

## **GENERAL RULES FOR ARK-LA-TEX PHC FUTURITIES**

### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of the ARK-LA-TEX Paint Horse Club futurities is to promote, support and encourage the breeding of Paint horses.

### **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. Any foal born March 16 or after will be a junior. Classes offered in addition to the Breeder's weanling classes will be determined on an annual basis by the Ark-La-Tex Paint Horse Club. Classes will be run in accordance with applicable APHA rules for classes unless provided for by the ALTPHC rules or announced prior to those classes.

### **ENTRY FEES & DUE DATES:**

Entry fees, membership dues and applicable late fees, the office charge and payback portion of the entry fees will be determined on an annual basis by the club. Postmark will determine the date of the entry on entries made by mail.

### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:**

Entrant must be a member of Ark-La-Tex Paint Horse Club. Exhibitors and owners must be in good standing with the APHA (not on suspension). A suspended person shall not participate and shall be ineligible to participate in any ALTPHC 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 placed horse will receive as many points as there are horses in the class. In the event of a tie, purses for tied places will be added together and divided equally among the tied horses. Tiebreaker for ribbons and trophies will be determined by evaluation of the judge's placings--the horse with the highest placings of 1st, 2nds, 3rds, etc. by the judges will be the winner. If this is not successful, a tiebreaker judge will be drawn.

If a 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 Futurity Committee reserves the right to resolve any problems concerning the futurity. Any provision not covered by the futurity rules will be determined by the Ark-La-Tex Paint Horse Club Board of Directors. Futurity personnel review all results and prepare support to be sent with futurity payments. Every effort will be made to issue the futurity checks within 4 weeks after 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. It is the responsibility of the participant to obtain and be aware of the rules for each of the respective futurity classes offered by this Club. 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.

If a futurity is cancelled due to circumstances beyond the club's control (e.g. hurricanes), and rescheduling is not feasible, money will be allocated to the subsequent year's futurity by the ALTPHC Board of Directors and the breeders stallions will remain on the eligibility list in the subsequent year.

### **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 the judges.

### ADDITIONAL RULES--BREEDER'S FUTURITIES

#### WEANLING ELIGIBILITY:

Paint and/or solid paint bred/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 and in the Stallion Service Sale Rules. Stallion owners get one free entry. Should a futurity eligible weanling be sold prior to its weanling futurity, the ALTPHC must be notified by the stallion owner for the free entry to be transferred. ALTPHC 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 the Club.

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

#### YEARLING AND 2 YEAR OLD & UP ELIGIBILITY:

Paint and/or solid paint bred/ breeding stock yearlings and 2 year olds & up must be sired by a stallion whose service was purchased in the stallion service sale in the prior four years. Horses must be registered in the regular or solid paint bred/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 \$5,000.00 or if the proceeds of the stallion service sales of the prior year are less than \$5,000 the total proceeds will be allocated to the four weanling Breeder's classes as determined by the Club. 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 \$5,000 will be determined by the club annually.

**YEARLING, 2 YEAR OLD WESTERN PLEASURE & ANY OTHER CLASSES OFFERED**--Purses and entry fees (excluding late fees) will be determined by the Club.

### ADDITIONAL RULES--OPEN FUTURITIES

#### ELIGIBILITY:

Horses must be registered in either the regular or solid paint bred/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 the Club.

#### 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	

This schedule indicates payment through sixth place.

NOTE: Stallion owner receives 10% of the total purse in the Breeders Futurity classes only before the above schedule is applied to the remaining purse.

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