

GENERAL RULES FOR LPHC FUTURITIES

PURPOSE: The purpose of the LPHC FUTURITY is to promote, support and encourage the breeding of the Paint Horses in the State of Louisiana. All money collected will be added to the Breeder's futurity purses and promotions of these classes, less \$50 which will be used by LPHC to defray expenses associated with the futurity.

CLASSES: Separate classes for weanling colts and fillies will be offered in both junior and senior age divisions or as determined by the club. Senior weanlings will be any foal born between January 1 and March 15 of the current year. Any foal born March 16 or after will be considered a junior. Classes offered in addition to the Breeder's weaning classes will be determined on an annual basis by the LPHC. Classes will be run in accordance with applicable APHA rules for classes unless provided for by the LPHC rules or announced prior to those classes.

ENTRY FEES & DUE DATES: Entry fees, membership fees and applicable late fees, the office charge and payback portion of the entry fees will be determined on an annual basis by LPHC. Postmark will determine the date of the entry on entries made by mail.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: Entrant must be a member of LPHC. Exhibitors and owners must be on good standing with the APHA (not on suspension); a suspended person shall not participate and shall be ineligible to participate in any LPHC futurity class. A negative coggins is required on horses older than six months. By entering and exhibiting in this futurity, owners and handlers acknowledge the right and give permission to the Futurity Committee to administer drug testing (blood and/or urine) of any and all entries. APHA drug rules will be used as guidelines. If drug testing is done at the futurity, checks will be held until results are received from the APHA. Any horse testing positive or any exhibitor, owner, or horse declared ineligible will forfeit all awards and placings will be adjusted accordingly. If money has been paid, adjusted payments will be made pending refund from the ineligible entrant.

Entries must be accompanied by a legible copy of the APHA registration certificate. Futurity personnel may request original APHA papers.

ADDITIONAL RULES:

Winners will be determined by the lowest number of points earned by showing under all four judges. First place will receive one point and the last place horse will receive as many points as there are horses in the class. In the event of a tie, purses for tying places will be added together and divided equally among the tied horses. Tiebreaker for ribbons and trophies will be determined by evaluation of the judges' placings—the horse with the highest placings of 1sts, 2nds, 3rds, etc. by the judges will be the winner. If this is not successful, a tiebreaker judge will be drawn.

Longe line rules are defined in the APHA rulebook. In the Longe Line Futurities, an exhibitor may longe a maximum of two (2) horses with a second exhibitor presenting one of the entries for conformation judging; however, if only one horse is exhibited, the same exhibitor must show in both segments of the class. **If a Non-Pro class is offered, both exhibitors must meet Non-Pro eligibility requirements (amateur or youth) as well as ownership eligibility as defined in the APHA rule book. A youth may not exhibit a stallion.**

If the futurity entrant is ill, lame or the owner/handler is ill, or other extenuating circumstances occur, the club will refund on a case by case basis as determined by the futurity personnel. Appropriate documentation may be required. If a participant picks up the futurity packet and chooses to not show or misses the class, there will be no refund and the money will remain in the purse for that entry.

The LPHC Futurity Committee reserves the right to resolve any problems concerning the futurity. Any provisions not covered by the futurity rules will be determined by the LPHC Board of Directors. Futurity personnel review all results and prepare supporting documentation to be sent with futurity payments. Every effort will be made to issue the futurity checks within 6 weeks of the futurity.

When entering the futurity, it is important to provide the correct name, address and social security number of the individual to receive the check in the event of winning. The LPHC assumes no responsibility for typographical errors or the efficiency of the U.S. Postal Service. It is the responsibility of the participant to obtain and be aware of the rules for each of the respective futurity classes offered by LPHC. By submitting an entry, the participant deems all information to be true and accurate and per official APHA records.

Youth may not exhibit stallions in any class except weanlings.

EQUIPMENT FOR RIDING & LONGE LINE CLASSES: Broken equipment or equipment that becomes unattached, which delays conducting a class or go-round, and/or stops a horse's forward motion shall be cause for disqualification or dismissal of the entry from the class or go-round. If forward progress of any horse is stopped by any judge in a multi-judged event or go-round because of equipment failure, as described above, that horse shall be excused from further participation in the event or go-round (either excused from the arena or asked to stand in the center of the arena until judging of that go-round or class is completed). Extenuating circumstances may be ruled on by the majority of judges.

ADDITIONAL RULES–BREEDER’S FUTURITIES

WEANLING ELIGIBILITY: Paint and/or Paint breeding stock weanling foals must be sired by a stallion whose service was purchased in the stallion service sale in the prior year, except for repeat breedings as discussed below. Stallion owners get one free entry. Should a futurity eligible weanling be sold prior to its weanling futurity, the LPHC must be notified by the stallion owner for the free entry to be transferred. LPHC must also receive proper documentation and notification of repeat breedings on guarantees as provided by the stallion sale rules for eligibility to apply. Other entry fees will be determined on an annual basis by LPHC.

Foals must be registered in either the regular or breeding stock registry. **Futurity personnel may request original APHA papers. Foals MUST have one paint parent (no cropouts).**

YEARLING & 2 YEAR OLD ELIGIBILITY:

Paint and/or Paint breeding stock yearlings and 2 year olds must be sired by a stallion whose service was purchased the the stallion service sale in the prior 4 years. Horses must be registered in the regular or breeding stock registry and must have one paint parent (no cropouts). The free entry may be used in one of these classes if not used in a weanling class.

PURSES:

Weanlings: A minimum purse of \$1,000 or if the proceeds of the stallion service sales of the prior year are less than \$5,000.00 the total proceeds will be allocated to the four weanling Breeder’s classes as determined by LPHC. Entry fees, excluding late fees and office charges will also be added to the purse. The amount of the entry fees will be determined by the club on an annual basis. Purse amount if in excess of \$5,00.00 will be determined by LPHC annually.

Yearlings, 2 Year Old Western Pleasure & Any Other Classes Offered: Purses and entry fees (excluding late fees) will be determined on an annual basis by LPHC.

ADDITIONAL RULES–OPEN FUTURITIES

ELIGIBILITY: Horses must be registered in either the regular or breeding stock registry. **FUTURITY PERSONNEL MAY REQUEST ORIGINAL APHA PAPERS.**

PURSE: Purse and added money from entry fees, excluding late fees and office charges, will be determined on an annual basis by LPHC.

NON-PRO ELIGIBILITY: Non Pro is defined as an APHA card carrying Amateur, Novice Amateur or Youth. Ownership eligibility for all non-pro classes is defined per APHA Rules AM or YP. The horse must be owned by the youth, the amateur or family members. **A youth may not exhibit a stallion in any class except weanlings!**

PAYMENT SCHEDULE %

1-3	Horses	100%					
4-6	Horses	65%	35%				
7-9	Horses	60%	30%	10%			
10-12	Horses	53%	26%	14%	7%		
13-15	Horses	53%	23%	13%	7%	4%	
16-18	Horses	50%	23%	13%	7%	4%	3%