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Developed by the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society (Ontario Division)

Thoroughbred Improvement Program Eligibility

ONTARIO SIRES STAKES:

In order for horses to be eligible to these 23 stakes, the only requirement is that they be progeny of stallions that were nominated to the Ontario Sire Stakes through the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society (Ontario Division), in the breeding year. For example if you have a foal of 2008, the stallion of this foal must have been nominated in 2007 with the CTHS.

RESTRICTED CANADIAN-BRED STAKES:

In order for horses to be eligible to these stakes they must be Registered Canadian-Bred horses. (Thoroughbreds foaled in Canada whose sires and dams are recorded in a stud book approved by the National Board are eligible for Canadian Registration). For example all must have foaled in Canada and have been registered as such with the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society, National Office.

RESTRICTED ONTARIO-BRED STAKES:

In order for horses born in 2007 or earlier to be eligible to these stakes they must be Registered Canadian-Bred and foaled in Ontario. (Thoroughbreds foaled in Ontario, Canada whose sires and dams are recorded in a stud book approved by the National Board are eligible for Canadian Registration). For example all must have foaled in Ontario, Canada and have been registered as such with the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society, National Office. Foals of 2008 and on must meet the requirements above and be qualified through the TIP Mare Residency Program.

OPEN STAKES:

In order for horses to be eligible for the added \$50,000 at Woodbine (split 1st – 5th like the purse), they must also be Registered Ontario-Breds as explained above.

FORT ERIE ALLOWANCE RACES:

In order for horses to be eligible for the added \$2,500 (winner only) at Fort Erie the winner must also be Registered Ontario-Breds, at the time of the race, as explained above. When running in Optional Claiming Races only horses running without a claiming price are eligible.

FORT ERIE SALES CREDITS and OWNERS BONUSES - \$7,500 to \$20,000 CLAIMING LEVELS:

The CTHS Sales Credit and Owners Bonus Program at Fort Erie Racetrack's top end claiming levels are as follows:

\$15,000 - \$20,000 Claiming: \$1,000 Sales Credit & \$1,000 Owners Bonus

\$7,500 - \$10,000 Claiming: \$750 Sales Credit & \$750 Owners Bonus

The Sales Credits will be issued to owner of the Registered Ontario-Bred winner at the above listed claiming levels. These credits will be cumulative and must be used within one sales calendar year after earned. The Owners Bonuses will be issued to the owner of the Registered Ontario-Bred winner at the above listed claiming levels and will be distributed by the CTHS on or around the 15th day of the following month.

BREEDERS AWARDS (\$20,000 Claiming level to the Allowance level -winners only and at Stakes Level - down to 3rd place):

To receive the Registered Ontario-Bred/Ontario Sired portion of the Breeders Award, the breeder of the horse must have registered this horse as a Canadian-Bred foaled in Ontario. If this horse was foaled in Ontario but not registered through the CTHS, then the breeder is not eligible for an award. (If a breeder decides to register this horse as a Canadian-Bred after the race has been run, the horse is still not eligible for that race's breeders award but will be eligible for future breeders awards.) Foals of 2008 and on must adhere to the TIP Mares Residency Program.

To receive the Ontario-Sired portion of the breeders awards the sire of the horse must have been nominated as an Ontario Sire with the CTHS the year the breeding took place. If the sire of the horse is not an Ontario Sire but is registered Canadian-Bred/Ontario-Bred, the breeders award will only be that of the Canadian-Bred/Ontario-Bred portion.

(Note: Awards paid at the Stakes Level are only paid to the eligible breeders 1st through 3rd. If any of the horses 1st through 3rd are not eligible the allocated funds at those levels are not paid out)

New in 2007 – Breeders Awards will now be paid, at year end, to Registered Ontario-Bred Graded Stakes winners outside of the Province of Ontario within Canada and the United States. These awards are to be paid to the winner only at the same levels as is paid to Graded Stakes winners at Woodbine and Fort Erie Racetracks listed below. In the event that there are remaining funds allocated to this program, after payments are made as noted above, TIP will firstly distribute awards to 2nd place finishers in G1 – G3 Stakes then funds permitting 3rd place finishers in G1 – G3 Stakes and lastly to winners only of Blacktype Open Stakes, winners only with a minimum purse of \$75,000. Awards to be pro-rated if budget does not permit entire award to be distributed and there will be no award issued at less than \$1,000. These awards are considered as breeders awards and are therefore included in the tabulation of the cap of \$85,000 to any individual breeder as noted below.

New for 2008 is the introduction of a \$120,000 OSS Awards Program totaling \$120,000. This program will be distributing awards to the breeders of our top OSS horses racing in Ontario.

Breeders Awards Distribution (Ontario-Bred/Ontario Sired):

WOODBINE:

Grade 1 Open Stakes: (Includes Canadian Triple Crown, Filly Triple Tiara, Princess Elizabeth, Coronation Futurity & Cup & Saucer)

1st place: up to \$18,000 (\$12,000 if not Ontario Sired)

2nd place: up to \$6,000 (\$4,000 if not Ontario Sired)

3rd place: up to \$3,600 (\$2,400 if not Ontario Sired)

Grade 2 Open Stakes:

1st place: up to \$15,000 (\$10,000 if not Ontario Sired)

2nd place: up to \$4,950 (\$3,300 if not Ontario Sired)

3rd place: up to \$3,000 (\$2,000 if not Ontario Sired)

Grade 3 Open Stakes:

1st place: up to \$12,000 (\$8,000 if not Ontario Sired)

2nd place: up to \$4,050 (\$2,700 if not Ontario Sired)

3rd place: up to \$2,400 (\$1,600 if not Ontario Sired)

Ungraded Open Stakes:

1st place: up to \$9,900 (\$6,600 if not Ontario Sired)

2nd place: up to \$3,300 (\$2,200 if not Ontario Sired)

3rd place: up to \$1,950 (\$1,300 if not Ontario Sired)

Closed Stakes:

1st place: up to \$8,100 (\$5,400 if not Ontario Sired)

2nd place: up to \$2,700 (\$1,800 if not Ontario Sired)

3rd place: up to \$1,650 (\$1,100 if not Ontario Sired)

Ontario Sire Stakes:

1st place: \$6,600 (\$3,300 if not Ontario-Bred)

2nd place: \$2,200 (\$1,100 if not Ontario-Bred)

3rd place: \$1,300 (\$650 if not Ontario-Bred)

Allowance: up to \$6,000 (\$4,000 if not Ontario Sired)

OSS Allowance: \$4,000 (\$2,000 if not Ontario-Bred)

B Allowance: up to \$3,900 (\$2,600 if not Ontario Sired)

\$62,500 Claimers & up: up to \$6,000 (\$4,000 if not Ontario Sired)

\$40,000 to \$50,000 Claimers: up to \$4,500 (\$3,000 if not Ontario Sired)

\$25,000 to \$32,000 Claimers: up to \$3,300 (\$2,200 if not Ont. Sired)

\$20,000 Claimers: up to \$2,250 (\$1,500 if not Ontario Sired)

FORT ERIE:

Fort Erie Closed & Open Stakes:

1st place: up to \$8,100 (\$5,400 if not Ontario Sired)

2nd place: up to \$2,700 (\$1,800 if not Ontario Sired)

3rd place: up to \$1,650 (\$1,100 if not Ontario Sired)

Fort Erie Allowance winners: up to \$3,000 (\$2,000 if not Ontario Sired)

Fort Erie \$20,000 Claimers: up to \$1,500 (\$1,000 if not Ontario Sired)

Note: There is a cap of \$85,000 in Breeders Awards Distribution to any one individual breeder.