

ARABIAN / HALF-ARABIAN ARHA AGED EVENT TERMS & CONDITIONS SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA



This is for Purebred Arabian and Half Arabian Futurity and Maturity horses.

MEMBERSHIP

All membership requirements must be met for entering the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show. Additional requirements are as follows:

FUTURITY: Owner and riders must be current members of the NRHA and ARHA. Open exhibitors must possess a PROFESSIONALS membership. Memberships can be renewed at NRHA.com, ARHA.net or at the horse show if necessary.

MATURITY AND NON PRO FUTURITY classes are not NRHA approved and as such will not require any NRHA documentation. ARHA memberships are required.

ARHA Memberships: Owners and riders must be members of ARHA membership forms can be found on the AHA website (ARHA.net).

GENERAL RULES

1. The ARHA sponsored events will be run under USEF and NRHA rules. The Open Futurity is a sanctioned NRHA event. Where a conflict arises between the two, USEF rules will supersede the NRHA rules.
2. This is not an Arabian Horse Association qualifying class.
3. All ARHA Aged event and Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show deadlines must be met as specified.
4. The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show shall be responsible for...
 - Scheduling classes
 - Hiring judges and scribes
 - Collecting entry fees for classes other than the futurity and maturity
5. The ARHA shall be responsible for collecting and processing entries for the Futurity and Maturity.
6. Horses MUST be entered in the concurrent classes through the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show Office and the ARHA office. There will be no exceptions made to this rule.

EXAMINATION OF ENTRIES & VERIFICATION OF IDENTITIES

1. By enrolling in the ARHA Futurity and/or Maturity the rider/owner grants the AHA and ARHA the right to have the entered horse and rider examined or inspected for any purpose, including but not limited to the purpose of verifying its identity by AHA officials, staff or any other persons that the AHA requests to make such examination or inspection.
2. In the event that doubt should arise regarding the identity of any horse entered in an aged event, AHA shall make every effort to verify that horse's identity, including but not limited to blood typing or DNA testing. The ARHA committee shall have the right to withhold any prize monies, which would otherwise be due and payable pending the outcome of the investigation to verify a horse's identity. In the event the horse's identity cannot be satisfactorily verified, no further prize money shall be paid to the party whose name appears on the entry form.
3. The ARHA board will advise the recorded owner in writing of any proposal to cancel the entry of a horse or rider and the reasons supporting this proposal.

ELIGIBILITY

Horses

1. Must be registered with the AHA.
2. Open Futurity horses must have an NRHA Competition License with the current owners name listed on it.
3. Must be owned by a member of the AHA/ ARHA and NRHA (where applicable).
4. For purposes of the Rules, a horse's age shall be determined by the USEF age standard.
Futurity is open to horses aged four (4) and five (5) as of January 1st, 2023
Maturity is open to horses six (6) and older as of January 1st 2023.

Categories/Riders:

1. Rider eligibility for the Futurity will be determined by NRHA rules. Please see their website for clarification on eligibility. Rider eligibility for Maturity will be determined by the AHA leveling rules. Please see the AHA website for further clarification.
2. As per NRHA rules Exhibitors will be limited to showing three (3) horses per division in the Open ARHA futurity

Equipment

1. Futurity horses are to be shown two handed in a snaffle or hackamore.
2. Maturity horses are to be shown one handed in any legal bridle.

ENTRY FEES

1. All entry fees are final and non-refundable.
2. **Every horse entered in the Open Futurity will also be charged a \$10 NRHA Drug fee**
3. Entries must be made using the link on the arha website
4. NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER 2/22/23 AT 3:00 PM.
5. Entry fee does not include show entry fees due to The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show for concurrent classes, drug fees, and stall fees, as required by the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show. Entrants are responsible for all fees and additional requirements to enter the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show. Deadline for Scottsdale Arabian Show is December 15th. Please see their show premium for all requirements and regulations
6. The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show office will not release any back numbers until all paperwork has been completed and submitted to their satisfaction.
7. Substitution of horses is allowed
8. Futurity Entry Fees are as follows (All classes are NRHA approved):

a.	\$25000 added HA/AA	Open Level 4	\$1500
b.	\$10000 added Purebred	Open Level 4	\$1100
9. Non-Pro Futurity & Maturity Entry Fees are as follows:

a.	Non-Pro Half-Arabian and Non-Pro Purebred Futurity	\$250	50% of entry fee will be added to the purse
b.	All Maturity classes are Jackpotted (money may be added later)	\$150	50% of entry fee will be added to the purse

CLASS EXECUTION

1. Horses are required to show by the same standards and rules of NRHA and USEF, as would be appropriate in the Scottsdale Reining classes.
2. There will be a three-judge system utilized. The judges will be placed at different points around the arena. The total of the three scores will be used to determine the final score.
3. In the event of a tie following the finals, the following order of tie breaking procedures will apply:
 - A runoff
 - If a tie still exists, the exhibitors will be named co-champions
4. The class shall name a Champion, Reserve Champion and place the rest of the class in order of finish.
5. Tack and appointments will be checked by the NRHA equipment judge in the Open Futurity. Equipment in all other classes will be checked by the USEF steward. All rules not covered herein will be subject to the prevailing rules set forth by the current USEF rule book (USEF Article 2, No. 1).
6. All reining horses will be videotaped; videotape may be used by the judges to review runs, when necessary.
7. Patterns have been predetermined and are listed in the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show premium book
8. Futurity is a one (1) go event.

CLASS CONFLICT

A class conflict is defined as an exhibitor who has a class in which they have to exhibit a horse in another ring at the same time as their draw order in the reining pen.

The procedure for declaring a potential conflict is as follows:

- Exhibitor/Agent must contact reining horse manager/reining show secretary within 2 hours of the posted draw.
- Exhibitor draw will move to top of posted reining go order and if that doesn't work the exhibitor will be run 5 horses after the return to the arena

CLASS SPECIFICATIONS

1. Entries to be Shown and Judged under the class specifications set forth in both the NRHA handbook and Reining section of the USEF Rule Book.

PRIZE MONEY & PAY OUT PROCEDURES

1. Prize money will be paid to the Owner of the Horse.
2. Checks for prize money shall be mailed within 30 days after completion of the show.
3. No checks will be paid out to exhibitor unless they have provided reining show secretary with a correct social security number or tax ID number.

LIMIT OF LIABILITY

1. The AHA, The Scottsdale Show Committee, member of the ARHA board, its directors, officers, employees, representatives, and agents will attempt to obtain true and complete information in connection with the registration of horses, transfers and all other matters relating to the AHA, Scottsdale Show and ARHA board activities. Neither the AHA, Scottsdale Show or the ARHA board members, its directors, officers, employees, representatives and agents shall be liable in any way, whether in damages or otherwise in connection with entry, refusal of entry or transfer, cancellation of entry, the operation or administration of the maturity, or for any other activities engaged in by, or on behalf of the AHA, Scottsdale Show or the ARHA board in connection with the Futurity.
2. Participants in the ARHA Aged Events agree that damages for any successful claims against the AHA, Scottsdale Show, or the ARHA board which is based upon the way a class is run, the judging thereof, the scheduling, or the interpretation of the applicable rules shall be limited to the liquidation damages in the amount of the entry fees.

3. If not withstanding, the release signed by a participant in the program and the above provision of the program rule, any liability to a participant should arise on the part of AHA, Scottsdale Show or ARHA board, such liability shall be limited as liquidated damages, to the amount equal the entry fees paid by the participant.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION & AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES

1. In the event that a dispute of issue should arise regarding the implementation of the Aged Event program which cannot be resolved solely by reference to these rules or which requires that they be interpreted, the dispute or issue shall be resolved by decision for the ARHA board, upon written petition submitted by an interested party to the ARHA board. The petition should not be submitted to a Commissioner(s) as all cases are reviewed on an anonymous basis. All decisions by the AHRA Board on disputes or issues raised under the provision of this section shall be consistent with the purpose of the maturity rule and shall be final. Written notice of the decision of the AHRA Board stating the basis for the decision shall be sent to the Petitioning Party.
2. The ARHA Board may amend the rules from time to time, as it deems appropriate.
3. Recovery of Futurity prize money wrongfully received: If in accordance with application protest or disciplinary procedures of AHA, USEF, or ARHA, a determination by any of these entities establishes, expressly or implicitly that a person or horse was not qualified to participate in the Futurity and prize money and/or prizes were received, all such money and prizes shall be refunded to the ARHA Board within 30 days after the written demand is made by the ARHA Board. In the event that the ARHA Board is required to refer any such matter for collection to an attorney, collection agency, or to institute legal proceedings, the ARHA Board shall, in addition to the Futurity prize money wrongfully received, be entitled to recover from the person receiving said money interest at a rate of 12% per annum compounded annually from the date the money was received, as well as costs of collection, including reasonable attorney and collection agency's fees.