

# 2023 MILE-HIGH DERBY

**\$84,000 Estimated Purse**

**TENTATIVE DATES (Subject to Change) - TRIALS – August 19, 2023 FINALS – September 5, 2023**

**Open to 3-year-old Quarter Horse foals of 2020 124 lbs. 400 yards**

**THERE WILL BE NO REFUND OF FEES:** The Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Assn. will hold 15% of all fees for administrative and advertising purposes. Any returned check will cancel eligibility and cause to be forfeited any previously paid fees. *There are no refunds or transfer of funds to other races if injury, death, withdrawal, or violations occur after nominations are accepted. . There will be a 5% penalty assessed for payments made after the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. If payment is not made by 10 days from due date, entry will be dropped from race.*

PAYMENT SCHEDULE		
January 15, 2023	to nominate	\$ 100.00
February 15, 2023	to sustain	\$ 200.00
March 15, 2023	to sustain	\$ 400.00
April 15, 2023	to sustain	\$ 400.00
May 15, 2023	to sustain	\$ 400.00
June 15, 2023	to sustain	\$ 300.00
July 15, 2023	to sustain	\$ 200.00
Total Payments		\$ 2,000.00

LATE NOMINATIONS
Late nominations may be made by April 15, 2023 – \$500 plus payments to date = \$1,600.00 Plus, Remaining Payments (May, June, July) = \$2,500.00 Total
<b>**Supplemental Nominations After April 15th**</b> <b>**Due at time of entry to trials \$5000 at Arapahoe Park**</b>

All nominations and sustaining payments should be sent via USPS registered or certified mail or courier service (UPS or FedEx, etc) and postmarked no later than the due date. The sender's receipt must be presented as proof should any discrepancy occur. **Walk in payments are due according to the schedule with a 2-day grace period for weekends and holidays. Nominations will not be accepted without the completed form with the signature of the owner as required. There will be no exceptions to this rule!**

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NAME OF HORSE	SEX	AGE	SIRE	DAM
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**Release of Liability or Wavier of Liability**

**I, the undersigned, and my Parent/Guardian, if applicable, do hereby release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association, its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees and volunteers or any sponsor as well as other participants and spectators from any and all liability claims, demands and actions whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, which may be sustained by me or to any property belonging to me. The terms hereof shall also serve as a release and assumption of risk for my heirs, executor and administrator and for all members of my family and may be pleaded as a bar to litigation. Jurisdiction of this matter and venue shall lie exclusively at Arapahoe Park, Arapahoe County, Colorado. By my signature I agree to all Terms and Conditions as written on this form.**

Signature of Owner	Date	Print Name of Owner
Signature of Parent/Guardian	Date	Print Name of Parent/Guardian

OWNER \_\_\_\_\_ TRAINER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL OWNER \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL TRAINER \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND ALL NOMINATIONS AND PAYMENTS TO:** Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Assn., 22 S 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Suite 306, Brighton, CO 80601  
 PHONE (303) 659-7752 FAX (303) 648-4363 e-mail: [office@rmqha.com](mailto:office@rmqha.com)

**Form must be signed by OWNER for the horse to be eligible for this race.**

**By signing I agree to all conditions on the front and reverse side of this nomination form.**

Any Horse that ran in a trial, elimination or qualifying race for entry into a final race, from which a positive test sample was collected upon first testing by the Colorado Racing Commission's primary testing laboratory, shall be eligible to run in the finals only as determined by the Colorado Racing Commission directives, rules or policies. In the event of disqualification by the Colorado Racing Commission for a positive test or any other reason, the horse that ran next in line by qualifying criteria would advance. This shall not apply to an overage of an authorized medication where the violation would not result in loss of purse.

**Pursuant to Colorado Racing Commission rule 5.412 – all entries entered in Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association administered race trials and that qualify for the finals, (including the next 4 fastest times) will be required to hair test at the owner's expense. A positive test will disqualify the horse. Trainer changes between trials and finals are prohibited.**

**La forma se debe firmar por OWNER para que el caballo sea elegible para esta raza.**

**Por firmando mí convengo todas las condiciones en el dorso delantero y de esta forma del nombramiento.**

Cualquier caballo que funcionara en un ensayo, una eliminación o una raza calificativa para la entrada en una raza final, de la cual una muestra positiva de la prueba fue recogida sobre primero la prueba por el Colorado que competía con el laboratorio de prueba primario de la Comisión, será elegible funcionar en los finales solamente según lo determinado por los directorios, las reglas o las políticas de la Comisión de Colorado que compiten con. En caso de la descalificación por el Colorado que compite con a la Comisión por una prueba positiva o cualquier otra razón, el caballo que funcionó después en línea calificando criterios avanzaría. Esto no se aplicará a un overage de una medicación autorizada donde la violación no daría lugar a la pérdida de monedero.

**Conforme a Colorado racing commission regla 5.412- Todas las entradas (entries) entregadas a Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse carreras de ensayo (trials) administrados y que an calificado para las finales , (incluidos los siguientes 4 tiempos más rápidos) Se requerira una prueba de pelo al Costco dell propietario. Una prueba positive descalificara al caballo. Los cambios de entrenador entre pruebas y finales estan prohibidos.**

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS ARAPAHOE PARK**

Nominations and/or entries may be refused or canceled without any liability to Arapahoe Park or the Rocky Mountain Quarter Horse Association (RMQHA) at any time prior to the running of this race, except for the return of any nomination and or entry fees paid. All stable reservations and entries into stakes and all other races are received and accepted subject to all conditions, rules and regulations of the Colorado Racing Commission and Arapahoe Park.

Arapahoe Park reserves the right to cancel, postpone and/or amend any stakes race for any reason it deems necessary. In addition, the RMQHA Race Division reserves the right to move, cancel, change the date, or postpone RMQHA sponsored races and/or trials for any reason, which it deems good and sufficient. Nominations to stakes do not guarantee a stall for nominated horses.

There will be no refunds of fees. All checks returned by the bank will constitute no payment. Nominations or subscriptions to this stake may be refused or canceled without liability to Arapahoe Park or the RMQHA at any time prior to the actual running thereof, except for the return of any nomination and entry fees paid, excluding the amount withheld for administration and advertising fees.

All nominations and sustaining payments should be sent via registered or certified mail and postmarked no later than the date due. The sender's receipt must be presented as proof should any discrepancy occur.

All entries for trials and final races must be made through the entry box by the usual time of closing for each race.

The total purse amounts advertised on this sheet are based on Colorado statute purse requirements and from purse enhancements of sponsors.

## **RULES GOVERNING ELIMINATION TRIALS AND STAKES FINALS:**

Starters in the trials will be limited to horses that have started at meets approved by the American Quarter Horse Association or horses that meet the qualifying rules established by Arapahoe Park. There will be no refunds for horses that fail to meet these qualifications.

Each trial shall consist of not more than ten (10) horses. All Trial races will be run consecutively. No more than ten (10) horses shall be selected from the trials to participate in the Stakes. These horses shall be selected on a time basis. No Consolations.

The selection of horses for this stake shall be on a time basis. Times of horses in separate trials will be determined only to the limit of the electric timer. No adjustments will be made in recorded time of Trials for headwind, rain, track condition, etc. Should a mechanical failure occur with the electric timers on any time trial, finalists from that time trial will then be determined by official hand timing, with stop watches operated by three (3) official, reputable and disinterested persons. The average of the three (3) hand times will be utilized for the winning time, unless one of the hand times is clearly wrong. In such case, the average of the two accurate hand times will be utilized for the winning time. If for any reason a tie exists related to the determination of the last qualifier, the horses involved shall draw lots to determine which shall participate in the stakes. Should a horse be disqualified, he will be given the time of the horse he is immediately placed behind plus 1/100th of one second or the limit of the electric timer. In the Trials, if a stall gate fails to open and the money wagered on the horse is refunded to the public, such horse will be declared a non-starter, and no liability will be incurred beyond refund of nominating, sustaining and entry fees, excluding the amount withheld for administration and advertising fees. Should a Trial race be declared a "no race" by the stewards, all horses in that trial shall be considered non-starters and not eligible for participation in the Finals. No liability will be incurred beyond refund of nominating, sustaining and entry fees, excluding the amount withheld for administration and advertising fees.

***When possible and at the discretion of Arapahoe Park and under the rules of the Colorado Racing Commission if a qualifying horse is subsequently disqualified for any reason the trial horse with the 11<sup>th</sup> best qualifying time will move up to the 10<sup>th</sup> and final spot in the finals. If the 11<sup>th</sup> best Qualifier is unable to fill the spot, the 12<sup>th</sup> fastest time will be given the opportunity. This process will continue until the 10<sup>th</sup> spot in the final is filled***

In the running of the Stakes, if a stall gate fails to open, and money wagered on the horse is refunded to the public, such horse shall be declared a non-starter and classified as a scratched horse. In the running of the Stakes, if the stewards declare the race a "no race" and all the money wagered on the race is refunded to the public, all horses in the stakes will be considered non-starters and classified as scratched horses. The total amount of money in the stakes will be divided equally among the finalists and returned to them.

The decision of the Stewards in all matters shall be final and the entries are accepted only on the condition that those persons nominating and/or starting a horse in the Trials and/or the Stakes agree to abide by their decision. If any part of an entry is disqualified, it may disqualify all of the entry. The Stewards will review the videotape of each race for possible interference before posting the race OFFICIAL. All rules of the Colorado Racing Commission supersede any conditions of the race.

**PURSE DISTRIBUTION:** Unless otherwise stated in the conditions of a stake, the purse distribution will be as follows:

1st - 40%    2 - 20%    3 - 12%    4 - 7%    5 - 6%    6 - 5%    7 - 4%    8 - 3%    9 - 2%    10 - 1%