

ALASKAN MALAMUTE CLUB OF AMERICA FUTURITY STAKES RULES

Note: In some cases exceptions may need to be made to these rules due to the late access of Futurity Nomination Forms to the membership which does not enable compliance with the rules of the Futurity Stakes. In these cases, any EXCEPTIONS to these rules will be stated on the actual nomination forms when printed.

I. GENERAL RULES & GUIDELINES

The purpose of AMCA's Futurity is to encourage the breeding of the best possible Alaskan Malamute and to reward the breeders for their efforts. Recognition is also given the owners in whose hands lie the responsibility of developing the inherited potentialities. The sire is also recognized for his genetic contribution.

- A. Futurity Stakes of the Alaskan Malamute Club of America are open to all pure-bred Alaskan Malamute litters subject to the qualifications outlined herein. There are no AKC championship points connected with the Futurity.
- B. The Futurity Chairman and Show Chairman will be ineligible to nominate, enter, judge or show any entry in this Futurity Stakes.
- C. Selection of Futurity Judge: Nomination of Futurity Judges will be limited to participants in the Futurity. Each breeder who has submitted a Bitch Nomination (co-bred litters, one vote per bitch nomination by primary owner as recorded with AKC) by a date which will be determined and announced by the Futurity Chairman, will be given the opportunity to nominate their choice of Futurity judge. Each breeder will receive one nomination for every three litters nominated with no breeder submitting more than two nominations. Each nominated judges' name will be placed in a sealed ballot envelope by the breeder and mailed to the Futurity Chairman (or designee) to be received by the announced deadline date. Initially, 5 sealed ballot envelopes will be pulled in the first draw. Each nominee will be contacted to acquire their concurrence to allow their name to remain in contention for the second draw, and their acceptance of the assignment if chosen in the second draw. Each nominee must confirm their acceptance in writing within 10 days of verbal confirmation. If at least 3 nominees from the initial draw fail to accept the proposed assignment when contacted, an additional ballot envelope will be drawn until a minimum of 3 confirmed nominees have been acquired. The premium list will include the names of at least 3, but no more than 5 CONFIRMED nominees. The second draw will be conducted at the time of closing of entries and will be officially announced in the Judges Program.

All confirmed nominees MAY submit entries for the REGULAR COMPETITION at this show. However, the winner of the second draw will be required to withdraw his/her entries for REGULAR COMPETITION and entry fees will be refunded.

- D. All Nomination Fees are non-refundable with the exception mentioned in Section C.
- E. LATE BITCH, LITTER, OR PUPPY NOMINATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. *The only exception will be when due to the tardiness of the futurity announcement, a grace period has been enacted whereby no penalties will be imposed for late nominations postmarked by a established deadline date.* It will not be a requirement of the Futurity Chairman to send reminders to participating breeders nominating for any Futurity.
- F. If a nominated puppy has a name change or owner change before the entries close for the show, you MUST notify the Futurity Chairman of this change.

II. NOMINATION PROCEDURES:

A. STEP #1: NOMINATION OF BITCH

- 1. Bitch nomination shall be made by notifying the Futurity Chairman in writing, giving the name of the Bitch and to whom she was bred, the approximate date of whelping, the name of the owner(s) of the dam, and her registration number. AMCA Bitch Nomination form

should be used for this purpose.

2. Bitches nominated in connection with the Futurity must be nominated exactly as ownership as recorded by the AKC. In the case of bitches who have been leased, the nomination must be made by the lease-holder and the recorded owner must be designated.
3. Bitch nominations must be received by the Futurity Chairman before the puppies are whelped, and must be accompanied by the required Bitch Nominated Fee. If nomination is sent via U.S. Mail, it must be postmarked prior to the date of whelping. (See Section II, B.3 for Un-Nominated Bitch/Litter Nomination instructions). See Section I, Item E for late fee grace period if applicable.

B. STEP #2: NOMINATION OF LITTERS

1. Litters of properly nominated bitches may be nominated by notifying the Futurity Chairman in writing, giving the number of puppies, the sex and color of each puppy, and the date whelped. AMCA Litter Nomination form should be used for this purpose.
2. Litter nominations must be received by the Futurity Chairman before the puppies are two months of age, and must be accompanied by the required Litter Nomination Fee. If nomination is sent via, U.S. Mail, it must be postmarked no later than two months after the date of whelping. (See Section II, B.3 for Un-Nominated Bitch/Litter Nomination instructions. See Section I, Item E for late fee grace period if applicable.
3. Litters from UN-NOMINATES Bitches
 - a) Litters of puppies from UN-NOMINATED bitches may be nominated by notifying the Futurity Chairman in writing, giving the required information in Section II, Item A above and all information about the litter required in Section II, Item B above).
 - b) A Penalty Fee of \$10.00, plus the designated Bitch and Litter Nomination Fees must accompany the nomination and be received by the Futurity Chairman before the puppies are TWO MONTHS OF AGE. If nomination is sent via, U.S. Mail, it must be postmarked prior to two months after the date of whelping. See Section I, Item E for late fee grace period if applicable.

C. STEP #3: NOMINATION OF INDIVIDUAL PUPPIES

1. Individual puppies from properly nominated litters may be nominated by notifying the Futurity Chairman in writing, giving the name, sex, color, and registration number of the puppy and the name of it's sire and dam. AMCA Individual Puppy Nomination form should be used for this purpose.
2. Individual puppy nominations must be received by the Futurity Chairman before the puppy is SIX MONTHS OLD and must be accompanied by the required Puppy Nomination Fee for each puppy nominated individually. If nomination is sent via U.S. Mail, it must be postmarked prior to the date the puppy becomes six months old. See Section I, Item E for late fee grace period if applicable.

III. FUTURITY ENTRY PROCEDURES

A. STEP #4: FUTURITY ENTRY AND JUDGING

1. Puppies to be judged in the Futurity Stakes must be eligible for and entered in a regular class of the show.

Entry Fee as stated on the Official AKC Entry Form for each puppy entered in the Futurity Stakes must accompany the regular class entry stating "Futurity Class" in the additional class box on the Official AKC Entry Form.

IV. JUDGING PROCEDURES:

A. CLASS DIVISION:

1. All puppies shall be judged in classes as follows:
Junior Division: 6-9 Puppy Dogs/Bitches and 9-12 Puppy Dogs/Bitches
Senior Division: 12-15 Graduate Dogs/Bitches and 15-18 Graduate Dogs/Bitches
2. A Grand Futurity Winner will be chosen from among the 8 class winners.

B. DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZE MONEY:

All fees for the Futurity Stakes will be distributed as follows after the club has deducted 10% to defray expenses.

15% of total remaining fees to be awarded as follows:

- 5% to BREEDER OF GRAND FUTURITY WINNER
- 10% to OWNER OF GRAND FUTURITY WINNER

All Remaining fees to be distributed and awarded as follows:

- a) Total split 50% to Junior Division, 50% to Senior Division
- b) Within each Division, 50% to Dogs, 50% to Bitches
- c) Within each Class:

With 4 or more entries: 1st = 40%; 2nd = 30%; 3rd = 20%; 4th = 10%

In the event a class does not have at least 4 entries, the % will be based as follows:

With at least 3 entries: 1st = 30%; 2nd = 20%; 3rd = 10%

With at least 2 entries: 1st = 20%; 2nd = 10%

With at least 1 entry: 1st = 10%

All fees which have not been distributed in the class competition will be awarded to the OWNER OF THE GRAND FUTURITY WINNER.

C. RECOGNITION AWARDS: (Non cash awards)

Since the purpose of this Futurity is to encourage the breeding of the best possible Alaskan Malamute the following Special Recognition Awards will be presented.

- Breeder of Grand Futurity Winner
- Owner of Sire of Grand Futurity Winner
- Owner of Grand Futurity Winner

These awards will be presented at a special recognition ceremony following the completion of judging the Futurity Stakes. If recipient is not present, awards will be mailed.

ALASKAN MALAMUTE CLUB OF AMERICA MATURITY STAKES RULES

The Maturity Stakes of the Alaskan Malamute Club of America is an extension of the AMCA Futurity Stakes whereby the maturing Futurity Nominated dog/bitch can continue to compete at the following year's National Specialty. This is an opportunity for the breeder to exhibit to his fellow malamute fanciers and breeders the now maturing product(s) of their breeding program. The Maturity Stakes is open to all pure-bred Alaskan Malamutes who were properly nominated for the previous year's Futurity Stakes and who are between the ages of 18 to 30 months of age. No additional nominations required. Actual entry into the previous year's Futurity Stakes competition is not required to be eligible for the Maturity Stakes the following year. Entry into this competition is completed on a "special entry" form on a date designed by Specialty Chairman prior to the closing of the show.

Distribution of Prize Money and Recognition Awards in the Maturity Stakes to be determined by show-giving Specialty Chairman as funding permits.