Next Level Productions, LLC Rules

Next Level Productions ("**NLP**") whose address principal address is 21284 Highway 102, Tecumseh, Ok 74873.

Next Level Productions, LLC "NLP" reserves the right to refuse entry to <u>ANYONE</u> at any time. By entering NLP produced events, contestants, and parents and/or legal guardians agree to follow all rules and regulations set forth by NLP and all affiliating organizations. Failure to abide by rules set forth is grounds for automatic disqualification for an event.

ENTRIES:

NLP utilizes SGP Event Manager and Statistics for event management. ALL entries for **NLP** produced events are made online on www.sgpevents.net.

OFFICE FEE: A one-time office fee per contestant per day is required for all contestants (fee may vary depending on event).

Pre-entries on SGP the close typically the Sunday before scheduled events (some event pre-entry closing dates may vary.) All pre-entries must be paid for online by credit card (entry total + credit card processing fee) or can be paid for by mailing a check to **NLP**. Checks sent by mail **MUST BE RECEIVED** by the close of pre-entries. Please check with us before mailing a check to make sure your entries are correct. Online entries for each event will re-open once the draw is posted..

NO LATE FEES EVER. Late entries are taken online and on site (online late entries close at the start of each class). Once the race has started you will have to late enter onsite to be paid by cash or credit card. The late draw with draw numbers will not be posted until the race starts. If you are late entering multiple horses, the sooner you enter the better to ensure that you get proper spacing.

DRAW OUTS & HORSE CHANGES:

Draw Outs & Horse Changes: Refunds will be given until the pre-entry deadline. After the pre-entry deadline, no refunds will be given for any reason. Riders may sell their spot up until the start of the race each day. Payment for a sold/purchased draw positions are to be handled between buyer/seller. If you sell your spot, you lose all office and extra fees paid. The buyer is responsible for coming to the office and making the change. They must be done in person. If not already entered for the day, the buyer will be charged their daily office fee plus a horse change fee. All sidepots go with the entry.

Horse/Rider changes can be made up until the start of each race. Once the race begins we will not longer allow spots to be bought/sold. If you are not at the race when the race begins it is your responsibility to find someone to do it for you in person.

NO CHANGES MADE VIA EMAIL, TEXT OR FACEBOOK MESSAGE.

STALLS & RVS:

STALLS AND RV's will be available for purchase on www.sgpevents.net when entries are made. NLP as a general rule has to let the facility know ahead of time the number of stalls and RVS we are expecting to use. It is in the best interest of the contestant to reserve stalls and RVS when entering. Stall and RV availability for late and on-site entries can be limited at times.

STALLS: All horses staying overnight must be stalled. Facilities do not allow overnight pens/portable panels or tie outs. If a contestant is hauling a stallion and needs accommodation for stalling, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate those needs.

RVS: – most RV spots are first come first served at events. You must come to the entry office to get an RV card to place on your RV site for proof of payment.

Failure to pay stall and RVs will result in automatic disqualification. NLP will not hunt you down to collect stall and RV money. As a contestant it is YOUR responsibility to take care of your business.

PAYOUT, RACE FORMAT AND SIDEPOTS

Format: NLP events will be in a 5D format with half second splits.

NEW IN 2025 – The 16 & under youth class will run PRIOR to the Open and will run as it's own class. Youth format will be a 5D half second split with the option to roll your time to the open with paid open entry fee.

Payout: \$1 per run is applied to SGP, \$1 per open run goes to Bonus Race Finals (if event is Bonus Race approved). Remaining entry fee is paid out 75% payout (High Stakes will always be 90% payout). Contestant must have a current year W-9 on file with their social security number. **NLP** will make every effort to have the payout checks ready for pick-up 30 minutes after the last run of the day. Checks not picked up will be mailed to the address provided on your W-9 form. Checks will not be mailed or allowed to be picked up without a W-9 on file. Checks must be cashed within 30 days of the event in which it is paid out. **NLP** will not re-issue checks without a re-issue fee of \$40. Checks not cashed 30 days after event or checks not picked up or mailed due to W-9 not being submitted will be void after 30 days.

Sidepots: Sidepots are shown on SGP once entry is made, typically in an orange box under the individual entry. Sidepots that each horse/ride is eligible for generally show up once entry is submitted, and it is the responsibility of the contestant representative to "OPT IN" to sidepots when entering. Sidepots can be added onsite but must be done BEFORE the horse runs in the class.

Futurity: Any horse 5 or under that has not been competed on prior to November 15 of the previous year. Futurity sidepots will be a 2D full second split

Derby: Futurity: Any horse 8 or under. Derby sidepots will be a 2D full second split.

Senior: 50 and over (unless otherwise noted on race flyer) as of January 1 of the current year. Senior sidepot (unless other wise noted on race flyer) will be a 4D half second split.

Advanced Equine Nutrition Customer Appreciation Sidepot – AEN has graciously added a \$500 added 4D half second split sidepot to each race. Sidepot will be an umbrella sidepot that will payout at the conclusion of the race on Sunday. Horse/Rider combination may enter one run or all runs made in the weekend for a chance to win multiple checks. This sidepot is only available to current AEN customers. Customer status will be verified, if you are not a current customer your entry fees and winnings will be forfeited.

HIGH STAKES: High Stakes sidepot will be offered at most NLP produced events. High Stakes sidepot will be a 2D half second split with a 90% payback.

YEAR END AWARDS

Year-end awards will be given in the Open:

HIGH POINT in each division will be awarded a Saddle.

Points will be awarded through 20th place in each division. A contestant will only receive points for their highest placing in each division each day. Contestants may only win one year end award in the open and they will receive their highest placing award.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

Draw Order: All horses entered must run under their official breed association registered names. Riders with multiple entries must ride each horse in the correct draw position.

Missed Run: If a contestant misses their run it will result in an automatic no time. There will be no option to run at a later time.

No Times/Disqualifications: No time will be given to a contestant for the following reasons. Failure to start the pattern within 60 seconds of the contestant's name being called, the second time. A 3-call rule will be enforced. A contestant will automatically be disqualified if they do not make it inside the holding pen before the tractors park. Once shut the gateman will not re-open the gate until the group of 5 is complete. Disqualification will occur for running a horse in any draw position in which it was drawn; swapping horses names in run order or withholding a horse's official name; if you miss your run or run out of turn. No time will be given if the official pattern is broken; a barrel is hit; contestant is not in dress code; running the incorrect division based on age; Forward motion must be kept once you pass the mouth of the alley. Any circling in the arena will result in a no time. **ABSOLUTELY NO** circling the barrels or training during a run. If the pattern is broken, the contestant needs to complete the pattern, in a timely manner, or exit the arena immediately. Failure to comply will result in a \$100 fine and must be paid before the contestant's next run.

Electric Timer: In the event the electric timer/eye fails during a run the contestant has the choice of a re-run, or a refund. It is up to the contestant to contact the office and make it clear if they will take the re-run or want a refund. The re-run will be at the end of the race or set of 50 with a fresh drag. If a penalty or no time occurs during a run in which the electric time/eye fails, no option of re-run or refund will be offered.

Tie Breakers: In the event of a tie for an individual race, the prize money for both places, the one the contestants tied for, and the next place will be split evenly. If the tie occurs in last place paid in a division the money will be split evenly between the contestants.

Tie Breaker for Prizes: In the event of a tie for prizes a coin toss will be used as the tiebreaker. Contestants must be present for coin toss. If only one contestant is present, they automatically receive the prizes. The fastest time of the weekend (same horse/rider combination) will have the first option to call the toss.

Coggins & Health Papers: Contestants must be prepared to show a current negative Coggins and provide up to date health papers, according to the state's laws the competition is in. This is the contestant's responsibility and being unavailable to provide the needed documentation will result in automatic disqualification from the event and will be expected to leave the facility within 2 hours of disqualification.

Dress Code/Western Attire: Long sleeve shirt, jeans, western boots and a western hat or helmet. For some events, **NLP** shirts will be available for purchase and can be worn in lieu of dress code.

Hats Fine: Hats must stay on until you hit the arena. Hats lost in the arena will result in a \$10 fine. Hat fines must be paid to the barrel setter. Hats cannot be picked up without the \$10 fine being paid.

Abuse: Abuse or neglect of an animal will not be tolerated. Abuse or neglect of an animal as determined by **NLP** or affiliated staff and all decisions are FINAL. A minimum fine for abuse or neglect is \$500, and you may be asked to leave the facility immediately. Absolutely no electronic training devices are allowed for any reason. If you are asked to leave due to the abuse or neglect of an animal or use of an electronic device, all winnings, entry fees and all extra fees will be forfeited. Fines must be paid before you will be enter another **NLP** produced event.

Dangerous Animals: If **NLP** or affiliated staff deems an animal dangerous to owner, other individuals, other animals, or the facility **NLP** reserves the right to ask the contestant to remove the animal from the facility immediately. If you are asked to remove a horse or asked to leave it must be done immediately and will count as an automatic disqualification of the horse and/or contestant. Contestant's entry fees and winnings will be forfeited.

ALL DOGS MUST be on a leash at all times on premise of any **NLP** produced event.

OFFICIAL EVENT PHOTOGRAPHER/VIDEOGRAPHER

NLP has an official photographer at all events. ANYONE found taking personal photographs or videos for profit will be asked to leave the facility immediately. ANYONE found with a camera that has a removable lens taking photographs or videos will be asked to leave the facility immediately. **NLP** reserves the right to ask that any photographs or videos taken at an event be deleted. Anyone found abusing this rule could face legal repercussions.

VENDORS

All vendors selling anything or providing services must be a register vendor with the **NLP**. Only authorized vendors are allowed to sell items of offer their services on the grounds. Any selling of used tack, saddles, dogs or ANYTHING else is strictly PROHIBITTED.RELEASE OF LIABILITY, INDEMNIFICATION AND RELEASE PERSONAL

INJURY: By entering a **NLP** as a contestant, I hereby understand that no matter how careful the sponsors, offices, directors, or contestants may be, injury or death, as well as that of my horse, or my child is a possibility. And furthermore, I, as a contestant (or parent/guardian of a contestant) agree to hold harmless Next Level Productions, LLC, its agents, affiliates, facility, management, contractors, and employees from any expense, cause of action, damage, or claim of damage, including but not limited to medical, veterinary and legal fees of any kind whatsoever, which I might assert as a result of my (or my child's) injury, sickness, death or claim. I also understand that all contestants and horses will be photographed and videoed and that outside photography is NOT allowed. I understand that if State and/or Local Authorities require presentation of said test chart at this event and I cannot present a NEGATIVE TEST or any or all animals, I will be personally responsible for any fines and will be responsible for any fines levied on the event producer.