

Guide to Registering a Quarter Horse

EACH YEAR, 75 PERCENT OF THE REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO AQHA GLIDE THROUGH the process without hitches. Then there are the 25 percent that stall out. Of those, about 20 percent are delayed due to simple problems such as missing information.

Here are some hints to make sure your registration gets through the first time, whether you choose to complete your application online or by mail.

Registration by Mail

1. Your Name – Because stallion owners file breeding reports each year, registration applications are preprinted with the name and address of the mare owner and stallion owner. The application goes first to the owner of the stallion. Once the stallion owner signs the breeder's certificate, the application goes to the mare owner, who also signs it.

2. Special Handling – Check the options. If any of them apply to your foal, you can save yourself time and postage by remembering to check them.

3. Foal name choices – Foal names must be 20 characters or less and must contain no punctuation. Each name must be unique. Names can't sound like those of horses with records or be names of celebrities without their permission.

4. Color – If you aren't sure of your foal's color, leave the color choice blank. If you send in photos of the foal, AQHA color specialists will check it for you.

5. Gender – If you plan to geld your foal, record it as a gelding. If you aren't sure whether you will geld, mark the foal as a stallion.

6. Foaling information – The mare owner is the only person who can register the foal, and that owner's signature is required. Before signing, make sure that all of the foaling information is correct, including the date, city and state of foaling.

7. Nominations – If you want to nominate your foal to the MBNA America Racing Challenge or the AQHA Incentive Fund, fill in the appropriate boxes. Don't forget to sign.

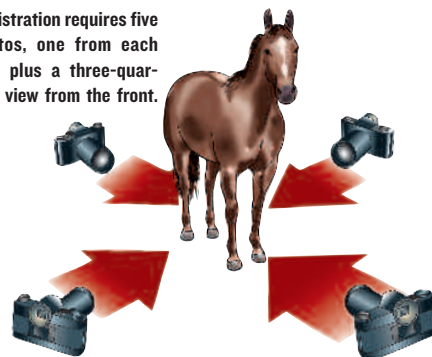
8. Payment – Your horse's age at the time AQHA gets your application determines your registration fee. The sooner you register your foal, the cheaper your fee will be. You can include a check with your application, or you can pay with MasterCard, Visa or American Express. Cash shouldn't travel through the mail.

9. Markings – Draw in the markings of the foal as best you can

Photos – Send in at least five photos of the foal: One from each side and one from a three-quarters view. If the foal's markings are complex, send extra photos to clarify them. The registration department will use those photos to describe your horse's markings in detail on his papers.

You can send the pictures as hard copies or digitally on a CD. The three-quarters view photo will be used on your foal's registration

Registration requires five photos, one from each side plus a three-quarters view from the front.



certificate if it is of good enough quality. The photo should be sharp, with little clutter in the background, and the handler should not be a distraction in the photo.

Online Registration

Checklist – After you log onto aqhamembers.com with your PIN, click the “register a foal” option under the business services label. A checklist of materials that you need will pop up. Be sure you have all the items on the list handy before continuing. The list is at right.

Form – Required fields are tagged in the online form, so you can’t leave something out to delay the registration process. If you have questions at any point in the process, click on the help buttons, which look like question marks.

Payment – Through AQHA’s secure checkout process, you can pay with a credit card or you can mail the payment, though mailing a check adds to the processing time. At the same time, you can order DNA, parentage verification or HYPP testing kits, which will be mailed the next business day.

Reserving Names

IF YOU HAVE A SPECIFIC FOAL NAME IN MIND BUT YOU DON’T have a foal that fits the name yet, you can reserve that name with AQHA.

The service costs \$75 and reserves the name for a year. At the end of that year, if you haven’t used the name, you can renew your reservation on the name.

BEFORE YOU START

Gather this information before you sit down at your computer to register your foals online.

- Date foaled
- Breeding method
- Embryo transfer date and number
- Dam’s name and registration number
- Current breeding reports
- Foal description
- Five photos of foal
- Six foal name choices
- Other foal information
- Tax ID or Social Security number

Have questions? Call (806) 376-4811, or e-mail registration@aqha.org.

The name needs to follow standard AQHA rules on naming. To reserve your name, send a letter to AQHA Registration Department, P.O. Box 200, Amarillo, Texas 79168, plus \$75. Be sure you put your membership identification number on the letter.

Name reservations can also be sent in by fax to (806) 349-6407. Payment for faxed names needs to be by credit card.

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Dam: 3750000 SAN PEPPY BAR TINA **Sire:** 3961966 APPOLLOS PILOT **Exposure Dates:** 01/01/2004 thru 12/10/2004

Foal Information | Photos/Markings | Genetic Testing | Nominate | Transfer

Indicates that more information or help is available by clicking the symbol.

Give at least one name choice not to exceed 20 characters and spaces. Do not use punctuation marks.
To research foal names, [click here](#).

Name Choice 1:
 2:
 3:
 4:
 5:
 6:

Check here if you do not want AQHA to name this foal.
 (AQHA will select a name if your name choices are in use or are not acceptable unless checked.)

Sex:

Foal City:

Foal State:

Foal Country:

For best printing results, print in landscape format.

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You'll need foal names ready when you sit down to register foals online. You can research names at aqhamembers.com.