

BREEDER'S ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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Rabobank is generously sponsoring the new KWPN-NA Breeder's Achievement Award. This award recognizes our member breeders who have accomplished significant results throughout the years with their breeding program.

This award benefits KWPN-NA members by giving:

- An award to the qualifying breeder at their local/regional keuring, allowing local/regional promotion of their breeding program (when possible);
- An award to the qualifying breeder at our KWPN-NA Annual Meeting;
- Special recognition of the breeder on the KWPN-NA website to specifically promote the success of the qualifying breeder.

The achievement of this award allows the breeder to use the following breeder designation for advertising or promotion purposes:

- KWPN-NA Silver Level Breeder
- KWPN-NA Gold Level Breeder
- KWPN-NA Platinum Level Breeder

The Breeder's Achievement Award does not take the place of the "KWPN-NA Breeder of the Year" special award. The Breeder of the Year special award is based on a single breeder's accomplishment and that recipient is nominated and selected by the KWPN-NA membership.

The Breeder's Achievement Award, on the other hand, is not voted on by KWPN-NA members, rather the breeder qualifies for the award based on a points system. Ultimately, the intention of this program is to have as many of our members as possible be able to achieve these awards.

Levels

There are three levels of achievement within the program:

Level	Points Needed
Silver Level	30
Gold Level	60
Platinum Level	100

The Point System:

Award	Points
Young Horses	
First Premium	1
Ranked Top-Five (or former Top-Ten)	1
Mature Horses	
Ster Predicate (to include geldings)	2
IBOP Predicate (to include geldings)	2
Keur Predicate	2
Elite Predicate	2
Sport Predicate (or gelding equivalent)	3
Crown Predicate	3
Preferent Predicate	3
Prestatie Predicate	3
Approved stallion	10

How It Works

Only the breeder of record of a horse presented can earn points for that horse.

In the Young Horse category, a horse may show at a keuring as a foal, yearling and/or two-yr-old, but will earn points only one time within this category.

The breeder of the horse will receive points for each accomplishment that their horse has achieved. For example:

- If a horse receives a First Premium as a young horse, the breeder will earn one (1) point.*
- Three years later, that same horse – now a mature horse – receives its Ster predicate, and thereby earns two (2) more points for its breeder.

- If the horse successfully passes the IBOP (riding performance test) during either that or a future year, it will receive two (2) more points.
- If the horse is a mare and also keur eligible at her studbook inspection, she would now earn the Keur predicate and an additional two (2) points for her breeder.

Therefore, this one horse can earn seven (7) points for its breeder if a mare and five (5) points for its breeder if a gelding: 1 point for receiving a First Premium as a foal, 2 points for the Ster designation, 2 points for a passing IBOP (and 2 points for the Keur designation).

Keeping Track of Points

Breeders must apply for award status. Once a breeder has reached the qualifying points for the first level (Silver), the breeder must send all applicable documentation to the KWPN-NA office. The office will then verify the documentation. When the breeder has earned enough points to upgrade to a higher level (Gold or Platinum), the breeder must again send the documentation to the KWPN-NA office. In other words, it is up to breeders to nominate themselves when they think they have earned enough points for the award or to move to a higher level of the award program.

Breeders will receive their awards the following year (the year after they achieve the results).

** A horse can only earn one (1) point as a young horse, even if earning multiple First Premiums .*



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