

Eligibility

Below is an overview of the eligibility requirements for NY-breds. You will find full requirements at:

www.nysirestakes.com.

Stallions

A stallion must be registered with the Fund for the breeding year. The fee is 25% of the stud fee (\$5,000 max) or \$200 for stallions standing for \$1,000 or less.

To be registered with the Fund the stallion must stand the entire stud season in New York and be: owned or co-owned by a NYS resident; leased to a NYS resident for at least 10 years; leased to the NY farm where it will stand to qualify for the "leased to a New York resident" requirement.

Mares

Mares must be USTA registered. To produce a New York-bred foal, the



mare must be bred in New York State to a stallion registered by the Fund.

Foals of mares bred by semen transported inside NYS are eligible for nomination into the NYSS program. Foals of mares bred by semen transported outside the state are not.

Yearlings

Yearlings sired by an eligible, registered NY stallion and bred to a dam in New York State, are eligible to nominate to the NYSS program.

Yearlings must be named and registered with

the USTA at the time of nomination; a copy of the registration certificate must accompany the nomination.

For a list of fees associated with nominating your yearling or stallion to the NYSS program, please visit our website.



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Important Dates:

January 1:
Stallion enrollment
deadline

February 15:
Continuation
payments due

April 1:
Late registration
deadline for new
Stallions

April 15:
Final sustaining
payments due

May 15:
Yearling
nominations due

July 31:
Semen transport
forms due

September 1:
Mares Bred list due

November 15:
Stallion registration
begins for next
season

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New York Sire Stakes Breed in New York



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Standardbred Breeding for
New York Sire Stakes Eligibility

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Why Breed in New York State?



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Agriculture is one of New York State's leading domestic industry and with a vast amount of open space and farmland, the state is an excellent choice for horse breeding.

First-Class Stallions

Stallion owners choose New York as their premier State in which to breed. New York's stallion roster offers a variety of pedigrees and price ranges. Whether you're a veteran breeder or just starting out, New York has an opportunity for you.

Tremendous Earnings

When you breed standardbreds in New York State, you're eligible to race in the New York Sire Stakes (NYSS) program; New York's premier racing program.

All of New York's pari-mutual harness tracks have racinos that help to fuel NYSS purses. Since their installation, purses have more than doubled!

Many top horses competing in the NYSS series earn an average of \$150,000 annually.



Breeders Awards

The Breeders' Awards program gives you an extra incentive to breed in New York State while promoting agriculture through the breeding of standardbred horses within the State. The program is 10% of the total purse account and awards approximately \$1 million dollars to breeders each year.

The Breeders' Awards program has two categories with rewards for each level of NYSS racing: Sire Stakes/State Fair, Late Closers and County Fairs.

The Performance Based Breeders' Awards reward you for breeding horses that perform well in the NYSS Racing Program. It is designed to be a catalyst for the breeding of high-quality, well-performing New York-breds.



The Residency Bonus Awards reward you for breeding and keeping your mares in New York State during the breeding season. The program is designed to stimulate the state's agriculture sector and to preserve open space through populating the state's many horse farms.

Eligibility requirements and more information about the Breeders' Awards program is available on the NYSS website at www.nysirestakes.com.

About the Fund

The Agriculture and New York State Horse Breeding Development Fund (the Fund) is a public benefit corporation established in 1965 by the Laverne Law

(Laws of New York, Chapter 567 of the Laws of 1965). The mission of the Fund is to promote agriculture through the breeding of standardbred horses and the conduct of equine research within the State. To carry out its legislative mission, the Fund administers the New York Sire Stakes races, State Fair Series

races, Late Closers Series events, and County Fair Series races. Additionally, the Fund provides assistance to county agriculture societies and contributes to the statewide 4-H program and to the Harry M. Zweig Fund for Equine Research.