

## **2020 Breeders Challenge (rules provided as a courtesy here - E&OE)**

### **Concept:**

The 2020 Breeders Challenge will give breeders and exhibitors an opportunity to participate in an exclusive class at the NABC in 2020, and to help generate funds for future NABC shows and the Belgian Youth and Education Fund.

### **Stage 1:**

Stallion Owners will nominate their stallions into the 2020 Breeders Challenge Program. Owners can nominate one or two nominations per horse.. Upon nomination, a \$300 consignment fee will be due. A catalogue/program will be created to advertise and promote both the Stallions, and the program. To be included in this program, nominations must be made by Nov 6, 2016. Late entrants will be accepted up to the day before the stallion nominees are sold, but will not be included in the catalogue. All Stallion nominees must be registered, DNA/JEB tested, and ownership must be the same with the Belgian Draft Horse Corp. of America as nominated in the program. By nominating your stallion you are responsible for a \$300 minimum bid. Any bid beyond \$300 does not have to be the responsibility of the stallion owner.

Stallion fees will be sold at the Mid-American Draft Horse Sale on Friday, Feb 24th, 2017. These fees can be purchased via both live and telephone bidding.

Upon purchasing stallion nominations, fees must be paid in full, to the Belgian Draft Horse Alliance, within one week to become eligible for the program. Mares to be bred to these stallions are to be determined by September 1, 2017. Mare owners are allowed to submit two (2) mares per each stallion service they have the nomination of. If the mare owner chooses to breed a second mare to the stallion nominee they have purchased, all breeding fees and arrangements are the responsibility of those two parties.

The death of a stallion before time of breeding will result in a refund to the purchaser. A change in ownership of a stallion may be changed mid-process, but the stallion owner at the time of breeding will be credited as the stallion nominee seller. If the new stallion owner does not wish to participate in the program, fees will be the responsibility of the original stallion owner. The Breeders Program Committee must be made known of these changes in a timely manner to ensure accuracy in the program.

Proceeds from the stallion fees will be distributed in the following manner:

- 50% will go into a Breeders Challenge Purse. This purse will be distributed to original stallion owners, breeder of the animals, and exhibitors of the animals. One animal can result in a payment to one, two or three individuals.
- 30% will go into the NABC general fund
- 15% will go to the Belgian Youth Alliance
- 5% will go for administrative funds

If a mare is sold that has been entered into the program, she can remain eligible as long as she is the only mare entered in the program as bred to the nominated stallion (ie Stallion

nominee purchaser cannot, breed two mares, sell on and have both remain eligible for the program).

**Stage 2:**

In 2018 2020 Breeders Challenge Foals will hit the ground! Eligible foals must have Breeders Challenge form submitted by September 1st, 2018. Anyone who submitted two mare names for the stallion nominee they have purchased must choose which foal will remain eligible at this time. These forms will be made available, and must include a copy of a registration paper.

**Stage 3:**

Eligible animals must be entered to the 2020 Breeders Challenge Show by proper deadline (to be determined). There will be no entry fee for the Breeder's Challenge Program, but exhibitors will be responsible for any stall fees, exhibitor charges and other fees that may be applicable. These animals will show in two classes at the 2020 Breeders Challenge Show on separate days (dates to be determined). These will be a standard halter class, and a cart driving class. Each class will count equally (50/50) towards final standings.

**Stage 4:**

2020 Breeders Challenge Program purse will be distributed to the top 15 exhibitors, breeders and stallion owners.

Purse will be distributed as follows

Original Stallion Owners - 20%

Breeder - 20%

Exhibitor - 60%

Exact payout schedule for placings 1-15 will be provided in 2019.