

2023 Louisiana Carnival Horse Show

Rules and Regulations

Payment: No entries will be accepted and no stalls reserved unless filled-out forms are accompanied by payment in full for stalls, entry fees, and office fees. All horses must be stalled on premises. An Open check is acceptable and made payable to Louisiana Carnival Horse Show.

Refunds: In the case of horses being entered and not exhibited, the stall fees are **NOT REFUNDABLE**.

Entries: The word “**ENTRY**” will not be accepted on entry forms. Each entry blank must contain the name and full description of each horse or pony and the class in which it is to be entered. All entries must be made on the official **ENTRY BLANK FORM** and signed by the Rider/Driver/Handler, Owner/Agent, Trainer, and Parent/Guardian if applicable. A number will be assigned to each Horse or Academy Horse/Rider combination at the time the entry is received and will stand for the entire duration of the show. The assigned number must be displayed whenever the horse or rider is in the ring. **Because of COVID-19, you can also enter online if you wish at www.horseshowtime.com.**

Buy-A-Class: \$50.00 per class and the manager needs to know as soon as possible.

Scratches: All scratches must be made two hours prior to show time.

Damages: All owners and exhibitors will be held responsible for any damage incurred by them or their agents to barns or other properties on the show grounds and will be charged accordingly.

Stalls: Stalls will be available from Wednesday to Sunday. No stalls will be reserved unless accompanied by entries and payment in full for both stalls and entries. Bedding will be available through the horse show office at a charge of \$8.50 per bag. No outside bedding may be brought onto the premises. Stall assignments are made at the discretion of the show management.

Office Fee: A \$25.00 office fee will be charged per Horse or Academy Horse/Rider Combination. The office fee is non-refundable.

Holds: Holds must be requested in writing at least one (1) hour in advance of each show session. Holds will be limited to two (2) minutes. Emergency holds must be given to the Paddock Master with the request signed by an authorized representative of the entry.

Rules: Every class offered herein will be conducted in the Spirit of the USEF rules and judged in accordance therewith. The Show Manager/Committee will act as steward when any rule needs to be reviewed for clarification. To compete in a championship class, participants must have entered, shown, and been judged in a qualifying class.

Horses: All horses must be serviceably sound. In case of suspected unsoundness, the Judge may, if he/she so desires, have the horse examined by the show veterinarian, and the Judge's decision will be final. No exhibitor may use a Veterinarian's Statement to contradict the Judge's decision.

Show Committee: Should any questions arise that are not provided for in the foregoing rules, the same shall be referred to the Show Manager/Committee, whose decision will be final. The Show Manager/Committee reserves the right to decline to receive any entry and to return any entry fee and/or stable fee before or during the show, without being liable for compensation. Three entries are necessary to fill a class unless otherwise specified, or the class may be declared void, at the option of the Show Manager/Committee. If the entries in two or more classes of the same division are not sufficient to meet the fill requirement of each separate class, the Show Committee reserves the right to combine the same into one competition.

Liability: The LCHS, LASHA, Show Manager/Committee, LSU nor any sponsor will be responsible for any accident which may occur to any owner, rider, driver, groom, attendant, animal, or equipment at the show. Warning: Under Louisiana law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or death of a participant in equine activities, pursuant to RS. 9:2795.1.

Show Ring: No person will be allowed in the show ring during the time of judging except the exhibitors and those having official or requested duties to perform. No horse will be allowed in the show ring except at such hours as posted in the show office.

Discipline: Exhibitors are notified that any act of discourtesy or disobedience to the judge or officials on the part of the owner, manager, rider, driver, or groom shall be grounds to disqualify a horse or rider, and the owner shall forfeit his/her entry fee and other fees. In the case of any horse being disqualified, the winner of the next succeeding prize in **that class shall take the prize that had been awarded to such disqualified horse.**

Disputes: Should any question arise that is not provided for in these rules, the same shall be referred to the Show Manager/Committee, whose decision shall be final.

Dress: All riders, drivers, attendants, and grooms shall be neatly and appropriately dressed upon entering the ring.

Pets: Pets must remain on a leash at all times and are the owner's responsibility. Dogs are **NOT** allowed in the arena seating area or the warm-up area.

Negative Coggins: A valid negative Coggins test within one year of the show date must accompany each horse and must be available for inspection by Louisiana Inspectors at the show grounds.

Prize Money: Premiums will be paid by check and will be mailed to person listed on the entry blank, within 30 days of the end of the show.

Parking: All trucks, vans, trailers, and RVs after unloading must be parked in the designated parking areas.

Checks: All checks should be made payable to the Louisiana Carnival Horse Show. Returned checks will incur a \$50.00 handling fee. No one will be allowed to show who has a bad check or handling fee outstanding.

Ring Procedures: The gate to the show ring will remain open two (2) minutes after the first horse enters the ring for a class, after which the gate will be closed. Any exhibitor not in the ring by that time will not be admitted. Please cooperate by being on time. Due to the possibility of unforeseeable mechanical or other problems, the PA System and paddock calls over that system must be considered a courtesy. Therefore, no protest will be upheld, nor will any section be changed, due to a PA malfunction.

Children: Children should be under parental supervision at all times and should not be in areas that are not open to the public.

Campers: Camper hookups are available for \$35.00 per night for 50 amp service. Reservations must be made in advance by contacting Tommy Benton (225-938-7843).