

# HORSE PULLING CHAMPIONSHIPS - TOYOTA COLISEUM

**NYS Championship Horse Pull Double Header**  
**Sunday, August 28 - Heavyweight 7:00 PM**  
**Monday, August 29 - Lightweight 5:00 PM Sharp**

## NYS Horse Pullers Association, Inc. - Revised Rules For Horse Pulling

1. 27' 6" will be a qualified pull on a Dynamometer.
2. All lightweight teams to be weighed on portable scales in the stabling area with an official present.
3. No changing of drivers or bridles during contest.
4. Driver may change sides with his horses – **TIME PERMITTING.**
5. In case of a breakdown (actual separation of equipment – not unhooking of chains or straps) team will go to the end of the lineup.
6. Competition open to all.
7. Ropes or lines to pull between to be determined by Judges. Standard distance is 18 feet.
8. Measured distance to determine positions at the end of the contest. In case of a tie, the next longest distance will determine finishing position.
9. Two hookers – plus two men to drive team in (if needed) will be allowed. **LIMIT 5.** All helpers to stay behind eveners and remain silent once team is hooked. Helpers **CANNOT** ride or touch machine. All others to remain out of the immediate pulling area (or behind boundary lines if applicable).
10. If a helper goes to THE team's head, the team **MUST** unhook and circle before rehooking.
11. The driver is compelled to ride and stay seated during pull.
12. If a horse steps **ON** or **OVER** ropes or line, pull will be disqualified.
13. Each team has three chances to qualify each load.
14. Any team arriving late can hook to the existing load providing no teams are eliminated.
15. Time Limitations – **1<sup>ST</sup> Draw** – from placement of machine or last draw – 3 minutes; **2<sup>ND</sup> Draw** – 1 minute to complete hook; **3<sup>RD</sup> Draw** – after all others have pulled the distance 3 minutes.
16. Teams pulling in heavy contest must have at least one horse that hasn't pulled in the previous contest. In the event that there isn't enough teams to take up the prize money any **NON-WINNER** can return.
17. There will be **NO** line slapping or helpers touching horses during contest. **THIS RULE WILL BE ENFORCED. CONTESTANTS WILL BE ELIMINATED FROM CONTEST WITHOUT WARNING.**
18. If during a contest a team runs away **FREE FROM DRIVER AND HELPERS. HE IS EXCLUDED FROM THE REST OF THE CONTEST. He will receive any prize money won up to this point.**
19. **Behavior of all horsemen (drivers and helpers alike) to be above reproach at all times OR DISCIPLINARY ACTION BY THE JUDGES WILL BE TAKEN. ANYONE DISPUTING THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES WILL BE IMMEDIATELY DISQUALIFIED.**
20. Contest is over when the finishing positions have been announced.
21. **FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE NEW YORK STATE HORSE PULLERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS. This may be by suspension from further contests for a given period of time or by enforcing a fine, or both.**
22. All participants will abide by the regulations of the NEW YORK STATE DRUG LAW. (Refusal to be tested is admitting guilt and subjects entry to all penalties of the law as described in Part 352, sections one through five)
23. **Improvements in the DRESS CODE for both the teams and the participants are to create a more appealing competition for the spectators. All persons entering the ring must be neatly attired in clean clothing. Long pants and shirts are required.**

The revised rules of the New York State Horse Pullers Assoc., Inc. will prevail and be enforced. In all cases, the decision of the judges will be final.

Health regulations to apply, **SEE PAGES 4 & 8 OF PREMIUM BOOK.**

All teams to be properly marked at time of weigh-in for identification purposes.

Stabling will be available for teams arriving the night before the pull providing advance notice is filed with Doug Smith. Indicate this on your entry blank. Charge for stabling is \$ 5.00.

**Check out time on Monday will be 5:00 PM**  
**Anyone Unable to vacate their stalls by then must make arrangements with the Horse Show Superintendent.**  
**Nsomi Blumrntal 315.436.1933**  
 Charge for campers is \$ 20.00 per night.  
 Camper permits required for access to the grounds.

In case of a tie, if either of the contestants refuses to pull, the prize money, trophy and ribbon will be forfeited.

Assigned numbers to be worn on both sides of the team.

For additional information, campSOer stickers and admission tickets for the NY State Fair, contact Doug or Carol Smith, 607-849-3028.

**Class 998A NYS Heavyweight Championship (Sunday)**  
**Entry Fee: \$20.00**

1-\$425.00	5-\$275.00	9-\$205.00	13-\$165.00	17-\$125.00
2-\$365.00	6-\$250.00	10-\$195.00	14-\$155.00	18-\$115.00
3-\$325.00	7-\$235.00	11-\$185.00	15-\$145.00	
4-\$300.00	8-\$220.00	12-\$175.00	16-\$135.00	

**Championship/Reserve Trophy/Ribbon**

**Class 999A NYS Lightweight Championship (Monday)**  
**Entry Fee: \$ 20.00**

1-\$425.00	5-\$275.00	9-\$205.00	13-\$165.00	17-\$125.00
2-\$365.00	6-\$250.00	10-\$195.00	14-\$155.00	18-\$115.00
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