

ENSE Draft Horse Committee

Draft Horse Division - General Rules for 2017

1. Closing date for draft horse entries will be Monday August 14th, 2017.
2. The owners and handlers of horse(s) must show proof of at least \$2,000,000 (two million) liability insurance for this event. No entry will be accepted unless proof of insurance is received with entry form.
3. Entry fees are \$25.00 per team (including HST) and \$12.50 per additional horse. Line class only horses are \$12.50 per horse. Make cheques payable to Eastern Nova Scotia Exhibition. A limited number of box stalls may be available upon request. Box stalls fees are \$20.00 each (including HST).
4. Two free exhibitor passes per team will be issued. Parking passes for the designated exhibitors' parking area must be purchased (maximum of 2 per exhibitor). All exhibitors must pick up their passes, at the exhibition office located at the main entrance of the arena, either on Tuesday evening or on Wednesday morning.
5. Absolutely NO VEHICLES will be permitted on the grounds after 10:00 a.m. each morning. Failure to remove the vehicles from the grounds to the designated exhibitors' parking area will result in such vehicles being towed at owner's expense. (This will be strongly enforced by the Traffic Authority of the Town of Antigonish). There will be no exceptions to this rule and, due to insurance reasons, we need your support and co-operation in this matter.
6. Stalls will be reserved until 10:00 a.m. on opening day of the exhibition (Wed. August 30th).
7. Exhibitors must display a sign stating exhibitor's name, address and breed of horse.
8. Horses must be properly groomed and cared for while at the exhibition.
9. In the case of registered animals to be shown in the purebred line class competition, registration papers must be presented upon request. Animals under one year of age are exempt; judge or Draft Horse Committee has the right to demand proof of age.
10. Stabling for horses showing in line classes only will not be provided, unless space is available. Line class only exhibitors are permitted to leave immediately after line classes are completed.
11. Multiple hitches (more than a team) must have a second capable person on the seat with the driver.

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12. Owners and drivers must at all times handle and drive horses in a safe and prudent manner with the safety of the public and other exhibitors in mind.
13. For safety reasons, harnessing in the aisle is not permitted.
14. Any person entering the show ring during performance hours must be suitably dressed.
15. As per the April 26, 2005 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Exhibitions Association of Nova Scotia, it is to be known that the Association has agreed to random drug testing for A & B class exhibitions. Anyone using performance enhancing drugs identified in the testing program will be banned from entering fairs and exhibitions for a minimum of thirteen months. The names and offenders will be circulated to all fairs and exhibitions.
16. All horses will be subject to drug testing upon request of the Draft Horse Committee. If an animal has tested positive, the exhibitor will be barred from the exhibition for three consecutive years and will forfeit all prize money.
17. All draft horse exhibits, including curtains, bedding and harness boxes must remain intact until 5:00 p. m. Sunday September 3rd. Please, no trucks or trailers at the doors until 5:00 p.m. Note that bedding must be removed from the stalls and deposited in the pit.
18. For safety reasons, junior exhibitors are required to wear a high impact helmet in all classes.
19. For safety reasons, exhibitors are requested to put a rope or chain up behind their horses when they are not in the barn during the day, or when bridling for hitch classes.
20. Horses measured in the best matched team competition must be shown together as a team in the hitch classes.
21. Any item not covered by the above-mentioned rules will be ruled on by the Draft Horse Committee.

The Eastern Nova Scotia Exhibition reserves the right to refuse or prohibit entry of any individual, or exhibit in any competition in any given year.