

**DELTA DOWNS RACETRACK CASINO & HOTEL**  
**2717 DELTA DOWNS DRIVE, VINTON, LOUISIANA 70668**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The nominator represents that he/she and all persons for whom he/she are acting have read and are familiar with the rules of racing and regulations of the Louisiana State Racing Commission and the race meeting conditions and agrees to be bound by and comply with the acts and decisions of the Louisiana State Racing Commission and Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel and that all animals shall be subject to the same and to the acts and decisions of the race officials, and agrees to be bound by the following terms and conditions. All stable reservations and entries in stakes and all other races are received and accepted subject to all conditions, rules and regulations of the Louisiana State Racing Commission and Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel.

**ELIGIBILITY AND NOMINATIONS**

Nominations or subscriptions may be refused or cancelled without liability by Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel at any time prior to the actual running thereof, except for the return of any nomination and entry fees paid. Nomination to the race does not guarantee a stall for the nominated horse. An Advertising/Clerical fee of 5% will be deducted from all monies excluding added money. Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel reserve the right (at their discretion) to cancel, postpone, or transfer a race to another track for any reason, which it deems good and sufficient.

The United States Postal Service stamp indicating the date of mailing shall be final as to the validity of any payment to this race, with the exception of the final supplemental payment, which must be cash or cashier check; this payment must be on account with the HBPA – Horsemen’s Bookkeeper before a horse is entered in the trials prior to closing of entries. Checks returned to Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel no account or insufficient funds shall constitute non-payment of nomination or sustaining fee and shall be cause for cancellation of the entry or entries and forfeiture of any fees previously paid. However, the final decision in all matters pertaining to the eligibility of horses in trials or finals shall rest with the Board of Stewards.

**PURSE DISTRIBUTION**

The purse plus all nomination, sustaining and supplemental nomination fees will be distributed as follows: 1st, 50%; 2nd, 17%; 3rd, 10%; 4th, 7%; 5th, 6%; 6th, 2%; 7th, 2%; 8th, 2%; 9th, 2%; 10th, 2%.

**ELIMINATION TRIALS**

The number of horses in each trial will be decided by the Management. The trials shall be raced under the same conditions as the stake. The ten fastest qualifiers shall be selected from the trials to participate in the finals. At the discretion of Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel the trial races may be divided and held on separate race days. The horses having the five fastest times during the first day of the trials and the horses having the five fastest times during the second day of the trials will qualify for the finals. There will be no “Also Eligible List”. Should a horse which has qualified for the finals be ruled ineligible to be entered by the Board of Stewards, or should the Stewards scratch a horse from the race for a rule violation, prior to entry to the finals, such horse will be ineligible for any purse money. The next non-qualifier from the trials with the fastest time, shall replace the disqualified horse. If a horse is ruled ineligible for a rule violation after entry for the finals then such purse money will be paid to the other qualifiers according to purse distribution percentages. However, if a horse qualifying for the finals is scratched or ineligible to enter the finals for reasons other than a rule violation, the horse will receive last place purse money; if two or more horses are involved, in the finals, then the last place purse monies in that race shall be added together and divided equally between the owners of those horses.

Horses qualify on the basis of time and order of finish in trials. The finish times of horses in trial races are determined only to the extent of the timer. Should two or more horses have the same qualifying time (to the extent of the timer) for the final qualifying position(s), a draw by random lot will be conducted under the supervision of the Board of Stewards. The sole exception of the preceding is when two or more horses have identical times in the same trial race. Then the order of finish shall also determine preference in qualifying for the finals. Should mechanical failure occur with the electrical timer on any trial, finalists from that trial will be determined by official hand timing. Should a horse be disqualified, he will be given the time of the horse he is immediately placed behind plus 1/1000 of a second. The decision of the Stewards in all matters shall be final and entries are accepted only on the condition that those persons nominating and/or starting a horse in the trials and/or stakes agree to abide by their decisions. All trial rules or new rules adopted by the Louisiana State Racing Commission supersede any conditions of this race. Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel reserve the right to hold trials on this race as non-wagering races or at their discretion Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel reserve the right to move the starting gate between trial races to renovate the racetrack.

Starters in the elimination trials shall be limited to horses, which have started at meets approved by the American Quarter Horse Association, or horses which meet the qualifying rules established by Delta Downs Racetrack Casino & Hotel. There shall be no refund of nomination or sustaining payments for horses, which fail to meet these qualifications