

# **MORGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION OF OREGON**

## **Breeders' Cup Futurity Rules for 2017**

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**GENERAL:** The MHAO Futurity was established in 2010 to aid in the promotion of horses owned by MHAO members. The Futurity is designed as a 5-year plan which follows a foal through its 4-year-old show season. The Futurity is sponsored by the Morgan Horse Association of Oregon (MHAO) and administered by its Futurity Committee, which consists of appointed MHAO members.

All correspondence should be sent to the Futurity & Stallion Service Auction Committee:

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**ELGIBILITY:** Foals must be registered or be eligible to be registered as Morgans through AMHA. Nomination of the foal is to be made by the owner of record or holder of a valid AMHA lease for an AMHA registered Morgan mare that is bred to an AMHA registered Morgan stallion at the time of the foal's nomination. Foal owners must be members of MHAO or become members at the time of nomination or renewal.

**INITIAL FOAL NOMINATION:** This year, foals born or to-be-born in 2017 may be nominated for \$45 by close of show entries for the 2017 Oregon Morgan Classic. For nominations thereafter, see "Late Nomination Fee" in the following section for additional information.

Foals are considered nominated when an eligible mare owner or lessee breeds their mare to a Morgan stallion and submits the following to the Futurity Committee:

1. Owner's name, current address, and telephone number.
2. Name & registration numbers of the sire and dam of the foal.
3. An initial \$45.00 nomination fee. (Make check payable to MHAO Futurity or pay online)

Online forms and payment options are available at [www.morganhorseoregon.com](http://www.morganhorseoregon.com) or by contacting the Futurity Committee.

To remain in the futurity, annual renewal fees will apply through the horse's 4-year-old year. Renewal fees need to be paid starting December 31st, 2017.

**LATE NOMINATION FEE:** A late nomination fee of \$100 will be accepted after close of show entries for the Oregon Morgan Classic (OMC) until December 31, 2017. However, no foal may be shown in the 2017 Futurity classes unless their nomination fees are current. Information required in #1 and #2 above must be submitted to the Futurity Chair for validation. After close of 2017 OMC show entries, this fee replaces the \$45 nomination fee.

**NOTE:** Foals may be entered late through their 4-yr-old year if the owner/leasee is willing to pay a \$100 late fee for each year they are late. After that the foal is ineligible.

**FOAL NOMINATION RENEWAL:** The nomination of each Futurity foal entry must be renewed each successive year (whether or not it is shown) in order for the entry to be eligible for the following year. The foal nomination may not drop from the Futurity for one year and re-enter for the next year.

A foal nomination will be considered renewed for the next year when the following has been submitted to the Futurity Committee on or before December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year before.

1. Owner's name, current address, and telephone number.
2. Name and AMHA registration number of the sire and dam of the foal.
3. Name, sex, and AMHA registration number of the Futurity entry. (Registration number not required for foaling year).
4. A \$25.00 nomination renewal fee

**TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP:** If a foal is sold at any time, Futurity eligibility goes with the foal provided the new owner is or becomes a member of MHAO, payments have been made on time, and continue to be paid promptly by the new owner until the final date.

**CLASSES:** Futurity classes will be held at the annual OREGON MORGAN CLASSIC HORSE SHOW (OMC), or any show designated as official by the MHAO Board of Directors. Futurity classes are independent of all other classes at the show or any other horse shows, and therefore have no effect on other high point awards or show championships. To be shown in Futurity classes, a horse must be nominated for the current year, and the owner must declare his/her intent to show (see Declaration). A horse need not be shown every year to continue in the Futurity. Classes will not be combined.

- Years 0-3 (weanlings thru 2-Year-Olds, 1 class)
  - Color/Western/Sport In-Hand (cannot cross enter into other In-Hand Classes. Horses stand square, not stretched)
- Year One Classes: Foals In-Hand Division (2 classes)
  - Separate Classes for fillies and colts
- Year Two Classes: Yearlings In-Hand Division (3 classes)
  - Separate classes for fillies, colts, and geldings
- Year Three Classes:
  - Two-Year-Olds In-Hand Division (3 classes)
    - Separate classes for mares, stallions, and geldings.
  - Performance Classes (1 class)
    - Two-Year Old Futurity Driving Class
- Year Four Classes:
  - Three-Year-Old Performance Classes (8 classes)
    - Classic Pleasure Driving
    - Pleasure Driving
    - Park Harness
    - Classic English Pleasure

- English Pleasure
- Park Saddle
- Hunter Pleasure
- Western Pleasure
- Year Five Classes:
  - Four-Year-Old Performance Classes (8 classes)
    - Classic Pleasure Driving
    - Pleasure Driving
    - Park Harness
    - Classic English Pleasure
    - English Pleasure
    - Park Saddle
    - Hunter Pleasure
    - Western Pleasure

Horses will be shown under the current US Equestrian Federation rules for Morgan classes. To encourage participation and in the interest of safety; at the choice of the owner, a futurity weanling foal may be accompanied by their dam in the ring during adjudication. Only one handler is allowed per dam and must remain at a discreet distance so as not to interfere with the adjudication of the foal. All handlers must be dressed appropriately. Dams to be lead in halter or bridle only and be suitably groomed for presentation in the ring. USEF fees do not apply to Futurity classes.

**DECLARATION:** A declaration of intent to participate in a Futurity class is considered complete when the owner submits the following to the Futurity Committee by the Closing Date of the annual OMC entries.

1. Owner's name, current address, and telephone number.
2. Name, sex, and AMHA registration number of entry to be shown.
3. Name and AMHA registration number of sire and dam.
4. The class(es) in which the entry is to be shown.
5. A \$25.00 declaration fee for each class (\$50.00 for post entry).

Post entries will be accepted at double the regular declaration fee up to such time as post entries for the show close. Does not cover stall fees which must be reserved using the OMC show entry form.

**ALL OWNERS/LEASEES MUST BE MEMBERS OF MHAO.** Membership is invited any time of the year. Membership information may be found at [www.morganhorseoregon.com](http://www.morganhorseoregon.com).

**FUNDING:** The Futurity is funded through annual nomination fees, declaration fees, and any other fund raising activities the Futurity Committee may choose to undertake.

**REFUNDS:** Refund of the initial fee (paid in the year of breeding) will be made only if the foal is still born, or mare proves to not be in foal. Notification needs to be sent to the Futurity Chair by June 30th. Thereafter no fee is refundable or transferable.

**LIABILITY:** MHAO is not liable for more than the amount paid in by any entry. The Futurity Committee reserves the right to reject any entry, or to debar any entry from competition for failure to comply with the rules of the Futurity.

**PRIZES:** Futurity funds not used to pay for ribbons, trophies, and other expenses will be paid out as prize money in the Futurity classes. The committee is permitted to hold back some funds to cover upcoming expenses in the next year.

**TABLE FOR DISBURSEMENT OF PRIZE MONEY**

| Place | 7 Horses | 6 Horses | 5 Horses | 4 Horses | 3 Horses | 2 Horses | 1 Horse |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| 1st   | 30%      | 33%      | 35%      | 40%      | 50%      | 60%      | 100%    |
| 2nd   | 20%      | 22%      | 25%      | 30%      | 35%      | 40%      |         |
| 3rd   | 15%      | 18%      | 20%      | 20%      | 15%      |          |         |
| 4th   | 12%      | 12%      | 12%      | 10%      |          |          |         |
| 5th   | 10%      | 10%      | 8%       |          |          |          |         |
| 6th   | 8%       | 5%       |          |          |          |          |         |
| 7th   | 5%       |          |          |          |          |          |         |

Note:

Any foal by an AMHA registered Stallion out of an AMHA registered Mare qualifies to be nominated to this Futurity. They need not be the offspring of the donated Stallions to the Stallion Service Auction.

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