

# The Dan Patch

## For Free For All Pacers

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**Note:**

Harrah's Hoosier Park reserves the right to add to, amend or delete the conditions of all or any part of the Dan Patch, without liability.

**Owned By:**

Harrah's Hoosier Park

**Serviced By:**

The Hambletonian Society, Inc.

**For:**

Foals of 2021 and Older (Subject to USTA Rule 26, Section 23 (d).

**To Be Raced As:**

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**To Be Raced At:**

Harrah's Hoosier Park, Anderson, Indiana. Definite date will be published in the USTA Stakes Guide in the year of the race. If for any reason it becomes impractical or undesirable, in the opinion of the Sponsors, to hold this race at the Host Track designated the Sponsors reserve the right to change the date and the location of the races.

**Cancellation:**

The Sponsors further reserve the right to cancel the race if for reasons beyond their control it becomes impractical or undesirable in the opinion of the Sponsors to conduct said race. If an event is not raced due to circumstances beyond their control, the Sponsors' responsibility and liability will be limited to refunding without interest nomination, sustaining and Entrance Fees collected toward canceled event that have not been disbursed at the time of cancellation. These monies will be prorated among the owners of the horses eligible as of the time of cancellation.

**Added Money:**

The Sponsors will add \$150,000 minimum to the race.

**Payments (U.S. Funds only):**

February 15, 2024 – 1st payment (nominating).....	\$500
March 15, 2024 – 2nd payment (sustaining).....	\$1,500
April 15, 2024 - 3rd payment (sustaining).....	\$2,000
Entrance Fee.....	\$2,500

**Declaration:**

Entrance Fee shall be due with declaration to start at the track where the race is being held at the time and date posted on the Condition Sheet.

Entrance Fee shall be due at time of declaration and payable not later than one hour prior to post time of the race to be contested. All Entrance Fees shall be made payable to Harrah's Hoosier Park.

**Supplemental Nominations and Declarations:**

Horses may supplement by paying \$25,000 at time of entry. If a horse is supplemented and is not in the top ten (10) money earners, the supplement fee will be returned.

**Payment Distribution:**

All payments will be credited to the specific race.

**Notice:**

USTA Rule 12.04 provides: "Failure to make any payment required by the conditions constitutes an automatic withdrawal from the event." The Hambletonian Society, Inc. will construe payment to require that cash or check duly honored upon presentation be received at the time specified in USTA Rule 12.02

**Waiver:**

As a condition of participation in The Dan Patch, the Owner(s) of the nominated horse(s) hereby grants to the Sponsor, its representatives, successors, and assigns the absolute right to copyright and publish, use or reuse still and motion photographic images of its horses, drivers, trainers, employees, officers and agents, in whole or in part, in composite or in distorted character, with or without use of names, in color or otherwise, for the purpose of promotion, advertising, trade or other lawful purpose in any and all media. Owner(s) waives any right to inspect and/or approve the finished product or the copy that may be used in connection therewith or the use to which it might be applied. Owner(s) further agrees to inform his drivers, trainers, employees, officers and agents of the authority granted to the Sponsor herein, to hold Sponsor harmless from any and all liability and damages, and to indemnify the Sponsor from same should any such owner(s), driver(s), trainer(s), employee(s), officer(s) and agent(s) challenge Sponsor's rights herein as set forth above.

**Racing Conditions:**

One dash at one mile. The final will be limited to the ten (10) highest lifetime money earners amongst those that enter as of the published declaration date and time. There will be two (2) "also eligibles" drawn for the final. If a horse entered fails to be amongst the top ten (10) lifetime money earners, all payments will be refunded to the owner of the horse at time of declaration, provided, however, the horse meets the current qualifying standards at Hoosier Park.

In the event more than ten (10) horses properly declare for the Dan Patch, the Racing Secretary may extend an invitation to a horse that was not amongst the ten (10) highest lifetime money earners that properly declared. The horse that receives the invitation must be nominated and entered into the Dan Patch. The invited horse will not take the place of one of the ten (10) highest lifetime money earners that properly declare and the race will become an eleven (11) horse field. The invited horse must pay the entrance fee. Supplemental nominations are not eligible to receive an invitation. If a horse that receives an invitation declines to participate in the Dan Patch, they are still entitled to a full refund of all payments.

The winner of the 2024 Dan Patch at Harrah's Hoosier Park shall receive an automatic nomination to the 2024 Hoosier Park Pacing Derby and will not have to pay the entry fee if that horse is properly declared to race in the 2024 Hoosier Park Pacing Derby and qualifies for final. If the winner of the 2024 Dan Patch at Hoosier Park is already nominated to the 2024 Hoosier Park Pacing Derby, then a refund of all fees will be given if that horse is properly declared to race in the 2024 Hoosier Park Pacing Derby. The refund will go to the owners at time of declaration to the 2024 Hoosier Park Pacing Derby.

Per Indiana Race Commission Rules - The 45-day rule is in effect (race date to race date) in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Indiana Horse Racing Commission.

The Host Track reserves the right to reject and return the entry fee. Stable entries will be seeded by lot whenever possible. All starters are subject to the detention policy of the Host Track.

**Money Division:**

Purse payments will be divided 50-25-12-8-5%. Harrah's at Hoosier Park reserves the right to alter the above payment distribution to include payments to the 6th through last place finishers out of the total purse.

**Drivers and Trainers Fees:**

The drivers and trainers fees may be disbursed in accordance with the policy of the Host Track at the time of the race.

**Disputes:**

In the case of any dispute as to the interpretation of these conditions, the decision of the Sponsors shall be final. All fees and payments in any race are accepted on the condition that all claims, objections and appeals arising out of these races or with respect to any interpretation of any rules or conditions of the races, or otherwise shall be decided by the Sponsors.

Harrah's Hoosier Park, at its sole discretion as to what it determines to be in the best interest of the Races, reserves the right to refuse the participation of any entry or proposed entry. Any horse owned or trained by an owner or trainer who is arrested, indicted or is the subject of a filed governmental criminal information charging such person with administering, selling, sponsoring or encouraging the sale or use of illegal medications or the illegal or unethical treatment of animals will be ineligible to race in any of the races owned by Harrah's Hoosier Park. Such ineligibility shall commence on the date of such arrest, indictment or information and continue for a minimum of 60 days from the time of the transfer of ownership of the horse and/or the change of trainers to a bona fide separate and unrelated licensed owner or trainer, as the case may be. All payments may be subject to forfeiture.

**Rules:**

Unless otherwise specified and except as may be affected by the rules of the state or provincial racing Commission or Board, USTA rules not in conflict with these conditions to govern, as well as the track rules & regulations of the Host Track. The rules shall be those in effect at the time of race.

**Make Nomination and Sustaining Checks**

**Payable To and Send To:**

The Hambletonian Society, Inc.  
109 South Main Street, Suite 18  
Cranbury, NJ 08512-3174