



VIRGINIA THOROUGHBRED ASSOCIATION

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL \$40,000 VIRGINIA BREEDERS FUND

# Yearling Futurity

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 2025 • WARRENTON HORSE SHOW GROUNDS • 9:00 AM

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## ELIGIBILITY

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- The Futurity is open to Thoroughbred yearlings registered with the Virginia Thoroughbred Association as either Virginia-Bred (a yearling foaled in Virginia), Virginia-Sired (a yearling conceived in Virginia and sired by a Virginia Breeders Fund registered stallion but foaled outside of Virginia), or Virginia-Certified (a yearling conceived and foaled outside of Virginia that has completed its six-month residency requirement at a Virginia-Certified farm or training facility).
- If your yearling is not already registered as a Virginia-Bred or Virginia-Sired horse, visit the VTA website at [services.easterassociates.com/thoroughbred/home](https://services.easterassociates.com/thoroughbred/home) to complete its registration requirements.
- A Virginia-Certified horse must have completed its six month residency and all other certified registration requirements prior to the entry deadline.

## ENTRY DEADLINE

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- Entry deadline: Friday, August 15, 2025.
- Entries may be submitted by regular mail to 250 West Main Street, Suite 100, Charlottesville, VA 22902; by fax (434.979.2439); or by email to [kiersten.wall@easterassociates.com](mailto:kiersten.wall@easterassociates.com).
- If submitting entries by fax or email: all entry, membership and/or registration fees must be paid in advance by check payable to VTA.
- No post entries. Checks must be received before the event via mail or hand-delivered at the event.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & FEES

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- Current VTA Members: No fee.
- Non-VTA Members: \$100 per entry. Please make entry fee payable to the Virginia Thoroughbred Association. (You may join the VTA at the time of entry and the entry fee will be waived.)
- **Each entry MUST be ACCOMPANIED by a legible copy of a current Coggins. The copy will be retained by the VTA Show Secretary. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## STABLING & STALL

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- **RESERVING A STALL IS NOT REQUIRED.** Exhibitors may show their yearlings from their vans/trailers or reserve stalls at their own discretion.
- **Stall:** Limited stabling is available. No bedding is provided – exhibitors must provide their own bagged shavings and stall screens.
- Stalls are limited and will **ONLY** be available during the show day.

## CHECK-IN PRODECURES

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- The Warrenton Horse Show grounds will open at 7:00 a.m.
- **Prior to 9:00 a.m. on August 24, you must check in with the Virginia Thoroughbred Association Show Secretary** at the announcer's stand on the show grounds to confirm your participation in the class and pick up your number(s).

## SCHEDULE

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- **The Futurity will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Please be standing by and on time for your class! Due to time constraints, the judging CANNOT wait for late entries.**
- The VA-Bred or VA-Sired colt/gelding class will be judged first. All yearling colts/geldings will enter the ring together and will remain in the ring until the class is pinned, unless the judge dismisses them earlier. At the conclusion of the VA-Bred/Sired colt/gelding class, the VA-Bred and VA-Sired yearling fillies will enter the ring together and follow the same procedures as VA-Bred/Sired colts and geldings. The VA-Bred/Sired fillies will be followed by the VA-Certified Colt and then the VA-Certified filly class.
- At the conclusion of the Certified-filly class, the first and second place winners of each division will return to the ring together to be judged in the final championship class.

## RULES & JUDGING PROCEDURES

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- The class will be judged on conformation, quality, substance and suitability of the entries to become racehorses.
- Judging procedure: The yearlings will be judged standing and at the walk. *Yearlings will NOT be asked to jog.*
- **Tack:** The preferred tack is either a leather halter and chifney bit or an English bridle with snaffle bit and lead shank.
- **Braiding:** Optional and at the exhibitor's discretion.
- **Shoeing:** Front shoes optional and at exhibitor's discretion. Hind shoes are NOT permitted!

## AWARDS

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**\$30,000 in Cash Prizes:** Prize money will be divided as follows: \$7,500 in each class (unless there are not sufficient entries for a class) - 1st, \$3,000; 2nd, \$2,000; 3rd, \$1,000; 4th, \$750; 5th, \$375; and 6th, \$375.

**\$5,000 Three Year Old Bonus:** Any Virginia-Bred or Virginia-Sired yearling, that competes in the ring in the colt/gelding or filly futurity classes, will be eligible to compete for a percentage of a \$5,000 bonus. Bonuses will be awarded to the top four money-earners at the racetrack at the completion of their three-year-old year.

**\$5,000 Three-Year-Old Bonus:** Any Virginia-Certified yearling, that competes in the ring in the colt/gelding or filly futurity classes, will be eligible to compete for a percentage of a \$5,000 bonus. Bonuses will be awarded to the top four money-earners at the racetrack at the completion of their three-year-old year.

**\$600 in Groom's Awards:** \$100 to the groom of the best turned-out yearling in each class plus \$100 each to the groom of the champion and reserve champion yearlings. A replica of the Gould Brittle Perpetual Best Turned Out Award will be given to the groom of the champion horse.

**Additional Awards:** Trophy and Championship ribbon to overall Yearling Futurity Champion; Ribbon to overall Reserve Yearling Futurity Champion; Trophies to winners of each class; Ribbons in each class to eighth.

## DIRECTIONS & ACCOMMODATIONS

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### Directions to the Warrenton Horse Show Grounds

- Driving from Washington: Take I-66 West to Warrenton/Gainesville Exit (Rt. 29 South). Approximately 15 miles to show grounds on Business Rt. 29 South (1st Warrenton Exit). Go through approximately 6 traffic lights on Rt. 29 South Business. Show grounds on right.
- Driving from Winchester: Take Route 50 East to Route 17 South at Paris, then onto I-66 West to Warrenton Exit (Rt. 17 South). Approx. 12 miles to traffic light in Warrenton. Turn right on Rt. 29 South to show grounds on right.
- Driving from Richmond: Via I-95 North to Fredericksburg, Exit Rt. 17 North. Follow Rt. 17 to Bus. Rt. 29 North. Take exit for 17N & 211W. Approximately 3 miles to show grounds on left.

### Area Accommodations

- Baymont by Wyndham Warrenton: (540) 216-0720
- Black Horse Inn: (540) 349-4020
- Comfort Inn: 1-800-230-4134
- Hampton Inn: (540) 349-4206
- Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Warrenton: (540) 341-3461
- Red Roof Inn Warrenton: (540) 347-4141