

Michigan Colt Stakes

Serviced By:

Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association

For:

2-year-olds (foals of 2019) and 3-year-olds (foals of 2018) that are Michigan bred or Michigan sired.

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:

\$7,500 (subject to revenue received)

To Be Raced At:

The program consists of a 8 week event circuit raced entirely at fairs, pending MI Gaming Control Board approval) for 2/3 year old Michigan Sired and/or Michigan-bred horses.

The Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association, in conjunction with the Michigan Department of Agriculture, reserves the right to define the specific dates of the 8 racing weeks which may or may not necessarily be calendar days nor commence on Sundays. The 8 racing weeks will be defined in the nominating catalog, following approval of applications for race dates by the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

Eligibility:

All Michigan bred or sired

- Michigan Sired is defined as a foal from a Standardbred stallion properly registered with the USTA that resides in Michigan, is owned or leased by a 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. All foals from a mare that is owned by a resident or non-resident of Michigan at the time of conception either in state or outside of Michigan by means of transported semen from a properly registered Michigan Standardbred stallion.
- Michigan bred is defined as a foal from a mare that was owned or leased exclusively by a Michigan resident(s) at the time of conception and is listed on the registration papers as the breeder with the USTA at the time of nomination.
- Eligibility will be verified with the USTA at time of nomination 2/15/2021.
- If there is a question 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:

February 15, 2021\$250

Sustaining Fee:

April 15, 2021\$250

Late Nomination Fee:

April 15, 2021\$750
(If the \$250 2/15/2021 nomination payment is missed, this payment can be made in addition to the \$250 sustaining payment due on 4/15/2021.)

Late Supplemental Sustaining Fee:

May 15, 2021\$750
(Open to those having made the 2/15/2021 payment and missed the 4/15/2021 payment.)

Starting Fee:

\$150 due at the time and place designated by MHHA.

Payment Distribution:

All nominating and sustaining payments will be divided equal among the 8-week race program. Starting fee will be credited to the specific race.

Conditions:

- Unless otherwise noted in the conditions, the Michigan Early Closing Colt Stakes conducted at a county fair track are raced under the rules of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and the United States Trotting Association. The Michigan Early Closing Colt Stakes conducted at a pari-mutuel track are raced under the rules of the Michigan Gaming Control Board.
- Prior to declaration to race, each colt must be named, registered and tattooed, freeze branded or microchipped and such registration number shall be on file with the MHHA.
- Each owner, shareholder, or lessee of each colt nominated shall remit with nomination, a program service fee of \$50.00 to cover administrative, insurance and processing costs. This fee is waived for current members of the Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association. Declarations to start will not be accepted until this fee is paid for each owner or part owner. Further, all owners, shareholders or lessees of each colt must provide the MHHA with a Social Security number or Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) for purposes of reporting race earnings.
- Refunds: All requests for refunds must be made in writing to the Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association by June 1, 2021. Requests will be considered for: a.) Horse declared ineligible; b.) Duplication of payment; c.) Clerical error.
- Any eligible colt changing gait after April 15, 2021, will be eligible to race at the gait adopted upon notifying MHHA of the change.
- All races one mile. If the event is to be contested at a county fair track and more than 8 starters declare into race in any one of the eight divisions, that race will be divided and raced in divisions and each division shall race one heat for an equal share of the purse. If the event is to be contested at a half-mile pari-mutuel track, and more than 9 starters declare in to race in any one of the eight divisions, that race will be divided and raced in divisions and each division shall race one heat for an equal share of the purse.
- 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.
- 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.
- The starting fee must be paid on a scratched colt, and that colt may not enter any other Michigan Early Closing Colt Stake

race in that Race Week. There is no penalty for a withdrawal before the entry box closes. Entry will not be accepted for a horse whose owner or trainer is indebted for a previous starting fee to any event administered by MHHA.

10. Phenylbutazone (Bute) and/or Lasix are permitted medications for 3-year-old Michigan Early Closing Colt Stake races that are held at a pari-mutuel track. Phenylbutazone (Bute) and/or Lasix are not permitted medications for any race that takes place a county fair. No medications are allowed in a 2-year-old in Michigan.
11. Horses racing in Michigan must have negative Coggins results posted on electronic eligibilities in current year. Proof of EHV vaccination within six months is required prior to entering horses to race at a Michigan pari-mutuel track.
12. If a race is called off due to unavoidable causes, starting fees paid shall be returned.
13. Monies will be deducted for administrative and program expenses.
14. All of the events and the advertised purses herein are contingent upon approval and funding by the Michigan Department of Agriculture. If it becomes necessary to cancel any event (or part thereof) or if funds are not available for the full advertised purse because the Michigan Department of Agriculture is unable to provide the necessary funds MHHA shall not be held responsible.

Make 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 Michigan Early Closing Colt Stakes Nominating Payments Due February 15, 2021

Two and Three-Year Olds that are MI Bred or MI Sired

Two-Year-Olds – Foals of 2019							\$250
Name of Horse	Tattoo #	Sire/Dam	Owners	Sex	Gait	Mich.	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
Three-Year-Olds – Foals of 2018							\$250
Name of Horse	Tattoo #	Sire/Dam	Owners	Sex	Gait	Mich.	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	

Owner's Name(s): _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Street Address: _____

Check # _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Visa MasterCard AMEX

USTA# _____

Card Number: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Expiration Date: _____ CID # _____

Owner's Signature: _____

Cardholder Name: _____

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 101 S. Washington Square, Suite 300, Lansing, MI 48933 ● Email: info@mhha.com ● Fax: (517) 853-0556
 Questions? Call MHHA at (517) 349-2920

2021 Michigan Early Closing Colt Stakes Sustaining Payments Due April 15, 2021

Two and Three-Year Olds that are MI Bred or MI Sired

Two-Year-Olds – Foals of 2019							\$250
Name of Horse	Tattoo #	Sire/Dam	Owners	Sex	Gait	Mich.	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
Three-Year-Olds – Foals of 2018							\$250
Name of Horse	Tattoo #	Sire/Dam	Owners	Sex	Gait	Mich.	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	
				C	T	Bred	
				F	P	Sired	

Owner's Name(s): _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Street Address: _____

Check # _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ USTA# _____

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