

## **NATIONAL FUTURITY GUIDELINES - 2017**

### **GENERAL**

1. Entries are prepaid and may be paid by progressive payments subject to the following requirements. Entrants, Owners and Handlers/Trainers of the horses entered in the Futurity events **MUST** be current PHAA members. Membership must be paid on or before the close of 2017 National Show entries.
2. All horses entered in the Futurity events must be registered in the PHAA Regular Registry or Paint Bred Registry. For weanling and yearling Halter Futurities, one or both parents (Sire or Dam) **MUST** be registered in either the PHAA Regular Registry or Paint Bred Registry. Halter classes are open to Paint Horses only except those specified for Paint Bred horses which are for Paint Bred Horses only. All performance (led or ridden) classes are open to both Paint Horses and Paint Bred horses.
3. No registrations for horses entered into the Futurity events will be accepted after 31st December. If a Futurity Entrant is not registered or has not applied for registration by 31st December it is ineligible to compete. Failure to have a horse registered with PHAA by the **31<sup>st</sup> December 2016** will result in the horse being excluded from the competition.

### **NOMINATIONS / ENTRY**

4. The nomination/entry fee for all Futurity events is \$220 and is payable any time up to the closing date of National Show entries, special condition applies to the Weanling Futurity events – see below
5. A discount is available on both Weanling Futurity events. If a mare nomination fee of \$20 is paid no later than July 31<sup>st</sup>, then the balance payable will be \$150, effectively allowing a \$50 discount. If the mare nomination fee is not paid, the full fee of \$220 will apply.
6. For foals and horses not registered at the time of nomination, both sire and dam must be registered with an acceptable Association at the time of nomination. No 'pending' registrations for sire or dam will be accepted.
7. **All other classes** - the nomination/entry fee is \$220 per class, this is payable at any time up to the close of entries for the 2017 National Show.
8. **Late Nominations/Entry** – are NOT permitted into any Futurity events after the close off date for the 2017 National Show.

### **PROGRESS PAYMENTS** (optional not compulsory)

9. Progress payments are available through the office. You must complete a progress payment form and return it to the office.

### **FINAL PAYMENT**

10. Payments are to be received by the due date, post marks are checked for posting date. There are no late entries permitted after the close of the 2017 National Show entries.

### **GENERAL RULES**

11. **Cancellations** - A Futurity event may be cancelled due to lack of paid up entries as at the third payment date. Cancellation of any event will be at the discretion of the Futurity committee. Any monies paid into cancelled events will be fully refunded (excluding credit card surcharge fees).
12. **Refunds** - No refunds are given for any reason, except if an event is cancelled (see above).

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13. **Substitutions** - Horses entered in weanling halter events may be substituted on receipt of notice of permanent disablement or death. Each case is then considered on its merits by the Futurity committee. A change fee of \$50 applies to any substitution. A horse can only be substituted in the same event and by a horse belonging to the same owner. Substitutions are not permitted after the final payment date.
14. **Returned / Dishonoured cheques** - A fee of \$50 applies to dishonoured cheques. Any late payment fees which subsequently arise from a dishonoured cheque will also be applied.
15. Post dated cheques – will not be accepted.
16. Protests - Refer to PHAA Rule 216A
17. **Judges and Calculation of Placegetters** – There will be one APHA approved Judge appointed to judge the 2017 Futurity Events in conjunction with the 2017 Paint Horse Association National Championship Show.
18. **Drug Testing** - may be done on any event, and will be done at random. There must be an announcement or notice informing competitors that drug testing will be carried out on a horse or horses at that show. The drug steward must accompany the horse from the ring to the testing box. The horse is not to be left unsupervised, the drug steward must remain with the horse until the veterinarian has completed the testing procedure and all paperwork has been completed and signed. The drug steward must have PHAA authority to sign any relevant paperwork. The owner / handler of the horse should appoint a representative to also accompany the horse.

Prize money is to be withheld until such time as a clear / negative test result is received by the PHAA. These results are normally received in the office 1 week after the testing.

Should a positive swab be returned the Board may take disciplinary action as per the PHAA Official Rule Book. Any prize money will be distributed to the remaining horses as per the Futurity Guidelines, and any awards will be removed from that horse.

19. **Prizemoney** – will be (where practical) calculated prior to the show and consists of total income from nominations / payments less ALL expenses. Expenses include prizes for each event, such as buckles, trophies, garlands and ribbons, as well as General Expenses such as judges and venue hire share. General Expenses are calculated by dividing the total expenses by the total number of horses in all futurities. This figure is then multiplied by the number of horses in each event.

Prizemoney is paid by direct deposit from the PHAA Futurity Account, and is made payable to the registered owner of the horse, preferably by direct deposit to your nominated bank account.

Prizemoney is not to be awarded until at least 1 hour after the completion of the class, and there have been no protests lodged, prize money on the class that is drug tested will not be available until test results are known. Prize Money will not be handed out as cash.

Prizemoney payouts are calculated according to the number of entries and are as per the following table (see exceptions below) and are rounded down to the nearest \$ 1.

Number of entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
2 - 4	60%	40%				
5 - 8	50%	30%	20%			
9 - 12	50%	25%	15%	10%		
13 - 20	40%	25%	14%	12%	9%	
21+	35%	25%	14%	12%	9%	5%

**Exception** – The Board of Directors reserves the right to allow provision to re-allocate an amount of prizemoney within a futurity to offer incentives to the competitors in that event. If due to withdrawals at the show a single horse competes in a class it will be awarded 60% of the available prize pool.

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Prizemoney payouts shall be calculated on the total amount received as entries by the final payment date. In the event that no horses finish or qualify for a placing, all monies less expenses shall carry over to the same event in the next year's futurity program.

**Trophies** - for First place are to be of the same value for all events, currently a GIST buckle is the nominated trophy. If warranted Second & Third place trophies of lesser value may be given if numbers of entrants are sufficient.

Ribbons or rosettes - for all events are to be of the same style.

**20. Incentives**

The PHAA shall make provision for a gelding incentive in the Weanling, Yearling and 2 Year Old National Halter Futurities. E.g.: \$200 (or similar) to the highest placed gelding in each of these futurities (AGM 2003)

The PHAA shall make provision for an amateur rider incentive into each ridden National Futurity classes. E.g.: \$200 (or similar) to the highest placed amateur in each of these futurities. (AGM 2003)

**Amateur bonus incentive for halter classes:** Amateur handlers who have not placed top 5 in any PHAA National halter event within the last 5 years are eligible for an additional Amateur bonus prize. The highest placed eligible competitor who finishes in the top 10 placings will be awarded an additional bonus prize of **\$200**. This bonus applies to all National futurity halter events with a minimum of 10 fully paid up entrants.

**21. No nominations or payments will be published prior to the National Show program publication.**

A register is to be kept and maintained showing all payments and entrants. This should show dates and amounts of all payments and is to be available at the show in the case of a dispute.

All income & expenditure is to be recorded on the PHAA accounting system.

Estimate all costing prior to the show in order to allow for payout calculations to be completed and checked.

**22. Entrants will not be eligible for APHA awards (if offered) unless the APHA registration number of the horse is provided on the Futurity payment form.**

### 2017 NATIONAL FUTURITY EVENTS

<b>HALTER EVENTS PAINT HORSES ONLY</b>	<b>PERFORMANCE EVENTS PAINT AND PAINT BRED HORSES</b>
<b>A.</b> Weanling Halter <b>B.</b> Yearling Halter <b>C.</b> 2 Year Old & Over Maturity  <b>PAINT BRED ONLY</b> <b>D.</b> Paint Bred Weanling <b>E.</b> Paint Bred Yearling Halter <b>F.</b> Paint Bred 2 Year Old & Over Maturity	<b>G.</b> Yearling Lungeline <b>H.</b> Yearling Trail <b>I.</b> 1 & 2 Year Old Hunter In Hand <b>J.</b> 3 Year Old & over Hunter In Hand <b>K.</b> 2 Year Old Western Pleasure <b>L.</b> 2 Year Old Hunter Under Saddle <b>M.</b> 2 Year Old Trail <b>N.</b> 3 Year Old Western Pleasure <b>O.</b> 3 Year Old Hunter Under Saddle <b>P.</b> 3 Year Old Trail <b>Q.</b> 4 Year Old & over Western Pleasure <b>R.</b> 4 Year Old & over Hunter Under Saddle <b>S.</b> 4 Year Old & over Trail

**Payment Schedule (payments due before)**

1st payment (Nomination)                      July 31<sup>st</sup> 2016  
 Final payment (Show Entry Closing)      (TBC)