<sup>st</sup> 30.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 25.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 20.00

Drive a team around a course stopping at feed stations to pick up and drop off feed.

**4. Men's Cart Class**

1<sup>st</sup> 15.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 13.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 12.00

Judging will include driver & groom attire.

**5. Ladies Cart Class**

1<sup>st</sup> 15.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 13.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 12.00

Judging will include driver & groom attire.

**6. Youth Single Draft Horse Cart Class**

1<sup>st</sup> 15.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 13.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 12.00 4<sup>th</sup> 10.00

Must be 8- 18 yrs as of show day. Youth MUST wear approved SEI-ASTM equestrian helmet and MUST have an assistant in the vehicle. Judging will include driver & groom attire.

**7. Open Draft Riding Class**

1<sup>st</sup> 15.00 2<sup>nd</sup> 13.00 3<sup>rd</sup> 12.00 4<sup>th</sup> 10.00

**SECTION 8 - MARITIME CLASSIC CLASSES**

**All breeds combined**

**The Maritime Four Horse Hitch Classic Series is a four-horse draft hitch competition open to all breeds of draft horses. The competition is designed to help promote draft horse hitching at our local venues, as well as provide a new type of advertising. Entrants must be current members of Maritime Classic Series.**

**Payout is \$1750 for the hitches and \$500 for cart.**

**1. Maritime Classic Four Horse Hitch**

A four-horse draft hitch competition open to all breeds.

**2. Maritime Classic Four Horse Hitch**

A four-horse draft hitch competition open to all breeds.

**3. Maritime Classic Cart Class**

## SECTION 9

- 4. Junior Champion Filly & Reserve  
(Ribbons Only)
- 8. Senior Champion Mare & Reserve  
(Ribbons Only)
- 9. Grand Champion Mare & Reserve  
(Ribbons Only)
- 13. Junior Champion Stallion & Reserve  
(Ribbons Only)
- 15. Senior Champion Stallion & Reserve  
(Ribbons Only)
- 16. Grand Champion Stallion & Reserve  
(Ribbons Only)
- 24. Maritime Bred
- 25. Champion Gelding & Reserve  
(Ribbons Only), (Registered and Grade)
- 26. Supreme Champion of Breed-  
Open to Champ Reg. Mare, Champ Reg. Stallion, and Champ  
Gelding (Ribbon Only)
- 27. Best Mare or Gelding –  
Dr C.B Sims Memorial Trophy - (not to exceed 10yrs)  
One win eliminates further competition by one and the  
same animals (Ribbon)
- 28. Overall GRAND Champion Draft Horse -  
Leon & Shirley Fiske Memorial Trophy & 100.00
- 29. Junior Showmanship
- 30. Senior Showmanship

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