

General Rules

Essa Canadian National Draft Horse Exhibition

August 5th & 6th, 2017

Membership

- Membership application forms and information are available from the show office or [online](#).
- Applications for membership are available January 1st to December 31st of each year.
- You must be a member of the Essa & District Agricultural Society (EDAS) in order to exhibit at the ECNDHE.
- Junior Memberships are free.
- Memberships form must still be submitted.

Office Rules

- Management referred to in the following statements means the Essa & District Agricultural Society (EDAS) Board of Directors and the General Manager.
- All entries are made subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the ECNDHE. The Management reserves the right to make any alterations to classes as are deemed necessary.
- Should any questions arrive not provided for in the rules and regulations, the decision of the Management shall be final.
- Protests on any ground must be made in writing on the same day in which the protest action was taken and given to the Management and marked received. All protests must be accompanied by a deposit of \$500, which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained.
- Payment of prizes and premiums won on all classes of competition will be paid by the Treasurer upon conclusion of the exhibition. Payment will be made to the person under whose name of the entry was accepted by. The EDAS will not be responsible for the payment of prizes or special premiums offered by breed associations, societies, clubs or individuals. Exhibitors who do not receive their prize money by September 30th, 2016 should contact Management at the EDAS.

Entry Fees/Form

- The EDAS Membership Card permits the participant to exhibit in as many classes as he/she wishes, subject to an entry fee where required, or where entries are limited for the class.
- **Entries are due July 28th, 2017**
- **NO Exceptions**
- All entries must be made in writing or online. NO telephone entries will be accepted.
- Entry Fees **MUST** be submitted with SIGNED AND COMPLETE entry forms along with a copy of your insurance. Faxed and emailed entries must be paid prior to the commencement of the class. You can email entries to admin@essaagriplex.ca or fax to 705-726-1250.
- Online entries are PREFERRED. You can enter online at assistexpo.ca/registrations and will require payment in the show office prior to the commencement of the class entered.
- All entries must be made on the entry form and be signed by the exhibitor or agent. All information requested on the entry form must be completed in full.
- Entries must be made on or before the dates mentioned, in order to afford sufficient time to examine entry papers, and to correspond with parties when necessary, for the correction of errors and omissions, and to prepare the catalogue.
- **Closing date:** July 28th, 2017 All entries will receive an email confirmation.
- Refer to specific section for entry fees.
- Please indicate the number of box stalls required (including tack stalls) on the entry form. Every effort will be made to comply with all reasonable requests.
- Any accepted **late entries** will be subject to a \$20 late fee – **NO ENTRIES DAY OF SHOW**
- Substitutions and add ons may be done up until July 28th 2017
- For any NSF cheques returned a \$40.00 charge will apply.
- Exhibitors are responsible for their own errors and those of their agents in the preparation of entry forms.

Entries

- Completing the entry form correctly is the responsibility of the agent/exhibitor, which includes entering exhibits in the correct class.
- Exhibits permitted to show that are entered in the incorrect class will not receive prize money for that class.
- Registered names and numbers must accompany all purebred entries. A copy of registration papers (front and back) must be produced for pedigree checking prior to show time. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.
- Should a class have insufficient entries when entries close, the entries may be combined at the discretion of the Management.
- Exhibitors cancelling their entries shall forfeit their entry fee, except when a certification of disability is issued by a qualified Veterinarian. The certificate of disability must be received by Aug 4th, 2017.
- Exhibitors shall be allowed a maximum of two entries in any class for single animals, and not more than one entry in any class for groups unless otherwise specified.

Exhibitor Rules

- The Exhibitor must be fully cognizant of the rules and class specifications governing the division in which he shows.
- An Exhibitor must be the owner or lessee of a horse entered in a show.
- Junior/Youth/Showmanship Exhibitors – all contestants participating in this category must be entered under the own name and on entry forms, separate from family farms.
- Coggins recommended.
- The ages of horses shall date from January of the year in which they are foaled.
- All exhibits must be owned by and registered as purebred in the name of the exhibitor. The Exhibitor must have a registration paper issued in the exhibitor's country of residence. Grade horses are the exception.
- Foals, Yearlings and Two Year Olds are eligible to compete for Junior Championships; Horses Three Years Old and over are eligible for Senior Championships.
- **DRESS CODE:** Exhibitors are required to dress in neat attire while showing animals in the ring. No ball caps or blue jeans allowed. No stable name on clothing. Any unmanageable horses will be removed from the Judging Ring.
- **Open Riding Class Dress Code:** suitable Western or English attire to be worn at all times by competitors. This means appropriate riding boots, tie, protective helmet, belt and shirt. Jeans are not allowed unless covered by chaps.

- **Appointments – *Western:*** Stock type saddle, open stirrups, western style headstall, blinders are optional. Tie downs and draw reins, whips and martingales are prohibited. Types of reins used optional.
English: English type saddle and full bridle. Manes and tails to be braided/decorated appropriately. Blinders are optional. Tie downs and white bridles are prohibited. Crops are allowed at the judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors are required to act accordingly.
- Any animal not presented in the ring at the time the class is called will be barred from showing in the class. This rule will be strictly enforced!
- **Hitches** – The exhibitor must own both horses shown in a team or single tandem. Multiple hitches may be combined.
- **NO** stallions may be used in any youth or ladies cart classes.
- Drivers in the youth cart must be accompanied by an adult.
- **Doctored of Horses** – All horses doctored or in any way improperly or unfairly prepared or tampered with before coming into the show ring will be disqualified. The committee reserves the right to do a saliva and/or urinalysis test in any class, and on any animal. If the test proves positive, all entries made by that exhibitor will be barred from the show.
- Excessive use of a long whip in the marshalling/hitch area and/or show ring will not be tolerated and could result in being barred from showing in that particular class.
- Any rider interfering with, colliding with or cutting off any other riders shall be disqualified.
- All horses MUST enter and leave the ring at a walk.
- To be shown on the rail both directions of the ring at a walk, jog or trot and lope or canter, stand quietly and to back.

Liability & Indemnification

- All Exhibitors are required to carry their own liability insurance. And it is the responsibility of each horse exhibitor to carry at least one million dollars (\$1,000,000) liability insurance.
- Exhibitors of animals, machinery in motion, and other exhibits that may cause injury or damage to persons coming in contact with them shall take all precautions to safeguard the public, including but not limited to, guarding their exhibits, providing barriers to protect the public, providing restraints as required, etc., The exhibitor agrees to indemnify and save harmless, The Essa and District Agricultural Society, board of directors, staff and volunteers from and against all claims, demands, costs, penalties, fines, charges and expenses whatsoever resulting from damage caused by the exhibitor and/or his/her exhibit to any person or persons, animal or property.

- The Essa & District Agricultural Society will take reasonable precaution to ensure the safety of the exhibits sent to the exhibition, but the owners themselves must take risks of exhibiting them.
- The Essa & District Agricultural Society shall not be liable for any loss to an exhibitor occasioned by fire, accident, condition of structure or the negligence of other exhibitors, of officials, or otherwise howsoever.
- Every animal or exhibitor at any show of this Society must be the actual BONAFIDE property of the exhibitor at the time the entry is made of such animal (except where specifically mentioned in the prize list).
- It is understood that the exhibitors shall release the Essa and District Agricultural Society, its officers and directors from all claims for damages arising from loss or destruction of, or injury to any property such, whether occasioned by negligence or otherwise, and the exhibitors agree to indemnify the Essa and District Agricultural Society against all claims or demands of any kind or nature by reason of any loss, injury or damage occasioned by any animal or other exhibit, arising from the negligence of injury or damage to any such attendant or person in charge, or the property of such.
- The EDAS will not be held responsible for any errors, printing or otherwise, in this Prize List Book.
- The EDAS has the right to expel any animal from the grounds provided it is suffering from communicable disease.
- The EDAS reserves all rights to its grounds and may restrict or prohibit admittance to the grounds to any person or group of persons without giving reason of such action and, the EDAS may refuse the privilege of exhibiting to any individual without disclosing the reasons for such refusal and, all members, exhibitors and exhibits as instructed by the officials or remove same from the grounds.
- In order to conform with the Township of Essa Bylaws and the Liquor Control Board of Ontario, there will be
- NO SMOKING and NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES permitted in any of the barns, tents, buildings or on the Fairgrounds, except in a licensed area.
- LIABILITY INSURANCE - It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to carry at least 1 million dollars liability insurance, certificates to be submitted with entry forms.
- Any errors or mistakes must be reported in writing with itemized statement of prizes claimed before October 15, 2016 or they will not be considered.
- The President, Vice-President and General Manager have been duly authorized to enforce Sec. 32, Sub-Sec. 1 of the Agricultural and Arts Act. The officers of such society or association may by the rules and regulations prohibit and prevent all kinds of gambling, theatrical, circus or mountebank performances, attendant or other persons in charge of said exhibits or shows, and also regulate the huckstering or trafficking in fruits, goods, wares or merchandise on the Exhibition grounds, or within 300 yards thereof, and any person who after due notice of

such rules and regulations, violates the same, shall be liable to be removed by the officers, policemen or constables of the said association or society and be subject to the penalty described by the next preceding section of the Act.

- Any items not covered by the above will be ruled on by the Management.

Worthy Exhibits

- No animal or articles entered for competition shall necessarily entitle the winner to a premium, unless deemed worthy for a prize by the judges.

Decision of Judges

- Any person who shall attempt to interfere with or influence the judges and/or agriculture official while in the discharge of their duties, or who shall at any time, on the premises of the association, use any contemptuous or abusive language or acts of violence to any judge and/or agricultural official, or within his hearing in consequence of any award made by him or any exhibitor refusing to accept any award made by a judge, shall forfeit his right to any premium to which he might otherwise be entitled, and may be precluded from exhibiting for one year thereafter.
- Judges are particularly requested to report any offence in this direction.
- Judges decision is final.

Bedding and Feed

- Exhibitors must supply their own shavings for bedding. Shavings and hay will be available on the grounds and may be purchased by the exhibitor at market prices. **NO STRAW** will be permitted on site.
- Both shavings and hay must be pre-ordered and paid for at time of entry.

Stabling

- There are a limited number of stalls (200) available, and stalls will be allocated on a first entered, first serve basis
- Exhibitors are allowed to show out of trailers. Trailers will be parked in the designated area (parking lot east of the barns. NO TRAILERS permitted between barns & rings).
- Exhibitors showing off of trailers are subject to a \$25 facility/ exhibitor fee to cover clean up costs. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Horse Descriptions

- A Brood Mare is a mare that has raised a foal for the current year or during the current year.
- Except where otherwise specified a Yeld Mare is a mare, four years of age or over, that has not raised a foal during the current year. A Mare that dropped a dead foal or a foal that died within two weeks of birth shall be classified as a Yeld Mare. Unless as otherwise defined in section rules, an embryo transfer donor mare is classified as a Yeld Mare.
- Get Of Sire – 3 animals sired by the same stallion. The registered name and number of the sire must appear on the entry form at the time of entry. Each animal must have been shown in its appropriate single section if offered. At least one animal must be owned by the exhibitor and registered in the exhibitor's name. Multiple entries are acceptable. Registered geldings are eligible.
- Progeny of Dam – Two animals the progeny of one dam. The registered name and number of the dam must appear on the entry form at the time of entry. Each animal must have been shown in its appropriate single section if offered. Both animals must be owned by the exhibitor and registered as purebred in the exhibitor's name. Multiple entries are acceptable. Registered geldings are eligible.
- Get of Sire and Progeny of Dam entries should also include the name of the Stallion or mare being represented wherever possible.
- Foals/Mares – All foals must be exhibited on the halter. Mare may not accompany foals into the ring for the foal class. Neither may foals accompany a mare in the brood mare class.

Others

- Should the income on the ECNDHE show be insufficient to pay all prizes, the Management only binds itself to pay as much pro rata of prize money that is available and is consistent with receipts.

Parking/Vehicles

- Parking is permitted free of charge in the designated parking lot.
- Parking of horse/livestock trailers free of charge in designated areas only.
- Self-contained trailers are permitted in designated areas only.
- There is RV Parking available on site, the first RV is free and additional RV's are \$25 each. These sites will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. These sites do not have power or sewer hook ups.
- NO DUMPING OF GREY WATER

Handicapped Parking

- In order to provide a more enjoyable experience for handicapped persons, handicapped parking is available adjacent to Barn #1.

Pets

- No pets are allowed on the fairgrounds with only the exception of trained service animals to assist an individual with a disability.

Lost & Found

- A Lost & Found is located in the Show Office.

First Aid

- First Aid services are employed for the duration of the event. Make yourself aware of the location of this service should you require aid during your stay.

Use of Logo & Marks

- The use for any purpose or in any way of the name Barrie Fair, the Society logo, or Essa Agriplex is prohibited without a written agreement of the Board of Directors or its' officers. All requests for permission to use same must be received by the Office for review.

Check In and Out

- Notice to Exhibitors, trucks must be unloaded immediately. Drivers will be given directions at the Show Office on arrival.
- Exhibitors on arrival shall apply to the Show Office for their allotted stall numbers.
- No animals may be removed early from the ECNDHE while the show is going on. Please check in and out with the Show Office.
- Failure to comply may result in prize money being forfeited.

BORDER CROSSING

Main border crossing entry points into Canada are:

LEWISTON/QUEENSTON

14154 Niagara Parkway

Niagara-On-The-Lake, ON L0S1J0

905-285-6322

THOUSAND ISLANDS BRIDGE AUTHORITY MAIN OFFICE

43530 Interstate 81, Collins Landing

Alexandria Bay, New York 13607

315-482-2501

LANSDOWNE OFFICE

PO Box 10

Lansdowne, ON K0E1L0

PRESCOTT INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE

Prescott, ON K0E1T0

613-925-4225

PORT HURON

526 Water Street – Rm 301

Port Huron, MI 48060-5471

810-985-7125