

2009 Ohio Sire Stakes 4-Year-Old & Up Conditions

1. **Nominations.** Nominations of \$350 close on **February 15, 2009**. There is no sustaining payment. All nominating and declaration fees must be paid in U.S. currency. **Declaration Fee for each championship: \$500. If twenty nominations in either division are not received, that championship may be cancelled and all nomination fees will be refunded. If six separate betting interests are not entered for either championship, that championship may be cancelled and all nomination fees will be divided equally among those horses entered.**
2. **Eligibility.** Four-year-old & up trotters and pacers sired by a stallion registered with the Ohio State Racing Commission during the year of conception. No foal produced by embryo/ovum transplant shall be eligible. A horse must race for a purse in a minimum of five (5) races in Ohio between **March 1, 2009 and September 26, 2009** to qualify for entry into a championship. No horse claimed after August 31, 2009 may enter the championship unless the claimant is the original nominating ownership.
3. **Purses.** All nominating payments and declaration fees go towards the championships. Purse distribution for Championships: 50%, 25%, 12%, 8%, 5%. Purses for the trotting and pacing championships will be **\$20,000**.
4. **Rules/Rulings.** Rules of the Ohio Racing Commission to govern. The OSDF Committee has final authority to determine any questions related to eligibility and interpretation of the conditions.
5. **Starters.** Starters in each championship are restricted to the **eight leading money winners in races at commercial tracks and fairs in Ohio between March 1, 2009 and September 26, 2009**. All horses' earnings will be verified by an examination of the official records of the U. S. Trotting Association. Purse earnings in other jurisdictions do not count towards a horse's total.

If two or more horses tied in earnings declare in for the eighth position in a Championship, the eighth starter shall be drawn by lot. The same method shall be used in the case of a tie for also-eligible horses. Two also-eligible horses may be drawn. An also-eligible may move into a championship if a scratch occurs prior to the designated scratch time at the host track. Starters in Championships shall declare in at the usual time for overnight entries practiced at the host track. Any horse scratched sick or lame from any purse race may not race in a Championship unless seven days have passed from the date of the race from which the horse was scratched. There are no qualifying time standards.

If circumstances prevent racing any Championship at the scheduled track on its advertised date, the OSDF Committee shall reschedule the race on another date or at another track. **All horses entered in the championships shall be required to report to a detention barn by 11:00 am on the morning of the race. Any horse late for detention shall be scratched by the judges.**

TROTTERS – Lebanon Raceway, Oct. 10				Age	Sex	Color	Sire	Dam
PACERS – Raceway Park, October 11				Age	Sex	Color	Sire	Dam
Nominator's Name (Please Print) Owner? Yes ___ No ___					Nominator's Telephone Number			
Nominator's Address & Zip Code								
Other Owners' Name, Address & Zip Code								
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