VERSATILITY RANCH HORSE

AQHA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Competitor Information

- The AQHA/Pfizer Versatility Ranch Horse World Championship will be held March 1-3, 2012 in Houston, Texas as part of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.
- Fees are as follows:
  - $600 per entry (Open or Amateur)
  - $70 cattle charge per entry
  - $40 office charge per entry
  - $25 drug testing fee per horse
  - $10 one time charge per owner purchases two exhibitor badges and three parking passes.
    - Exhibitors do not need a pass to ride – passes are used to go in the arena. Additional passes can be purchased at the door for $7 a day or $25 for a pass to cover the whole stock show can be purchased in the horse show office.
- Entry deadline will be February 10, 2012.
  - You can enter from February 11 thru February 25, with a $1,000 penalty fee, but if your entry is late, none of your information will be included in the program.
- Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the competition, both for the Amateur and Open.
- Payout will consist of the entire $600 entry fee, plus $6,500 added money in the Open Division and $3,500 added in the Amateur Division. (for details of the payout schedule, see the enclosed chart). Checks will be sent once we receive drug testing results.
- You may bring your own feed, or purchase it at the feed office on the grounds.
- Stalls are $75 per stall, and that fee is a one-time fee per stall, no matter the length of time you stay.
  - The number of stalls you can rent is unlimited.
  - Stalls will be located in the same building as the Reliant Arena, which is where all classes will be held. There is also a warm-up arena in that building.
  - Stalls will be pre-bedded with pine sawdust. The dust was chosen over larger flaked shavings, as there is concrete underneath, and the dust provides more cushion/comfort for the horse. You cannot bring in your own bedding, but can purchase additional shavings at the facility.
- Move in will begin at 3 p.m. on February 29, and you must be out by 10 p.m. on March 3.
  - There will be people available to let you on the grounds 24 hours a day.
  - A written release from the Stalling Office must be secured on animals, tack, trailers, etc. before being released. Positive identification including driver's license and license plate number for both vehicle and trailer will be required to secure release.
- Upon arrival, inspectors will require a current, original health certificate, dated within 30 days on each horse you bring. For Coggins, if you have an original health certificate, you must also have an original negative coggins paper THAT CONTAINS THE HORSE'S MARKINGS dated within the last 12 months. If, instead of a health certificate, you have an equine passport, the coggins THAT CONTAINS THE HORSE'S MARKINGS must be dated within the last six months. Please, please ensure the coggins has the horse's markings, or your horse will be quarantined right then. Also, your should have a report of negative *equine piroplasmosis* (see enclosed sheet).
- Although you don't need it to get on the grounds, be sure to bring your horse's registration certificate (original or copy) in order to pick up your packet that contains your back numbers in the show office.
- DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE SHOW GROUNDS.
- There will be a hospitality room in the Reliant Arena building where you can go and eat breakfast and lunch for free. They will also provide free coffee, tea and water during the day. There will also be a free exhibitor's reception the evening of March 2 on the second floor of the Reliant Arena, so please set aside time….more details on the reception will be available at the time of check-in.

If you have questions regarding the facility, please don't hesitate to contact Stacy Mahurin at (832) 667-1130, or mahurin@rodeohouston.com. If you have questions regarding AQHA's rules or entries, please call Kim George at (806) 378-4338, or kgeorge@aqha.org.