

# Governor's Plate Invitational 2026

## Sponsor: Summerside Chrysler Dodge and Red Shores Racetrack & Casino

Open event for Pacers  
To be raced at Red Shores at Summerside Raceway

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Track</u>	<u>Purse</u>
<b>Eliminations</b>	Sunday, July 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	SRW	\$12,500
<b>Bob Dewar Consolation</b>	Saturday, July 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	SRW	\$20,000
<b>58<sup>th</sup> Governor's Plate Final</b>	Saturday, July 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	SRW	\$50,000

### Conditions:

1. All events conducted under the rules and regulations of the Atlantic Provinces Harness Racing Commission, Standardbred Canada and Red Shores.
2. This is an Invitational Event. Declarations are due Tuesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm (AST). The draw for the eliminations will take place Thursday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Horses must have a **MINIMUM of TWO** pari-mutuel starts in 2026 in the Maritimes as of July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to be eligible to declare into the Governors Plate.
3. All races will be at a distance of one (1) mile unless otherwise stated.
4. All starting positions shall be drawn electronically using the electronic draw system provided by Standardbred Canada, except the final which shall be drawn by lot under the supervision of an MPHRC Judge.
5. Purse distribution:
  - a. 5 or more starters: 50 — 25 — 12 — 8 — 5%;
  - b. 4 starters: 50 — 25 — 15 — 10%;
  - c. 3 starters: 60 — 30 — 10%;
  - d. 2 starters: 65 — 35%;
  - e. 1 starter: 100%
6. Red Shores requires six (6) separate betting interests to start in any event or it may be canceled.
7. Red Shores reserves the right to reject any entry and declare off any event if conditions warrant, call off any event not filling satisfactorily and place entries in their eligible class if entered incorrectly.
8. Should any unforeseeable conditions prevent the racing of this event, monies paid will be refunded. Red Shores reserves the right to carry races to a future race date subject to APHRC approval.
9. All horses shipping to Red Shores at Summerside Raceway must have a negative coggins test (Reference APHRC Rule 133 and 149). All horses shipping into Prince Edward Island must have current health certificates.
10. **Horses must meet the qualifying standards of Red Shores.**
11. Furosemide/EIPH (Lasix) program will be available to horses competing in the Eliminations, Consolation and Final of the Governors Plate 2026 under the regulation of CPMA and MPHRC.
12. If more than ten (10) horses are declared in to start, elimination races will be contested.

- a. If there are sufficient entries for two trials, they will be held on Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
13. Horses eligible for the Governors Plate final and consolation are not eligible to race in overnight races.
14. There is no retention barn for the eliminations. All horses entered into the final are required to be in the retention barn at **12:00 pm** noon (AST) on the day of the race, Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
15. Declarations for the consolation will close at 9:00 am on Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
  - a. The top four (4) official finishers from each elimination will race in the final of the Governors Plate. The two horses finishing fifth will be drawn by lot as to determine AE1 and AE2.
  - b. Horses that are listed as also-eligible for the Governors Plate will be programmed in the consolation race but will retain the right to start in the Governors Plate final if there is a horse(s) drawn.
16. In the consolation or final, should there be horses with common ownership; Red Shores reserves the right (as per MPHRC rule 205) to uncouple horses for pari-mutuel purposes.
17. A declaration for this event is an agreement to all the above terms and conditions.
18. Red Shores accepts no responsibility or liability for any accident, loss or damage, which may occur on the property as a result of these races.

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