

**Department  
Equine, Specialty Events**

**Department 33  
DRAFT HORSE SLED PULL**

**Superintendent: Jesse Birkenholz,  
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Judge - To be announced.  
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**Announcer - To be announced.  
5:00 PM, Wednesday, August 17, 2022  
Mathewson Exhibition Center**

**Amount offered in this section by the Fair ..... \$2,720.00  
Amount offered in this section by Sponsors ..... \$2,720.00**

**Stall Fee - \$20.00 Per Team (\$18.50 + \$1.50 Sales Tax) optional  
Hook Fee - \$20.00 Per Team (Paid back in premiums)  
Must pre-enter by July 25, 2022. If received after 7/26/2022,  
there is a late fee of \$25.00.**

**MISSOURI STATE FAIR DRAFT HORSE PULLING RULES**

The Missouri State Fair does not guarantee premium money, merchandise, prizes or special awards. Because the State Fair Commission is without constitutional or statutory authority to borrow money for its operation, it reserves the right to prorate premium money because of state budget restraints.

1. All entries must comply with animal health requirements for exhibitors in this premium guide.
2. The top three (3) teams in each class will be blood tested. All horses are subject to veterinarian examination for use of stimulants and/or drugs (zero drug tolerance) during and after the contest. Their prize money will be held until tests results are received. If any team does not pass the blood test, it may result in any or all of the following:

- a. Withholding of payment for the animal, premiums and awards.
  - b. Suspension from future exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time to be determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission. Suspensions can be for any length of time and may be permanent.
  - c. Probationary exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair for a length of time and under such terms and conditions to be determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
  - d. Assessment of any other penalty determined by the Missouri State Fair Commission or the Director of the Missouri State Fair on behalf of the Commission.
3. This is a 20 foot pull, with driver sitting on the sled.
  4. Each team has three (3) attempts to pull 20 feet; the longest distance counts.
  5. An Official must be present at the scales when weighing, then immediately return to the pulling grounds.
  6. No striking, whipping or jerking of the horses once inside the arena.
  7. No open face bridles.
  8. No horses may be tied together and no wire on tugs.
  9. One driver only, no line trailers.
  10. Should a horse step on or over the rope, it will be considered a pull.
  11. Any team deemed unruly by the judge or Superintendent shall be disqualified.
  12. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed before or during the pull. Other rules will be discussed the day of the pull.

**WEIGH-IN FOR HORSES**

To be announced. - Missouri State Fair, Youth Building Sales Arena

**TIME OF PULLS:**

**12:00 noon** Lightweight and Heavyweight horses will pull together.

**PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS**

Horses \$2,720

Prize money will be awarded as follows: 1st Place \$300; 2nd place \$180; 3rd place \$160. The balance of the premiums will be divided according to placing for each team pulling. Ribbons will be awarded to first through tenth places.