

# KEYSTONE DRAFT HORSE FUTURITY

## THE CONCEPT

Horses sold as weanlings will return as two-year-olds to compete in the Futurity that will demonstrate their conformation and performance as judged by a panel of three judges through three events; halter, rail/cart and pattern.

The Futurity purse is made up of contributions from the consignor and buyer. An administration allocation of 10% will be deducted from the Futurity purse annually.

## FUTURITY RULES

- 1) An entry fee payment of \$100 is required for each two-year-old entered in the Futurity. Stall fees will be determined annually.
- 2) This is one event, consisting of three (3) divisions where points from each judge are totaled to determine a winner.
- 3) There will be three (3) judges. Judges will not confer on their placing.
- 4) All breeds, all sexes, will show in the same class.
- 5) The order of "go" will be determined by draw, one (1) hour before the start of the event.
- 6) The class may be split; and a drive-off may be requested in the Rail/Cart Class.
- 7) The winner of the Futurity will be the horse with the most points from the three (3) divisions.
- 8) Horses will be given one (1) point plus an additional point for each horse placing below them.
- 9) In the halter class horses will be examined trotting between three cones/markers. At each of these points a judge will be stationed. Each judge may rework a maximum of three (3) horses without designation of which award they are being considered for.
- 10) Horses must show in all divisions to receive prize money or an award. Entry into the ring qualifies the exhibitor for participation, entries dismissed will receive a score of zero (0).
- 11) The top ten (10) placing of the Futurity must be available for presentations and pictures as required by the organizing committee.
- 12) In case of a tie, the Halter placing will be used to determine final placing.

## **KEYSTONE DRAFT HORSE FUTURITY PAYOUTS**

The 2010 Futurity payout distributions will be as follows. Actual Futurity purse to be determined upon completion of the Sale:

### **2010 Futurity Payout Distributions**

1st =	33%
2nd =	17%
3rd =	9%
4th =	8%
5th =	7%
6th =	6.5%
7th =	6%
8th =	5%
9th =	4.5%
10 <sup>th</sup> =	4%

## **CONFORMATION CLASS**

Emphasis to be placed on an individual that is conformationally correct and sound on all feet and legs. Balance, breed-type, form-to-function, smoothness of body parts, eye appeal and the action of the individual should all be considered.

## **RAIL / CART CLASS**

Designed to show a free, easy-moving individual that is relaxed with alert ears, moving balanced with a non-intimidated, forward way of going, and is bright and responsive to the driver at the various gaits.

Rail work, in both directions of the ring, will consist of a walk and trot. Judging will be based on the horse's overall performance and way of going as well as its ability to hold the designated gait. Action, headset, type and eye appeal will all be considered. Horses may be asked to back.

## **PATTERN DIVISION**

Will consist of an individual pattern designed to demonstrate how well trained the horse is. Work will consist of a simple pattern designed for a two-year-old. Pattern will be provided at time of entry.

Pattern only to be judged, with emphasis on the correctness of each element and overall smoothness of the pattern. Speed is not the objective. Elements to be judged at the two-year-old ability level.

Scoring for each maneuver is from 0 -100, as follows:  
Poor: 0 – 25; Fair: 26 – 50; Good: 51 – 75; Excellent: 76 – 100.

Penalties per obstacle assigned as follows:

- 50 point penalty: Refusal, bucking, kicking, rearing
- 100 point penalty: Going off pattern
- Dismissal: Excessive use of whip, abuse or dangerous behavior:

## **EQUIPMENT**

- 1) All horses are to be shown in standard equipment.
- 2) All drivers and handlers to show in appropriate attire.
- 3) Use of inhumane training devices and/or equipment will not be tolerated and will be cause for elimination from the competition.
- 4) Horses and equipment are subject to examination by show management and/or judges in the show arena and designated warm-up arenas at all times.

## **RIGHTS RESERVED BY THE KEYSTONE DRAFT HORSE SALE/FUTURITY COMMITTEE**

**The Committee reserves the right to:**

- 1) Reject any entry not believed to match the sale entry.
- 2) Inspect all horses and match them to their registration papers.
- 3) Decide any point not covered by the rules and to correct any errors to make alterations as it sees fit.
- 4) Change dates and locations.
- 5) Drug test any/all Futurity entries for illegal or controlled substances.

## **ERRORS**

Every effort has been made to assure correctness of the Sale Catalog by the Committee, NAERIC staff, and/or the Auction Company, and are not held responsible for errors or omissions, and assume no liability on their parts as to any statements regarding horses sold. Any error noted in the Sale Catalog will be announced from the Auctioneer's stand. Any announcements from the Auctioneer's stand will take precedence over any matter in the Sale Catalog.

## **LIABILITY**

All persons attend the Keystone Draft Horse Sale and/or Futurity at their own risk. The Committee, NAERIC staff and the Auction Company, and/or/their/its representatives, nor any other person affiliated with the Sale and/or Futurity, assumes any liability, legal or otherwise, for the safety of the building or premises, for the behavior of the horses, or for any loss or damage of persons or property.

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