

# 2017 NRHA EUROPEAN DERBY CONDITIONS

**81,000€ ADDED OPEN SINGLE PURSE\***

**35,000€ ADDED NON PRO SINGLE PURSE\***

\*Subject to change based on nominations

## EVENT CONDITIONS

1. To be held 1-5 November 2017 in Chassieu, France.
2. For four, five, six and seven-year-old horses – Open to all breeds – Entry must be named and licensed at the time of entry. See the current *NRHA Handbook* for information on how the age of a horse is determined. All four, five, six and seven (4,5,6 and 7) year-old horses must be paid in full in the NRHA Nomination Program. See Nomination conditions for complete details.
3. Owners and riders must be current NRHA members.
4. **PAYMENT OF FEES**: Complete payment information will be included on the entry form. It is the owner's responsibility to make the entry on or before the due date. Show Management will not be responsible for entries not received by the due date or lost in the mail. An entry check returned due to insufficient funds will constitute an incomplete entry. Failure to pay applies to the rider, owner, or agent for any unpaid debts, related to the entry, exhibition, showing, stalling, or any related fee of an entry at an approved NRHA event. Agent is defined as anyone who acts and/or signs on the behalf of an owner or rider (see General Rules and Regulations, F. Failure to pay in the current *NRHA Handbook*).
5. **TRANSFERS BETWEEN DERBIES**: An entry may transfer from the Open to Non Pro Derby by paying a 25€ penalty. All entry payments will be applied to Non Pro entry fees and refunds will be granted. If the entry is transferred after 4 October 2017 but by 5pm two days prior to the go round, the entry will be within a group to run prior to the regularly drawn horses in the reverse order they are received.

An entry may transfer from the Non Pro to the Open Derby by paying a 25€ penalty. All entry payments will be applied to Open entry fees and any additional fees owed must be paid to compete. If the entry is transferred after 4 October 2017 but by 5pm two days prior to the go round, the entry will be within a group to run prior to the regularly drawn horses in the reverse order they are received.

The deadline to transfer between derbies is 5pm two days prior to the first go round.

6. **SCRATCHES**: The show secretary must be notified if an entry will be scratched. If the scratched entry has a balance due, that amount must still be paid. Do not at any time stop payment of entry fees or late fees with your financial institution.

7. **REFUNDS**: Refund of 50% of the entry fees paid will be refunded for horses entered and scratched for medical reasons only. Supporting letters of a veterinarian must accompany the scratch notices. Scratch notices received without veterinarian statements will not receive any refunds
8. **THE SHOW Retainage** for the Derby will be 50%, in addition to the standard 5% NRHA show fee deduction.
9. **NRHA COMPETITION LICENSE**: All horses competing in NRHA approved competition will be required to have a competition license. A completed competition license application must accompany the entry if not previously applied for. A photocopy of breed registration papers must accompany application for registered horses. For non-registered horses, color photographs showing full left and right sides and full front and back views, specifically showing all marks of identification, must be submitted with the application. Owners are required to be members of NRHA prior to completing the license process.
10. **SUBSTITUTION / TRANSFER OF ENTRY**: Substitutions of horses/entries will be permitted after 4 October 2017 but must be completed before 5pm two days prior to the first go round, a penalty of 10% of the entry fee will apply
11. **CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP**: An entered horse may change ownership and retain entry status under the new owner provided that the transfer of the NRHA Competition License is complete and the new owner is a member of the National Reining Horse Association.
12. **PAYEE**: Prize money will be paid to the owner as recorded in the NRHA database at the start of the event or designated agent. Taxes may be deducted as national laws dictate. If the horse is transferred during the show, the previous owner and the new owner must complete an Authorization of Prize Money Payment Form.
13. Owners may enter more than one horse. A horse may be entered only once per Derby (Open or Non Pro). Riders may ride no more than three horses per Derby.
14. **RIDERS**: Rider for horses entered in the Open Derby must be designated no later than 4 October. If the Rider Designation is not received by 4 October 2017, the rider will be indicated as "Rider Not Designated" and NRHA is not responsible for draw positions closer than the conditions specify. In the Open draw, NRHA will attempt to separate horses with a common rider by at least twenty (20) horses or highest number possible. In the Non Pro draw, NRHA will attempt to separate horses with a common rider or owner by at least twenty (20) horses or highest number possible.
15. **JUDGES**: All decisions of the judges are final. There will be five (5) judges placed at different points in the arena for the Derby; the high score and low score will be eliminated with only the total of the remaining three (3) scores used to determine the final score. A pre-check will be utilized.

2 Point Penalty Review: During the NRHA Open and Non Pro European Derby, the judges will be allowed to review 2 point penalties for break of gait, jogging more than 2 strides and freeze ups as long as more than 1 judge has called the penalty 2.

16. **JUDGES FEES**: The Judges fee of 100€ is due at the time entry is made.
17. **CLASSES** will be operated in accordance with NRHA rules. The NRHA Officers and Board of Directors reserve the right to interpret these rules and regulations. All decisions will be final. By way of making an entry, the exhibitor is assuming responsibility for knowledge of NRHA rules and releases NRHA and its officers, directors, employees and Show Management from any claims or losses.
18. **CONDITION CHANGES**: The NRHA Board of Directors reserves the right to interpret, modify or amend conditions for the NRHA European Derby. If requiring immediate attention, those rights will be deferred to the Executive Committee.
19. **RIGHT TO CANCEL**: The NRHA reserves the right to cancel this event without notice at any time prior to the show without liability, but in such event will return all entry money to the subscribers. Interest earned on the entries is the property of the National Reining Horse Association.

Entries received are subject to the right of the NRHA Executive Committee to refuse the entry without notice to the subscriber. Acceptance of the entry is based on the representations made on the entry form. Decisions of the Executive Committee will be final.

Riders are responsible to know and adhere to eligibility requirements for NRHA events. A rider who enters an event or division in which he/she is ineligible, will forfeit all winnings and entry fees to the NRHA, and be subject to disciplinary action by the NRHA Board of Directors for unsportsmanlike conduct as set forth in the *NRHA Handbook*. The rider is responsible for the entry information regardless of whether the form is completed by the agent or owner.

20. Show management reserves the right to discipline any person that it concludes has abused or permitted abusive behavior against a horse, or engaged in unsportsmanlike conduct toward show management, judges or exhibitors. Discipline may include official warning, elimination from competition or any other action deemed appropriate by the Show Management.
21. **The restricted European eligibility will apply for the Derby classes.**
22. **Animal Welfare and Medications Testing**  
All horses entered in the NRHA European Futurity are subject to examination. Please refer to the NRHA European Region Animal Welfare and Medications policy for details on the Animal Welfare and Medications Rule. It is not NRHA's intention to conflict with rules and regulations of states, provinces or countries in regards to medications. In cases, where NRHA shows are held in states, provinces or countries with medications rules and regulations, the rules and regulations of the state, province or country take precedence. Consequently the show is submitted to FEI Rules of Reining. The treatment of horses with foreign substances or drugs, that are not allowed according to the doping laws of the FEI and/or the country of France are prohibited.

### **23. Finalist schedule**

The tiers calculation system will be used to run the first go and take the finalists.

Tiers are calculated blocks (four blocks : one for each Level) within the placing of a class that determine the lowest place available to a rider. Any level rider can place in a tier above their ranking. Riders will be eliminated from the final if they finish below their eligibility tier.

The total number of finalists will be determined by how many entries are in the first go. 50% of the total entries will be divided amongst 4 tiers. If equal spots are not possible the remaining spots will be allocated one at a time starting with tier 4 and working in descending order. The European Council may adjust the allocation based on entries.

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If a Level 4 rider does not qualify in one of the spots in tier 4 then he/she would be eliminated in the first go, etc. If their score allows, riders of a lower level of eligibility can qualify in higher tiers, taking one of those spots from a higher level rider.

No consolation classes Open or Non Pro will be run.

The finals run as a clean state.

The drawlist of the final will be fixed random but the highest scores from the first go will run in a separate section.

#### **Payout Open Level 1,2,3 & 4 Non Pro Level 1,2,3 & 4**

The entire payout purse will be used for the finals. One purse is available for everyone to compete for (independently of eligibility division). Payouts are calculated on the base of the highest score.

All horses that advance to finals will receive a paycheck (exception: No Scores).

A guaranteed payout will be assigned to the winner (see Open and Non Pro conditions for details)

Updated as of October 26, 2017

Payout schedule C will be used (first row finalists number):

	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
16,56%	16,30%	15,98%	15,77%	15,48%	15,30%	15,04%	14,88%	14,63%	14,51%	14,29%	14,17%	13,99%	13,88%	13,70%	13,61%	13,44%	
10,48%	10,27%	10,03%	9,85%	9,64%	9,49%	9,30%	9,16%	9,00%	8,88%	8,72%	8,62%	8,48%	8,39%	8,26%	8,18%	8,06%	
7,38%	7,20%	7,00%	6,84%	6,67%	6,54%	6,39%	6,27%	6,13%	6,03%	5,91%	5,81%	5,70%	5,62%	5,52%	5,45%	5,35%	
5,76%	5,60%	5,43%	5,29%	5,15%	5,02%	4,89%	4,78%	4,67%	4,57%	4,47%	4,38%	4,29%	4,21%	4,13%	4,06%	3,98%	
4,89%	4,74%	4,59%	4,46%	4,34%	4,22%	4,11%	4,00%	3,90%	3,81%	3,72%	3,64%	3,55%	3,48%	3,41%	3,34%	3,27%	
4,39%	4,25%	4,12%	4,00%	3,89%	3,78%	3,67%	3,58%	3,49%	3,40%	3,32%	3,24%	3,16%	3,09%	3,02%	2,96%	2,90%	
4,07%	3,95%	3,83%	3,72%	3,61%	3,51%	3,42%	3,33%	3,24%	3,16%	3,08%	3,01%	2,94%	2,87%	2,81%	2,75%	2,69%	
3,85%	3,74%	3,63%	3,53%	3,43%	3,34%	3,25%	3,17%	3,09%	3,01%	2,94%	2,87%	2,80%	2,74%	2,68%	2,62%	2,56%	
3,67%	3,57%	3,48%	3,38%	3,30%	3,21%	3,13%	3,05%	2,98%	2,90%	2,84%	2,77%	2,71%	2,65%	2,59%	2,53%	2,48%	
3,52%	3,43%	3,35%	3,26%	3,18%	3,10%	3,03%	2,96%	2,89%	2,82%	2,76%	2,69%	2,63%	2,57%	2,52%	2,47%	2,42%	
3,38%	3,30%	3,23%	3,15%	3,08%	3,01%	2,94%	2,87%	2,81%	2,75%	2,69%	2,63%	2,57%	2,52%	2,47%	2,41%	2,37%	
3,25%	3,18%	3,11%	3,05%	2,98%	2,92%	2,86%	2,79%	2,74%	2,68%	2,62%	2,57%	2,51%	2,46%	2,41%	2,37%	2,32%	
3,11%	3,06%	3,00%	2,94%	2,89%	2,83%	2,78%	2,72%	2,67%	2,61%	2,56%	2,51%	2,46%	2,41%	2,37%	2,32%	2,28%	
2,98%	2,94%	2,89%	2,84%	2,80%	2,74%	2,70%	2,64%	2,60%	2,55%	2,50%	2,45%	2,41%	2,36%	2,32%	2,27%	2,23%	
2,85%	2,82%	2,79%	2,74%	2,71%	2,66%	2,62%	2,57%	2,53%	2,48%	2,44%	2,40%	2,35%	2,31%	2,27%	2,23%	2,19%	
2,72%	2,70%	2,68%	2,64%	2,61%	2,57%	2,54%	2,50%	2,46%	2,42%	2,38%	2,34%	2,30%	2,26%	2,23%	2,19%	2,15%	
2,59%	2,58%	2,57%	2,54%	2,52%	2,49%	2,46%	2,42%	2,39%	2,36%	2,32%	2,28%	2,25%	2,21%	2,18%	2,14%	2,11%	
2,46%	2,46%	2,46%	2,44%	2,43%	2,40%	2,38%	2,35%	2,33%	2,29%	2,26%	2,23%	2,20%	2,16%	2,13%	2,10%	2,07%	
2,33%	2,34%	2,35%	2,34%	2,34%	2,32%	2,30%	2,28%	2,26%	2,23%	2,20%	2,17%	2,15%	2,11%	2,09%	2,06%	2,03%	
2,21%	2,22%	2,25%	2,25%	2,25%	2,24%	2,23%	2,21%	2,19%	2,16%	2,14%	2,12%	2,09%	2,07%	2,04%	2,01%	1,99%	
2,08%	2,11%	2,14%	2,15%	2,16%	2,15%	2,15%	2,13%	2,12%	2,10%	2,09%	2,06%	2,04%	2,02%	1,99%	1,97%	1,95%	
1,95%	1,99%	2,03%	2,05%	2,07%	2,07%	2,07%	2,06%	2,05%	2,04%	2,03%	2,01%	1,99%	1,97%	1,95%	1,92%	1,90%	
1,82%	1,87%	1,92%	1,95%	1,97%	1,98%	1,99%	1,99%	1,99%	1,97%	1,97%	1,95%	1,94%	1,92%	1,90%	1,88%	1,86%	
1,70%	1,75%	1,81%	1,85%	1,88%	1,90%	1,91%	1,91%	1,92%	1,91%	1,91%	1,90%	1,89%	1,87%	1,86%	1,84%	1,82%	
	1,63%	1,72%	1,75%	1,79%	1,81%	1,84%	1,84%	1,85%	1,85%	1,85%	1,84%	1,83%	1,82%	1,81%	1,79%	1,78%	
		1,61%	1,66%	1,70%	1,73%	1,76%	1,77%	1,78%	1,78%	1,79%	1,78%	1,78%	1,77%	1,76%	1,75%	1,74%	
			1,56%	1,61%	1,64%	1,68%	1,70%	1,72%	1,72%	1,73%	1,73%	1,73%	1,72%	1,72%	1,71%	1,70%	
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						1,44%	1,47%	1,51%	1,53%	1,55%	1,56%	1,57%	1,58%	1,58%	1,58%	1,58%	
							1,42%	1,45%	1,47%	1,50%	1,51%	1,52%	1,53%	1,53%	1,53%	1,53%	
								1,38%	1,41%	1,44%	1,45%	1,47%	1,48%	1,49%	1,49%	1,49%	
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## 25. Awards Tropies / Level Champions

The Level 4 Champion will be the rider with the highest score

The Level 3 Champion will be the next highest score that is not a Level 4 rider.

The Level 2 Champion will be the next highest score that is not a Level 3 or Level 4 rider.

The Level 1 Champion will be the highest placing Level 1 rider that has not already been named Champion of another Level

## 26. Ties

In the event that there is a tie in the placing's the money associated with those placing will be added together and split equally between the tying riders.

When two or more equally ranked riders tie for level champion they may choose to have a run off to determine a winner or elect to be co-champions.

Certain situations require that ties be broken :

- In a tie that must be broken situation the higher ranked riders with the same score as the lower ranked riders will be awarded the higher placing's
- When riders of different ranks tie to be a level champion the win will go to the higher ranked rider. The lower ranked rider will then be named champion of the next level down.
- In the event that there is a tie that crosses the tier levels that involves more higher ranked riders than there are higher tier spots it is determined that tie must be broken. Again the tie go's to the higher ranked riders and they split the money available in the fewer corresponding spots in their tier. The lower ranked rider/riders take the full spots below those.

## **EUROPEAN OPEN DERBY CONDITIONS** **81,000€ ADDED SINGLE PURSE OPEN DERBY\***

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1. All European Derby event conditions 1 through 26 shall apply.
2. The entry and judge fees is payable in 1 payment on or before **4** October 2017, See below for appropriate fees

Levels to Enter	Entry fee	Judges fee	Total
1,2,3,4	€ 400,00	€ 90,00	€ 490,00

3. LATE ENTRIES: If the entry is not made before **5** October 2017, the following late fees will apply:

Levels to Enter	Late Fee October 5 – 2 days prior
1,2,3,4	€ 100,00

Those entries received after **4 October** 2017 until 5pm, 2 days prior to the first go round will be considered post entries and will be included in a group preceding the regular draw order in the reverse order that they are received.

4. Entry into the Level 3, 2 or 1 Open division will be automatic based upon rider eligibility. Please see the European Eligibility Policy for eligibility requirements. For members giving up Non Pro cards please refer to the Non Pro conditions in the current *NRHA Handbook*.
5. **LEVEL 4,3,2,1 OPEN DIVISION** : The total Open purse will have 81,000€ added. The entry fees less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction, will be added back; with 100% going to the finals. The total purse will be available to each rider no matter of the Level he is eligible. The Open division will consist of one go round, and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
6. **OPEN DIVISION FINALIST AND PAYOUTS**: The number of finalist advancing to the finals and and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #23 and #24.
7. A guaranteed payout of 18.000€ will be assigned to the winner of the Open final

## EUROPEAN NON PRO DERBY CONDITIONS

### 35,000€ ADDED SINGLE PURSE NON PRO DERBY\*

\*Subject to change based on nominations

1. All European Derby event conditions 1 through 26 shall apply.
2. Non Pro entries must qualify under the Non Pro definition and Non Pro ownership definition as stated in the current *NRHA Handbook*. All riders are responsible to know and adhere to eligibility requirements for NRHA events. Acceptance of the entry by the show secretary is based upon the representation made on the entry form regardless of who completes said form.
3. The entry and judge fees is payable in 1 payment on or before **4 October 2017**, See below for appropriate fees

Levels to Enter	Entry fee	Judges fee	Total
1,2,3,4	€ 200,00	€ 90,00	€ 290,00

4. **LATE ENTRIES**: If the entry is not made before **5 October 2017**, the following late fees will apply:

Levels to Enter	Late Fee October 5 – 2 days prior
1,2,3,4	€ 100,00

Those entries received after **4 October** 2017 until 5pm, 2 days prior to the first go round will be considered post entries and will be included in a group preceding the regular draw order in the reverse order that they are received.

5. Entry into the Level 3, 2 or 1 Open division will be automatic based upon rider eligibility. Please see the European Eligibility Policy for eligibility requirements. For members giving up Non Pro cards please refer to the Non Pro conditions in the current *NRHA Handbook*.
6. **LEVEL 4,3,2,1 NON PRO DIVISION:** The Non Pro Division purse will have 35,000€ added. The entry fees less the 50% show retainage fee and the standard 5% show fee deduction, will be added back; with 100% going to the finals. The total purse will be available to each rider no matter of the Level he is eligible.  
The Non Pro Derby will consist of one go round and a finals. The winner will be determined by the finals score.
7. **NON PRO DIVISION FINALIST AND PAYOUTS:** The number of finalist advancing to the finals and finals payouts will be determined by the schedule outlined in event conditions #23 and #24.
8. A guaranteed payout of 7.500€ will be assigned to the winner of the Non Pro final