

The Highland Pony Society

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AFFILIATED TO THE NATIONAL PONY SOCIETY REGISTERED AS A CHARITY

Registrations

The Stud Book is the register of fully pedigreed Highland ponies, not exceeding 14.2hh. All stallions must be bred from fully registered parents and must hold a licence before being used on mares. Any ponies with Progeny Certificates (pre-1991) can apply for full registration - see list of fees.

Youngstock and New Entries

Applications must be accompanied by a SERVICE CERTIFICATE from the stallion owner. If this certificate is not enclosed, the application will be returned to the breeder. It is the responsibility of the mare owner to make sure that this certificate has been obtained before the registration is applied for. These ponies will be fully registered and no further action need be taken except in the case of colts which may be licensed or gelded: both these situations require further action by the owner. Late registrations will be charged at double the standard rate of fee.

All colts licensed since 1 January 2003 and all stallions who take part in the annual Stallion Parade have been DNA tested at the expense of the Society from funding by the Rare Breeds Survival Trust.

Members who elect to microchip their pure-bred foals will be supplied with the chip and given a £5 subsidy towards the registration of that foal. Microchipping allows positive identification of each animal and enables the tracking of its movements throughout its life. Members who wish to take up this offer should apply to the Secretary for the microchip and have the chip inserted at a suitable time when the vet is on their premises. The cost of implantation will be the responsibility of the breeder.

Stallions

Colts may be licensed as two-, three- or four-year olds (dating from 1 January of their second and subsequent years) by requesting a stallion registration form and returning it with a two colour print photographs (one of the face with the forelock pulled aside and one of the side view of the pony) name and address of proposed veterinary surgeon and a cheque for £150.00. The owner of the colt is additionally required to pay the full cost of the veterinary inspection. A vetting certificate will be sent to the vet nominated by the owner, providing that person is not the vet who usually attends the ponies and other farm stock or domestic animals. If vetting is successful, the owner of the colt will be sent the licence. Please note that a colt must not be used before this number is allocated. Please note also that colts being presented for licensing must have no white other than a small star (no larger than 65mm) above eye level.

By signing the application form, the owner guarantees that the description of the colt is true and accurate.

A copy of the rules governing this procedure can be obtained from the Secretary.

Mares

Mares will be registered as fillies with their permanent registration number.

Mares on loan for breeding purposes must be recorded as such by completing a loan transfer before progeny can be registered in the breeder's stud name.

Geldings

Colts may be fully registered as geldings in the year of their birth or later by transfer. The fee for the former is £20.00. For transfer to gelding there is no charge.

Transfer of Ownership

When a Highland pony is sold, it should be transferred to the new owner immediately by the completion of a transfer form and endorsement of the reverse side of the Registration Certificate and the appropriate page of the passport. Please note that documents must be returned by the seller to The Highland Pony Society office for recording.

Exports

National Guidance Notes and forms for the export of Highland ponies are available from the Secretary. Any ponies sold overseas must be fully registered before leaving the country and entire colts may be subsequently licensed in accordance with the procedures of The Highland Pony Society. The Society stress that transfers of ownership should be recorded by the Society.

Appendix Registers

The Appendices are, in effect, grading-up registers for ponies of unknown or unprovable lineage. Mares and gelding were accepted for the 'A' Register after inspection. Thereafter progeny from Appendix mares by fully registered and licensed Highland stallions will be inspected and registered as follows: colt progeny of appendix mares must be gelded; fillies, if passing inspection, will advanced to the next register; if they fail they will be left on their dam's register. Fillies and geldings of 'C' Appendix mares, if passed, will be registered on the full register.

Appendix A

This appendix is for ponies of irregular, unprovable or unknown pedigree. All colts must be gelded and placed on their dam's register. Filly progeny of an Appendix 'A' mare, if they pass inspection, will advance to the next register. If not, they shall be retained on their dam's register. Since December 2002, this Appendix has been closed to new intake.

Appendix B

All colt progeny of an Appendix 'B' mare and a fully registered and licensed Highland stallion must be gelded and will be place on their dam's register. Filly progeny of an Appendix 'B' mare, if they pass inspection, will advance to the next register. If not, they may be retained on their dam's register.

Appendix C

Fillies and gelded progeny of an Appendix 'C' mare and a fully registered and licensed Highland stallion, if they pass inspection, will advance to the full register. If not, they may be retained on their dam's register.

Full Stud Book

This register is for fully pedigreed stock and the filly and gelded progeny of Appendix 'C' mares passed by inspection.

Part-Bred Register

The rules have now been changes to include a wider range of entries.

Entry is now open to females and geldings:

- (i) Of any age
- (ii) Minimum quarter-bred Highland blood - ie at least one grandparent must be a fully registered Highland pony.

ALL RELEVANT FEES AND COVERING CERTIFICATES MUST ACCOMPANY ALL APPLICATION FORMS

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