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Thoroughbred Recording

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How to get your Jockey Club-registered Thoroughbred listed for breeding with AQHA.

American Quarter Horses are extremely versatile horses, very strong and powerful. There's no question about the American Quarter Horse's ability to beat out any other breed in a short-distance race – he's just built for it! But quite some time ago, AQHA's eyes turned to the Jockey Club and the large, long and lean Thoroughbred horses it registers. Thoroughbred (TB) horses succeed in long-distance racing. So what happens when you mix the sought-after characteristics of the Quarter Horse and the Thoroughbred? You get an Appendix Quarter Horse that will be a powerhouse on the race track and capable of so much more!



Now that I have your ears (well, I guess eyes...), I will let you know how to go about getting yourself one of these Appendix Quarter Horses.

Above all else, AQHA must maintain the integrity of the American Quarter Horse breed. So you have to get a Thoroughbred horse approved before you can breed it to an American Quarter Horse. Simply submit the following information:

- A front and back photo copy of the Jockey Club certificate showing that you are the owner.
- Four, clear-view **color photographs** of your TB. (Bit of trivia: The photos are still required to verify the existence and amount of white markings the horse has. The only change is that AQHA will still take the horse if the white markings are excessive. Before, this was definitely a deal-breaker.)
- A \$50 recording fee. (\$90 if the owner is not an AQHA member.)
- A signed statement authorizing AQHA to obtain DNA information (if any) from the Jockey Club. If the DNA type cannot be recorded with AQHA or if the horse does not have DNA on file, a \$50 DNA testing fee will need to be submitted and the horse tested before we will approve the horse for breeding.

The horse will be assigned what is called a T-number (ex: T0000000). This serves as the TB's AQHA registration number. A letter is mailed out with this information when the

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recording is complete. Buyer beware, though! A T-number does not always indicate that a TB has been approved for breeding with AQHA. For example, if the DNA process was never completed, the horse can still be assigned a T-number, but it is not yet approved if we do not have DNA. Another bit of TB trivia: AQHA places the year the TB was born at the end of the name. This policy came from the days when names were not eligible to be reused and could not be spelled the same as any other name. Our database requires these additional numbers so the TB names can be added.

If you purchased a Thoroughbred and wonder whether it has been recorded with AQHA, contact us and we'll look the horse up for you. If the horse does have a T-number, simply submit a copy of the Jockey Club certificate and a \$15 transfer fee (\$55 if you are not an AQHA member), and AQHA will update the record.

Registering an Appendix

So how does AQHA register half Quarter Horse-half TB offspring? We've created the Appendix Registry. An Appendix Quarter Horse is not limited in any area except for breeding. Appendix horses are only eligible to breed permanent-numbered Quarter Horses. Appendix horses are denoted by an "X" at the beginning of their numbers (Ex: X0000000). So, you cannot breed an "X" with a "T" or an "X" with an "X."

Appendix horses can advance and become permanent-numbered Quarter Horses. The basic requirement for advancement is a Register of Merit in showing (open division) or racing.

Have questions or something more you would like to add? Leave a comment!

As Always, At Your Service...



Kayla Randall
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Amanda Poore

May 26th, 2009 at 8:41 am

Dear Ms. Randall,

I work on a Thoroughbred breeding farm and we bred a quarter horse mare to one of our stallions this year. What do I need to do as far as providing the breeding records so the foal can be a registered appendix?

Thank You,

Amanda Poore
Rancho San Miguel



Cherie Gutekunst

May 29th, 2009 at 11:53 am

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My TB broodmare is already DNA certified by the Jockey Club. Now I must pay you \$50. to record it? Is that correct? A bit excessive is isn't it?

Do you have a form or a sample of the letter I need to request that info from the Jockey Club?

The AQHA is going downhill :0(

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Appendix vs. Quarter Horse

July 14th, 2009 at 11:10 am

[...] my previous post, Thoroughbred Recording, I gave you all a little information about listing a Jockey Club-registered Thoroughbred on AQHA [...]



MARYB

September 26th, 2009 at 4:17 pm

DO YOU THINK I CAN GET A MARE APPENDIX PAPERED IF SHE HAS TB ON BLOODLINES OR DO YOU HAVE TO BUILD DNA.. SHE IS A CROP OUT AND DIDNT GET THE AQHA PAPERS BEFORE AQHA STOPPED ALLOWING IT..NOW THE RULE HAS CHANGE AND I CANT BUILD ANY DNA ON HER BECAUSE ALL PARENT S ARE DEAD.. AND NONE OF THIS MARES OFFSPRING CAN BE PAPERED BECAUSE SHE IS THE MISSING LINK IN CHAIN...SHE HAD QUARTER PARENTS JUST CAN;T PROVE IT BECAUSE THEY ARE ALL DEAD.. I JUST WANT TO GET MY GELDING OUT OF THIS MARE REGISTERD EVEN IF ITS APPENDIX BECAUSE THEN COULD SHOW AQHA...



More About Stallion Breeding Reports

October 13th, 2009 at 11:46 am

[...] need to be placed on your report. Only American Quarter Horse (Appendix and permanent numbered) and Thoroughbred mares need to be placed on the report. To avoid late fees, place a Thoroughbred mare on the report [...]



Patricia

May 2nd, 2010 at 3:36 am

Im so glad I stumbled on to your site!!! My question is this... I have a TB mare, a vet breed her to an AQHA stud, baby is 2 this yr and not registered? I want to put the baby on the track next yr. Do I follow the same rules as above even if he's already here and lovable? The TB mare is currently at the track with a trainer so I assume there is DNA already at the Jockey Club?! Thanks for being there and any info would help me out! Pat Johnson



What Is That? – America's Horse Daily

October 8th, 2010 at 4:03 am

[...] the Bend-Or spots, Birdcatcher spots are also named for a Thoroughbred stallion that had them. These, however, are small white spots. There might be only one, or there [...]



Dawn

January 6th, 2011 at 10:46 am

I am trying to find a way to view what my horse did on the race track. He is a thoroughbred and has a tatto on his lip. Is there a way to look it up for free. Dawn



We've Come a Long Way – America's Horse Daily

April 13th, 2011 at 2:59 pm

[...] some blood. In 1949, at a horse show in Kerrville, Texas, there were two halter divisions, one for Thoroughbred ranch-type horses and one for racing-type horses,

which shows the controversy still brewing over [...]

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