2023

# INTERNATIONAL TROTTING & PACING ASSOCIATION

## **RACE CONDITIONS**



### 2023 ITPA Race Conditions

#### **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

- A. EVERY horse owner, trainer, lessee, and driver MUST:
  - (1) Be a paid member of the ITPA and a local club.
  - (2) Have insurance paid for themselves and each of their horses that are racing.
  - (3) Sign a liability waiver at each track.

BEFORE entering the track (for any reason) each racing season.

- B. All horses shall be entered into a race based on fastest time for the current year. The "qualifying time" is used at the beginning of the season until it is succeeded one time.
- C. There may be no more than (8) horses on a track for each race.
- D. If there is not a race of a horse, they may be moved up to the next fastest timebar in the one hole or moved down to the next slower timebar to the last starting position. Determining if a horse moves up or down a timebar is based on their qualifying time (which timebar is closest to their qualifying time).
  - a. A FFA horse must always be moved to the back row in the last starting position of the Senior FFA race.
  - b. No Horses can be moved down more than one slower timebar.
- E. In any race having less than four (4) horses entered, the horses may, at the option of the club, be moved –
  (1) Observing Condition D above.
- F. Any post entry shall start in the first available second row position, without exception.
- G. NO Post entries in a slower timebar.
- H. Post Entries cannot be made till the night of a race, and you can NEVER post in a slower timebar.
- I. If the new time earned indicates, a horse must be moved to the appropriate bar, (even if it indicates skipping a bar(s))
- J. Points are used only to move a horse back when it is not racing competitively in the bar it has been racing in.
- K. Unless a horse is sold you cannot switch trainer during the race season.

#### POINT SYSTEM:

- A. All horses shall have a point total which shall include their (5) immediate past races of the current race season.
- B. The points shall tally as follows:
  - First Place One (1) point
  - Second Place Two (2) points
  - Third Place Three (3) points
  - Fourth Place Four (4) points
  - Fifth place or greater Five (5) points
- C. The following point system shall apply:
  - One (1) to seventeen (17) points shall remain static with classifying time
  - Eighteen (18) to twenty-one (21) points shall add one (1) second to horses classifying time, observing rules of movement of a horse to a slower class
  - Twenty-two (22) to twenty-five (25) points shall move the horse to the next slower race, starting in an assigned rear position, for one weekend in the same timebar.

#### ENTRIES:

- 1. <u>Entries must be in by the Monday preceding the race date by 3:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS</u> there are 3 ways to enter your horses...
  - a. The preferred method is on the online entry website: <u>https://itparaceapp.azurewebsites.net</u>
  - b. On the entry sheet in the Race Secretary's office the weekend before.
  - c. Text Messages to that weekends Race Secretary will be accepted, but it is your responsible to make sure it was received. A response text will be sent once it is recorded and received.

#### d. NO PHONE CALLS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

- 2. POST ENTRIES \$5.00 EXTRA
- 3. Any request for measuring at LaGrange & Nappanee Tracks MUST take place up to 1 hour before post time-<u>NO EXCEPTIONS</u>
- 4. There will be NO Measuring at Goshen or at any Fair Races.

#### CONDITIONS:

- 1. All races will follow the Rules & Regulations of the International Trotting & Pacing Association.
- 2. The owner, trainer, lessee, or driver entering their horse(s) agrees that the sponsoring club, its officers, members, or landowners shall not be liable under any circumstances for injury to the person, their employees, or their horses, nor for loss or damage to their property.
- 3. All clubs reserve the right to reject any entry for any reason.
- 4. To be eligible to race in open classes, horses must measure at an ITPA Sanctioned Track, unless the horse's eligibility is marked "exempt."
- 5. Contested positions will not be paid until a final judgment has been declared.
- 6. There will be a \$35.00 charge for all returned checks marked "non-sufficient funds."

- 7. All horses that were entered to race MUST pay entry fees, even if scratched. Vet slips will not be accepted.
- 8. All horses entering a Fair Grounds must have a Negative AGID Coggins Test within the past 6 months.
- 9. The ITPA has a "Zero Tolerance" Drug policy. It will be implemented and strongly enforced by the ITPA.
- 10. The ITPA may reinstate random drug testing at any time.
- 11. If a driver knocks down or goes inside a pylon it is a \$10.00 fine per pylon (not to exceed \$20.00) Inside 3 or more pylons, it's \$20.00 fine and set back (out of the purse payout). See Rule Book for more in-depth ruling. Chapter VII: Racing Rules, Section 5 Racing and Track Rules, Rule 20 Going Inside the Marked Course
- 12. Checks may not be available on the night of the race.
- 13. Races will be set up as follows for each track size:
  - a. Quarter Mile Track Add 2 seconds to 5/16-mile times, Add 6 seconds to HMTs, Add 8 seconds to any larger track time.
  - b. 5/16 Mile Track Subtract 2 seconds from QMT times, Add 4 seconds to HMT time, Add 6 seconds to any larger track time.
  - c. Half-Mile Track Subtract 6 seconds from QMT, Subtract 4 seconds from 5/16-mile track time
- 14. ENTRY FEE TO BE PAID TO RACE SECRETARY DAY OF RACE. All money must be paid to the Race Secretary one hour before post time.
- 15. POST ENTRIES will not be accepted into a full field of 8 horses, unless there have been scratched horses.
- 16. POST ENTRIES & DRIVER CHANGES must be made NO Later than one hour before post time.
- 17. No "second hand" checks will be accepted.

#### **QUALIFYING RACES:**

- 1. There is to be a total of 4 horses in each qualifying race, clubs may choose to have up to 8 horses, but all must be timed.
- 2. There will be NO Qualifier Races after August 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 3. All horses in a qualifier need to stay on gait and go in qualifying time set forth on condition sheets.
- 4. These starts will count as starts to go towards the stakes races as long as they are deemed a good start.
- 5. The time you earn in a qualifier on horses that haven't raced prior will count on that horse when he is entered into race in the draw. so the time you earn in a qualifier will determine where you start.
- 6. The time you earn in a qualifier on a horse that has not raced prior will count entering into next race in the draw.
- 7. Trotters and Pacers may be put together in Qualifying races as deemed necessary by the Race secretary.
- 8. The entry fee will be \$6.00 per horse with no purse pay out.

#### **ROOKIE DRIVERS:**

- 1. Any rookie driver must race in the Senior timebar or below for a minimum of 5 starts. At which time you have completed a minimum of 5 starts, a rookie may then ask a judge to sign off. If the judge signs off a rookie may then compete in timebars above the Senior class.
  - a. They start in a qualifier.
  - b. They move into a Freshman timebar (the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend) as a qualifying horse & driver...paying the qualifier entry fee (\$6.00) receiving NO purse money, finishing place, points & picture.
  - c. They will move up a timebar every weekend till they get their 5 qualifying starts, and the Presiding Judge signs off.

#### LaGrange Specific Conditions

- 1. Stalls \$7.00 per weekend. Camping -\$15.00 per night.
- 2. All fence posts must be pulled every Saturday night.
- Late Drivers changes (occurring after 1 hour before post) will be an automatic fine of \$10.00.
- 4. No Alcohol or Drugs allow on the premises.

#### **ONLINE ENTIRES ARE PREFERRED:**

https://itparaceapp.azurewebsites.net/ TEXT ENTIRES TO: Lisa Lowe 574-304-2622

#### **Nappanee Specific Conditions**

- 1. Stalls & Camping please see Vern Hochstetler.
- You will be fined \$250.00 for offensive or profane language used towards Judges, Secretaries, Fans, Club Members, or other Racers.
- All fence posts must be pulled every Saturday night. (except for century week)
- Late Drivers changes (occurring after 1 hour before post) will be an automatic fine of \$10.00.
- 5. Post Entries at Nappanee Raceway be \$10.00 EXTRA.

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#### **Maple City Specific Conditions**

- 1. Stalls available on request, first come first served. Contact David Miller.
- 2. There will be NO two horse races.
- 3. There will be No Qualifying races.
- 4. All horsemen please enter Gate 5.
- 5. If a win picture is taken, you must pay for it.
- 6. No Alcohol or Drugs allow on the premises.
- Late Drivers changes (occurring after 1 hour before post) will be an automatic fine of \$10.00.
- If Drug testing is done on race nights... Random draws can't be changed.

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#### ENTRY FEE TO BE PAID TO RACE SECRETARY DAY OF RACE.

### All money must be paid, post entries, driver changes, and eligibilities are to be with Race Secretary one hour before post time. If you fail to do so you will NOT race that night.

If an emergency causes you to be late, you must contact the race secretary as soon as possible.

CLASS		ENTRY	PURSE	CLASS		ENTRY	PURSE
TROT				PACE			
Qualifier	1:40.1 - Slower	6.00	0.00	Qualifier	1:23.1 - Slower	6.00	0.00
Freshman	1:34.1 - 1:40	18.00	120.00	Freshman	1:18.1 – 1:23	18.00	120.00
Sophomore	1:28.1 - 1:34	19.00	130.00	Sophomore	1:14.1 - 1:18	19.00	130.00
Junior	1:22.1 – 1:28	20.00	140.00	Junior	1:12.1 – 1:14	20.00	140.00
Senior	1:18.1 –1:22	21.00	150.00	Senior	1:10.1 –1:12	21.00	150.00
Junior FFA	1:14.1 – 1:18	22.00	160.00	Junior FFA	1:08.1 - 1:10	22.00	160.00
Senior FFA	1:10.1 - 1:14	23.00	170.00	Senior FFA	1:06.1 - 1:08	23.00	170.00
FFA	1:10.0 - Faster	24.00	180.00	FFA	106.0 - Faster	24.00	180.00

#### Sponsored by: NAPPANEE RACEWAY ~ $\frac{5}{16}$ Mile Track ~

CLASS		ENTRY	PURSE	CLASS		ENTRY	PURSE
TROT			PACE				
Qualifier	1:38.1 - Slower	6.00	0.00	Qualifier	1:21.1 - Slower	6.00	0.00
Freshman	1:32.1 – 1:38	19.00	130.00	Freshman	1:16.1 – 1:21	19.00	130.00
Sophomore	1:26.1 – 1:32	20.00	140.00	Sophomore	1:12.1 – 1:16	20.00	140.00
Junior	1:20.1 – 1:26	21.00	150.00	Junior	1:10.1 – 1:12	21.00	150.00
Senior	1:16.1 – 1:20	22.00	160.00	Senior	1:08.1 - 1:10	22.00	160.00
Junior FFA	1:12.1 – 1:16	23.00	170.00	Junior FFA	1:06.1 - 1:08	23.00	170.00
Senior FFA	1:08.1 - 1:12	24.00	180.00	Senior FFA	1:04.1 - 1:06	24.00	180.00
FFA	1:08.0 – Faster	25.00	190.00	FFA	104.0 – Faster	25.00	190.00
		Distribution: 1 <sup>st</sup> 40%	- 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3	0% - 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2	0% - 4 <sup>th</sup> 10%		

#### Sponsored by: MAPLE CITY TROTTINGBRED ASSOCIATION ~ ½ Mile Track ~

CLASS		ENTRY	PURSE	CLASS		ENTRY	PURSE
TROT				PACE			
Qualifier	1:34.1 - Slower	6.00	0.00	Qualifier	1:17.1 - Slower	6.00	0.00
Freshman	1:28.1 – 1:34	18.00	120.00	Freshman	1:12.1 – 1:17	18.00	120.00
Sophomore	1:22.1 – 1:28	19.00	130.00	Sophomore	1:08.1 - 1:12	19.00	130.00
Junior	1:16.1 – 1:22	20.00	140.00	Junior	1:06.1 - 1:08	20.00	140.00
Senior	1:12.1 – 1:16	21.00	150.00	Senior	1:04.1 - 1:06	21.00	150.00
Junior FFA	1:08.1 - 1:12	22.00	160.00	Junior FFA	1:02.1 - 1:04	22.00	160.00
Senior FFA	1:04.1 - 1:08	23.00	170.00	Senior FFA	1:00.1 - 1:02	23.00	170.00
FFA	1:04.0 – Faster	24.00	180.00	FFA	100.0 - Faster	24.00	180.00
Purse Distribution: 1 <sup>st</sup> 40% - 2 <sup>nd</sup> 30% - 3 <sup>rd</sup> 20% - 4 <sup>th</sup> 10%							•

All Entry Fees include a \$2 Drug Testing Fee