



The Celebration®

TO: OWNERS, TRAINERS, AND EXHIBITORS

Online Entries are available beginning July 17th at entermywalkinghorse.com!

Online entries will close August 1st, 2023 @ 5:00 pm.

We encourage everyone to use our online system for this year's Celebration.

All preliminary class entries must be received by The Celebration® no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1st, 2023. Late entries will not be accepted.

Entries can also be made at the Blue Ribbon, July 31st & August 1st, by 5:00 pm.

Carefully review your entry and supply all information requested.

TWHBEA will be on-site at Entry Deadline for any nominations, transfers & leases that need to be made.

No packets will be released from the Barn Office until all necessary forms have been obtained, completed, signed and a form of payment has been made.

**Premiums, less any entry or fee amounts owed The Celebration®, will be paid by check drawn to the order of the NAME LISTED ON THE PREMIUM DISBURSEMENT FORM COMPLETED AND TURNED IN AT ENTRY DEADLINE. Please be sure the SSN or Tax I.D. is listed correctly for the person receiving the payout.*

Stall requests and payments are due the day entries are made. We will make every effort to accommodate your requests. Stall rental, including tack rooms and porches, will be priced as follows (including tax):

Barns 1-23 & 25-32 & 35	\$403.00
Barns 41, 43 & 44	\$348.00
Barns 47, 50, 52, 56 & 60	\$260.00

****Championship entries will not be required to stable on the grounds this year. ****

CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRIES

You are urged to be very careful regarding Championship entries. It is unfortunate when someone has properly qualified in a preliminary class and fails to enter the Championship Class on a timely basis. Make certain that someone in your barn is responsible for the championship entries so that you will have the right to compete if you so desire. **Championship entries will be listed in the supplements that are printed for the last three nights.**

ALL horses placing 1st through 5th place in a qualifying preliminary class must show back in its corresponding championship class or will forfeit the premiums won in that preliminary class. **Exceptions:** A horse qualifying for both an Open and Amateur Championship will only be required to show back in one of the corresponding championships. Any rider who qualifies two or more horses for the same Championship class is required to show only one horse back in that Championship class. If an owner shows multiple horses in multiple preliminary classes, each horse must show back in the class for which it qualified. If multiple horses have qualified in the same Riders Cup division (A & B, or A, B, & C), only one horse is required to show back in the qualifying championship. Mares and Geldings in the Open Performance classes will not be required to show in World Grand Championship® Classes. Amateurs in Performance classes will not be required to show Mares and Geldings in the Two & Three-Year-Old World Grand Championship® Classes. Requirement to show may be waived by legitimate veterinary-approved letter stating reason for inability to show. **All Veterinarian excuses must be received by the entry deadline of the championship class. Any excuses turned in after the deadline will not be accepted and winnings will be forfeited.**

See Premium Book for further information regarding Championship entries.

IDENTIFICATION IN INSPECTION AREA

Each trainer, rider and groom will be required to show appropriate identification in the inspection area. Proper identification will be supplied by The Celebration® Entry Office. Without proper identification admittance to the inspection area will be denied. Only the trainer, rider and groom are allowed to accompany a horse to the inspection area.

INSPECTION

It is very important that you tell the DQP and the attendant at the inspection station the exact class you are preparing to enter when you go through the inspection procedure. For example, on a given evening one class could be for a professional and another class could be for an amateur rider. If you go through inspection and tell the attendant that you are in the class for the amateur rider, that is the class in which we have entered you in center ring. If you later change your mind and decide that the professional will show the horse in a later class. It is imperative that you return to the inspection clerk and tell the attendant so that we, in center ring, know in which class you intend to participate. This causes a critical problem when we are expecting a certain number of inspected horses in the ring. For example, that number enters the ring, we close the gate, and there appears another horse of which we have no record. As you know, it is clear that once horses enter the ring and begin the class, we cannot open the gate. Please take care in this regard.

GOLF CARTS

In order to operate a golf cart and/or three and four-wheeler during The Celebration®, exhibitors must abide by the following guidelines:

- Permit holder must furnish a Certificate of Liability insurance listing the make, model, and ID number of the vehicle and policy expiration date.
- Operation of these vehicles will **NOT** be permitted from 5:00 PM until one hour after the horse show is completed.
- Permits must be affixed to the vehicle. (Permits are available at the Barn Office for \$75 which includes tax.)

HIGH-LOW OLYMPIC JUDGING SYSTEM

In 2023, The Celebration® will again use the High-Low Olympic System of judging. Five judges, working independently of each other, will place each class. Judge number one will be the Call judge. Points will be assigned to the placings on a one to ten basis with first place receiving ten points, second place receiving nine points, third place receiving eight points, and so forth on down to one point for tenth place. Of the five judges' placings, the highest and lowest placings are eliminated for each entry. The remaining three placings are totaled and the entry receiving the most points wins the class. In case of a tie all five placings are added. If still tied the first Judge or Call judge's card will break the tie. If a horse receives four or fewer placings. Only the top score is eliminated. The Celebration® reserves the right to select an alternate judge in case an emergency prevents an announced judge from serving. If the official scoring computer of The Celebration® should ever lose power, classes will be scored by using the Majority Opinion Three-Judge System (MOS).

MEASUREMENTS

All 15.2 and under horses and 60" and under ponies **MUST** be measured prior to first entrance into show ring during the normal pre-show inspection process. The Celebration® reserves the right to measure any and all entries at the completion of a class.

SHOW, INC. RULES

The rules of SHOW, Inc. will again be followed at the 2021 Celebration so we urge you to become familiar with these rules and be aware of any changes for 2021. In a few instances, The Celebration® has found it necessary to strengthen or enhance a rule for your world championship show. Please refer to the 2022 Celebration Premium List for appropriate information.

TIMER

Exhibitors have 2 ½ minutes at the first gate call to enter the ring. It is **imperative** that you be exiting the inspection area with at least twenty seconds left on the timer. Exhibitors must be responsive to the first gate call. It is unfortunate when an exhibitor misses the gate call and cannot show at The Celebration®.

Thank you for being a part of the 85th annual Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration®.