

Horse/Mini Horse Pull Contests – July 2

Mini Horse Pull
Lightweight Horse Pull
Heavyweight Horse Pull

Rules for Mini Horse Pulls

1. Premiums – Each team to receive an equal share of the prize money. \$600 for each Class.
2. \$5 Entry fee for each team to be added to the prize money.
3. Ribbons will be awarded through 4th place.
4. HEALTH – All minis must have required health documentation upon arriving on the fair grounds.
5. Mini team must pull a distance of 10' for a full pull.
6. The pulling track will be 15 feet wide.
7. Team will have 3 attempts at each load; with the option to pass the 2nd and 3rd attempts. Teams must stay hitched for the 2nd attempt unless there is not ample space provided.
8. If a 3rd attempt is necessary, teamster will have the choice of direction given there is ample space provided.
9. Teams will be allowed 3 tries to hitch to the sled per attempt. Over 3 tries will result in loss of attempt and no distance will be given for that attempt.
10. If the team is unsuccessful to make a full pull, the greatest distance will be their placing distance.
11. If there is a tie in distances, the next greatest distance will be the placing distance.
12. Each teamster will be permitted two helpers.
13. Any whipping, line slapping, smacking, kicking, etc. will result in the teamster being immediately ejected from the competition with no distance given for that load.
14. Teamster and helper may not be ahead of the double trees or it shall result in loss of attempt with no distance given for that attempt.
15. No open faced bridles are to be used. If open faced bridles are used, the team will not be allowed to participate in the competition.
16. Drivers or helpers may not head the horses at any time while they are in pulling area except if there are problems with the horses and/or harness. If the teamster or helper does have to head the horses, the teamster must take the team back outside the pulling area and return in.
17. Drivers will be allowed to call on the team; excluding profane or offensive language.
18. Drivers that lose control of the team during any point of the pull will be ejected from the competition and no distance for that load will be given.
19. In case of a breakdown before team is hitched to the sled, the teamster will be allotted time to fix it. The pull will proceed and that teamster will move to the end of the order for that load.
20. In case of a breakdown while the team is hitched to the sled, the teamster will be permitted to unhook to fix it and the distance for that pull will stand. The teamster will automatically forfeit their 2nd attempt if breakdown occurs during the 1st attempt.
21. There will be no switching of drivers after the 2nd load. If a change in drivers is necessary the judges must be informed prior to the team hitching for their 1st attempt on the 2nd load.

Mini Horse Pull

Measurement: Three classes of minis will be pulled, classes being as follows

- A. 34" and under – Minis will be measured with their feet set squarely under their body and to the last mane hair. The maximum height for this class will be 35 3/8" WITH SHOES. Unshod minis will be measured with their feet set squarely under their body and to the last mane hair with the maximum height being 34".
- B. 34" to 36" – Minis will be measured with their feet set squarely under their body and to the last mane hair. The maximum height for this class will be 37 3/8" WITH SHOES. Unshod minis will be measured with their feet set squarely under their body and to the last mane hair with the maximum height being 36".
- C. 36" to 38" – Minis will be measured with their feet set squarely under their body and to the last mane hair. The maximum height for this class will be 39 3/8" WITH SHOES. Unshod minis will be measured with their feet set squarely under their body and to the last mane hair with the maximum height being 38".

ALL minis will be required to measure before entering the contest.

Premiums for Lightweight and Heavyweight pulls: 1st - \$250, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$160, 4th - \$140, 5th - 90, 6th - 80, 7th - 70, 8th - 60, 9th - \$50, 10th - \$40, \$20 merit money