



# 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 concerning issues in the SSS 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 at least one (1) stallion 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 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 sponsored in 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 concerning issues in the SSS Program. The AHAA Board of Directors has final decision-making on all dispute resolution.
- 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's, 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 Nomination Form and Breeding Agreement.
- 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 owner must fill out paperwork each year to officially nominate their stallions for 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, but the nomination to the Auction class shall only be allowed for foals conceived in the year the breeding was purchased (some exceptions apply). 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 beginning on February 1<sup>st</sup>, closing on the last Sunday of the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show, closing time TBA. The SSS Committee at any point has the option to change the format of the auction for best success. All owner/agents by submitting a stallion agree to the direction of the SSS Committee.
- G. Unpaid fees owed for any reason will go back to the AHAA Board of Directors, breeding's, nominations, right holder memberships, etc. will be rescinded and resold.
- 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 or outside the country all fees indicated must stay the same.

- I. If approved by AHAA Board of Directors stallion owners must honor a one-year carry-over of SSS Auction Breeding to stallion. Applicant 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. Mare owner must submit a notarized vet's certificate/note stating mare was checked in foal but is no longer in foal (vets note must be notarized, year of breeding, stallion and mare names must be included). Stallion owner must submit a notarized letter stating the semen ship dates and record of breeding history for the breeding in question. All requests and notarized letters must be declared (received) by December 31 of SSS Auction purchase year stating that they would like to carry the Auction breeding over.
- J. Nominated stallions list is subject to change.
- K. All decisions by 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 Nomination Form and Breeding Agreement.
- C. If breeding is to be done by frozen semen only, such fact must be disclosed and 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; balance is payable to AHAA prior to time of service of 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 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, 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 breeding's purchased at the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Auction will be eligible to compete in the Scottsdale Signature Yearling Auction classes. Mares must be nominated into the auction class before December 31 of current year. There will be no fee charged for nomination into the auction class. The auction class is limited only to auction breeding's purchased at the auction of 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 \$100 nomination fee postmarked or emailed by December 31. These nominations will also have the option to participate in the Gelding Incentive for a \$25 additional nomination fee.
- I. Only one Mare Nomination for auction breeding can be submitted. Mare Nominations are required to designate recipient mare if embryo transfer (ET) applies, prior to December 31 of 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 breeding year.
- K. One Year Carry-Over of SSS Auction Breeding's 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, letter must include the name of the stallion whose auction breeding was purchased and the mare that it was bred to.
  - ii. A notarized vet's certificate/note stating: year of breeding, stallion's name and mare's name that was bred, vet needs to indicate why the mare is not in foal (aborted, absorbed, 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. Nominated stallions list is subject to change, updated list is found on <http://scottsdaleshow.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 \$100 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 \$100 nomination fee. A vet's letter must be submitted at that time with breeding record stating that mare has not foaled as of date of submission.
- E. Mare owner also has the option to participate in the Gelding Incentive for a \$25 additional nomination fee.
- F. 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, division classes, regardless of sale or transfer of ownership.

- G. 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).
- H. If the resulting foal from the mare nomination dies before standing to nurse, you may request a credit forward of nomination fee to the next time you submit a mare nomination. A notarized vet letter must be attached to the new nomination. The vet's letter must state: year of breeding, stallion's name and mare's name that was bred, vet needs to indicate what happened with the foal (aborted, absorbed, mare was never checked in foal, died at birth, etc.)

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

- A. The resulting foals can be shown as yearlings at the Scottsdale Signature Yearling Futurity Class as fillies and colts/geldings. (2 classes)
- B. The resulting foals can be shown as two-year olds: Halter (fillies, colts & geldings). (3 classes)
- C. The resulting foals can be shown as three-year olds: Halter (fillies, colts & geldings)
- D. The resulting foals can be shown as three, four and five-year old in SSS designated Performance classes (Country English, Hunter & Western).
- E. The resulting foals can be shown as well in any additional Scottsdale Signature Stallion Classes that are added.
- F. Prize money will be awarded in each division (See Section III).
- G. 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.
- H. The resulting foals must be shown by persons holding current USEF membership cards with amateur certification.
- I. 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. 35% Auction Yearling Classes
- B. 15% Signature Yearling Classes
- C. 14% Signature Performance Division
- D. 12% Signature Stallion Classes at the Arabian Breeder Finals (October):
  - 1. 7% Yearling Halter (Fillies & Colts/Geldings)
  - 2. 5% Two-Year old Halter (Fillies & Colts/Geldings)
- E. 4% Scottsdale Signature Gelding Incentive Yearling Class
- F. 20% Scottsdale Signature Futurity Expenses
- G. \$100 Scottsdale Signature Gelding Incentive Yearling Class

### **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%
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 to the performance division.
- 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.
- 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 \$200.
- C. The remainder of the prize money will be divided equally between colts/geldings and fillies and awarded to each as follows:
 

Champion:	35%
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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 to the performance division.

#### **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 until then the prize money will be comprised of sponsored purses.
- B. The remainder of the prize money will be divided equally between colts/geldings and fillies and awarded to each as follows:
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| 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 to the performance division.

#### **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:
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| 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 to the performance division.

#### **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:
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| 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 to the performance division.

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

- A. Prize money for the Three-Year Old Futurity classes will be comprised of sponsored purse.
- B. The prize money will be divided equally between colts, geldings and fillies and awarded to each as follows:
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| Champion:             | \$2,000 |
| Reserve Champion      | \$1,000 |
| Remainder of Top Five | \$500   |
| Remainder of Top Ten  | \$100   |
- 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 not be issued as it is from a sponsored purse.

#### **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:
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| 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 not be issued as it is from a sponsored purse

#### **Scottsdale Signature Three-Year Old Auction Classes @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Prize money for the Three-Year Old Auction classes will be comprised of 100% of the \$100 - 3 year old Auction fee collected at the SSS Auction. A decision by the right holders in 2016 the last class will be held in 2019. This fee will then be redirected to the Gelding Incentive for all future years starting 2020.
- B. The prize money will be divided equally between colts, geldings and fillies and awarded to each as follows:
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| Champion             | 35%                  |
| Reserve Champion     | 17.5%                |
| Remainder of Top Ten | 47.5% (divided by 8) |
- 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 used for sponsored purses.

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

- A. Prize money for the Four & Over classes will be a jackpot comprised of class entry fees.
- B. The prize money will be divided equally between colts, geldings and fillies and awarded to each as follows:

Champion	35% Jackpot
Reserve Champion	17.5% Jackpot
Remainder of Top Five	47.5% (divided by 3) Jackpot

- 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 used for sponsored purses.

**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 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:
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| Champion              | 35%                |
| Reserve Champion      | 25%                |
| Remainder of Top Five | 40% (divided by 3) |
- 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 used for sponsored purses.
- 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.

**Scottsdale Signature Gelding Incentive Class @ the Scottsdale Show**

- A. Prize money for the Gelding Incentive classes will be comprised of the following:
1. 100% of the \$100 - Gelding Incentive Auction fee.
  2. 4% of the SSS stallion auction funds.
  3. Gelding Incentive Nomination Fees
- B. The prize money will be divided as follows:
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|----------------------|----------------------|
| 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.

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