

**THE RENAISSANCE  
2-Year-Old Open Pace No. 4  
and 2-Year-Old Filly Pace No. 4**

**Sponsor:**

New Jersey Sire Stakes

**For:**

Foals of 2018 (New Jersey Standardbred Development Fund Eligibles)

**To Be Raced As:**

2 year old Pacers in 2020 (Open and Filly Divisions)

**To Be Raced at:**

Freehold Raceway. If for any reason it becomes impractical or undesirable, in the opinion of the New Jersey Sire Stakes Board of Trustees, to hold the race(s) at the advertised track, the New Jersey Sire Stakes Board, while making every effort to adhere as closely as possible to the advertised location, fees, date and purses reserves the right to change any of the forgoing or to cancel the event. Further, it shall not be the responsibility of the New Jersey Sire Stake Board to individually inform Renaissance nominators, agents or trainers of any of the aforementioned changes. However, the Board shall advertise or publicize changes in racing interest trade magazines such as various Standardbred magazines and/or newsletters, and advises all program participants to communicate with the New Jersey Sire Stakes offices.

**Added Money:**

Host Race Track .....	\$ 25,000
NJSS Board of Trustees (Open) (May add up to) .....	\$ 50,000
NJSS Board of Trustees (Filly) (May add up to) .....	\$ 25,000
Minimum Total Added Money .....	\$50,000

**Estimated Purse:**

Open.....	\$ 60,000
Filly.....	\$ 50,000

**Nomination Fee (U.S. funds only):**

May 15, 2019

Open.....	\$25
Filly.....	\$15

**Future Sustaining Payments (U.S. funds only):**

March 15, 2020

Open.....	\$700
Filly.....	\$400

**Declaration Fee:**

Open.....	\$2,000
Filly.....	\$1,000

**Declaration:**

Declaration fees shall be due at time of declaration and payable prior to the start of the race. Declarations close at a date and time to be determined by the track where the race will be contested. This date shall allow for, in the event eliminations are necessary, that eliminations shall precede the Final by at least 6 days. Declarations received after the time declarations close will not be accepted. Only one declaration is accepted for this event and no further declarations will be accepted regardless of whether elimination heat(s) are necessary.

**Eligibility:**

To be Eligible:

1. All horses nominated must either be sired by a Stallion registered as a New Jersey Stallion and so designated by the registrar, Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association of New Jersey or is the result of a breeding between any registered standardbred stallion and a standardbred mare that has spent a minimum of 150 consecutive days in New Jersey and foals in New Jersey during the 150 day period.

2. Nomination payments for the Renaissance are restricted to horses who made the 2019 May 15th Sire Stakes or Standardbred Development Fund nomination payment.

3. Supplemental nominations may be made to the Renaissance Pace for parties delinquent in paying the May 15 yearling nomination fee date. Delinquencies are given until March 15 of the two-year-old year to fulfill the aforementioned conditions of nomination and pay the nomination fee and necessary sustaining fee along with an additional late fee of \$700 to supplement to the Renaissance Open Pace or \$400 for the Renaissance Filly Pace.

**Filly Division:**

Any filly nominated to the Renaissance Filly No. 4 may start in the Open Division of the Renaissance Open Pace No. 4 by paying an amount equal to the total required of colts and geldings plus the starting fee. Previous payments remain with the filly race. Fillies declaring to start in the Renaissance 2 year old Open Pace No. 4 become ineligible to start in the Renaissance Filly Pace No. 4.

**Racing Conditions:**

All races at one mile. If more than 8 eligible horses declare to start on a half-mile track elimination(s) will be held. If more than 10 eligible horses declare to start on a mile track elimination(s) will be held. The number of eliminations necessary shall be determined by the Racing Secretary. All starters in both elimination events and the final event must meet track qualifying standards. After eliminations, eight horses and two "Also Eligibles" will be eligible to the final on a half mile track. After eliminations ten horses and two "Also Eligibles" will be eligible to the final on a mile track. No trailers in the final event, Post Positions for the Final will be drawn by lot. All starters must meet track qualifying standards. All starters in the eliminations and finals are subject to the detention policy of the racetrack at which the race is contested.

**Elimination Events:**

Each elimination in the Open Division will race for \$15,000. Monies for the eliminations to be provided from the total amount paid in the Renaissance Open Pace No. 4. Remaining monies will go towards the final. Each elimination for the filly division will race for \$10,000. Monies for the eliminations to be provided from the total amount paid in the Renaissance Filly Pace No. 4. Remaining monies will go towards the final. Such elimination races will be held as provided below:

If the number of horses declared in requires more than one (1) trailing horse in the second tier, but not enough to split into eliminations of at least six (6) separate pari-mutuel betting interests in each of the two eliminations, that race will be held with a single elimination heat to "qualify" only enough horses that can be accommodated by the number of positions in the front tier of the starting gate as follows:

From the other declared horses, those with the least total earnings in the period from January 1 of that year up to time of declaration, will be selected to race in a single elimination field with no more starters than can score in a single tier with no trailers. Money earnings for races outside the U.S. will be calculated at the exchange rate for U.S. dollars as determined by the United States Trotting Association.

The remaining declared horses, if any (i.e. those with the higher money earnings that cannot be accommodated in the front tier of the elimination field), may elect to automatically advance to the Final. If any of the higher money earners, as determined above, elect instead to race in the elimination, other declared horses, in preference of the greatest earnings, may be selected to automatically advance to the Final. If no horses elect to advance to the final, that elimination will be conducted with trailers.