

CONGRESS SURVIVAL GUIDE

Entering

- Register and Pay on line at <https://www.cmsaevents.com/events/?by=club&filter=1293>
- **Entries close at midnight Monday, October 16th.**
- Congress is limited to 100 shooters, so "HOLD MY SPOT" applies.
- Here is a short video explaining how it works:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xLcjsBP9aDE>
- Pay your entries at CMSA. **ENTRIES NOT PAID BY CLOSING WILL BE REMOVED**
- We will refund the \$.01 paid for stalls on CMSA
- No entries or Cash taken at the event.
- 5% Cancellation Fee until closing. \$50 plus 5% cancellation fee after closing.

*****PLEASE CANCEL ON CMSA IF SOMETHING HAPPENS THAT YOU CAN NOT ATTEND THE SHOOT THIS WILL OPEN UP A SLOT FOR SOMEONE THAT CAN ATTEND*****

HOW TO CANCEL

If you have fully registered for the event you will need to cancel your entry as well as cancel your hold my spot.

- 1. Log on to CMSA**
- 2. go to Event Registration Tab, then find the event**
- 3. then click the blue "cancel" link., then "Withdraw Entry"**
- 4. go to Event Registration Tab, click on "Edit Hold My Spot" hit the down arrow next to "Attending", then click "Not Attending" on the bottom right hit the green "Hold My Spot", then check your email for confirmation.**

NOTES:

- Every vehicle that goes South of 17th Ave is required to purchase a show pass from OQHA. \$75.00 per vehicle
- All shooters must register online, no entries will be accepted at the shoot.
- If you want to move to the Senior Division you will need to call CMSA, after Worlds and before competing at Congress.
- Once you compete in the new shooting year, you will not be able to change your class.

Horse Health Requirements

- Horses attending that reside in Ohio will need a current Coggins Test
- Horses coming from outside of Ohio will need a current Coggins Test and Health Certificate
- The Ohio State Veterinarian may require additional documentation if there is a disease outbreak in your area.

NOTES:

- Ohio considers a current Coggins: one taken within the past 12 months
- Certificates of Health are only valid for 30 days

Location

Ohio Exposition Center, 717 E 17th Ave, Columbus, OH 43211, 614-644-3247

www.ohioexpocenter.com

Traveling to the shoot

- You will exit US 71 west on to 17th Ave.
- 17th Ave is closed to through traffic, just follow the signs and go through the main entrance

Stalls

- Book stalls when registering on CMSA
- Stalls fees are paid to the Ohio Quarter Horse Association
- No need to make stall arrangements before traveling to the shoot. There is a block of stalls reserved for shooters
- Stop at the stall office after entering the grounds (**REQUIRED**), you will pay them and they will give you a stall assignment
- If you would like a tack stall, request it at the stall office. This is recommended if you want to leave your tack in the barn near your horse. You will want to keep all your equipment under lock and key.
- Shavings not include with the stall, Call Wayne Davis Quality Bedding at 519-841-3934 to pre-order bedding, or bring your own.
- The stall flooring is asphalt or concrete so plan accordingly (extra shavings or rubber mats)
- Stall Mat Rental & Disinfecting: Please contact Elite Stall Mat Rentals at 855-MATS-200

Camping

- Camping is handled by the Ohio Exposition Center
- No need to reserve camping. Request camping when you enter the gate.
- Camping is \$50.00/night. If you arrive on Saturday you will be required you pay for 2 nights of camping (\$100)
- If you do not stay the second night you can get a refund for balance. **The camping refund office closes at 12pm Sunday Oct 23.**
- There are no sewer hook ups south of 17th Ave. You will want to be south of 17th Ave to be as close to the barns and arenas as possible.
- Parking is tight so bring your patience. Fellow shooters will be glad to help you find a spot and get parked.

Getting in and settled

1. enter the main gate and purchase a show pass \$75
2. purchase your camping at the main gate as well \$100
3. follow the signs to the stall office (**ALL HORSES MUST CHECK-IN AT THE STALL OFFICE**)
4. purchase your stall at the stall office \$60 per night.
5. cross 17th Ave and work your way to the Adequan Building (stall locations could be subject to change, watch for updates on the Mid-Ohio Marauder Facebook Group). Look for fellow shooter to help you find a parking spot.
6. get your horse settled in
7. **Check-in at the shoot office** in the center of the Adequan building (stall barn)

Check-in required (In person or by phone)

- Office hours Sat 1pm to 5pm and 7pm to 9pm
- Contact Judy if you will be arriving after the office closes at 9pm [Judy 419-210-0185]
- We need to verify your entry is correct
- Hospitality bags with competitors T-Shirt will be available at the shoot office

NO changes will be made after the office closes at 9pm on Saturday

NOTES:

- You might want to use a check or cash to pay the stall, camping and show pass fees
- Ohio Expo and Stall Office will charge a convinced fee for credit and debit cards

Day of the Shoot

- Check the Mid-Ohio Marauders General Membership FaceBook Group frequently. This is where we will post a schedule, stages, results and other relevant information.
- Safety Meeting at 7:30am in the Celeste Center
- First shot will be at 8:00am
- Order of Go is Level 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1
- Long guns follow main match
- There will be 2 arenas used for this shoot
- Stages 1 and 3 will be in the Celeste Center
- Stages 2 and 4 will be in the Buckeye Pavilion
- Shooters are responsible to be at the correct arena and ready to go when their name is called
- If you are sharing a horse or equipment, make arrangements with the office staff when you check in
- Bring clothing for all types of weather. It could be hot, raining or snowing.
- Get your camping refund before 12pm on Sunday

Congress Champion Jackets

- Champion Jackets can be purchased at Schneiders 1-800-365-1311 www.sstack.com
- All Class Winners, Overalls, Reserves, and Top 15 are eligible to purchase Congress Trophy Jackets
- Start thinking about purchasing your trophy jacket NOW.
- Since, our event is on the last day of Congress the Schneiders booth will be closed before the results are in. Visit their booth at Congress now thru SATURDAY 10/21/2023 and try your jacket on for size, which is important because custom orders are not returnable.

Winners will have until Wednesday, October 25th, 2023 to place their orders BY PHONE 800-365-1311. Brad Stepen is the Customer Service Manager. The shoot results will be emailed to him a list of Class and Overall Results for her reference. Email: bstephen@sstack.com

Competing in AQHA

1. Register online
2. 1st horse is your main match horse

NOTES:

- Need AQHA membership ID and Level

- Copy of Horse Papers