



# Grand National & World Championship Morgan Horse Show

## RETIREMENT CEREMONY APPLICATION

Name of Horse \_\_\_\_\_

Current Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Horse's World Champion Titles \_\_\_\_\_

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Horse's Other Accomplishments \_\_\_\_\_

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Party Plans \_\_\_\_\_

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# Grand National & World Championship Morgan Horse show<sup>®</sup> Retirement Ceremony Guidelines

The Grand National & World Championship Morgan Horse Show<sup>®</sup> will welcome one retirement ceremony per year.

An application must be submitted to the Committee before March 1. All Applications will be reviewed and voted on by the selection committee and only one horse will be accepted per year. When more than one application is submitted, the selection committee has full discretion to accept the one that it deems most appropriate, and its decision will be final.

Once your application has been accepted, the cost to have your Morgan World Champion showcased in this way is a nonrefundable fee of \$2,500, which is due within 30 days of acceptance. This fee will cover a Stall, Blanket of roses and ribbon for the ceremony.

In addition to the fee, the applicant must host a party for the horse. A tasteful celebration party plan must accompany your application. This must be open to all exhibitors with an estimate of 300-400 people attending. The horse owner must coordinate with caterers directly and must be pre-paid before the start of the show.

- The ceremony will be an evening session designated by the committee.
- The ceremony in its entirety is not to be more than 10 minutes.
- The script must be turned in to show management by 9:00 a.m. the day of the ceremony.
- The retiree must be a multi-World Champion and have had a major impact on the Morgan breed. The applications are open to all disciplines.
- The Horse must be in the ring during the ceremony
- The horse cannot be competing at the current horse show

All plans for ceremony including but not limited to music, video, script, attire, blankets, flowers, etc. must be approved by the committee by July 15<sup>th</sup> of the ceremony year. Any added production costs will be the responsibility of the owner. If you plan on having a rehearsal, make arrangements with the committee.

Contact Retirement committee chairs for any questions.

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