

## AWPA RULES AND REGULATIONS

### A. General Rules

- 1) Only the offspring from the stallions nominated to the Arabian Western Pleasure Association "AWPA" are eligible if all requirements are met.
- 2) The AWPA Board of Directors, at its option, shall have the authority to handle disputes as to any ownership issues involved in the AWPA program.
- 3) The AWPA Board of Directors shall have final decision making on all dispute resolution.

### B. ENTERING YOUR STALLION

- 1) An owner of a stallion may nominate their stallion into the AWPA for an annual fee of \$1000.00. The Stallion owner must complete the stallion nomination form, provide all additional documentation and pay the \$1000.00 nomination fee by December 31 of the preceding year of participation. (i.e., December 31, 2015 for stallion auctions to be held in 2016).
- 2) Nomination of a stallion requires the stallion owner to: (a) donate one (1) breeding into the purebred Arabian auction; and/or (b) one (1) breeding into the Half-Arabian auction, for a maximum of two (2) donated breeding to the auctions which will be auctioned off during the online auction.
- 3) If a stallion breeding is only donated for the Purebred auction only purebred foals will be eligible to compete in the corresponding class. Likewise, if a stallion is only entered into the Half-Arabian auction only Half-Arabian foals are eligible. In order for both Purebred and Half-Arabian foals of the nominated stallion to be eligible to compete in the corresponding class the stallion must be entered in **BOTH** auctions.
- 4) Deceased stallions, infertile stallions, stallions no longer standing, or geldings are allowed to enter as an AWPA sire to allow their progeny to be eligible to compete in the class. In this case, the stallion owner would be required to pay the \$1000 nomination fee, as well as cover the minimum bid of \$1000 for each auction they wish to make their horses progeny eligible for. For example, if you wish to have horses eligible for the Purebred class only, the total cost to enter the stallion would be \$2000 (\$1,000 nomination fee + \$1,000 minimum bid for the breeding), for just the Half-Arabian class the total cost would again be \$2000, for progeny to be eligible for both classes the total cost would be \$3000.
- 5) The stallion owner will be entitled to one (1) mare nomination into the AWPA for a nomination fee of \$100.00. This mare nomination can be used on a mare of the stallion owner's choice or can be sold by the stallion owner to anyone the stallion owner chooses and for any fee the stallion owner chooses. The foal resulting from this mare nomination will be eligible for additional payback monies from the futurity class the same as the foals from the breeding(s) purchased from the AWPA auction(s).
- 6) All auction breeding's may be valid for two years, starting in the auction year. The auction breeding shall come with a live foal guarantee, and may be carried over to the following breeding season, but the additional payback monies shall **ONLY** be allowed for foals conceived in the **same year** the breeding was purchased. If for any reason the nominated mare does not settle and produce a live foal from the first year's breeding then the mare owner can re-breed the following year. The mare owner, at no cost, can choose to switch mares during the first or second year's breeding. After two years the purchased auction breeding is no longer valid and the stallion owner has no further responsibility to breed the nominated mare. Any breeding after the two year commitment is the sole responsibility of the stallion owner and mare owner. One year carry over of an AWPA Auction Breeding may be granted by the AWPA Board of directors at their discretion. Mare owner must submit: a letter stating they would like to carry the breeding over to the following breeding year, letter must include the stallion auction breeding that was purchased and the mare that was bred. A vet's certificate/note stating mare was bred but is not in foal, vet needs to indicate why the mare is not in foal or did not result in a live foal (aborted, absorbed, mare was never checked in foal etc).

### C. MARE NOMINATION

- 1) Any mare bred to a nominated stallion is eligible to be nominated regardless of whether the breeding was purchased from the auction.
- 2) In order for the mare to be eligible the stallion must be nominated in the AWPA auction the year that you nominate your mare. For example, mares bred to an AWPA stallion that is in the 2016 auction, can be nominated in-utero on or before December 31, 2016. The stallion must be entered in BOTH auctions in order for PB and HA foals to be eligible. If a stallion is entered in the PB auction only, only PB mares can be nominated.
- 3) In order to participate in the AWPA Purebred and Half-Arabian classes, The Mare Nomination Form must be completely filled in, signed and the \$100 nomination fee must be paid and post marked by December 31 of the year the mare is bred. (i.e., for all breedings purchased in the 2016 auction, or otherwise bred to an AWPA nominated stallion in the same year in, the mare nominations are due on or before December 31, 2016).

### D. OFFSPRING NOMINATION

- 1) Until the first foal crop of the 2016 auction is ready to compete (that being 2021), all offspring of an AWPA nominated stallion are eligible to compete in the AWPA futurity class at The US Nationals in Tulsa, OK. The stallion must be nominated by December 31 of the foals three year old year and entered in BOTH auctions for both Purebred and Half - Arabian foals to be eligible. For example, if the stallion is in the Purebred auction only, only PB are eligible to compete.
- 2) To compete in the futurity class at The US Nationals the entry form must be completed and class entry fee of \$700.00 (as well as all other related USN fees) must be paid by close of initial US National entry deadline.

### E. AUCTION GUIDELINES

- 1) Minimum bid for each stallion service is \$1000.00.
- 2) If the minimum bid of \$1000.00 is not met the stallion owner agrees to be the purchaser of the donated auction breeding(s). In the instance where the stallion owner is also the purchaser of the breeding, the stallion owner would receive two (2) mare nominations. One (1) nomination for enrollment in the AWPA and one (1) nomination for the purchase of the breeding. The mare nomination fee of \$100.00 will apply for each mare. The foal(s) resulting from this/these mare nomination(s) will be eligible for additional payback monies from the futurity class the same as the foals from the breeding(s) purchased from the AWPA auction(s).
- 3) Purchaser must complete the AWPA Purchaser Agreement when advised by the AWPA that they are the winning bidder.
- 4) Payment is due when the AWPA advises the purchaser that they are the winning bidder.
- 5) Only one mare nomination for an auction breeding can be submitted. Embryo Transfer (ET) mare nominations are required to designate recipient mare name on mare nomination form.
- 6) All auction breeding's may be valid for two years, starting in the auction year. The auction breeding shall come with a live foal guarantee, and may be carried over to the following breeding season, but the additional payback monies shall **ONLY** be allowed for foals conceived in the **same year** the breeding was purchased. If for any reason the nominated mare does not settle and produce a live foal from the first year's breeding then the mare owner can re-breed the following year. The mare owner, at no cost, can choose to switch mares during the first or second year's breeding. After two years the purchased auction breeding is no longer valid and the stallion owner has no further responsibility to breed the nominated mare. Any breeding after the two year commitment is the sole responsibility of the stallion owner and

mare owner. One year carry over of an AWPA Auction Breeding may be granted by the AWPA Board of directors at their discretion. Mare owner must submit: a letter stating they would like to carry the breeding over to the following breeding year, letter must include the stallion auction breeding that was purchased and the mare that was bred. A vet's certificate/note stating mare was bred but is not in foal, vet needs to indicate why the mare is not in foal or a live foal was not produced (aborted, absorbed, mare was never checked in foal etc).

- 7) Auction will be an online format through The Arabian Horse Times. Auction will start on February 27 and will end on March 6.
- 8) The AWPA will advise the stallion owner when all payment and contracts have been honored by the purchaser so that breeding service can commence.

**F. CLASS GUIDELINES**

- 1) The first AWPA Purebred and Half-Arabian futurity classes will be held at the 2016 U.S. National show in Tulsa, OK.
- 3) The classes are open to four year old Purebred and Half-Arabian horses who are sired by a nominated stallion. The stallion must be entered in BOTH auctions for both Purebred and Half - Arabian foals to be eligible. For example, if the stallion is in the Purebred auction only, only PB foals are eligible to compete.
- 2) A five judge total points system will be used. Judges will be drawn randomly from the U.S. Nationals judging panels.
- 3) Quality is the number one criteria for judging.
- 4) Class eliminations will be run as a 'regular' junior horse class. Fourteen (14) horses total will advance to the final. (Example: If the number of entries require two sections of eliminations be run (Section A and Section B), 7 horses from Section A and 7 horses from section B will advance to the final)
- 5) The final will be run as a 'regular' junior horse class. Once lined up, Two (2) attendants per horse are allowed in the ring to assist in stripping the horse of tack and to remove tack from the ring. Horses will be assessed for quality by the judges.
- 6) Horses will then be asked to leave the arena and can replace tack. The Top 10 Horses will be called back to the arena. They will then be called from 10<sup>th</sup> place up to Champion as they exit the arena.

**G. PAYBACK**

The AWPA futurities will be paid out as follows:

Purebred	Half-Arabian	Stallion Owner
10 <sup>th</sup> \$5000.00	\$2500.00	\$125.00
9 <sup>th</sup> \$5500.00	\$2750.00	\$137.50
8 <sup>th</sup> \$6000.00	\$3000.00	\$150.00
7 <sup>th</sup> \$6500.00	\$3250.00	\$162.50
6 <sup>th</sup> \$7000.00	\$3500.00	\$175.00
5 <sup>th</sup> \$7500.00	\$3750.00	\$187.50
4 <sup>th</sup> \$8000.00	\$4000.00	\$200.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> \$9500.00	\$4750.00	\$237.50
2 <sup>nd</sup> \$15,000.00	\$7500.00	\$375.00
1 <sup>st</sup> \$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$750.00

- A horse that is in the top 14 of a futurity class that was the result of a breeding purchased in the AWPA auction or a stallion owner's nomination, will be eligible for additional payback monies. The additional payback monies are comprised of the following: 50% of the AWPA Stallion nomination fees from that foal crop's breeding season. 65% will be split equally among the Purebred class and 35% will be split equally among the Half – Arabian class.