

# Great Lakes Stake

**Serviced By:**

Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association

**For:**

Foals of 2019 (2-year-olds) and Foals of 2018 (3-year-olds) that are Michigan sired only.

**To Be Raced As:**

Eight races:

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2-year-old Filly Trot          | 3-year-old Filly Trot          |
| 2-year-old Colt & Gelding Trot | 3-year-old Colt & Gelding Trot |
| 2-year-old Filly Pace          | 3-year-old Filly Pace          |
| 2-year-old Colt & Gelding Pace | 3-year-old Colt & Gelding Pace |

**Estimated Purses:**

\$15,000

NOTE: Payment of purses is contingent upon receipt of funds allocated by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and will be released after October 31, 2021 in accordance with the Michigan Department of Agriculture budget guideline for fiscal year 2021.

**To Be Raced At:**

A Michigan pari-mutuel track or track designated by the Director of Agriculture.

**Eligibility:**

- Foals sired by a Michigan stallion properly registered with the USTA during the year of conception, that resides in Michigan that is owned or leased by Michigan resident(s), and that did not serve a mare at a location outside of this state from February 1 through July 31 of the calendar year in which the conception occurred
- Foals from a mare owned by a resident or non-resident of Michigan at the time of conception either in state or outside the state of Michigan by means of transported semen from a properly registered Michigan stallion with the USTA during the year of conception.
- Eligibility will be verified with the USTA at time of nomination. If there are questions on eligibility you will be contacted by the MHHA.
- If a horse has been determined ineligible to the program it was nominated to and you believe this is an error, you have 30 days from the date of the ineligibility letter to contact the MHHA office to discuss. If after 30 days the MHHA office has not received any objections to those notified of ineligibility, the horse(s) are deemed ineligible and no additional recourse can take place to make the horse eligible.

**Nomination Fee:**

March 15, 2021 .....\$250

**Late Nomination Fee:**

April 15, 2021 ..... \$400

**Starting Fee:**

\$125 due at the time and place designated by MHHA.

**Racing Conditions for 2- and 3-year-olds:**

All eight events will be raced as one dash at one mile. If the event is to be contested on a county fair track and 9 or more horses declare into race, that race will be raced in divisions with each division racing for an equal share of the purse. If the event is contested on a

half-mile pari-mutuel track and 10 or more horses declare into race, that race will be raced in divisions with each division racing for an equal share of the purse. MHHA reserves the right to consolidate divisions to create full pari-mutuel wagering fields. In the event of a consolidation colts and fillies will race together as one division. All colts entering to race on the live betting card at a pari-mutuel track must have a current charted line within 45 days AT TIME OF ENTRY Races scheduled at a pari-mutuel track may be raced as betting or non-betting races at the discretion of the host track. In the event a race is non-betting or raced on a date when the pari-mutuel track is not hosting a live betting card race date - the 45 day charted line rule will be waived. The MHHA recommends all horses have a 45-day charted line to prevent scratches.

**Refunds:**

Refunds will be made on application of payer provided such application is requested at least 30 days before the start of the race and such request is based on:

- A horse is declared ineligible,
- Duplication of payment,
- Clerical error

**Payment Distribution:**

- All nominations and state supplements shall be divided equally among the racing divisions.
- All starting fees shall follow their respective racing divisions.
- Monies will be deducted for administrative and promotional expenses.

**Purse Distribution:**

Five or more starters – 50%-25%-12%-8%-5%. If less than five starters, all non-contested monies will be paid to the winner. Payment of purses is contingent upon receipt of funds allocated by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and will be released after October 15, 2021 in accordance with the Michigan Department of Agriculture budget guidance.

**Postponement:**

- In the event of rain or other reason it becomes inadvisable to race this race at the time and place originally designated by the MHHA
- If for any reason any division of this race is declared off, all monies assigned to that division from nominating and starting fees will be divided equally among the horses eligible for the event at the time of declaring off.

**Note:**

Any check returned for insufficient funds will automatically be considered as failure to nominate..

**Make Nomination Checks Payable  
(in U.S. Funds Only) To and Send To:**

Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association  
101 S. Washington Square, Suite 300  
Lansing, MI 48933  
Phone: 517-349-2920

## 2021 Great Lakes Stakes Nominating Payments Due March 15, 2021

### Two and Three-Year Olds that are MI Sired only

| Two-Year-Olds – Foals of 2019   |          |          |        |        |        |       | \$200 |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Name of Horse                   | Tattoo # | Sire/Dam | Owners | Sex    | Gait   | Mich. |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |
| Three-Year-Olds – Foals of 2018 |          |          |        |        |        |       | \$200 |
| Name of Horse                   | Tattoo # | Sire/Dam | Owners | Sex    | Gait   | Mich. |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |
|                                 |          |          |        | C<br>F | T<br>P | Sired |       |

Owner's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ USTA# \_\_\_\_\_

Visa       MasterCard       AMEX

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CID # \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

MHHA suggests using certified mail or Post Office Form 3817 "Certificate of Mailing", but only if the receipt for mailing bears a Post Office postmark.

**NOTE: TO ASSURE PROPER POSTMARK IF MAILING AT OR NEAR THE DEADLINE, WE SUGGEST HAVING THE POST OFFICE HAND STAMP YOUR ENTRY.**

Please mail, email or fax this form with payment to the MHHA office  
 101 South Washington Square, Suite 300, Lansing, MI 48933 ● Email: info@mhha.com ● Fax: (517) 853-0556  
 Questions? Call MHHA at (517) 349-2920