

**Maryland Million Ltd.**

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**TO:**

**MARYLAND**  
**Million**  
PROGENY NOMINATION FORM



# Question and Answer Guide to Maryland's Million-Dollar Stallion Stakes

## What is the Maryland Million?

The Maryland Million is a one-day stakes program offering purses totaling \$1 million, restricted to the nominated progeny of nominated stallions standing in the state.

## Where is the Maryland Million?

Maryland Million Day is run at either Laurel Park in Laurel, Maryland, or Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore, Maryland.

## When is Maryland Million Day?

Maryland Million Day is held in the fall of the year, depending on the racing dates allocated to the host track.

## What races are run on Maryland Million Day?

Although detailed conditions may vary from year to year, the basic Maryland Million Day program consists of eight guaranteed stakes, but starter handicaps

and a steeplechase race, both restricted to eligible horses, have also been run.

Two \$100,000 races for 2-year-olds, one open and one restricted to females

A \$100,000 race for 3-year-old fillies

A \$100,000 turf race for 3-year-olds and up

Two \$100,000 sprints for 3-year-olds and up, one open and one restricted to females

A \$100,000 turf race for fillies and mares, 3 and up

A \$200,000 race for 3-year-olds and up

Two \$50,000 starter handicaps

## How will purses be distributed?

Purse distribution for Maryland Million Day races shall be as follows: first—55%; second—20%; third—10%; fourth—5%; fifth—3%; and sixth—2%. Ten percent of the day's gross purses will be paid in the form of nominator awards.

## What about additional races during the year for eligible horses?

The Maryland Million may run other races throughout the year for eligible horses. Call the Maryland Million office for details.

## Are Maryland Million Day races restricted?

Yes, these races are restricted to horses that have been nominated to the Maryland Million program.

## Does the horse have to be a registered Maryland-bred?

No. Any horse that was conceived in Maryland and is by a nominated sire is eligible to be nominated to the Maryland Million program until December 31 of its yearling year.

## **How do I know if a horse is eligible to be nominated to the Maryland Million?**

If the horse was conceived in Maryland and is by a nominated stallion, the horse is eligible to be nominated.

## **How are foals nominated?**

Fill out the nomination blank and mail with a check for \$250 by December 31 of the year born. Foals not nominated as weanlings may be nominated as yearlings for a single late nomination payment of \$600 due by December 31 of the yearling year. These payments will make the horse eligible for its entire racing career.

## **What if an eligible horse is not nominated in time?**

There is a supplementary nomination fee to the Maryland Million of \$1,500 due by May 31 of the eligible horse's 2-year-old year.

## **Are there foal nominator awards?**

Yes, an amount equal to 5% of the purse for each race will be paid to the original

foal nominators. The nominator awards will be 2% of the purse to first, 1½% to second, 1% to third and ½% to fourth in each race.

## **How are stallions nominated?**

Nominations for each breeding season close December 31 of the year preceding that breeding season. Stallions that enter stud in Maryland after the closing date may, at the discretion of Maryland Million Ltd., be permitted to be nominated.

## **Do stallions have to be nominated every year?**

Yes. A stallion must be nominated for each breeding season in order to make his foals conceived in that season eligible for nomination to the Maryland Million program.

## **Are there stallion nominator awards?**

Yes, an amount equal to 5% of the purse for each race will be paid to the stallion nominators. The nominator awards will be

2% of the purse to first, 1½% to second, 1% to third and ½% to fourth in each race.

## **What if an eligible stallion is not nominated in time?**

Unless stallions standing in Maryland are duly nominated for a breeding season, their progeny for that breeding season will not be eligible for nomination to the Maryland Million program.

## **Where can nomination blanks be obtained?**

Nomination blanks are included in this package. Call (410) 252-2100 for additional blanks.

## **How may I obtain more information on the Maryland Million?**

Call the Maryland Million office at (410) 252-2100.



1. There are no provisions for supplementary entries to Maryland Million races. Unless eligible foals are fully nominated to the Maryland Million program on or before December 31 of their yearling year, they will not be eligible to be entered in Maryland Million races in any year.
2. A foal may be fully nominated for a total of \$250. A foal for which the nomination fee is not paid by December 31 of the weanling year may still be nominated for a late fee total of \$600 by December 31 of his yearling year.
3. Maryland Million Ltd. reserves the right to postpone or change the conditions of all or any part of the Maryland Million program without any liability. Maryland Million programs may be canceled without notice and Maryland Million Ltd. shall have no liability except to make distribution of funds in the form of purses and awards less administrative expenses.
4. Special foal nominator awards will be paid to the nominator whose name appears on this form if any horses listed hereon finish first, second, third or fourth in any Maryland Million race in any year. These awards are independent of any other Maryland award program.

**Foal Nominator Awards for Maryland Million Races**

	<b>\$25,000 race</b>	<b>\$50,000 race</b>	<b>\$100,000 race</b>	<b>\$200,000 race</b>
First	\$500	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$4,000
Second	\$375	\$750	\$1,500	\$3,000
Third	\$250	\$500	\$1,000	\$2,000
Fourth	\$125	\$250	\$500	\$1,000

5. In the event that any nominated foal is unable to be entered—or to run—in any Maryland Million race, regardless of the reason (or reasons), no refunds will be paid to foal nominators. Foal nominations are made with the express understanding that no assurances with regard to entry in any Maryland Million race, beyond eligibility to the program, are being given.
6. This agreement is for horses sired by stallions properly nominated to the Maryland Million program, including several deceased stallions which ended their careers in Maryland.
7. Maryland Million Ltd. reserves the right to limit the number of starters in any Maryland Million race. If selection of entries is necessary, Maryland Million Ltd. shall have sole discretion over the method used. Maryland Million Ltd. also reserves the right to change the distance or course of any race without liability.

8. Maryland Million races shall be run in compliance with the racing rules and regulations of the Maryland Racing Commission. Maryland Million Ltd. shall have no liability for the actions of any officials or employees of the track where such races are held or for any matter under the track's control. Purses and award payments shall be made to the owners or lessees recognized as such by the track and the Maryland Racing Commission.
9. Maryland Million Ltd. reserves the right to broadcast, televise or record Maryland Million races and the activities incident to them, and to exploit same by any means. Maryland Million Ltd. also reserves the right to use the names and likenesses of nominated stallions and their nominated progeny in its promotion and advertising in any manner deemed appropriate.
10. The nominator grants his consent to be photographed without remuneration, and agrees to obtain consent from his employees, agents and associates when and if required. Nominator further understands and consents that use by him of the name or logo of Maryland Million shall only be made in accordance with rules established by Maryland Million Ltd.
11. Maryland Million Ltd. makes no representations or warranties as to benefits being realized as a result of participation in the Maryland Million program. Maryland Million Ltd. shall not be liable if any benefits anticipated by a nominator are not realized for any reason whatsoever.
12. Purse distribution for Maryland Million races shall be as follow: first—55%; second—20%; third—10%; fourth—5%; fifth—3%; and sixth—2%. An amount equal to 10% of the day's gross purses will be paid in the form of nominator awards; 5% directly to stallion nominators and 5% directly to foal nominations, as explained in Condition 4.
13. **Maryland Million Ltd. is a trade association and, accordingly, nomination payments are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes but may be deductible as business expenses.**
14. The purpose of Maryland Million Ltd. is to improve business conditions relating to Thoroughbred breeding and racing. Foal and stallion nominators are considered members of the Maryland Million Ltd. association.

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