

Rules & Regulations of the PHCG Futurity and Maturity and the PHCG Select Stallion Service Program (SSSP)



I. Deposit Rules

1. To promote the sport with European bred Paint Horses, the Paint Horse Club Germany e.V. annually organizes a Futurity with Halter and Performance classes, as well as a Maturity with performance classes.
2. Any stallion registered with APHA and AQHA and / or stallion approved for breeding by APHA may
 - a) be paid into the program for a lump sum of 600 euros. The deposit must be received by December, 31 of the breeding year.
 - b) be paid into the program for an amount of EUR 300 if, at the same time, the PHCG is granted a breeding to the nominated stallion in the SSSP year for auction. The contract is concluded between stallion and mare owners. Only the payment is made to the PHCG. The deposit must be made by November, 30 for the following breeding year.

The auction takes place for the first time on February, 28 of the breeding year. Depending on the status of the auction, additional purchase dates can be specified.

If the offered breeding doesn't get a bid, the stallion nominee is required to pay a further amount of 300.00 Euro.

Amendments to the deposit amount are being voted upon by the PHCG Delegates Meeting.

If the deposit is made before November, 30 of the previous year, the stallion owner receives a free stallion advertisement in the PHCG stallion catalog. A legal claim against the PHCG on the creation of a catalog does not exist, neither can no Futurity/Maturity eligibility of the offspring be derived from the publication in the catalog.

3. In case the nominated stallion dies or becomes incapacitated before the first mare has been covered in the nomination year, by presenting documentation about the stallions demise or incapacitation the depositor shall be entitled for reimbursement of 80% of the amount paid minus the publication fees for the stallion catalog.
4. The payee of a nominated stallion will receive a free entry in the PHCG Futurity Program (in one of the classes Futurity Halter Weanling, Futurity Pleasure or Futurity Reining) for the offspring of his choice from the corresponding SSSP year. The free entry cannot be transferred to another SSSP year and expires if it is not used. However, any advertised office fee has to be paid.

II. Futurity and Maturity Rules

§ 1 Eligibility

1. Any Paint Horse registered with the APHA is eligible to compete if owner and/or exhibitor is a current member of the PHCG and the sire is nominated to the PHCG Futurity u. Maturity program for its breeding/birth year. Current lists of the nominated stallions are published on the internet and can be requested at the PHCG office.
2. Only offspring born in Europe is eligible for the program.
3. The horses exhibited must be presented with natural facial hair.
4. Individual offspring born in Europe of unpaid stallions can be paid into the SSSP program as of the birth year 2008. This is only possible until December, 31 of the year in which the horse has completed the second year of life. The fees for the subsequent deposits are 1.5 fees as a foal, 1.75 fees as a yearling and 2 nomination fees that would have been required in the breeding year.

§ 2 Entry regulations

1. The announcement of the respective PHCG Futurity and Maturity will be published on the PHCG website in time before the show takes place. A staggered entry deadline with additional fees added to the entry fees is possible. The entry is considered on time if the entry fee and the Office Charge are paid at the entry deadline. The detailed version of the announcement will be determined by the Futurity Management. When submitting the entry, a copy of the APHA paper must be enclosed. If the foal has not been registered at the time of the entry deadline, a copy of the completed Registration Application Form must be enclosed.
2. With the entry, proof of PHCG membership for owner and exhibitor is required. In case of a joint ownership of the entered horse, the PHCG membership of a co-owner is considered sufficient.

§ 3 Entry fee

1. The entry fee is 100,00 Euro. The PHCG Delegates Meeting votes upon changes of that amount. The amount is required to be calculated that it proportionally covers the costs of carrying out the futurity and maturity classes (judges, ribbons, trophies, etc.).
2. The Entry Fee and Office Charge must be received by the PHCG by the entry deadline.
3. Participants whose entry fee and office charge have not been paid in full by the entry deadline or whose check is not covered are excluded from the start.
4. To enter with a free-entry, the confirmation for the provision of the free-start by the stallion-nominator must be provided.

§ 4 Show Rules

1. The PHCG Futurity and PHCG Maturity classes are being judged by at least 2 APHA or AQHA approved judges. The scores or placements are added, the horse with the highest total score is the winner. In riding classes with 20 or more horses, a final run of the 10 highest ranked horses (plus eventual Ties) will be held. Ties in the final run will be decided by the tie judge.

Tie judges are determined by show management and posted in good time before classes start.

The judges must be announced at least 1 day before the classes are held and may only be changed in case of emergency (for example a judge's illness).

2. The Halter classes of the Weanling Futurity are divided into Early and Late classes if there are more than 10 entries in each gender class. If the gender class gets divided into Early and Late, the Futurity Manager will determine the class affiliation of the entered foals on the basis of birthdate and number of those horses.
3. The PHCG reserves the right to take doping tests in the Futurity and Maturity classes. If a doping test is reported positive, the affected (owners and exhibitors) are being summoned to a hearing. After the hearing, the executive board decides on the punishment that is to be imposed.

Possible measures may be:

- Fines from € 1,000.00 to € 2,000.00
- Acquisition of the costs for the doping test
- Withdrawal of titles
- repayment of prize money or return of won prizes
- Banning of horse and owner and / or rider for participation in Futurity / Maturity classes for up to 12 months

Doping sinners are published in the club magazine. Forbidden are all substances according to FN catalog and APHA list.

4. In addition, the rules of the current APHA rulebook and the clipping conditions of the PHCG apply to all PHCG Futurity / Maturity classes.

§ 5 Prize money

1. The total prize money of the Futurity / Maturity is composed as follows:
Proceeds of the PHCG Select Stallion Program of the year of payment
 - minus costs for the stallion catalog (club magazine and internet)
 - minus administrative expenses (such as office supplies, postage, internet, telephone etc.)
 - plus interest income

The distribution of the total prize money results from the distribution key decided for the respective payment year, which includes both the classes and the age groups.

40% of the total prize money will be paid out to the weanlings in the futurity classes in the year following the deposit. The remaining 60% will be carried forward for 3 to 5 years until the

foals of the respective year can be presented at the age of 3 or 4 in the Western Pleasure Futurity and at 4- or 5-year old in the Reining Futurity.

The owner receives 90% of the calculated payout, 10% is paid to the breeder of the horse. The amount of the prize money is determined by the following payout schedule:

Nominations	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+
Placement										
1	100,00%	60,00%	50,00%	40,00%	38,00%	36,00%	34,00%	32,00%	30,00%	30,00%
2		40,00%	30,00%	30,00%	28,00%	26,00%	24,00%	22,00%	20,00%	20,00%
3			20,00%	20,00%	19,00%	18,00%	16,00%	16,00%	15,00%	15,00%
4				10,00%	10,00%	10,00%	10,00%	10,00%	10,00%	10,00%
5					5,00%	6,00%	8,00%	8,00%	8,00%	8,00%
6						4,00%	6,00%	6,00%	6,00%	5,00%
7							2,00%	4,00%	5,00%	5,00%
8								2,00%	4,00%	4,00%
9									2,00%	2,00%
10										1,00%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

The Futurity Manager is entitled to increase the distributions by obtaining sponsorship funds / sponsorship prices.

§ 6 Futurity and Maturity classes

The classes are divided into two categories: halter and performance classes. Furthermore, the program is broken down into the different age groups.

- Foal: Weanling Halter Futurity
Champion of Champions (determined from the up to 4 first places)
- Yearling: Yearling Halter Maturity
- 2 year old: 2-Year Old Halter Maturity
- 3 years old: Western Pleasure Futurity
- 4 years old: Western Pleasure Futurity, Reining Futurity
- 5 years old: Reining Futurity, Trail Maturity, Hunter Under Saddle Maturity,
Western Pleasure Maturity
- 6 years old: Reining Maturity, Trail Maturity, Hunter Under Saddle Maturity,
Western Pleasure Maturity
- 7 years old: Reining Maturity

§ 7 Miscellaneous

Changes to the conditions of the PHCG Futurity and Maturity, as well as the PHCG Select Stallion Service Program will be voted upon by the PHCG Delegates Meeting and will become valid two years after the decision, when the offspring of the stallions nominated according to the new rules are eligible to start.