

CONDITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY

The Texas Racing Commission is the regulatory agency that regulates horseracing in the State of Texas by enforcing the Texas Racing Act and the Texas Rules of Racing. The agency issues racetrack licenses as well as occupational licenses for all participants in pari-mutuel horseracing activities in Texas. A person may not engage in any occupation for which commission rules require a license under the Texas Racing Act without first obtaining a license from the commission; failure to display a license upon request may result in access to the restricted area being suspended. Stewards, employed by the Texas Racing Commission, have jurisdiction during live race meets to administer the Texas Racing Act and Rules of Racing as it relates to occupational licensees.

Entries in stakes and all other races are accepted only with the understanding that SHRP reserves the right of refusal of said entries or the acceptance of a transfer of any entry. In all stakes races, entries must be made through the entry box by the usual time of closing. Entries are accepted only with the understanding that the horse or horses entered are of good standing at the actual time of the running of the race. This stakes race or any other stakes race may be canceled by SHRP at any time prior to the actual running thereof without liability, except for the return of nominating and entry fees, if any.

All horses entered **MUST** be on SHRP property **24 hours** prior to the running of the trials races. Sam Houston reserves the right to require horses eligible for the final to remain on property at all times between the trials and finals. Failure to comply with SHRP policies will result in the scratching of the horse from the race and could lead to further actions by Sam Houston Race Park management.

All horses entered in the trials and eligible for the final may be subject to blood, urine, hair, saliva, or other bodily substance testing as directed by the Commission or their agents. All horses entered in the trials and eligible for the final may be subject to sanctions, including but not limited to the scratching of a nominated horse in the trial or final and loss of any fees paid into this event if a violation of any rule of the Commission occurs as a result of any blood, urine, saliva, hair, or other bodily substance test. The undersigned understands he/she shall cooperate with all requests by the Commission and/ or its agents regarding access to nominated horses at any time prior to trials and/or the final, on or off track, including cooperation in the collection of required specimens for drug testing of horses nominated for or racing in the trials and/or final.

It is agreed that SHRP shall not be liable for, and that the owner(s) or lessees of said horse will indemnify and hold SHRP harmless against all responsibility, liability, or damage to any person, horse or bit of property, caused by the horse, or agent or employee of the undersigned or by any person, whether by negligence or otherwise on the property of SHRP. Subscriber for himself, his agent, and his employees, hereby assigns to SHRP any and all rights to motion pictures, television, and radio broadcasting in connection with this race or any race held over the course of any meet at SHRP.

TIME TRIALS: Each time trial shall consist of no more than ten (10) horses. The time trials shall be raced under the same conditions as the stakes. If time trials are held on the same day, the ten (10) fastest times qualify to start in the finals. If time trials are held on two (2) days, horses with the five (5) fastest times on the first trial day and the horses with the five (5) fastest times on the second trial day qualify to start in the finals.

Horses qualify on the basis of time and order of finish in time trials. The finish times of horses in trial races are determined only to the extent of the timer. Should two (2) or more trial horses have the same qualifying time to the .001 (**one thousandth second**) for the final qualifying position(s), a draw by random lot shall be conducted under the auspices of the SHRP Board of Stewards. The sole exception of the preceding is when two (2) or more horses have identical times in the same trial race. The order of finish shall also determine preference in qualifying for the finals.

During the running of time trials, should a horse be disqualified due to interference, it shall receive a time of the horse it is immediately placed behind plus one hundredth (0.01) of a second or the maximum accuracy of the electronic timer. No changes will be made in the recorded times of time trials to account for head wind, tail wind, cross wind, off track, etc. Should the electronic timing device malfunction during any time trial, finalists from that particular trial will be determined by official hand timing. Three (3) reputable and disinterested persons will conduct this hand timing. The average of the three times will be used as the winning times, unless one is clearly wrong where the average time would be based on the two (2) remaining times. If a mechanical failure of the starting gate occurs, or if a horse is inadvertently left behind the gate when the field is dispatched during a trial, such horse shall be declared a non-starter and all nomination, entry, and starting fees shall be refunded. During the running of a final or consolation, said entrant(s) shall also be considered a non-starter and awarded last place purse money.

ALSO ELIGIBLE: Except in the case of disqualification for a positive drug test or ineligibility according to the conditions of the race (i.e. age, breed, ringer, etc.) there will be no also-eligible list for the finals of this race. Should a horse be disqualified for a positive drug test report or ineligibility of the horse according to the conditions of the race (i.e. age, breed, ringer, etc.) the next faster qualifier shall assume the disqualified horse's position in the final.

SAM HOUSTON DERBY FINAL PURSE DISTRIBUTION

First Place- 40%	Second Place- 20%	Third Place- 10%	Fourth Place- 7%	Fifth Place- 5.5%
Sixth Place- 4.5%	Seventh Place- 4%	Eighth Place- 3.5%	Ninth Place- 3%	Tenth Place- 2.5%

There will NOT be a Consolation Stakes offered for the Sam Houston Derby

Any money left unpaid due to disqualified unplaced horses after the final will be divided per percentage breakdowns to all remaining eligible participants