

ARABIAN WORKING WESTERN ALLIANCE (AWWA) RANCH HORSE CHALLENGE



The AWWA Arabian Ranch Horse Challenge and the AWWA HA/AA Ranch Horse Challenge are held each year at the U.S. National Arabian Horse Show. These are NEW classes for U.S. Nationals beginning in 2023. These two new classes are separate and independent from the Bonanza Program.

The Ranch Horse Challenge is open to any registered Arabian or HA/AA horse ages 4 years & older. AHA will award a National Champion, Reserve National Champion, and 8 Top 10 awards in each class. The AWWA will determine added prize money. Payback amounts are determined by using the AWWA Payback Chart located at the AWWA website.

To participate in the AWWA Ranch Horse Challenge an exhibitor must complete BOTH the AWWA Entry Form found at the website and the U.S. Nationals Entry Form. Entry Fees must be paid in full to be considered completed.

Four-year-olds that possess an AWWA Incentive Certificate are also eligible for additional AWWA prize money and awards. To obtain an AWWA Incentive Certificate, a horse must be sired by an AWWA Enrolled Stallion **and** have a Mare Nomination Form on file prior to December 31st of the breeding year.

Transition Period for Existing Foals

There will be a period of transition where existing foals are able to be made eligible to obtain an Incentive Certificate. Foals born prior to January 1st, 2023, that are sired by Bonanza Lifetime Stallions are grandfathered in by simply completing the Futurity Eligibility Form. There is no additional fee.

Foals born in 2019 that are sired by a 2023 AWWA Enrolled Stallion are eligible to obtain an Incentive Certificate by completing the Futurity Eligibility Form. There is no additional fee.

Foals born between 2019 and 2022 can obtain an Incentive Certificate by completing the Futurity Eligibility Form and paying the \$150 nomination fee along with a \$25 office fee.

Foals born in 2023 MUST complete the 2022 Mare Nomination Form regardless of the sire in order to receive an Incentive Certificate. There is a \$150 nomination fee (plus office fee) to submit the Mare Nomination Form.

The Futurity Eligibility Form MUST be submitted prior to March 15, 2023

Moving Forward:

Foals **CONCEIVED** in 2023 must submit a 2023 Mare Nomination Form AND be sired by a 2023 ENROLLED stallion **or** a Lifetime Bonanza Stallion to be eligible to obtain an Incentive Certificate. These foals will be born in 2024 and will be eligible to compete in the AWWA Ranch Horse Challenge in 2028. The 2023 Mare Nomination Form is due by December 31, 2023.

AWWA Stallion Service Auction

Beginning in 2028, there will be prize money available for those 4-year-olds who are a result of breedings purchased through the AWWA Stallion Service Auction. Proceeds from the AWWA Stallion Service Auction are also set aside for Sire Recognition awards.

To request AWWA Futurity Eligibility or Stallion Enrollment Forms:

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