

## Hurdle Balloting

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### Maiden Hurdle

In order of preference –

1. Graded/Group winner in NH/flat race.
2. Flat/Bumper winner & placed 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two hurdle starts.
3. Bumper winner with less than three hurdle starts.
4. Officially rated 105+ over hurdles.
5. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two hurdle starts.
6. Flat winner from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year with less than three hurdle starts.
7. Previous flat race winner with less than three hurdle starts.
8. Three or more hurdle starts with no official rating.
9. Less than three completed hurdle starts.
10. Highest rated hurdle horse below 105.

**Note:** *When protection is equal, horses with the most recent ballot date in a hurdle from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year will be protected from balloting first.*

### Winner, Novice, Claiming & Conditions Hurdles

In order of preference –

1. Graded/Group winners in NH/Flat race.
2. Hurdle winner with no official hurdle rating.
3. Hurdle winner with official rating.
4. Flat/Bumper winner & placed 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two hurdle starts.
5. Bumper winner with less than three hurdle starts.
6. Officially rated 105+ over hurdles.
7. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two hurdle starts
8. Flat winner from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year with less than three hurdle starts.
9. Previous flat race winner with less than three hurdle starts.
10. Three or more hurdle starts with no official rating.
11. Less than three completed hurdle starts.
12. Highest rated hurdle horse below 105.

**Note:** *When protection is equal, horses with the most recent ballot date in hurdle from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year will be protected from balloting first.*

### Handicap Hurdle 80-95 or less

In order of preference –

1. 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> on their last run in a Hurdle, since Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year.
2. **Most recent ballot date** from an **80-95** hurdle race, since Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year.

**NB:** To allow as many horses as possible to get an opportunity to run, horses will be pushed back down the ballot list when since time of entry they have:

- a) Declared to run in any hurdle race to be run on the same day as declarations.
- b) Run without finishing 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>
- c) Run more than once

### All other handicaps

Ballot horses out of the handicap first & then lowest rated horses. Horses with equal protection will be done randomly.

## Steeplechase & Bumper Balloting

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### Beginners Chase

In order of preference –

1. Graded NH race winner.
2. Official chase rating of 115+.
3. Hurdle/Bumper winner & 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two chase starts.
4. Hurdle winner with less than three chase starts.
5. Bumper winner with less than three chase starts.
6. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two chase starts.
7. Three or more chase starts with no official chase rating.
8. Less than three completed chase starts.
9. Highest chase rated horse below 115.

**Note:** When protection is equal, horses with the most recent ballot date in a chase from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year will be protected from balloting first.

### Winner, Novice & Conditions Chases

In order of preference –

1. Graded NH race winner.
2. Chase winner with no official chase rating.
3. Chase winner with an official chase rating.
4. Official chase rating of 115 or more.
5. Hurdle/Bumper winner & 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two chase starts.
6. Hurdle winner with less than three chase starts.
7. Bumper winner with less than three chase starts.
8. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two chase starts.
9. Three or more chase starts with no official chase rating.
10. Less than three completed chase starts.
11. Highest chase rated horse below 115.

**Note:** When protection is equal, horses with the most recent ballot date in a chase from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year will be protected from balloting first.

### Handicap Chase 0-102 or less

In order of preference –

1. 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> on their last run in a chase since Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year.
2. **Most recent ballot date** from a chase race, since Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year.

### All other handicaps

Ballot horses out of the handicap first & then lowest rated horses. Horses with equal protection will be done randomly.

### Bumper (Maiden & Winners)

1. Bumper winner.
2. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two bumper starts.
3. Less than 3 starts in bumpers.

**Note:** When protection is equal, horses with the most recent ballot date in bumpers from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year will be protected from balloting first.

## Flat Balloting

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### Flat Maidens

In order of preference –

1. Official flat rating of 80 or more.
2. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two flat races & has no official flat rating.
3. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of their last two flat races & rated 60+ on the flat.
4. No previous flat starts.
5. Three or more flat starts & with no official rating.
6. Less than three flat starts.
7. Highest official flat rating below 80.

**Note:** When protection is equal, horses with the most recent ballot date in a flat race from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year will be protected from balloting first.

### Flat Winner, Claiming & Condition Races

In order of preference –

1. Flat race winner with no official flat rating.
2. Flat race winner officially flat rated 80 or more.
3. Official flat rating of 80 or more.
4. 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> in either of last two flat races & has no official flat rating.
5. Flat winner & rated 60 + on the flat.
6. 2<sup>nd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> in either of their last two flat races & rated 60+ on the flat
7. No previous flat starts.
8. Three or more flat starts & with no official rating.
9. Less than three flat starts.
10. Highest official flat rating below 80.

**Note:** When protection is equal, horses with the most recent ballot date in a flat race from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of last year will be protected from balloting first.

### Flat Handicap 47-65 or less

In order of preference –

1. 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> on their last flat start from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of the previous year.
2. **Most recently** balloted from **65 or less** handicap in the **correct distance category** from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> of the year previous to the current year.

**NB:** To allow as many horses as possible to get an opportunity to run, horses will be pushed back down the ballot list when since time of entry they have:

- a) Declared to run in any flat race to be run on the same day as declarations.
- b) Run without finishing 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>
- c) Run more than once

### All other handicaps

Ballot horses out of the handicap first & then lowest rated horses. Horses with equal protection will be done randomly.