KWPN-NA Affiliate Stallion Program

Earlier this year, breeders were first notified that beginning in 2020, the KWPN-NA would launch a new Affiliate Stallion Program. Owners of non-KWPN stallions will be required to pay an annual fee for breeding with the KWPN-NA to become officially "Affiliated" and thereby ensure that their foals are eligible for registration, or the resulting foals will be subject to additional fees at time of registration. As we approach the 2020 breeding season, we've received many questions from breeders about how this program may impact them. Therefore, we've put together this list of FAQ's to help, and for any additional questions, please feel free to contact the KWPN-NA office.

What is a LICENSED stallion?

A KWPN Licensed stallion has been through the KWPN inspection process and has completed all veterinary requirements as well as passed an IBOP or completed their sport requirement. The Register A offspring of KWPN Licensed stallions will not have to complete additional veterinary requirements to obtain Keur status as their sire will have already completed them.

What is an ACTIVATED stallion?

A KWPN-NA activated stallion has paid the appropriate annual fees in order to register their offspring. This is an annual fee applied to KWPN Approved, Licensed, VB, KWPN stallions approved with Erkend Studbooks, or non KWPN Warmblood stallions Individually approved, or Individually Erkend.

What is an AFFILIATE stallion?

An Affiliate stallion is a non-KWPN stallion approved with an Erkend studbook* whose offspring are eligible for Register A papers. To obtain Keur status, Register A offspring of Affiliate stallions will have to complete the KWPN veterinary and/or performance requirements that their sire has not met. **Until now, non-KWPN stallions approved with an Erkend studbook have not had the opportunity to "activate" with the KWPN-NA. By joining the new Affiliate Stallion Program, these stallions will be considered fully "activated", the same as KWPN-NA stallions.**

*What is an ERKEND studbook/registry?

An Erkend Registry is any studbook that is a full member of the WBFSH. See here: <u>http://www.wbfsh.org/GB/Members/The%20Members%20and%20Associate%20Members.aspx</u> Please note that there are a few exceptions to the accepted studbook list. Please see the KWPN-NA handbook for details.

Can non-KWPN stallions sire KWPN-eligible foals?

Due to the KWPN's "open studbook" policy, offspring of non-KWPN stallions approved by Erkend registries are eligible to register in the KWPN-NA Register A book. At the age of 3 or older, Register A fillies can be evaluated and placed into our Studbook and are potentially eligible for the Ster predicate. Register A mares must complete any veterinary or performance requirements that their sire did not meet before obtaining Keur status.

What is the rule change for next year regarding the new KWPN-NA Affiliate Stallion Program?

Starting in 2020, stallions must pay an annual fee for breeding with the KWPN-NA to join the Affiliate Stallion Program and ensure that their resulting 2021 foals are eligible for registration. *Please note: For any non-KWPN stallion that is activated for the 2020 breeding season, a special grace period will be given so that the \$100 non-activated stallion fee will also be waived not only for 2021 foals, but also for 2020 foals (those resulting from 2019 breedings).*

How much is the KWPN-NA Affiliate Stallion Program fee?

The fee is \$300 per year if paid by the stallion owner. If this fee is not paid by the stallion owner, the mare owner will be responsible for a \$100 per foal fee (in addition to KWPN-NA registration fees). However, as a savings for mare owners, any foal that is registered within 30-60 days of birth will receive a \$50 discount off of their KWPN-NA registration fee.

Why implement this new fee?

Upon reviewing our stallion activation policies, it became clear that there was an inequity between approved KWPN stallions and non KWPN stallions approved with Erkend studbooks. In an effort to regulate our stallion policies and to have a more uniform fee structure, the KWPN-NA Board of Directors has approved this new Affiliate Stallion Program and fee.

What are the benefits for a stallion becoming part of the KWPN-NA Affiliate Stallion Program?

Affiliate stallions will enjoy similar promotional benefits of other KWPN-NA Activated stallions including a dedicated page on the KWPN-NA website. These pages will include pertinent information about the stallion including breeding fees, contract details, notable offspring results, performance results and stallion testing results if available. They will also contain a list of veterinary requirements their offspring will need to meet in order to obtain keur status. Affiliated stallions will also be eligible for promotion on KWPN-NA social media channels.

How do I sign up for my stallion to become part of the KWPN-NA Affiliate Stallion Program?

It's easy: simply complete and sign the KWPN-NA Affiliate Stallion Activation Form, submit to the KWPN-NA office, and pay the annual fee. For any questions, please contact the KWPN-NA office at (859) 225-5331.