ONTARIO STANDARDBRED HORSEPEOPLE'S RRSP

Did you have 10 Ontario starts in 2023?

Would you like to receive an annual contribution of <u>up to</u> \$900 to your RRSP? Do you meet one or more of the eligibility requirements listed below?

CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY FOR THE INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTION OF <u>UP TO</u> \$900 FOR THE 2024 ONTARIO STANDARDBRED HORSEPEOPLE'S RRSP

- 1. All **Owners, Trainers**, and **Drivers** must accumulate 10 single Ontario starts for the previous year (multiple owners of a horse only qualify as per the percentage of horse ownership). Verification of starts will only be accepted from a Standardbred Canada printout or as verified by Standardbred Canada records. **Grooms** must provide a T4 slip or letter of employment from the Trainer of Record/Employer showing proof of Groom's status. **Assistant Trainers** must provide a T4 slip or letter of employment confirming Assistant Trainer's status from the Trainer of Record/Employer.
- 2. Under the **Breeders** category you qualify if you are the owner or lessee of a broodmare with racing offspring who have accumulated 10 Ontario racing starts in the previous year or if you are the signing officer of a Registered Ontario Sires Stakes eligible stallion standing in Ontario and nominated to the OSS program.
- 3. Racing starts will only be accepted for **recorded Ontario starts for the previous racing season** (i.e., 2022 Ontario starts for the 2023 enrollment year). If a member cannot meet the standard of 10 starts in 2023, upon request of the member, the RRSP Committee will review each case on an individual basis to determine if the industry contribution will be made. Requests for review by the Committee and all accompanying documentation must be received by December 1.

If a member does not qualify for the industry contribution in a given year, that member can still make his/her contribution to the plan.

- All annual contributions or new applications must be accompanied by a cheque or money order for the sum of \$100.00 made payable to the OHHA. No other fees or memberships are to be added to this amount. Extra contributions to your RRSP may accompany your remittance.
- Your contribution and any documents required to verify your eligibility that do not accompany the contribution/enrollment form (i.e., printout of race starts, T4 slip, employment verification) must reach the OHHA office on or before December 1, 2024 in order to receive the industry contribution of <u>up to</u> \$900.
- Annual contributions or first-time applications will be accepted beginning January 1, 2024 through to December 1, 2024. Any remittance received after the December 1 cut-off will be returned. We do not accept post-dated cheques.
- Please note If you are a first-time participant the <u>up to</u> \$900 annual industry contribution will be made on your behalf after 24 months of enrollment in the program. The first industry contribution will reflect two years of regular industry contributions (<u>up to</u> \$1800).

If you have any questions regarding eligibility or any other aspect of this plan, please call the OHHA office – 905-854-6442 or 1-866-774-6442 Now is the time to start thinking about the future and enroll in the RRSP for Owners, Trainers, Assistant Trainers, Drivers, Breeders and Grooms.

Don't miss the **December 1st cut-off date!**