

2026-27 CDP/SRW TRACK RULES & REGULATIONS

PREAMBLE: These rules apply to overnight events. All stakes and added money events shall be governed by their own printed conditions. ALL races shall be governed by the rules set forth by the Maritime Provinces Harness Racing Commission and Standardbred Canada.

1. Under no circumstances will any profane or abusive language be directed towards an official or employee of Red Shores at Charlottetown Driving Park and/or Summerside Raceway. Violation of this directive will result in an immediate and indefinite suspension from any, and all, privileges associated with the Charlottetown Driving Park and Summerside Raceway.
2. Any violation or infraction deemed to be “not in the best interest of harness racing” is subject to suspension from any, and all, privileges associated with the Charlottetown Driving Park and Summerside Raceway.
3. Qualifying races will be scheduled weekly. There will be no additions after the box is closed.

PACERS	CDP	SRW
2 YO	2:08	2:08
3 YO	2:06	2:06
AGED	2:05	2:05
TROTTERS	CDP	SRW
2 YO	2:12	2:12
3 YO	2:10	2:10
AGED	2:07	2:07
AGED (MAIDEN)	2:09	2:09

4. The above standards are for races on a track classified as fast. Qualifying times may be subject to weather and track condition variances. Horses coming from another track may be accepted by the Race Secretary as long as the horse has met their qualifying time at their home track in their last start; the entry will be accepted for one start at CDP or SRW but must meet the qualifying time of the CDP or SRW in that one start or will be placed on the qualifying list. Also, the horse must not be on a qualifying list as recorded by Standardbred Canada or MPHRC at the time of the draw.
5. Horses in all events must be entered at the Race Secretary’s office, including telephone entries, no later than 9am, unless the time prescribed on the weekly condition sheet states differently. All horses racing as claimers must have a SC electronic claiming authorization & registration on file in Race Office at the time of declaration. Final driver changes are due by **3:30 pm on draw day**.
6. Race draws shall be completed on the following schedule (subject to change):
 - A) Monday for Thursday
 - B) Tuesday for Friday
 - C) Wednesday for Saturday
 - D) Thursday for Sunday/Monday
 - E) Friday for Tuesday/Wednesday
 - F) Old Home Week & Governor’s Plate Week draw schedules shall vary and will be posted.

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7. The Race Secretary may make time allowances for horses coming from another track when the last start was in adverse weather or track conditions provided by the variant of record. Races conducted at distance other than one (1) mile may or may not be used to determine eligibility.
8. Horses making a break in a qualifying race or the first start after qualifying, other than interference or equipment breaks, on a "fast" racetrack shall be required to qualify. (MPHRC Rule #155).
9. Any race where a horse makes a break on anything but a "fast" track, is considered a clean line. Any horse charted with three (3) consecutive breaks must qualify regardless of track condition. (MPHRC Rule #156).
10. The judges may require a horse to qualify at their discretion.
11. Horses scratched sick, lame or injured in two (2) consecutive starts shall be ordered to qualify.
12. Horses not going in qualifying time coming off a qualifying race will be required to qualify.
13. Any horse that has not raced in forty-five (45) days must qualify. (MPHRC Rule #161).
14. Horses causing a pari-mutuel refund may be required to qualify before entries will be accepted for future races.
15. Entries will not be accepted on horses causing two (2) mutuel refunds due to recalls at the current meet until they have qualified successfully on two (2) consecutive occasions.
16. Horses starting in three (3) consecutive qualifying races failing to meet the prescribed standards may not be allowed to start in future qualifying races for a minimum of thirty (30) days. This rule does not apply to 2 & 3 Year Old Trotters & Pacers competing in added money events. (MPHRC Rule #176 (4)).
17. Horses qualified to race with or without hobbles will be permitted to declare in to race with or without hobbles as an "equipment change" **without** having to qualify. **Must** be reported at time of declaration. (MPHRC Rule #154).
18. Eight (8) horses of separate ownership are required in all overnight events or the events may be cancelled at the track's discretion. Management may not permit more than three (3) horses with common ownership in any overnight race.
19. Stable entry standards shall be according to the rules and regulations outlined by the MPHRC. Red Shores reserves the rights to uncouple horses for pari-mutuel purposes.
20. In condition events, horses may not drop more than two (2) classes each start without the approval of the Race Secretary.
21. Horses winning two (2) consecutive starts in Preferred 1, Open Mares & Open Trot will draw the outside post for the next start. Horses winning three (3) consecutive starts in the above classes, will sit out one (1) overnight start. (At the discretion of the Race Secretary)
22. Purse Distribution for overnight races:
 - A) 1st place finisher – 50%
 - B) 2nd place finisher – 25%
 - C) 3rd place finisher – 12%
 - D) 4th place finisher – 8%
 - E) 5th place finisher – 5%
 - F) Money not distributed due to non-race finishers or lack of entries will be retained by the racetrack.
23. Red Shores will not allow non-competitive horses to be stabled on the grounds (this includes ponies). If you are allocated stalls, it is expected that it's for an active race horses.

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24. Smoking is NOT permitted inside the stabling barns, ship-in barn and/or paddock.
25. Smoking is NOT permitted on the racetrack surface within 2 hours prior to the 1st race post time. (MPHRC Rule #351).
26. All terms and conditions for stall rental are outlined in the Stall Rental Agreement
 - A) The allocation of stalls shall only be distributed to Standardbred Canada members with a valid MPHRC license.
 - B) Stall fees shall be paid by the 15th of each month.
 - C) All stall rent must be kept current – no race declarations will be accepted from those having outstanding stall rent.
27. Horsemen with unpaid obligations to Red Shores will not be permitted to enter horses to race until such obligations are paid in full.
28. The speed limit is 10 km/hr on roads between and around barns. Vehicles exceeding the limit shall be removed and denied further entry into the stable area. The barnyard is a **NO PARKING** zone.
29. The towing of horses is **not** permitted on CDP/SRW grounds and/or racing surface at any time.
30. Each horse entered to race may have two (2) persons only attending while in the Paddock. All attendants must be ten (10) years of age or older and licensed. (MPHRC Rule #98). The driver of said horse is not to be included in this number.
31. All spectators must stand behind the fence to view a race. Only horses warming up and racing, along with the respective trainers and drivers, may be allowed on the racetrack surface during the course of a race card.
32. Consumption of alcohol or use of any illegal drug is not permitted in the Paddock or ship-in barns. Any persons in control of a horse shall be subject to drug and alcohol screening. (MPHRC Rules Section 6.8.2).
33. All equipment, including driving helmets, race bikes, jog carts and blankets must be of clean appearance while on the racetrack surface, in the winner's circle and in the paddock. Equipment should be free of dirt and/or debris.
34. Equipment cards are to be kept on file with the Paddock Judge and must be signed by the trainer of record.
 - A) Any equipment changes **MUST** be made to the Race Office **1.5 hours (90 minutes)** prior to the first race post time. (11:30 pm for a 1 pm post time; 4:30 pm for a 6 pm post time; etc.). This applies to both **Charlottetown** and **Summerside** locations.
35. Certified helmets must be **worn** and **fastened** at all times when on the racetrack surface exercising, jogging, training, warming up and/or driving horses including getting to and from the barn area, paddock area and winner's circle. (MPHRC Rule #339 (1)). Violators of this rule will be subject to the following penalties (MPHRC Rule #339 (3)):
 - A) 1st offence - \$25.00 fine
 - B) 2nd offence - \$50.00 fine
 - C) 3rd offence – expulsion from driving, training or exercising any race horse
 - D) 4th offence – hearing with MPHRC possibly resulting in a fine and/or suspension
36. All persons warming up horses must wear training or driving colors, or a training suit approved by Red Shores Management. All grooms and trainers must be properly attired. Failure to wear racing colors when warming up a horse prior to racing or in a race will result in a \$50.00 fine. (MPHRC Rule #351 (3)). During inclement weather, drivers must wear rain

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suits either of their colors or transparent material through which colors can be seen. (MPHRC Rule #137 (1)).

37. Any person (s) in control of a racehorse must be a member in good standing with the MPHRC and/or Standardbred Canada. Unlicensed persons are not permitted on the racetrack surface in control of a horse.
38. Horses are to post parade in post-position order. Drivers will post parade horses along the outside fence and in order until released by the starter (CDP – past the grandstand; SRW – along entire backstretch). Horses needing to post parade at the back will require a vet certificate, sent to the race office prior to race day, and will require to communicate with the Paddock Judge that they are parading at the back and why.
39. Licensed members under fourteen (14) years of age are not permitted to warm up or post parade horses on race days.
40. Unless excused in advance by the Senior Judge, all horses are required to race from the Paddock Barn.
41. The driver of a horse is the only person permitted on the race bike during winner's presentations. Riding on the side of the race bike is **NOT** permitted on the racetrack surface.
42. Grooms must be present in winner's circle presentation; horses will be secured with a lead shank and all guest will stand at the back of the horse near the driver when attending winner's circle presentations.
43. Failure to return a paddock or ship-in stall in the same manner as it was given will result in a \$50.00 cleaning, maintenance, and repair fee. Racing privileges may be revoked until the fee is paid.
44. Use of a Lasix stall that has not been assigned to a horse will result in a \$50.00 fine. Use ship-in stalls that are assigned on the list posted before every race card.
45. All saddle pads must be returned to the appropriate bin in the stabling and/or paddock area at the Charlottetown location. Saddle pads in the Summerside location are to be returned to the number room they were picked up from. A loss of, or damage to, a saddle pad is the responsibility of the trainer of the horse assigned that number on a particular race. Failure to return a saddle pad may result in a written warning and subsequent \$50.00 fine.

All participants in racing at the Charlottetown Driving Park and Summerside Raceway (including trainers, owners, drivers and caretakers) shall abide by all the rules and regulations of Red Shores, Maritime Provinces Harness Racing Commission and Standardbred Canada in regard to the conduct of the race meeting.