

Answers to some commonly asked keuring questions

Stallion Approvals: Prior to signing up, stallions five and older being presented for approval must present a sport record commensurate with their age for KWPN consideration. If deemed insufficient the Stallion Committee might recommend the stallion not be presented at that time. It is strongly recommended radiographs also be submitted prior to presentation.

Top Fives: Register A horses that are being presented for Studbook can only place in the Top Fives if they have met all additional requirements needed prior to the keuring presentation.

Whites: Yes, anyone entering the ring must wear white clothing, no matter whether they are handlers or just holding the horse. Anyone not wearing whites will not be allowed in the ring.

People footwear: No open-toed shoes are allowed for owners, handlers or spectators

Horse shoes: In general young horses (except two-year-old colts) may not wear shoes. Adult horses may wear plain shoes. (See entry booklet for specifics.)

Thoroughbred Mares: The KWPN does not inspect Thoroughbred mares. Foals out of TB mares by approved KWPN stallions are automatically eligible for Register A registration papers. When those foals turn three and are inspected for studbook they do not need to meet any additional requirements in order to be accepted into the studbook.

Pregnant mares: Pregnant mares may be presented for studbook and - in fact - are all the time. Pregnant jumper and hunter mares are not required to free jump. However, they are not eligible for the star predicate unless they do. Such mares can also earn the star predicate by passing an IBOP at a later date.

Mares and foals: If a mare and foal are both entered in a class, they will enter the ring together in both classes, but only the specific horse will be looked at. Outside or ET mares can and should go into the ring with their foals. Only the foal will be evaluated.

Registration papers: Papers for horses in studbook classes must be mailed to the office with the entry. Papers for all other entries must be presented at the keuring when checking in.

DNA: The parentage verification of foals must be completed prior to their keuring presentation. If the parentage is not yet proven on the day of the keuring the foal cannot be shown in its class. No refunds will be given.

Registration papers: Papers for horses in studbook classes must be mailed to the office with the entry. Papers for all other entries must be presented.

Transfers or Leases: Horses with an unfinished transfer of ownership are eligible to go to a keuring as long as the entry is accompanied by written permission from the owner of record and a separate liability release signed by the owner of record. In the case a horse is leased, the KWPN-NA needs to have a copy of a signed lease on file in the office.

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