

## **MSSA RULES**

### **STALLION AUCTION - TERMS & CONDITIONS**

1. To nominate a stallion to the Minnesota Stallion Service Auction simply fill out a MSSA stallion donation form and mail it along with a check for the minimum bid of \$200.00. Nominations will not be accepted without the \$200.00 check.
  - A. If the stallion service fee is sold the minimum bid check of \$200 will be returned to the stallion owner. The stallion owner will receive one entry. Mare must be nominated January 2nd of the year she foals.
  - B. If the stallion service fee does not sell on the auction the minimum bid check of \$200 will be held until May 1st. The stallion will be put on an unsold list for half the stud fee or minimum of \$200.00. If stallion does not sell the stallion owner will receive two entries. Mares must be nominated January 2nd of the year she foals.
  - C. Stallions can be nominated twice.
2. All Payment of the purchase through the auction is due the day of the auction. Should the purchaser default on payment, the intent of the sale is there and is considered a sold service. Therefore the stallion owner is eligible to nominate and show a foal in the MSSA Futurity.
3. Phone bidding will be available. To bid by phone contact the MSSA secretary at the location of the auction. A major credit card will be required for bidding over the phone. There will be a 5% handling charge for using a credit card. A 5-day grace period will be given before the card is processed. If the buyer mails the MSSA secretary a check within 5 days after the auction, the credit card will not be processed.
4. Mail bids are accepted until November 20th. Send a check to the MSSA secretary for the full amount you bid. You will be notified by mail whether your bid was successful, and if not your check will be returned to you.
5. The highest bidder shall be the buyer.
6. The payment shall be by cash, check or credit card. Payment can be made in two payments - 20% due sale day, remaining balance due February 1st with a post-dated check the day of sale or a credit card.
7. Relocation of a stallion does not prevent you from breeding a mare and is only an inconvenience, MSSA is not responsible for relocated stallions.
8. If the stallion dies or should he become unserviceable, or should stallion owner, manager, or lessee refuse to honor contract for any reason, credit will be given purchaser for the following year for the same amount on another breeding fee through the auction.
9. Only registered quarter horse mares and thorough bred mares with a number will be accepted by the committee for nomination in the futurity.
10. If mare does not produce a live foal the first year of service, the mare will be given a return service. In case of death of the original mare, a substitute mare will be acceptable. The stallion service fee from the auction will remain with the year purchased, but the foal will be moved to it's year of eligibility. If the foal dies after birth, but within the live foal guarantee period, you may re-breed your mare. We cannot do anything if the foal dies past that time.
  - A. The Futurity committee will fulfill its obligations for 2 years to the purchaser of the breeding fee. Resulting foal will be eligible for the Futurity.
  - B. If after two (2) consecutive years from the purchase date the mare does not settle, any re-breeding will be between the mare owner and the stallion owner. The resulting foal will not be eligible for the Futurity.
11. If you sell your mare and/or foal before the futurity, notify the MSSA secretary of the new owners right away. They must be paid up members in good standing with MQHA in order to show in the futurity.
12. If you sell your stallion service the resulting foal is still eligible for the futurity. If the stallion service fee is resold, notification of this sale must be submitted in writing by both concerned parties to the MSSA secretary before mare is bred.
13. Amended as follows: Proceeds of the Stallion Service Auction will be used to fund the MSSA classes as follows:
  - Fifteen percent (15%) will be used for expenses.
  - Ten percent (10%) will go toward the Stallion Donor Awards
  - Added money to the Yearling classes 500.00 in each class.The purse will be split equally for five (5) classes, Early Stallions, Late Stallions, Early Fillies, Late Fillies and Two Year Old Western Pleasure.
14. NSF check is considered non-payment. Entry is ineligible. NSF check charge is \$25.00 per check.

### **BREEDERS FUTURITY**

1. Weanling nomination forms will be mailed out to those eligible. Yearling and Two Year Old Pleasure Class forms will be in the MQHA Directory and MQHA newsletter.
2. This is a closed breeders weanling futurity. Only one foal nominated by the stallion owner and the foal resulting from the stallion's service fee purchased will be eligible for the weanling classes. A total of two weanling off-spring per stallion are eligible. The exception to this rule are entries resulting from re-breeds.
3. Weanling entry-Nominations of mare must be made by January 2nd of the year the mare foals. A nomination fee of \$10.00 is required with the entry. No late nominations will be accepted.
  - A. A sustaining fee of \$25.00 is due on July 1st of the year foaled will constitute eligibility for the weanling division.
  - B. The original papers must be presented to the MSSA secretary when picking up you number along with a copy.
4. Weanling classes will be split by the final payment. Early stallions & geldings, late stallions & geldings, early fillies and late fillies.
5. The Two-year-old pleasure class will be for all off-spring of the stallion whose service was sold according to the year.  
Payment Schedules

- A. The entry fee will be \$100.00
  - 1. Nomination fee - March 1st - \$35.00
  - 2. Final payment - July 1st - \$65.00 (a copy of papers must accompany final payment)
- B. This entry does not have to be nominated as a weanling.
- C. There will be a late fee of \$250.00 per entry from March 2nd until August 1st along with the regular payment fees.
- D. Absolutely no entries accepted after August 1st.
- 6. A Yearling Halter Class class will be for all off-spring of the stallion whose service sold according to the year.
  - A. The entry fee will be \$100.00
  - B. Payment schedule
    - 1. Nomination fee - March 1st - \$35.00
    - 2. Final payment - July 1st - \$65.00 (a copy of registration papers must accompany final payment)
  - C. The entire entry fee will be used for the purse
  - D. Added money may also be added to this class.
  - E. There will be a late fee of \$250.00 per entry from March 2nd until August 1st along with the regular payment fees.
  - F. Absolutely no entries accepted after August 1st.
- 7. A Yearling Longe-Line class will be for all off-spring of the stallion whose service was sold according to the year.
  - A. The entry fee will be \$100.00
  - B. Payment schedule
    - 1. Nomination fee - March 1st - \$35.00
    - 2. Final payment - July 1st - \$65.00 (a copy of registration papers must accompany final payment)
  - C. The entire entry fee will be used for the purse
  - D. Added money may also be added to this class.
  - E. There will be a late fee of \$250.00 per entry from March 2nd until August 1st along with the regular payment fees.
  - F. Absolutely no entries accepted after August 1st.
- 8. Judging will be multi-judge system. Scoring will be on a point system. All ties will stand as placed. Paybacks of ties will be added together and divided evenly. Tie breaker judge will determine the trophy and placing.
- 9. Every owner and Exhibitor in the breeders futurity must be a paid current member of the Minnesota Quarter Horse Association.

**MARE OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1. Mare owners will assume responsibility of all board fees, vet fees, transportation, and any other fees incurred by their mare.
- 2. Mare must be in sound breeding condition.
- 3. Contact stallion owner when mare will be arriving at breeding farm.
- 4. Submit to all stipulations of the stallion owner's breeding contract.
- 5. Mare owner will not hold the stallion owner responsible for any accidental injury and/or death to mare and/or foal.
- 6. Mare owner will not be held responsible for any injury and/or death of stallion.
- 7. Mare nomination must be made January 2nd of the year mare foals. Nomination fee of \$10.00 is required.

**STALLION OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 1. Stallion owner will breed mare in a manner consistent with their breeding program and issue a Breeder's certificate when foal is born, Stallion owner will also agree to re-breed mare in case of failure to conceive, abortion of fetus, or failure of foal to stand and nurse.
- 2. Stallion owner will not be held responsible for any accidental injury and/or death of mare and/or foal. However, stallion owner will notify mare owner immediately if injury, sickness and/or death of mare
- 3. Any stallion owner donating a service fee to the auction may show one foal in the Breeders Futurity. However, stallion owner must nominate a mare by January 2 of the year mare foals. The nomination fee of \$10.00 is required.

**MINNESOTA STALLION SERVICE AUCTION EXPRESSLY DOES NOT WARRANT OR DOES NOT GUARANTEE THE HEALTH OF ANY STALLION DONATED TO THE MSSA AND SHALL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY TO ANY MARE. ALL AGREEMENTS ARE BETWEEN THE MARE OWNER & STALLION OWNER. THE MINNESOTA QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION AND MSSA ACT AS THE AGENT ONLY.**

**The Minnesota Breeders Futurity is a function of the Minnesota Quarter Horse Association. Any rules herewith can be changed, added to or denied at the discretion of the MSSA Committee. All disputes will also be resolved by the committee.**