

ASSA Futurity Rules and Information

1. The Futurity Stakes are open to litters where the breeder of record is an ASSA member. Each ASSA member/Member household may nominate only ten (10) owned or co-owned bitches per Futurity year. The bitch's nomination must be postmarked on the envelope before the litter is born. The Futurity is held on the day before the National and each puppy must be entered in a regular class at the National. Put "Futurity Class" and age division in the box on the entry form for "Additional Class". There is no additional entry fee for the futurity class.
2. Starting with the 1995 Futurity, there is no ineligible zone. All litters nominated for bitches that will whelp after the closing date of the prior Futurity and before the beginning 18 month date of the next Futurity will be added to the next Futurity by extending the 12 to 18 month class to include the date in the ineligible zone. If a bitch is due right on the borderline dates, you may keep her eligible in both futurities by entering her in both and paying for both. Based on her actual whelping date she will then remain eligible in one or the other Futurity. Occasionally we have the opposite happen when Futurity year dates overlap. The same concept is applied - she may be nominated for both years and the puppies may be nominated for both Futurities also by paying double fees at each level. However, you must chose which Futurity you will show in. You can only show a puppy in one Futurity. If you decide to show the puppy in the 6 - 9 month class you may not show that puppy again in the 12 - 18 month class the following year.
3. Nominations of bitches bred may be made on the ASSA Bulletin Board forms, or a 3 x 5 card, if at all possible. If necessary, you may submit nominations on any piece of paper. You must include Show Location, Show date/year, Dam, Date bred, Breeder(s) and your complete address with phone number. Upon receipt of your bitches nomination, a form will be

mailed to you that will include your 3 month and 6 month reminders. This will be your only reminder. The Sire must be specified by the 6 month nomination. The fee of \$5.00 per dam must be enclosed with the original nomination and a fee of \$3.00 per puppy is due by 3 months with the exact whelping date and sex of each puppy kept nominated. A \$7.00 fee is due by six months for each puppy you wish to keep nominated, and you must include the pup's full AKC registered name, sex, and new owner (if any). Entries in the 6-9 months class must arrive at least 30 days prior to judging. All six month nominations must include AKC litter number and proposed name, the name can be changed at a later date but must have the same AKC registration number.

4. The Futurity will consist of six classes: 6-9 mos.; 9-12 mos.; 12-18 mos. Winners of all above classes will compete for Best Puppy in Futurity.
5. Fees received for each class, less 30% (25% for expenses & 5% for the breeder of the Best In Futurity winner) will be used as prize money in that class. If divided by sex, money for that age group will be halved. Prize money will be divided as follows: 1st - 40%; 2nd - 30%; 3rd - 20%; 4th - 10%. Prizes revised if less than four (4) entries in a class. All prizes are paid to the handler in the ring. A special award of 5% of the total prize money will be paid, for each Futurity, to the ASSA member breeder of the Best in Futurity Winner. All nominations, correspondence and checks (payable to ASSA) are to be sent to the Chairperson:

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- All money paid is irrevocable, with these exceptions:— overpayments made in error & nominations arriving too early or late for the age of the class. Money is not returned for "misses." Members recruited to judge Futurity will have their money returned upon request. Requests must be made 30 days before the Futurity date. **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ASSA.**
- On checks for the original nomination of the bitch, please write the bitch's AKC name. On 3 and 6 month nominations please write the Futurity litter number assigned. Also on 6 month nomination, add **COLOR OF PUPPY**.
- Please do not send Certified Mail or Air Express letters. Remember, eligibility is determined by the postmark, not delivery date (except for the Futurity closing date of 1 month prior to judging).
- Canadian members, please send your Futurity fee by Postal Money Order/US funds.
- Whenever there is an NSF check, the nomination for a litter will be ineligible until the check is made good and all bank charges incurred by ASSA are reimbursed.
- If you wish to know that your 3 month and 6 month Futurity nomination arrived safely, please include your e-mail address or a self-addressed, stamped postcard or envelope with those nominations. The initial nomination is acknowledged by the letter returned to you, which contains tear sheets for 3- and 6-month nominations. If you do not receive that letter, then I never received your original nomination.

FUTURITY NOMINATION APPLICATION	
Year _____	Location _____
Member/Breeder _____ <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">[List all breeders and circle the name(s) of the ASSA member(s).]</div>	
Street _____	
City, State, Zip _____	
Phone: Home (____) _____ Work (____) _____ E-Mail _____	
Date(s) Bred _____	
Sire _____ Dam _____	
Make check or money order payable to ASSA in US funds. Send nomination and check to Sharon Parrish 1050 Kyler Road, Mount Vernon, MO 65712	