

LIVESTOCK PULLING

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PLEASE NOTE: ALL LIVESTOCK PULLERS

All participants must leave pulling area by 6:00 am the morning following their pull. If you wish to stay an extra day at the fair, you will be charged a \$75 fee for the trailer and animals as well as the normal admission price for the day. Also, you will be required to move out of the pulling parking area to allow room for the current day's activities. Upon being moved, any ground that is subsequently torn or dug up will need to be repaired before you leave, or damages will be assessed.

NOTICE: All teamsters must have PROOF OF INSURANCE - minimum of \$300,000 liability insurance listing North Haverhill Fair Association as additional insured. STRICTLY ENFORCED!!!

All pullers must be at least 16 years of age, except in the Youth Oxen classes and Miniature Horse Classes

Stalls are limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. NH Department of Agriculture inspectors will be on the grounds. No entry fees - but entrants must pay gate admission. Be prepared to show your animal health certificate at the gate.

NOTICE: All horses and ponies must have a certificate showing a negative Coggins Test and Proof of Rabies vaccination is required for admittance to the grounds. All classes of Horse Pulling will be conducted in compliance with the Eastern Draft Horse Association Rules.

ALL PONIES/HORSES MUST BE LED TO AND FROM THE PULLING RING FOR ALL CLASSES.

All classes of Ox Pulling will be conducted in compliance with the rules of the Association of New England Ox Teamsters, Inc. Out-of-state oxen and steers must have been TB tested within 30 days of the start of fair season. All cattle entering the state of New Hampshire from other states must be accompanied by an interstate health certificate approved by the regulatory official of the state of origin. **FACE WHIPPING CATTLE WILL NOT BE ALLOWED!!!**

- 1) **ALL EXHIBITORS PAY GENERAL ADMISSION- NO ENTRY FEES CHARGED.**
- 2) Exhibitors will enter Fairgrounds through Livestock and Camper Gate- only vehicle carrying animals will be allowed. All others park in the General Parking Lot.
- 3) All horses/ponies/oxen will be pulled under the owner's name.
- 4) All animals weighed will be numbered.
- 5) Scales are on grounds and will be the official weight for the pull.
- 6) Stalls are limited and on a first-come, first-serve basis and are to be kept clean at all times. Please clean manure and fill in any holes dug by the livestock.
- 7) All exhibitors must provide a hard copy of liability insurance in the amount of \$300,000 which lists the North Haverhill Fair Association as additional insured.
- 8) Consumption of alcoholic beverages is not allowed. No alcohol is allowed in or around the pulling arena. Anyone deemed to be under the influence of alcohol will not be allowed to drive or hitch. Security is on premises to enforce said rule.
- 9) Any participant may be asked to leave the grounds at the discretion of the judge.
- 10) There will be no unauthorized people in the pulling ring. The only persons allowed in the pulling arena will be the driver and two (2) evener tenders. NO OTHER PEOPLE WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE PULLING RING! In order to enter the arena, all participants must sign a

waiver and will be given a wristband which must be worn and visible in order to be in the arena. Anyone in the ring without a wristband will be asked to leave. There will be a section of seating in the bleachers set aside for owners and persons close to the team.

- 11) Absolutely no chairs or seats in the pulling ring.
- 12) No smoking in the ring or stands.
- 13) All horses are to remain in the ring until the end of the class and drug testing has been completed. In the event of an emergency, the judge will determine if a horse can leave the ring prior to the end of the class.
- 14) Any owner and/or teamster, who has been convicted, or found in violation, of any state statute relating to the use of drugs or stimulants shall be barred from participating in any contest, in any state, for the period prescribed by that state. Furthermore, said owner and/or teamster will not be allowed in pit or staging area on the North Haverhill Fairgrounds. **The North Haverhill Fair Association reserves the right to do random blood and/or urine drug testing on any animal entered in any livestock pulling competition at the North Haverhill Fair.** Any team that leaves the fairgrounds prior to above mentioned testing will be disqualified and forfeit their premium. In the event that an animal tests positive or there is a cloudy test, a confirmatory test will be performed by the lab designated by the Fair. The cost of the confirmatory test will be paid for by the Fair. If the confirmatory test is positive, the animal, driver and its owner will not be allowed to enter into any pulling competition at the North Haverhill Fair for a period of one year from the time the premiums are returned. If premiums are not returned, the animal, driver, and the owner will not be allowed to enter into future pulling competitions at the Fair until premiums are paid.

YOUTH CLASS OX PULLING CLASS

Wednesday Weigh In 1pm -3pm

Teamsters age 18 & under, with Oxen 1200 lbs. & under. Start 4 pm

Teamsters age 18 & under, with Oxen 1600 lbs. & under.

Prize Money to be awarded to all entrants.

OPEN TO THE WORLD OX PULLING - 6 FT

Thursday Weigh In 8 am -10 am Pulling Begins at 10:00 am.

Classes: 10:00 am Class I Oxen 2000 lbs. & under
 12:00 noon Class II Oxen 2400 lbs. & under
 2:00 pm Class III Oxen 2800 lbs. & under
 4:00 pm Class IV Oxen 3200 lbs. & under
 6:00 pm Class V Free For All

Prize	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Class I	\$130	\$120	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$30
Class II	\$130	\$120	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$30
Class III	\$130	\$120	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$30
Class IV	\$150	\$140	\$130	\$120	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$40
Class V	\$225	\$200	\$175	\$150	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50

OPEN TO THE WORLD PONY PULLING

Friday Weigh In 7 am – 8 am Pulling Begins at 10 am

All ponies not to exceed 50 inches standing naturally.

Classes: 10:00 am Class I Pair 1850 lbs. and under -6' Pull
 1:00 pm Class II Pair 2250 lbs. and under -6' Pull
 4:00 pm Class III Pony Free for All - 6' Pull

Prizes	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Class I	\$125	\$115	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$40	\$30
Class II	\$135	\$125	\$115	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$40
Class III	\$150	\$140	\$130	\$120	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60

OPEN TO THE WORLD HORSE PULLING

Friday - Weigh-in 3 pm Saturday – Weigh-in 7 am Sunday – Weigh-in 7 am Fairground Scales

Horses weighed on Saturday and pulled in a weight class on Saturday will have their weights held for Sunday's classes.

Classes I, III, VII will be pulled on the Dynamometer Truck. All others on the stone boat.

Friday

Class: 7:00 PM Class VI- 2 lb. Rock Distance

Saturday

Classes: 10:00 am Class I- 3500 lbs. and under – on Dynamometer- 27.5 ft pull
 1:00 pm Class III- 3200 lbs. and under – on Dynamometer- 27.5 ft pull
 4:00 pm Class VII- Free-For-All- on Dynamometer- 27.5 ft pull
 7:00 pm Class IV-A & B- 3 Horse Hitch under & over 4930lb - 20 ft pull

Sunday

Classes: 10:00 am Class II- 3500 lbs and under – 12 ft pull
 1:00 pm Class V- 3200 lbs & under -12 ft pull
 4:00 pm Class VIII- Free For All- 12 ft pull

Prizes	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
Class I	\$205	\$180	\$160	\$135	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50
Class II	\$205	\$180	\$160	\$135	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50
Class III	\$200	\$175	\$150	\$125	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50
Class IV-A	\$300	\$250	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$120				
Class IV-B	\$300	\$250	\$200	\$175	\$130	\$120				
Class V	\$200	\$175	\$150	\$125	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50
Class VI	\$210	\$190	\$175	\$150	\$105	\$95	\$85	\$75	\$65	\$55
Class VII	\$300	\$250	\$200	\$175	\$120	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70

Class VIII	\$300	\$250	\$200	\$175	\$120	\$110	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70
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Eastern Draft Horse Association Rules

1. No horse shall be allowed to enter any pulling contest that is not in good physical condition – meaning properly fed and watered. If deemed not fit to pull you will leave the grounds. All decisions left to the discretion of Superintendent of Pull, plus two or more people.
2. All horses to complete in contest other than Free-For-All teams shall be weighed in at least three hours and not more than 4 hours before time the first class of the day is to start. Check weighing will be permitted before the three-hour period only. Horses must have halters on while on the scale. All horses will be weighed in the presence of a delegate appointed by the fair, or person who is conducting the contest. The delegate shall present a weigh-bill to the teamster, a copy of which is to be kept by said delegate, certifying the horse's name and description, also the exact time of the weighing. The scale shall be balanced with a man standing on same; this man will hold all horses where possible. The man holding the horses shall be appointed by the delegate if he is unable to do this himself. The weighing certificate must be signed by the delegate. Horses must remain on the fairgrounds after weighing into a class.
3. Switching horses – Once a team has been weighed in, there will be no switching of horses. Split owner teams will be allowed to compete.
4. The length of a qualified pull shall be determined by the Superintendent of the Pull.
5. Starting load – Maximum load of approximately 4,000 lbs for all weight classes and approximately 5,000 lbs for Free-for-All classes. Added loads in each class at the discretion of the judges depending on the type of pit. At no time after weight has been increased may it be decreased.
6. Pulling positions to be determined by the drawing of numbers just before starting of each class.
7. All teamsters to compete shall have their teams ready at the published time. All classes will close at the completion of the first heat in each class.
8. In any class with 15 teams or more, teamsters would have the option of hooking to the first load or passing it.
9. Open Bridles – Open bridles may be used, but they must be bridles, not halters with bits attached.
10. Time Limit – Three (3) hitches with a time limit of five (5) minutes. Time will be taken out while the boat is positioned for the next hitch. The time will be kept by the announcer, or appointed timekeeper.
11. Heading – There will be no heading of the horses whatsoever. Teams are to be driven by one teamster only.
12. Use of Reins – The light use of reins on entry to the pit and while team is making its draw, will be limited to that area from the root of the tail to the bottom of the round, in a side arm motion only. Hands must be insight at all times. The use of the reins after the boat has stopped or any place on the grounds is prohibited. No swinging of the reins over horse (twirling of lines). The use of the section of rein between the driver's hand and the bit may be used lightly to position the horse prior to hitching and to encourage the horse to start. Interpretation of #11: The use of the reins as a whip is prohibited. The light use of the reins may be used to encourage a horse to pull, however any whipping will result in disqualification.
13. Evener Men – Will not go ahead of the evener and will remain silent. No waving of arms.
14. What constitutes a hitch – 1 inch or more.