# California Standardbred Sires Stakes Program

## No. 46 for 3- and 4-Year-Old Pacers, Foals of 2023

## Sponsor:

California Standardbred Sires Stakes Fund.

#### For:

Foals of 2023 / Yearlings of 2024 (subject to USTA foaling date rules.)

#### To Be Raced As:

Three-year-old pacers in 2026 and/or 4-year-old pacers in 2027. The California Standardbred Sires Stakes Committee, Inc. reserves the right to combine fields by sex and to revise purse structures.

#### To Be Raced At:

Races will be scheduled at California pari-mutuel harness meetings in 2026 and 2027. Dates for each year will be announced upon approval of the California Horse Racing Board. Scheduled race dates may be subject to change.

#### Added Money:

The California Standardbred Sires Stakes Fund will add purse funds as determined by the California Standardbred Sires Stakes Committee.

#### **Deductions:**

None

#### Race Entry Fee:

Entry fee will be stated by the CSSSC prior to time of entry. Standard entry fee will be \$300 due with declaration to start under the rules existing at track where raced.

## Refunds:

None.

#### **Nomination Fee:**

July 1, 2024 ......\$150

## Supplemental (late) Fee:

December 31, 2024 .....\$300

## **Checks Payable To:**

California Sires Stake No. 46 or CSSSC.

#### **Future Payments:**

July 1, 2025 ......\$250

To sustain as a 2-year-old. There are no supplemental provisions; if a foal is not nominated as a yearling, it is not eligible to participate in the stakes. All payments must be made by stated deadlines.

## **Yearling Eligibility:**

Yearling must be the offspring of a Standardbred stallion registered to stand in California, Iowa, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, or Wisconsin, or the Province of Alberta, Canada. Only one (1) embryo transfer or foal per dam per year may be made eligible.

Supplemental entries may be made to this stake on foals of 2023 by payment of \$300 by Dec. 31, 2024 in lieu of the July 1, 2024 nomination fee of \$150.

#### Gait:

The program is for pacers only.

#### **Breeder Awards:**

Ten (10) percent of the money earned by each horse shall be paid to the USTA registered breeder of said horse. Two (2) percent of the money earned by each horse shall be awarded to the owners of the registered California Standardbred stallion that sired horses that earned purse money in the California Standardbred sires stakes races (owner at time of mating). Payments will be made once a year: July 1st. Breeders must have a US taxpayer ID on file with the CSSSC to receive payment.

#### **Future Eligibility:**

All nominating and sustaining payments must be postmarked on or before the due date. A check for either a nominating or sustaining payment that is dishonored by the bank can result in the disqualification of a horse from future eligibility to the California Standardbred Sires Stakes Program. The California Standardbred Sires Stakes Committee shall decide the merits of a case involving bank error for a dishonored check. The California Standardbred Sires Stakes Program will, as a courtesy, make efforts to advise nominators of future sustaining payments but it is the responsibility of the owner of the eligible horse to ensure that future sustaining payments are made whether or not a notice has been received. Failing to make payment when due shall constitute automatic withdrawal from this stake.

## **Qualification of Starters:**

Qualifying times to be set as track standard with allowances by stewards per track conditions. All eligible must qualify or have raced at the host track per qualifying standards prior to sires stake events. Once a candidate has qualified, they remain eligible for sires stakes events. All eligible in qualifying races will be subject to pre- and/or post-racing testing. Stewards' time allowance for off track will be accepted. Any eligible on the starters list (for behavior at the gate) must re-qualify before entering any race or elimination.

#### **Racing Conditions:**

Each race will be one dash at one mile. If the number of horses declared into an event exceeds 10, the Horsemen's Agreement shall govern the specific conditions for starters in elimination and final races conducted by the racing association for Sires Stake Program No. 46. When elimination races are required, finals will be approximately six to eight days later and will be contested between horses that placed in elimination races as follows: 2 elimination races - first 5 placing; 3 elimination races - first 3 placing; 4 elimination races - first 2 placing; 5 elimination races - first 2 placing; 6 to 10 elimination races- first placing. The Sires Stakes Committee reserves the right to adjust said racing format.

## **Disqualification from Sires Stakes Events:**

- 1) If a detention barn is made available by the host track, failure to comply with the host track rules will result in disqualification from that Sires Stake Event.
- 2) Failure to pass standard CHRB and/or track testing for an event will result in disqualification in any placement or purse money in that Sires Stake event.

#### **Rules:**

Rules and Regulations of the California Horse Racing Board to govern.

## **Money Division:**

The following money division shall apply to all races and to all eliminations; except when CHRB laws are changed.

5	or more starters	.50%	25%	12%	8%	5%
4	starters	.50%	25%	12%	8%	
3	starters	.50%	25%	12%		
2	starters	.50%	25%			
1	starter	.50%				

## **Cancellation:**

Should circumstances prevent the racing of any advertised race or elimination race, the California Standardbred Sires Stakes Committee may transfer the race to another date or to another track on another date, or may declare the race off. In the event of a race being cancelled after nominations are taken, the portion of the purse derived from nomination, sustaining and entry fees will be refunded according to the rules of the California Horse Racing Board.

## **Make Checks Payable To:**

California Sires Stakes No. 46

## **Checks Mailed To:**

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