APPALOOSA HORSE CLUB REGISTRATION FACT SHEET

"Without papers it's just another horse"

Register your Appaloosa…record and preserve its lineage, increase its overall value, and create opportunities that only a registered Appaloosa can experience!

Registration Classifications

The ApHC offers two classifications of registration:

i. **REGULAR (#):** For Appaloosas that display an Appaloosa coat pattern, or for solid Appaloosas with required Appaloosa characteristics: i) mottled skin and white sclera, or ii) mottled skin and striped hooves in the absence of white leg markings.

ii. **NON-CHARACTERISTIC (N):** For solid Appaloosas that do not display an Appaloosa coat pattern or required Appaloosa characteristics for Regular classification.

Don't delay registration of a Non-Characteristic (N) foal, anticipating it will develop characteristics. Once a foal is registered as (N) classified, an owner may apply for advancement to Regular (#) Registration for up to one year from the date the original certificate was issued - ***free of charge.***

Bloodline Requirements

Pedigreed Appaloosas must have at least one ApHC-registered parent (sire or dam) classified as Regular (#). The other parent may be registered with the ApHC, or an ApHC-Approved Breed Association: American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA), Jockey Club (Thoroughbred), or Arabian Horse Association (AHA or WAHO).

ApHC-Approved Breeds must be listed with the ApHC; some restrictions apply.

Required Documentation

- A Stallion Breeding Report must be on file with the ApHC.
- The sire and dam of the applicant Appaloosa must have DNA genetic test results on file with the ApHC. Some exceptions may apply.
- A properly completed Registration Application/Breeder's Certificate must be submitted to the ApHC, including original signatures from the owner of the dam at the time of foaling, the owner of the dam at the time of breeding, and the owner of the sire at the time of breeding.
- Four current color photographs (front view, rear view, left side and right side) must be submitted with the registration application; and will be reproduced on the back of the horse's Certificate.
- Three name choices should be submitted with your application. Your Appaloosa's registered name must comply with ApHC rules.

Fees

- ApHC Members receive reduced registration rates.
- The sooner your Appaloosa is registered the more inexpensive it is.

For assistance with the registration process, please contact the Registration Department at 208.882.5578 ext. 300 or e-mail us at registration@appaloosa.com. We'll be happy to walk you through the registration process so that you have that desired ApHC Certificate of Registration in your hands in no time!

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Some Little Known Registration Facts

FACT: The ApHC welcomes dual-registration of Appaloosas registered with the Appaloosa Horse Club of Canada!

FACT: The ApHC often offers reduced prices for registration of aged Appaloosas!

FACT: Geldings and spayed mares displaying; i) an Appaloosa coat pattern, or ii) Appaloosa characteristics so as to be eligible for Regular registration classification, and having unknown or unapproved pedigree, may be eligible for ApHC-registration through ApHC Hardship-Registration.

Please see Hardship-Registration Fact Sheet at www.appaloosa.com for further information.

FACT: A properly completed application for registration may be completed in as little as 48 hours. Additional fees apply.

FACT: Appaloosas classified as Non-Characteristic (N) have the opportunity to apply for the Performance Permit Program to be eligible for ApHC-show purposes.

Applicant horse must be parentage verified through DNA testing. Additional rules apply.

Top Ten Registration Mistakes

To avoid making one or more of the ten most common mistakes, check your registration application against this list:

1. **Photographs:** Make sure your photographs are clear, and the horse's markings are identifiable. Include close-ups of Appaloosa characteristics and small marking such as snips and heel marks.
2. **Name choices:** Provide three options. Do not exceed 20 letters and spaces. Do not use special characters or punctuation.
3. **Fees:** Use a current registration application or fee schedule to determine fees.
4. **Membership:** If you aren't a current year member, include a membership application or non-member fees.
5. **Stallion Breeding Report:** Check to see that the owner of your foal's sire has filed a Stallion Breeding Report, and your mare's name is listed on the report. Remind owners of non-Appaloosa stallions to file a Stallion Report as well.
6. **Listing fees:** Be sure the required one-time listing fee has been paid on all non-Appaloosa stallions and mares.
7. **Breeder's Certificate:** For each mare bred, a Breeder's Certificate must be completed by the stallion owner. Don't tamper with the signatures or dates of breeding, as this will necessitate a new Breeder's Certificate being submitted.
8. **Signatures:** All lines with an "X" must contain proper signatures. Inadequate or omitted signatures will cause a delay in the processing of your registration.
9. **Transfers:** If the foal is to be registered to anyone other than the breeder, a completed transfer along with the appropriate fee must accompany the application.
10. **Sex of foal:** Check the appropriate box. If gelded or spayed, list date of surgery.

If after reading this, you become aware of an error on the registration application you recently submitted, please submit a signed request for change in writing. The ApHC won't transfer information from a phone call to a registration application.