



# North Star Futurity

## All Breed Halter/Performance Stallion Service Auction & Breeder's Futurity

by the Minnesota North Star Paint Horse Club (MNSPHC)

### General Rules

**North Star Futurity "All Breed" refers to horses that are registered with the following stock breed associations:**

**APHA, AQHA, ApHC, IBHA, ABRA, PBHA, ARHA and PTHA Stock.**

The purpose of North Star Futurity is for breeders, owners & exhibitors to showcase offspring that were the result of a breeding purchased through our Stallion Service Auction.

**What this program offers:** a series of futurity classes for foals through (2) years of age, registered with stock breed associations, which are sired by Stallions whose service sold on the North Star Futurity Stallion Service Auction (SSA). Each series consists of Weanling, Yearling and Two Year Old classes. In each class, the highest placing APHA registered foal/horse (regular registry or solid paint bred) will receive an extra bonus. When OPEN FUTURITY CLASSES are offered, horse **does not** have to be sired by a stallion whose service sold on the North Star Futurity SSA.

**SUPER HORSE AWARD:** will be given to the high point horse in it's Two-year-old year, by tabulating the total points earned throughout the series from Weanling through Age Two.

### Breeder's Futurity Class Series:

1. Weanling Futurity Classes	2. Yearling Futurity Classes	3. Two Year Old Futurity Classes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Breed Weanling Colts &amp; Geldings</li> <li>All Breed Weanling Fillies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Breed Yearling Halter All Sexes</li> <li>All Breed Yearling In Hand Trail</li> <li>All Breed Yearling Longe Line</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Breed 2 YR Old Halter All Sexes</li> <li>All Breed 2 YR Old WT Ranch Pleasure</li> <li>All Breed 2 YR Old WT Western Pleasure</li> <li>All Breed 2 YR Old WT Hunter Under Saddle</li> </ul>

- MNSPHC Futurity Committee retains the right to add or remove classes depending on participation.
- APHA performance attire rules apply for Ranch and Western Pleasure classes.

### Stallion Owners:

- To donate your stallion services, a donation form will need to be submitted to North Star Futurity to enroll your stallion in the Stallion Service Auction (SSA). Upon receipt of the donation form, the stallion will be added to the SSA. For your convenience, online or printable enrollment forms are available on our website: [www.mnsphc.com](http://www.mnsphc.com)
- Stallions must be registered with a stock breed association and eligible to have registered stock breed offspring.
- Donation forms must be submitted by the stallion owner, agent or lessee and completely filled out. All fees must be listed on the donation form. All requirements, including any required forms must also be listed.
- Stallion service donations will be accepted through the day of the auction. Each stallion service may only be donated once per SSA.
- Stallion service fees on the auction will start at 40% of the advertised fee or a minimum of \$250. Stallions listed at Private Treaty will start at \$250 PT.
- Stallion owners whose stallion's service sells through the SSA will receive discounted entry fees for (1) foal through 2 years of age for the entire SSA futurity series in all classes. If foal/horse is sold at any time during the futurity series, the discounted entry fee may be transferred to the new owner. A Record of Sale Form must be submitted to the North Star Futurity in order for the transfer to be valid.

### **Mare Owners:**

1. There will be no required mare nominations or mare nomination fees with the North Star Futurity SSA series.
2. Mares must be registered with a stock breed association. Resulting foal from the stallion service purchased, must also be registered with a stock breed association in order to compete in the futurity series.
3. A bid is a binding agreement to pay. The winning bidder of each stallion service must submit payment for the breeding to MNSPHC North Star Futurity within (7) business days from the auction close date or date of purchase. Payments may be made by cash, check, money order or credit card. Credit card fee will apply of up to 4% or going rate at the time.
4. Mare owner is responsible for any additional fees listed within the stallion service donation form, such as shipping fees or chute fees. It is the mare owner's responsibility to contact the stallion owner for arrangements once the winning bid payment has been paid in full to the North Star Futurity.
5. Mare owners with the winning bid for the stallion's service through the SSA will receive discounted entry fees for (1) foal through 2 years of age for the entire SSA futurity series in all classes. If foal/horse is sold at any time during the futurity series, the discounted entry fee may be transferred to the new owner. A Record of Sale Form must be submitted to the North Star Futurity in order for the transfer to be valid.

### **Stallion and Mare Owners:**

1. All agreements are between the mare owner and stallion owner. MNSPHC, North Star Futurity and committee members act only as agents.
2. Once all obligations are met between the stallion owner and mare owner, the stallion owner is required to provide the mare owner with a breeder's certificate.
3. Resulting foal must be registered with a stock breed association to compete in the All Breed futurity series.

### **Additional Get Sired by sold stallions:**

1. Additional get sired by a stallion whose service sold through the North Star Futurity SSA may also enter (within the series) at regular price entry fees.

### **Return Services / Carryovers / Refunds / Credits:**

1. Breeding is to be used in the year the stallion service was purchased or donated.
2. Should a mare not conceive or produce a live, viable foal the first year of service, the mare will be given return service the following year only. The foal will then be added to the eligible foals list for the next year. **The Open Mare Form must be completed & submitted to North Star Futurity by June 1st of the foaling year in order to remain eligible.**
3. No prize money from the SSA will be carried over for return services. The funds will remain in the purse for the year the stallion service was sold, regardless if the mare is granted a rebreed.
4. Eligibility to compete resulting from a return service will carry over for one year as long as the applicable forms are submitted by the deadlines.
5. The mare owner's purchase fee may be refunded only for the following: Death of the stallion, he becomes unfit to breed, or the stallion owner, agent or lessee refuses to honor the breeding prior to mare being bred. If the mare dies, or becomes unfit to breed prior to being bred, the mare owner may substitute a mare or be refunded. NOTICE must be given to the North Star Futurity by December 31st of the year the breeding was purchased, accompanied by a veterinarian's certification stating the reason. No refunds will be given after December 31st of the year breeding was purchased on the SSA.

## Stallion Service Auction (SSA):

1. Stallions will be listed in the SSA upon the submission of all enrollment paperwork.
2. A public auction will be held on a selected date in which bidding will close at 7:00 PM Central Time with a soft close if active bidding is still going on the day of the auction. Bidding will open prior to the auction date for the stallions enrolled.
3. Bidding for stallion service fees will **start at 40%** of the advertised fee or a minimum of \$250. Stallions listed as Private Treaty will **start at \$250 PT.**
4. The Stallion Service will sell to the highest bidder, thereafter called the winning bidder.
5. Bids will be accepted online or by phone. No mail-in bids will be accepted.
6. Method of payments accepted: Cash, Check, Money Order or Credit Card. Credit Card fee will apply of up to 4% or going rate at the time.
7. Payments must be made within (7) business days from the auction ending date or the date of purchase.
8. Upon receipt of payment in full, the Stallion Service Agreement will be sent to the winning bidder.
9. If winning bid is not paid in full, bidder is in default and will be ineligible to participate in the futurity in any future years and the stallion service will not be considered as sold.
10. Stallion services that have not sold by the close of the designated auction day, will remain available for purchase at **50% of the advertised fee or a minimum of \$300 whichever is greater**, until May 1st of the SSA year.

## Entry Fees:

Stallion owners whose stallion's service sells through the SSA and winning bid mare owners will receive discounted entry fees for each class for the entire futurity series for (1) foal each, throughout said foal's weanling, yearling & two year old years.

**SSA Entry Fees are due by August 1st of the year shown** by the following schedule: Entry Fees are per class entered. Foals may be listed "as pending" for the August 1st deadline if registration papers have not been received yet. Registration papers or a current work order must be furnished to the futurity by the start of the show or entry will be disqualified. **NOTE: This schedule does not apply for Open Futurity Classes. Open Futurity Class entry fees are \$100 per class and are accepted up until the close of online entries, Thursday prior to the show at 7:00 PM with no late fee. Entries received after the close of online entries will be accepted with a \$50.00 late fee per class until 8:00 AM/ start of the show on Saturday. After this time futurity entries are closed.**

1. **SSA Entry Fees** submitted/postmarked on or before August 1st of the year shown:
  - \$75 per class for stallion owner that donated and mare owner with the winning bid.
  - \$100 per class for all other entries.
2. SSA Entries submitted/postmarked after August 1st of the year shown must include a \$50 late fee.
3. Late entries will be accepted until the Thursday before the Futurity Show by the close of entries at 7:00 PM.
4. Office Fees: MNSPHC Member \$10 per horse. Non-Member \$20 per horse.
5. Paid entry fees are included as prize money into the class entered. An entry fee paid for a horse that is not shown, will not be refunded, unless documentation is provided from a veterinarian prior to the futurity show.

## Membership Requirements:

1. Membership is not required to participate in the MNSPHC Futurity Classes. Office Fee per horse for MNSPHC Members \$10. Office Fee per horse for Non-Members \$20.

## Prize Money:

The prize money (purses) will come from the North Star Futurity SSA and entry fees. Additional sponsorship monies may also be added to purses whenever received.

1. Proceeds from the sale of stallion services (Less 10% of total sales for futurity expenses & extra awards) will be used as prize money.
2. The SSA proceeds will be applied to the All Breed Classes and divided out in the series as follows:  
Weanlings - 40% • Yearlings - 30% • Two Year Olds - 30%. These amounts will be prorated per head for each class within the series.
3. All entry fees plus any late fees collected the year of the show, are paid back to the designated class for that year.

## Payback:

1. Payback is based on the following percentages for the number of horses shown per class:

Entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
1	100%						
2	60%	40%					
3	50%	30%	20%				
4	40%	30%	20%	10%			
5	30%	25%	20%	15%	10%		
6	29%	24%	19%	14%	10%	4%	
7 +	29%	24%	19%	14%	9%	3%	2%

2. Weanlings: In the event of (10) or more entries in either colts or fillies, the classes will be split into Early and Late by birthdate.
3. In case of a placing tie, the purse money for two placings will be added together and split equally. Example: if the tie is for second place, the second & third place monies will be added together and split equally. Both horses will receive the 2nd place title.
4. If horse was shown on a work order status, checks will not be issued until after registration papers have been submitted to the North Star Futurity. Recipients must be in good standing with the Minnesota North Star Paint Horse Club, prior to the release of a check.

## Super Horse Award & Requirements:

1. The Super Horse Award will be given to the high point horse in it's Two-year-old year, by tabulating the total amount of points earned over the complete series: Weanling, Yearling and Two Year Old.
2. To be eligible for the Super Horse Award, horse must show (2) out of (3) years of the series in at least one class. In addition, if the horse is not shown as a weanling, the sustaining fee is \$100. If the horse is not shown as a Yearling, the sustaining fee is \$200 and if the horse is not shown as a 2 Year Old, the sustaining fee is \$300.

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4. Points will be awarded per placing from each judge's card. Judges will place entries through (7th) place. Points will be awarded by the placing regardless of how many entries are in the class. If there are less than (7) entries in the class, the 1st place horse will still receive the maximum amount of points for 1st place. This point system will be used for any futurity high point and the Super Horse Award. Point values for each placing are as follows:

- 1st place = (7) points
- 2nd place = (6) points
- 3rd place = (5) points
- 4th place = (4) points
- 5th place = (3) points
- 6th place = (2) points
- 7th place and beyond = (1) point

*Example: (4 ) entries in the class*

- *1st place horse receives (7) points per judge placing*
- *2nd place horse receives (6) points per judge placing*
- *3rd place horse receives (5) points per judge placing*
- *4th place horse receives (4) points per judge placing*

In the event of a class disqualification (DQ), horse will still be awarded (1) point for participation.

**High Point Stallion Award:**

1. High Point Stallion Award will be given to the stallion with the most points earned by all Get within the series.

**Disclaimer:**

North Star Futurity with the Minnesota North Star Paint Horse Club acts as a selling agent of the stallion owner and can be no way held responsible for stallion owners' and/or mare owners' inability to get a mare bred. Neither the North Star Breeders Futurity nor the Minnesota North Star Paint Horse Club shall intervene between the purchaser of the stallion service fee and the stallion owner. All agreements, arrangements and negotiations that arise in the service of any mare designated for the North Star Breeders Futurity will be strictly between the mare owner and the stallion owner. The foregoing rules are subject to interpretation or change, if unusual and unforeseen circumstances arise. Any such interpretation of the change shall be made by the North Star Futurity Committee and approved by the Minnesota North Star Paint Horse Club Board of Directors.

Any person participating in this Futurity including but not limited to owners, exhibitors, handlers and consignors shall indemnify and hold harmless the North Star Futurity All Breed Stallion Service Auction & Breeder's Futurity and the Minnesota North Star Paint Horse Club from and against all claims, demands, causes, or actions and expenses of any kind, including attorney's fees arising out of or related in any manner to the acts of admissions of an owner, exhibitor, handler or consignor. Every person and legal entity by participating in this Futurity does hereby agree 1) if unsuccessful in an attempt to overturn committee decision, actions, rules or regulations to reimburse the Futurity for it's reasonable attorney fees, court costs and other reasonable expenses incurred in defense of such suit and 2) that no action will be commenced whether in law or equity against the Futurity in a court other than the district court in the county in which the Futurity Secretary at the time of dispute resides.

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