



Central Registry Services

RULES & REGULATIONS

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1. NEW REGISTRATION - Application

1.1 Application Form – please complete two page CRS New Registration Application Form, front and back and return with required signatures and fees.

1.2 DNA Parentage - To be approved for entry into the CRS, the sire and dam to must have been previously recorded in a studbook recognized by the CRS or from stock directly descended from studbook stock, verifiable through parentage DNA accessible to CRS.

1.3. Licenses & Inspections are not required so as to keep the endangered gene pool diverse, however, breeders are encourage to breed to their Breed Standard to preserve unique breed characteristics as well as select for good conformation.

1.4. Names & Prefixes- Horses/ponies must be registered with a unique name and breeders are encouraged to use a breeder's prefix. Permission will not be granted to use a prefix or individual name that has been previously allocated to the same breed. A name may be reused only with a different prefix.

1.5. Identification - Each Horse must be uniquely and permanently identified. Such identification requires DNA typing in addition to natural and/or acquired markings. Natural markings include color, white markings, color patterns and whorls. Acquired markings may but are not limited to include scars, freeze or hot brands, tattoos, microchips. Natural and Acquired Identifications shall be drawn on Page 2 of the backside of the New Application.

1.6 Photo Identification – Optional Photographic representation of the physical appearance of the horse is strongly encouraged, and may accompany the owner's application (in hard copy or electronically as e-attachments) for registration in the CRS database. Photos should include: Full front, full rear, side view left & right, plus any markings.

1.7. Artificial Insemination & Embryo Transfers - Horses conceived by AI, or as the result of embryo or oocyte transfer will be treated no differently than those conceived by in-hand or pasture breeding. DNA proves parentage.

1.8. DNA Responsibility - While CRS may aid applicants in the process of securing DNA, the cost of mandatory genetic testing, or re-testing, and the responsibility to provide satisfactory DNA parentage to CRS lies with the applicant.

1.9. New Application Denial - CRS may refuse an application for registration, or cancel the registration of a previously registered animal, where it has justifiable cause to doubt that animal's eligibility for registration as a Purebred.

1.10 Policy concerning Establishment of Ownership of a Horse
CRS does not have the ability to verify the ownership of a horse, therefore the name

of the owner(s) in the CRS records is the name of the person(s) who has applied for the Certificate of Registration. It is the responsibility of the buyer(s) and seller(s) to ascertain the legal ownership of the horse.

If an ownership dispute arises, it must be resolved by the parties involved, possibly in a court of law, but in no case will the CRS become involved in a question of ownership. If the legal ownership of a horse is in question in a court of law, CRS reserves the right to hold the Certificate of Registration until the matter is resolved.

2. TRACKING REGISTRATION = DUAL REGISTRATION

2.1. Assignment of CRS Tracking # - Please complete and return with required signatures and fees along with a COPY of an previous or existing registration from other organizations.

To maintain an accurate census of the breed population, Dual registration does not involve the alteration of a previous registration of an individual listed in any recognized breed stud book, i.e. original and/or mother registering society. Such individuals may be included in the CRS, under a CRS-Tracking number that includes the letter "T", clearly identifying the Horse as a dual-registration.

2.1. Tracking Application Denial - The CRS may refuse an application for Tracking Registration, or cancel the registration of a previously registered animal, where it has justifiable cause to doubt that animal's eligibility for registration as a Purebred.

3. NOTICE of CHANGE

3.1 NOTICE of CHANGE – COLOR OR MARKINGS – In an effort to be as accurate as possible, CRS encourages owners to make updates and/or corrections to any color in coat, patterns, hoof colors, or permanent natural or acquired markings. **Please use CRS Notice of Change – Color or Markings**

3.2 NOTICE of CHANGE – TO GELDING - Notifying CRS about a change to Gelding status helps to maintain the integrity of accurate Census information for your endangered breed. Please **complete CRS Form Notice of Change – Change to Gelding**.

3.3 NOTICE of CHANGE – DEATH – Notifying CRS of mortalities helps to maintain the integrity of accurate Census information for your endangered breed. Please **complete CRS Form Notice of Change – Death**.

3.4 NOTICE of CHANGE – TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP

3.1.1. CRS Transfer Form - The seller and new owner must complete this form to show new ownership. The new owner must send both the Transfer Form signed by previous owner and new owner along with the original CRS papers back to CRS for processing. *There is no charge for recording Transfers in Ownership with inclusion of a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope.*

3.1.2. Gaps in Ownership Transfer Paperwork - Where the currently recorded owner is deceased the transfer can be completed by an authorized agent or representative of the estate. Where it is otherwise not possible to obtain the

authorization of the current or last known recorded owner, then a Sales Declaration or copy of a Sales Contract must be provided to CRS by the new owner to confirm the completion of a bona fide sale. CRS reserves the right to waive the need for a solid paper trail under certain conditions and where new ownership rights seem clear. Contact the CRS Registrar for details.

3.5 NOTICE of LEASE AGREEMENT for Mare or Stallion

- **MARE LEASE – Designated Breeder**
- **STALLION LEASE – Designated Stallion Agent**

To assign breeder rights for (1) a Mare Lease for the purpose of naming someone other than the dam owner as *Designated Breeder* or (2) to recognize a *Designated Stallion Agent*, the Owner and Lessee must complete a **CRS Notice of Lease Agreement** authorizing the assignment of a Designated Breeder or a Designated Stallion Agent if either are other than the owner.

CRS provides a simple Notice of Lease Agreement form to record the parties' names, the mare's information, a beginning date the lease took effect and a termination date.

This form allows CRS to recognize the Designated Breeder or Designated Stallion Agent's authority to sign all pertinent documents pertaining to the registration of any of foals conceived during the lease period in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of Central Registry Services. Upon the expiration of said period, the Designated Breeder or Stallion Agent's authority is terminated.

If the horse is jointly owned and ownership is designated by "*and*," all owners must sign as Lessor.

If the mare is subsequently sold to the Lessee, a properly executed CRS Transfer Form must be filed to show the change of ownership from the Owner to the Lessee. If said mare is sold to anyone other than the Lessee prior to registering her foals, a written notice declaring the termination for the Lease Agreement must be submitted to the CRS office before can register any offspring from said mare.

Enforcement against the Lessee regarding limitations on use of the horse and ownership of its progeny is solely the responsibility of the Owner.

The original CRS Notice of Lease Agreement with the original signatures of the owner AND the lessee), must be filed with the CRS and must be on file prior *to or at the time* of registering any foals produced during this lease agreement.

There is no charge to file a lease or to give notice of a termination of lease whether it is automatic or by subsequent notice thereof.

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