

NATIONAL ANTHEM AUDITION REQUIREMENTS



It is time to warm up your vocal chords. The 14th annual Lone Star Park National Anthem auditions will be held on Tuesday, February 23, 2010 from 11:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Auditions will be held outdoors (weather permitting) just west of the Winner's Circle. Please be sure to enter through Parking Gate 5 off Lone Star Parkway and park in the Preferred Parking Lot. Then enter through the East Entrance of the Grandstand.

Anyone interested in singing the National Anthem for Lone Star Park in 2010 must audition on February 23. Be sure to call (972) 263-RACE prior to February 23 to set up an appointment. Walk-ups are welcome, however, those with an appointment will be given priority on audition time. Lyrics must be memorized, and you will be asked to audition a cappella. Vocalists, instrumentalists, duos, trios, groups, and choirs are welcome to audition. Your performance time must be two minutes or less. Also, as a reminder, expect to hear a half second delay in the sound system during your performance.

Those chosen to sing the National Anthem on a live race day will be notified with a telephone call and a written letter prior to the start of the Spring Thoroughbred Season (usually two-to-three weeks after the audition). Each person selected to perform will receive four (4) box seats for live racing on the performance date.

Our Spring Thoroughbred Season will run Thursdays through Sundays, April 8 through July 18, except Thursday June 3, in addition to Memorial Day, Monday, May 31. Our 2010 Fall Meeting of Champions for American Quarter Horses will run Thursdays through Saturdays beginning Friday, September 17 through Saturday, November 13. Lone Star Park is located one half-mile north of Interstate 30 off Belt Line Road at 1000 Lone Star Parkway in Grand Prairie – 12 miles west of Dallas and 20 miles east of Fort Worth.

Performers Must Adhere to the Following Guidelines:

- Song must be sung a cappella or performed on acoustic instrument
- Song must be completed in two minutes or less (over 2 min = DQ)
- Singers may not hold their ears to help with delay (i.e., finger in ear = DQ)
- Singers must have words memorized (using paper/cheat sheet = DQ)

Lyrics To The Star Spangled Banner:

Oh, say, can you see by the dawn's early light,

What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,

O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,

Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.

Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet wave

O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?