



# Scottsdale Signature Stallion

## Auction & Halter/Performance Futurity

### General Rules

#### **I. General Rules**

- A. The Scottsdale Signature Stallion (SSS) Auction, Halter & Performance Futurity consists of three sections:
  - 1. Scottsdale Signature Stallion Halter Yearling Auction
  - 2. Scottsdale Signature Stallion Halter Futurity
  - 3. Scottsdale Signature Stallion Performance Futurity
- B. Only nominated offspring from purebred mares who have been bred to nominated SSS Stallions are eligible, mares must be nominated each year they are bred for the resulting foal to be eligible to compete in the futurity. All Auction breeding must be nominated as well.
- C. The Arabian Horse Association of Arizona Board of Directors shall have complete authority to handle all disagreements and make financial decisions that protect the integrity of the SSS Futurity & Auction Program. The AHAA Board of Directors has final decision-making on all dispute resolution.

#### **Right Holder Rules**

- A. A limited number of memberships into the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction & Futurity have been sold, each membership owner is referred to as "Right Holder".
- B. As a Scottsdale Signature Stallion "Right Holder" you can:
  - 1. Nominate one (1) or more stallion(s) owned or leased by you into the SSS Auction & Futurity program on a yearly basis. There is no limit to the number of stallions a Right holder can nominate for a fee of \$500/stallion/year.
  - 2. Right Holders who do not nominate an owned or leased stallion into the SSS Auction & Futurity program each year will be required to pay a \$500 right holder membership fee each year that must be paid prior to January 1.
  - 3. Right Holders are eligible to nominate one (1) sponsored (non-owned) stallion each year. The \$500/yearly nomination fee will be billed to the sponsored stallion owner.
- C. Right Holder agrees:
  - 1. For each stallion nominated into the SSS Futurity the stallion owner agrees to donate one breeding for the SSS Auction each year the stallion is nominated.
  - 2. Each "Right Holder" is subject to the General Rules & Regulations of the Signature Stallion Auction & Futurity.
  - 3. Each "Right Holder" must be a current member in good standing with AHAA.
  - 4. Each "Right Holder" agrees to abide by the current AHAA by-laws.
  - 5. Each "Right Holder" agrees that the Arabian Horse Association of Arizona Board of Directors shall have complete authority to handle all disagreements and make financial decisions that protect the integrity of the SSS Futurity & Auction Program.
- D. Sale or Transfer of Rights: As a "Right Holder" you can transfer or sell your right(s) at your own discretion as long as you are in good standing with AHAA. Any unpaid SSS fees including but not limited to memberships, stallion nominations, auction breeding, etc. will cause the SSS Right to be in bad standing and the "Right Holder" membership will be rescinded and go back to the SSS Futurity Program as the official owner.

#### **Nominated Stallion Rules**

- A. Stallion owner/agent must ensure that all breeding defects of the Stallion are included on the Nomination Form and Breeding Agreement. Stallion owner/agent must also ensure that the Stallion is breeding sound.
- B. If breeding is to be done by frozen semen only, it must be disclosed and the Stallion owner/agent must ensure that at least ten (10) straws of frozen semen will be available for breeding.
- C. Stallions must be nominated each breeding year to participate. Stallion owners must fill out paperwork each year to officially nominate their stallions for the breeding year and pay a \$500 nomination fee per stallion by October 1. Stallions will remain in the program unless AHAA is notified of any changes.
- D. If a nominated stallion is pulled from the program for any reason before the auction a fine of \$2,500 will be charged to the owner and the stallion will not be eligible for mare nominations into the SSS futurity for that year. There will be no refunds of nomination or entry fees.
- E. Stallion owners will be required to donate one breeding each year of nomination to the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction, which will be auctioned off at the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show. The breeding donated for each stallion will come with a live foal guarantee. This breeding can be carried over to future breeding years. The stallion owner does not get an auction breeding in this program.
- F. If breeding is not sold at the conclusion of the auctions the stallion owner/agent guarantees to purchase back the breeding for \$1,100. The auction tentatively consists of an online Auction. The SSS Committee at any point has the option to change the format of the auction for best success. All owner/agents by nominating a stallion agree to the format of the auction made by the SSS Committee.
- G. Unpaid fees owed for breeding's, nominations, right holder memberships, etc. will be rescinded by AHAA and resold or sent to collections.

- H. Stallion owner agrees to comply with Scottsdale Signature Stallion Service Breeding Agreement rules and must honor fees that have been indicated on the agreement. If stallion moves to another barn/owner or outside the country all fees agreed to at the Auction must be honored.
- I. Nominated stallions list is subject to change.
- J. All decisions by the AHAA Board of Directors will be final.

## Auction Breeding Rules

- A. Each stallion nominated in the SSS Futurity is required to donate a breeding for the SSS Auction each year nominated.
- B. Stallion owner/agent must ensure that all breeding defects of the Stallion are included on the Nomination Form and Breeding Agreement. Stallion owner/agent must also ensure that the Stallion is breeding sound.
- C. If breeding is to be done by frozen semen only, such fact must be disclosed, and the Stallion owner must ensure that at least ten (10) straws of frozen semen will be available for this breeding.
- D. Purchaser of Auction breeding agrees that a nonrefundable down payment of FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE PURCHASE PRICE IS PAYABLE AT TIME OF SIGNING OF THE CONTRACT; the balance is payable to AHAA prior to the time of service of the mare, or April 1 of auction/breeding year whichever date is the earlier. Purchaser agrees to pay the bid price in full on this date, or on the terms provided in SSS Service breeding contract and to execute a promissory note for the remaining balance due. If Purchaser defaults in the payment of the balance due under the terms of this contract, Purchaser will lose all rights to the Breeding and nomination to the Scottsdale Signature Stallion program, and the AHAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall have the right to handle the situation as it deems fit, including selling the Breeding to a third party or completing the Purchaser's performance of the contract by payment of the balance, if any, due hereunder the Arabian Horse Association of Arizona, and shall then be entitled to utilize said breeding without any further obligation to Purchaser. If the purchaser defaults on the auction breeding, the purchaser is still obligated for full payment on the auction breeding even if the auction breeding is resold. If there is a lawsuit related to this Contract, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in such action. This Agreement and any disputes arising under this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Arizona.
- E. Auction breeding purchaser has the right to sell or transfer breeding but must notify the AHAA with new owners' contact information.
- F. In the event the stallion is injured or dies and is unable to fulfill this agreement, the breeding deposit will be refunded without interest, unless there is frozen semen available. If the stallion is sold, leased, or relocated within the United States of America prior to the conclusion of the breeding season, the original stallion owner, not the Purchaser, will be responsible for increases of fees and costs in breeding to the stallion in excess of those fees set forth in the Stallion Owners Breeding Contract, including but not limited to boarding and foaling fees, etc., and/or the costs of shipping semen. If the stallion is relocated outside of the United States of America, the breeding deposit may be refunded, without interest, to the Purchaser upon approval by the Arabian Horse Association of Arizona.
- G. Only the breeding purchased at the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction will be eligible to compete in the Scottsdale Signature Yearling Auction classes. Mares must be nominated for the auction class before December 31 of the breeding year. There will be no fee charged for nomination into the auction class. The auction class is limited to auction breeding's purchased at the auction of the current year of nomination (some exceptions apply).
- H. All breeding's purchased at the auction will also be eligible to enter the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Futurity for a \$125 nomination fee postmarked or emailed by December 31.
- I. Only one Mare Nomination for auction breeding can be submitted. Mare Nominations are required to designate the recipient mare if embryo transfer (ET) applies, prior to December 31 of the breeding year.
- J. There is no limit to how many mares can be nominated into futurity to any one stallion. All Mare nominations must be postmarked or emailed by December 31 of the breeding year.
- K. One Year Carry-Over of SSS Auction Breeding may be granted by the AHAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS at their discretion. Applicants wishing to carry over their auction breeding may only do so if the mare was bred and the breeding did not result in a pregnancy. Auction purchasers who would like to request a one-year carry-over must submit:
  - i. A letter stating that they would like to carry the breeding over to the following year, the letter must include the name of the stallion whose auction breeding was purchased and the mare that it was bred to. If the loss of the foal occurs after the end of the breeding year, the request must be submitted within 30 days of the loss with supporting documentation.
  - ii. A notarized vet's certificate/note stating: the year of breeding, stallion's name, and mare's name that was bred, the vet needs to indicate why the mare is not in foal (aborted, absorbed, the mare was never checked in foal etc.)
  - iii. A notarized letter from the stallion owner confirming the semen ship dates and a record of breeding history for SSS Auction breeding in question.
  - iv. All information must be postmarked by December 31 of SSS Auction purchase year.

## Nominated Mare Rules

- A. Any purebred mare bred to a nominated stallion in the Scottsdale Signature Stallion program is eligible to be nominated. The nominated stallions list is subject to change, call the office or check the updated list found at <http://scottsdalshow.com/breeding-programs/sss-futurity-information>.
- B. The mare must be registered with the Arabian Horse Association or the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry.
- C. The Mare Nomination Form must be completely filled in, signed, and include the nomination fee before the mare will be accepted.
- D. The mare must be nominated and the \$125 nomination fee per mare must be paid by December 31 of the year the mare is bred. If nominations are postmarked after December 31 but before January 31 there will be a \$200 penalty fee added to the \$125 nomination fee. A vet's letter must be submitted at that time with a breeding record stating that the mare has not foaled as of the date of submission.
- E. The resulting foal remains nominated and eligible to be shown as a yearling, two-year, three-year-old, four-year, and older in halter division classes, and in the performance futurity and maturity classes, regardless of sale or transfer of ownership.

- F. Any purebred offspring sired by a Scottsdale Signature Stallion (ever nominated into SSS Auction & Futurity) can be nominated into the futurity and will then be eligible to compete in all SSS three-year of age and older halter and performance futurity/maturity classes. The fee will be a one-time nomination of \$7,500 (non-refundable).
- G. If the resulting foal from the mare nomination dies before standing to nurse, you may request a credit of the nomination fee be credited to the following year. A notarized vet letter must be attached to the new nomination. The vet's letter must state: the year of breeding, the stallion's name, and the mare's name that was bred, the vet needs to indicate what happened with the foal (aborted, absorbed, the mare was never checked in foal, died at birth, etc.)

## **II. Judging & Showing of Halter & Performance Horses**

The resulting foals can be shown as:

- A. Yearling Halter - fillies & colts/geldings (2 classes)
- B. Two-year-old Halter - fillies, colts & geldings (3 classes)
- C. Three-year-old Halter - fillies & geldings (2 classes)
- D. Three-year-old & older Halter - stallions (1 class)
- E. Four-year-old & older Halter - mares & geldings (2 classes)
- F. Three- & four-year-old Performance Futurity – Country & English, Hunter & Western (3 classes)
- G. Five-year-old Performance Maturity – Country & English, Hunter & Western (3 classes)
- H. The resulting foals can be shown as well in any additional Scottsdale Signature Stallion Classes that are added.
- I. Prize money will be awarded in each division (See Section III).
- J. Judging will be done by a 3 or 5 Judge Scottsdale comparative system. The judging system for each year will be published in the Prize List and the method of which can be modified by AHAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS at any time.
- K. The resulting foals must be shown by persons holding current USEF membership cards with amateur certification.
- L. Designated runners with amateur certifications will be allowed to run the horses into the ring for the owner in the SSS Auction classes, an amateur runner may only run one horse per class. Professional handlers will be allowed to show in the 3 & 4-year-old performance classes ONLY.

## **III. Prize Money & Ribbons**

### **Scottsdale Signature Auction Proceeds:**

- A. 39% Auction Yearling Classes
- B. 15% Signature Yearling Classes
- C. 14% Signature Performance Division
- D. 12% Signature Stallion Classes at the Arabian National Breeder Finals (September):
  - 1. 7% Yearling Halter (Fillies & Colts/Geldings)
  - 2. 5% Two-Year old Halter (Fillies & Colts/Geldings)
- F. \$100 Three-Year old Halter
- G. 20% Scottsdale Signature Futurity Expenses

### **SCOTTSDALE ARABIAN HORSE SHOW:**

#### **Scottsdale Signature Yearling Auction Classes @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Two classes will be offered one for fillies and one for colts.
- B. The prize money for these classes will come from 35% of the stallion auction funds and be divided between these two classes.
- C. Each class will award a Top Ten along with a Champion and Reserve Champion, with prize money as follows:
 

Champion	35%
Reserve Champion	17.5%
The remainder of top ten	47.5% (divided by 8)
- D. In the event there are less than ten entries in a class, the proposed payout will stay the same for those placed and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.
- E. Horses entered in the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction classes at the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show must be registered in the name of the competitor or a member of the competitor's family. Family is defined as including "husband, wife, parent, step-parent, child, brother, step-child, sister, half brother and sister, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, grandmother, grandfather, grandchildren, and in-laws of the same relation as stated above." Combined ownership is not permitted unless all owners are members of the same family. Horses registered in a farm, ranch, syndicate, partnership or corporation name may only be shown in the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction class if the family is the sole owner of the farm or entity. "Owned" means, in addition to other legitimate methods of acquiring ownership, the bona fide legal ownership obtained for adequate consideration in reasonable relationship with the actual market value of the horse. For example, a \$5 payment for a Scottsdale Championship quality horse does not meet the required character of required ownership for competition in the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction classes. **Additional information regarding ownership may be requested, prior to, or during the show. This may include proof of payment, paid board/training bills, veterinary bills or farrier bills. Failure to provide the information requested and/or proving bona fide legal ownership of the horse may result in disqualification (or may not be permitted to show).**
- F. Designated Runners who are amateurs will be allowed in the SSS Auction Yearling classes only. Runners must have current USEF and AHA cards to be eligible to enter the class. Designated runners with amateur certifications will be allowed to run the horses into the ring for the owner in the SSS Auction classes, an amateur runner may only run one horse per class. Professional handlers will be allowed to show in the 3 & 4-year-old performance classes ONLY.

### **Scottsdale Signature Yearling Futurity @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Prize money for the Yearling Futurity classes will be comprised of the following:
  - 1. 50% of the Scottsdale Signature Stallion nominations from that foal crop's breeding season.
  - 2. 15% of the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction proceeds (previous breeding year's auction).
- B. The Top Twenty Finalists (11-20), both Colts and Fillies, will receive \$500.
- C. The remainder of the prize money will be divided equally between colts/geldings and fillies and awarded to each as follows:

Champion:	35%
Reserve Champion	17.5%
Remainder of Top Ten	47.5% (divided by 8)
11-20 <sup>th</sup> place	\$500
- D. In the event there are less than twenty entries in a class, the proposed payout will stay the same for those placed and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.

### **Scottsdale Signature Two-Year-Old Futurity @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Prize money for the Two-Year Old Futurity classes will be comprised of 100% of the Mare Nominations from breeding year.
- B. The prize money will be divided equally between colts, geldings & fillies and awarded to each as follows:

Champion	35%
Reserve Champion	17.5%
Remainder of top ten	47.5% (divided by 8)
- C. In the event there are less than ten entries in a class, the proposed payout will stay the same for those placed and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.

### **Scottsdale Signature Three-Year Old Futurity (Mare, Geldings & Stallions (3 & over)) @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Prize money for the Three-Year Old Futurity classes will be comprised of the \$100 Auction contribution from breeding year.
- B. The prize money will be divided 3 ways between Mares, Geldings and Stallions (3 & over) and will be awarded to each as follows:

Champion	35%
Reserve Champion	17.5%
Remainder of top Five	47.5% (divided by 3)
Remainder of top Ten	\$100
- C. In the event there are less than ten three-year-olds in a class, the percentage will stay the same for that place, and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.

### **Scottsdale Signature Four Year & Over Classes @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Prize money for the Four & Over classes will be comprised of a sponsored purse.
- B. The prize money will be paid to the Gelding and Mare classes and awarded to each as follows:

Champion:	\$1,000
Reserve Champion	\$600
Remainder of Top Five	\$300
- C. In the event there are less than five four-year-olds & over in a class, the percentage will stay the same for that place, and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.

### **Scottsdale Signature Performance Division @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Prize money for the Performance classes will be comprised of the following:
  - 1. 50% of the Scottsdale Signature Stallion nominations from that foal crop's breeding season.
  - 2. 14% of the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction proceeds were collected from that foal crop's breeding season.
- B. The prize money will be divided equally between Western Pleasure Futurity, Western Pleasure Maturity - ATR, Hunter Pleasure Futurity, Hunter Pleasure Maturity - ATR, Country/English Pleasure Futurity and Country English Pleasure Maturity – ATR. If additional classes are added, at the discretion of AHAA, then the prize money will be divided equally among all performance classes. Prize money for each class will be awarded to each as follows:

Champion	35%
Reserve Champion	25%
Remainder of Top Five	40% (divided by 3)
- C. In the event there are less than five in a class, the percentage will stay the same for that place, and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.
- D. Futurity classes will be open to only three and four-year-old horses and will be open to all riders (professional or amateur).
- E. Maturity classes will be open to only five-year-old horses and will be open to amateur riders ONLY.

### **ARABIAN NATIONAL BREEDER FINALS SHOW:**

#### **Scottsdale Signature Yearling Futurity @ the Arabian National Breeder Finals**

- A. Prize money for the Yearling Futurity @ the Finals classes will be comprised of 7% of the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction proceeds from the year of nomination.
- B. The remainder of the prize money will be divided equally between colts/geldings and fillies and awarded to each as follows:

Champion:	35%
Reserve Champion	17.5%
Remainder of Top Ten	47.5% (divided by 8)
- C. In the event there are less than ten entries in a class, the proposed payout will stay the same for those placed and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.

### **Scottsdale Signature Two-Year Old Futurity @ the Arabian National Breeder Finals**

- A. Prize money for the Two-Year old Futurity @ the Finals classes will be comprised of 5% of the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction proceeds from the year of nomination.
- B. The prize money will be divided equally between colts/geldings and fillies (*If numbers warrant the colts and geldings will be split and prize money will be offered in 3 classes*) and awarded to each as follows:
  - Champion: 35%
  - Reserve Champion 17.5%
  - Remainder of Top Ten 47.5% (divided by 8)
- C. In the event there are less than ten entries in a class, the proposed payout will stay the same for those placed and the remaining prize money will be added back to the futurity.

### **Scottsdale Signature Three-Year Old Futurity @ the Arabian National Breeder Finals**

- A. Prize money for the Three-Year old Futurity @ the Finals classes will be comprised of sponsored purse.
- B. The prize money will be divided equally between colts/geldings and fillies (*If numbers warrant the colts and geldings will be split and prize money will be offered in 3 classes*) and awarded to each as follows:
  - Champion: \$1,000
  - Reserve Champion \$600
  - Remainder of Top Five \$300
- C. In the event there are less than five entries in a class, the proposed payout will stay the same for those placed and the remaining prize money will be added to the futurity.

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