ALL-AMERICAN RULES/PROCEDURES

Due to 2020 being an unprecedented year, we wish to proceed with the All-American program as usual without the needing to qualify at a listed show as all but 2 shows have been canceled for the year. Changes will be for the 2020 season only as we hope next year returns to normal.

For this year, entries will be required to submit 4 photos to better help judges see the horse. These shall be front, back, left and right shots of the horse. In addition, there will be a \$10.00 entry fee brought back to the program as was normal years ago. This will help offset the cost of awards for the participants. We will use a panel of judges to place the participants, including judges from the shows that did take place and selected judges to fill in the remaining positions. We hope this system of judging carries on for future years of the program as well, so please make a judge selections for the 2021 year on your entry form.

For horses that were exhibited at the qualifying shows, the entry fee will be waived. Please list your placings on the entry form.

To make a nomination, you will need the following:

- 1. 4 un-retouched, un-altered photographs, color or black & white, any size, of the horse standing only, and taken during the current year show season (2020). These shots shall be front view, rear view, left side and right side. No photos in harness or in motion will be allowed. Photos altered in any way will cause an automatic disqualification. We cannot use photographer's proofs or low-resolution digital images. Do not crop or cut photos. We recommend sending a color photo as the ballot will be in full color.
- 2. A copy of the certificate of pedigree, both sides. Canadian horses are no exception.
- 3. The completed All-American Nomination Form, which follows the list of qualifying shows. Use one form per entry. The form must be signed and dated by the owner of record, the lessee or the exhibitor.

You may make copies of this form, download and print additional copies or call the Association office for additional forms. Junior and Senior Foals must be designated as such for those shows offering both divisions. There is a \$10.00 entry fee. Your entry must be postmarked by November 20th for U.S. entries, and postmarked by November 15th for Canadian entries, complete with copies of the pedigree and photos. **ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER THESE DATES, AND INCOMPLETE ENTRIES WILL BE RETURNED!**

Please make sure that your entries are properly completed and signed. We will not hold up the contest for late entries or photos.

The pictures of all nominees and their winnings (if applicable) will be emailed to the judges the form of a ballot. Each judge will be asked to place each class, and return his/her ballot form to the Clydesdale Committee for tabulation. The horse in each class with the lowest points will be the All-American and the second lowest will be the Reserve All-American. (A horse receiving first is awarded 1 point, a horse receiving 2nd is 2 points, etc.) A Honorable Mention will also be designated, if warranted, based on the tabulated results.

The Clydesdale Breeders of the U.S.A. will present awards/certificates to each All-American, Reserve All-American and Honorable Mention owner and breeder at the Annual Meeting the following April.

WARNING - NO ALTERED PHOTOGRAPHS!

Any entry submitted with a photograph that has, in the opinion of the All-American Committee, been altered in any way will be disqualified. What are considered alterations? Alterations include, but are not limited to, the following: Cutting, cropping, removing or manipulating anything, such as the handler, another horse, halter, or anything else appearing in the photo. Distorting, changing, adding, or deleting the color, highlighting any portion of a photo or changing the background is considered an alteration. No matter how we say it or define it, we simply do not allow altered photos in the All-American Contest.

Return all entries postmarked by November 15th (Canadians) or November 20th (Americans) to:

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