



January 13, 2025

Dear Pony and Horse Exhibitors,

The North Dakota Winter Show in Valley City, ND welcomes you to join us for our pony and horse events, which will take place during the 88th Annual NDWS, on Thursday March 6th, 2025. Once again, we will be having an Open Pony Pull, Open Draft Horse Pull and Horse Team Events, which will include an obstacle course, barrel pattern race and, time permitting, a log-skidding competition. Following is information on the pulls and team events:

Open Draft Horse Pull: There will be two different weight divisions in the Open Draft Horse Pull, **percentage and load**, with a **limit of 18 teams**. Participants will again be required to choose which division they pull in. **Teams must be pulled as they are entered. There will be no changing teams after weigh-in.** The pull will be conducted under rules established by the North Dakota Winter Show and the Tower City Community Club, with personnel from the Club in charge of the contest.

The entry fee is \$50 per team; fees will be refunded only in the case of illness of the animals. A certificate to that effect from a licensed veterinarian must be received in the NDWS office prior to March 7th, 2024. If the 18-team limit is reached, entry fees will be returned on any additional entries.

Premiums in each division in the Draft Horse Pull will be:

1 st - \$450	2 nd - \$350	3 rd - \$300
4 th - \$225	5 th - \$100	6 th - \$75

Buckle/Teamster Award: A buckle will be presented in each division, as well as an overall teamster award.

Open Pony Pull: There will be one weight division offered (percentage) with a **limit of 18 teams**. The pull will also be conducted under rules established by the North Dakota Winter Show and the Tower City Community Club, with personnel from the Club in charge of the contest.

The entry fee is \$35 per team. As with the draft horses, entry fees will be refunded only in the case of illness of the animals and upon receipt of a certificate to that effect from a licensed veterinarian prior to March 6th, 2025. If the 18-team limit is reached, entry fees will be returned on any additional entries.

Premiums in the Pony Pull will be:

1 st - \$250	2 nd - \$175	3 rd - \$150
4 th - \$100	5 th - \$75	

Buckle: A buckle will also be presented to the first-place showman.

Horse Team Events: The team events will consist of an obstacle course, a barrel race pattern and, **time permitting**, a log skidding competition. **There will be a 3.5-minute time limit with a 3-minute warning.** The entry fee is \$10 per event and participants must drive a team of horses. Both draft and saddle horse breeds will be allowed to participate. Drivers are limited to driving one team. Please see the enclosed entry form, rules and

example obstacle course map. For additional information on these events, contact Dave Richman, at (H) 701-749-2509, or (C) 701-490-2868. As with the pulls, entry fees will be refunded only in the case of illness of the animals.

Premiums in each event will be: 1st - \$100 2nd - \$75 3rd - \$50 4th - \$25

Brand and Heath Information:

BRAND INSPECTION: No person shall remove horses from this state or within a mile of any boundary of the state for the purpose of removal unless such livestock shall be inspected for marks and brands by an official brand inspector of the North Dakota Stockmen's Association and a certificate of inspection shall accompany such livestock to destination. A State Brand Inspector will be available at the North Dakota Winter Show.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE LAW requires a health certificate on all out-of-state horses. A negative Coggins test is also required on out-of-state horses, with the exception of South Dakota.

Stalling/Bedding: Stalls will be available, at no charge, for all participants during the horse/pony pull show. Stalling will be open to you Wednesday evening, but please keep in mind there will be a truck pull going on during this time. **If you would like a tack stall, you must add \$15 to your total payment. If you would like to stall your horses' after the Pulls are over so that you can stay to enjoy the Winter Show, stall rental rates are \$25 per stall per night. Thursday night is free of charge, but Friday & Saturday stays will require a stall charge.** Please note on the entry form the number of stalls needed, including those for tack, plus if you wish to purchase a stall for the weekend following. Stall locations will be included in the acceptance letters. Stalls will include a bag of shavings; additional bedding can be purchased ahead of time by marking on your entry forms. **We do ask that you clean your stalls before leaving. Bedding & manure can be raked to the middle of isle.**

Tentative Schedule/Thursday, March 6th:

- 8:00 am – 12:00 pm: **Horse Team Events** Obstacle Course, Barrel Pattern and, if time permitting, Log Skidding.

- 8:00 am – 8:45 am: **Weigh-In** - Ponies will be weighed first and draft horses that are in the pull immediately following. These weights will be the official weight for contest purposes.

- 9:00 am – 9:30 am: **Driver's Meeting** - all judges and drivers in the pulls are required to be present. The meeting will be held in the livestock lounge, above the wash rack, located at the west end of the barn. Drivers in the horse pull will state at this time which division they will compete in.

- 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm: **Pony Pull** will begin with a parade of teams.

- 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm: **Draft Horse Pull** will begin with a parade of teams.

Please see the enclosed rule information and entry forms. For additional information, you may contact the NDWS office at 1-800-437-0218 or 701-845-1401, or email ndws@northdakotawintershow.com. We look forward to you joining us at the 88th Annual North Dakota Winter Show!

Sincerely,
Brandee Moore,
NDWS Manager

**NORTH DAKOTA WINTER SHOW
PONY PULL ~ THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025
ENTRY FORM**

NAME OF EXHIBITOR _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ BREED OF PONIES _____

PONY'S

NAME _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

PONY'S

NAME _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

Ponies' background (include information which may be used by the contest announcer, such as previous contests entered, previous or current owners, training and current use, breeding and registration of ponies, etc.)

Entry deadline is FEBRUARY 21st, 2025 ~ Mail this form, along with the \$35 entry fee to:

**NORTH DAKOTA WINTER SHOW
PO BOX 846
VALLEY CITY, ND 58072
(checks payable to NDWS please)**

Number of horse stalls needed for Pulls : _____

Tack stalls needed: _____ @ \$15 per tack stall = \$ _____

Number of horse stalls needed Friday or Saturday @ \$25 per stall: _____

Bedding needed (1 bag of shavings included with stall): _____ Shavings @ \$9 = _____

EXHIBITOR LIABILITY: The North Dakota Winter Show, the owners of the Show grounds, the Tower City Community Club, or any of the Breed Associations, State or National, participating in this Show, will not be responsible for any loss or damage or injury to livestock exhibited, or for any article of any kind or nature that may be lost or destroyed, or in any way damaged. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any injury that may be occasioned to any person, whomsoever, by any livestock owned or exhibited by him and shall indemnify the North Dakota Winter Show and Associations, or any member thereof, against all claims and demands, of any kind or nature, that may grow out of any injury occasioned by any livestock owned or exhibited by them, or arise from the negligence of the person in charge of any such livestock. All livestock exhibited in this Show will be entirely at the owner's risk. **DRUG TESTING WAIVER:** The North Dakota Winter Show and contest officials reserve the right to have a licensed veterinarian test your ponies for foreign substances. If the test is negative, the person requesting the test will pay the fee. **If test comes back positive, there will be a \$1000 fine, and the participant and their ponies will be barred from participating at the North Dakota Winter Show for the following year's show.**

**PRESENTATION OF THE ENTRY BLANK SHALL BE DEEMED ACCEPTANCE OF THE RULES.
MUST BE SIGNED OR ENTRY WILL BE DENIED**

Exhibitor's Signature

Date

Parental Signature, if exhibitor is 17 or under

NORTH DAKOTA WINTER SHOW
HORSE TEAM EVENTS Entry Form ~ THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025
There is a 3.5-minute time limit per event with a 3 minute warning!

EVENT(S) ENTERED: (CIRCLE) BARREL PATTERN OBSTACLE COURSE LOG SKIDDING (if time allows)

WHICH CLASS: (CIRCLE) DRAFT HORSE (HEAVY) DRIVING HORSE (LIGHT)

EXHIBITOR NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ BREED OF HORSES _____

HORSE'S
NAME _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

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NAME _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

Horses' background (include information which may be used by the contest announcer, such as previous contests entered, previous or current owners, training and current use of horses, breeding and registration of horses, etc.)

Entry deadline is FEB. 21st, 2025 ~ Mail this form, along with the \$10 entry fee PER EVENT to:

NORTH DAKOTA WINTER SHOW
PO BOX 846
VALLEY CITY, ND 58072
(checks payable to NDWS please)

Number of horse stalls needed: _____ Tack stalls needed: _____ Tack Stalls @ \$15 = _____
Number of horse stalls needed Friday or Saturday : _____ @\$25 per stall = _____
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**NORTH DAKOTA WINTER SHOW
OPEN DRAFT HORSE PULL~ THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025
ENTRY FORM**

NAME OF EXHIBITOR _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ BREED OF HORSES _____

HORSE'S NAME _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

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