

PONY AND HORSE PULLING CONTESTS

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We will be using the Eastern Draft Horse Association Rules.

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Entries close prior to pull. Same rules as horse pulling. Weigh-in is at 8:00 AM, Thursday for all classes. Classes will be held in horse pulling ring.

10:30 AM Class 1. 1850 lb. and under. Trophy in memory of Joel Willey.

1st - \$100.00; 2nd - \$85.00; 3rd - \$75.00; 4th - \$70.00; 5th - \$60.00; 6th - \$50.00; 7th - \$40.00; 8th - \$30.00

2:00 PM Class 2. 2250 lb. and under. NO TOUCH

1st-\$150.00; 2nd-\$130.00; 3rd-\$125.00; 4th-\$110.00; 5th-\$80.00; 6th-\$70.00; 7th-\$60.00; 8th-\$50.00.

4:00 PM Miniature Horses

1st-\$70.00; 2nd-\$60.00; 3rd-\$50.00; 4th-\$40.00; 5th-\$30.00; 6th-\$20.00; 7th-\$10.00.

6:30 PM Class 3. FREE-FOR-AL,

1st - \$150.00; 2nd - \$130.00; 3rd - \$125.00; 4th-\$110.00; 5th - \$80.00; 6th - \$70.00; 7th - \$60.00; 8th - \$50.00

All Ponies to leave stalls ASAP after this pull. NO OVERNIGHT THANK YOU.

All Teams must have in their possession paper of a valid negative Coggin's Test conducted within six (6) months prior to pull and a current rabies certificate and Certificate of Insurance of \$300,000. Releases must be signed to be in pulling ring. Exhibitor tickets not required.

HORSE PULLING CONTESTS

RULES TO GOVERN HORSE PULLING

1. Entries close prior to Class.
2. All teamsters to compete in contest shall have their teams ready at the published time. All classes will close at the completion of the first heat in each class.
3. All horses to compete in contest other than free-for-all teams, shall be weighed-in same day contest is to be held. All horses will be weighed in the presence of a delegate appointed by the fair or person who is conducting the contest. The delegate shall affix a weigh-slip on the animals, a copy of which is to be kept by said delegate certifying the horse's name and description, also the exact time of weighing. The weighing certificate must be signed by the delegate.
4. Starting loads of 4,000 lbs. for all light classes, starting load of 5,000 on all free-for-all classes. Added loads in each class at the discretion of the judges depending on type of pit.
5. Measuring starting point of boat shall be properly marked to indicate same starting point for all loads, the distance of each draw will be measured from the center of the boat to the starting pin. The boat shall be returned to the pin after each hitch. All teams will be allowed 3 hitches to make the draw.
6. Time limit - There will be a time limit of 3 minutes for each hitch. The time will be kept by the announcer or appointed timekeeper.
7. What constitutes a hitch -
Nothing less than 1 inch.
8. Unhitching after each hitch.
Each team will be disconnected from the boat and will leave the pit before entering for the next hitch.
9. Break-down - An actual separation, breaking or bending of equipment shall constitute a break-down. Chains, straps or eveners not properly secured are not considered a break-down.
10. Over-the-rail - If a horse's foot strikes dirt outside the rail the hitch is disqualified. Teams must remain within the rails while hitched to the boat.
11. Any team deliberately driven over the rail will be disqualified from the contest.
12. Heading - There will be no heading of horses whatsoever. Horses to be driven by one teamster only.
13. Horses and ponies shall not have the reins or any other device used as a whip. Eastern draft rules.
14. Appearance - All participants will be properly dressed including work boots. NO SNEAKERS ALLOWED.
15. Language - All effort shall be made to use proper language in and around the ring.
16. Drinking - Any participant under the influence of liquor will be disqualified from contest. The drinking of intoxicating beverages in and around the ring is prohibited.

17. Authorized persons in ring - One teamster and two hitches per team.
18. Interference of Evener Men - No assistance other than hitching.
19. Changing of Classes - Classes shall be as publicized only.
20. Switching Horses - Once a team has been weighed or entered there will be no switching of horses.

An owner may use any horse in any class provided he is entered as such. Split owner teams may not compete in any Classes.

21. In case of ties, owners will divide the premium and toss for the ribbon. If a trophy is involved, this association will duplicate it.

22. Any situations that may arise and are not covered by these rules, the decision will be left to the discretion of the judges.

23. Any variation of these rules shall be in the spirit of aforesaid rules and at the discretion of the judges.

24. Doping and Stimulating - See New Hampshire statutes 443:90

25. Violation of any rule will automatically disqualify owners and teams from all pulling contests. In all cases the judges' decision will be final.

26. All contestants will sign a release of responsibility and provide a certificate of liability insurance in minimum amount of \$300,000 and must be in their possession!!

27. All teams must produce current Coggin's Test papers!!

An exhibitor's ticket must be presented by owner when registering for class.

MAXIMUM 3 EXHIBITORS'
TICKETS PER OWNER.

DATE AND TIME OF CONTESTS

Friday— Weigh in 8:00 AM

11:00 AM 1600 LBS and under, Power Puff

1:30 PM Class A Teams weighing 3000 LBS. and under will pull 12 feet.

1st-\$250.00;2nd-\$200.00;3rd- \$160.00;4th-\$145.00;5th- \$130.00;6th-\$120.00;7th-\$110.00;8th-\$100.00;9th-\$95.00;10th-\$90.00.

4:00 PM 3350 LBS and under “**NO TOUCH RULES**” will pull 20 feet.

1st-\$250.00;2nd-\$200.00;3rd- \$160.00;4th-\$145.00;5th- \$130.00;6th-\$120.00;7th-\$110.00;8th-\$100.00;9th-\$95.00;10th-\$90.00.

7:00 PM Class B Teams weighing 3200 LBS. and under will pull 12 feet. (Same premiums as Class A.)

Saturday—Weigh in 8:00 AM

11:00 AM Class C Teams weighing 3100 LBS. and under will pull 12 feet.(Premium same as Class F).

3:00 PM Class D Teams weighing 3300 LBS. and under will pull 12 feet. (Premium same as Class A.)

7:00 PM Class E 3-Horse Hitch Teams weighing 4900 LBS. and under will pull 15 feet. (Premium same as Class A.).

Sunday— Weigh in 9:00 AM

12:00 Noon Class F FREE-FOR-ALL (Open to the World) will pull 15 feet. Trophy in Memory of Bernard “Bernie” Colby.

1st-\$400.00;2nd-\$300.00;3rd-\$225.00;4th-\$200.00;5th-\$155.00;6th-\$145.00;7th-\$135.00;8th-\$125.00;9th-\$120.00;10th-\$115.00.

3:30 PM Class G Powder Puff Open-to-the-world will pull 6 feet. 2 entries per stable.

1st-\$100.00;2nd-\$75.00;3rd-\$70.00;4th-\$60.00;5th-\$55.00;6th-\$50.00;7th-\$45.00;8th-\$40.00;9th-\$35.00;10th-\$30.00.

7:00 PM Class H Three Horse Hitch Free-For-All will pull 15 feet. (Same premiums as Class A)

Monday—Weigh in 8:00 AM

10:00 AM Class I Teams weighing 3400 LBS. and under will pull 12feet. (Same premiums as Class A.)

2:00 PM Class J Teams weighing 4200 and under will pull 20' - NO TOUCH RULES—Distance 2# of Rock

(Same premiums as Class A.)

****NOTE****

All horses and ponies must remain on the grounds after they have weighed in. They can, however, leave after their last pull of the day and return another day to weigh in and pull.

HORSE PULLERS ONLY

EXHIBITOR PASSES AND RED GATE VEHICLES PASSES

1. All Teams must have in their possession, a valid negative Coggin's Test conducted within six (6) months prior to pull and a current rabies certificate and Certificate of Insurance of \$300,000 minimum to pull.
2. Everyone is required to pay to enter the fairgrounds.
3. Owners may exchange their gate passes and purchase MAXIMUM OF 3 EXHIBITOR'S PASSES.
4. Trucks/trailers with horses will be allowed through the gate without stickers.
5. A RED VEHICLE STICKER MUST BE ON ALL OTHER VEHICLES TO COME ONTO THE FAIRGROUNDS. VEHICLES WITHOUT STICKERS ARE SUBJECT TO BE TOWED AT THE OWNERS EXPENSE. PLEASE USE THE RED GATE.
6. Exhibitor passes are not available until 6:00 AM Friday. They must be purchased from Albert Cloutier, Jr.

If you have any questions, please email Albert Cloutier Jr at cloutiera@netscape.com or call 603/636-2877