

IMPORTANT NOTICES

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REGISTRATION PROCEDURES AND FEES

HORSES BORN IN AUSTRALIA

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Fees Increase: 1st August 2011

ASH BREEDING CERTIFICATES

Due: 1st May

Mares served between August and December and no longer running with or being mated to the stallion should be submitted by 1st May.



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PROCESSING APPLICATIONS

The Society aims to provide a quality service at the lowest fees possible in a courteous manner. The Society encourages all members to submit their applications four weeks prior to an event or sale nomination deadline. Applications will be processed in date received order. The original application must be received for any application to be considered.

The minimum processing time on applications is ten working days. At the end of the breeding season, bulk applications are received and delays will occur. Horse sales also increase the workload and delays may result. Members who require applications to be processed earlier than date received order, a Priority Fee will apply.

If DNA testing is required, the **registration will be further delayed** until the DNA recording has been completed. Members should allow a minimum of six weeks for DNA testing:

- The registration application to be assessed.
- A DNA kit to be issued and posted to member.
- The DNA sample to be collected and posted to the testing laboratory. If required urgently, send Express Post.
- The DNA sample to be processed and a report issued to the Society.
- The registration finalised and Certificate of Registration issued and posted to the owner.

Horses requiring inspection should either be inspected prior to the application being submitted or a video or DVD should be supplied for inspection purposes. The inspection report is provided on the Application for Registration and a list of Society Inspectors is available on the Society's website. After the registration application has been assessed, the videos are viewed weekly or fortnightly, depending on the availability of an Inspector.

PRIORITY APPLICATIONS

The following Regulations apply:

- A Priority Fee will apply to any member who requires a registration or transfer application to be processed or provided within **two working days** and all fees must be paid by credit card, bank cheque, money order or cash. Any applications paid by personal cheque will be held for **ten working days** before being processed.
- For a member to be eligible for this service, the member must lodge the original form to the Society, with payment of all fees (including Priority Fee). A reply facsimile number or email address for the member is required for urgent transmissions.
- For any registration application submitted for a horse requiring inspection, a video inspection may be included. In such cases, the registration application could be held up to **five working days** for inspection purposes.
- Once the registration or transfer application has been processed by the Society, the processed documentation will be faxed or emailed to the member.
- If the application is incomplete or inaccurate, a fax or email will be sent to the owner listing the errors. For the Priority Fee to remain valid for incomplete or inaccurate applications, the owner must rectify all errors within five working days. It is the responsibility of the member to ensure that all errors are rectified.

Fees Effective until 31st July

2011

Priority..... \$50.00

HORSE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES AND FEES

Fees Effective from: 15th May 2010, until 31st July 2011

The Regulations, Procedures and Fees may be altered at any time by Resolution of the Board.

PRIOR TO BREEDING

It is the responsibility of the mare owner to ensure that the selected sire is ASH registered, currently owned by a financial member, sire registered and DNA recorded prior to their mare being mated. Additionally, the mare owner must also consider the registration status of the stallion (Stud Book, Second Cross, First Cross) and the eligibility of the resulting foal. Failure to consider these factors may result in either additional fees being incurred on the registration of the resulting foal, a lower level of registration status being granted for the resulting foal or the resulting foal not being eligible for ASH Registration.

The Society strongly recommends that stallion and mare owners enter into a written agreement prior to breeding horses. The parties involved in the breeding programme should consider or include the basic points in a breeding agreement as a minimum – refer to page 15 for further details.

ASH BREEDING CERTIFICATES

ASH Breeding Certificates are obtainable from the Society at the following rates:

Fees Effective until 31st July

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Individual Certificate	\$15.00
Book of 20 Certificates	\$200.00
	(saving of \$100.00)

Once a certificate has been purchased the fee is not refundable or redeemable under any circumstances and/or situation.

ASH Breeding Certificates contain only the details of natural service or artificial insemination for either a Registered ASH Stallion and/or Registered ASH Mare. ASH Breeding Certificates will be provided in triplicate as follows:

- **Original (white) – Society's copy.**
- **Duplicate (yellow) – Mare Owner's copy.**
- **Triplicate (pink) – Stallion owner's copy.**

ASH1 or ASH2 Forms are no longer available from the Society. Members in possession of these forms may continue to use them, provided the service details are copied and lodged annually. The stallion and mare owners should retain a photocopy of the ASH Form for their records.

If a mare is continuously running with or being mated to a stallion for a number of breeding seasons, a certificate must be completed in respect of each breeding season.

COMPLETION OF ASH BREEDING CERTIFICATES

It is a matter for the parties involved (stallion or mare owner), as to who obtains the ASH Breeding Certificate from the Society.

Once a mare has been pregnancy tested in foal at 42 days, or the mare has not cycled for 45 days since the last date of service, the ASH Breeding Certificate must be completed and lodged with the Society by the required date.

When a mating proves to be unsuccessful with the mare having to be covered again by the same stallion, the service dates completed on the ASH Breeding Certificate should include the total service range within the breeding season.

The last service date establishes the date by when the certificate must be lodged with the Society.

It is the responsibility of the Registered Owner (or authorised agent) of a Registered ASH Stallion to ensure that an ASH Breeding Certificate is completed and signed for every mare covered (registered or not) and lodged with the Society by the required date.

It is the responsibility of the Registered Owner of a Registered ASH Mare to ensure that the owner of an unregistered ASH stallion completes and signs the details on an ASH Breeding Certificate and the Certificate is lodged with the Society by the required date.

From 1st August 2006, an ASH Breeding Certificate will not be accepted with sire or dam indicated as unknown, unless approved by the Board. Special cases will be treated on their merits where evidence to the Board's satisfaction can be produced.

Members are advised that the mare's markings and brands and foal at foot details on the ASH Breeding Certificate are now obsolete and not required to be completed. When new stocks are printed, these sections will not be included on the ASH Breeding Certificate.

If the details on an ASH Breeding Certificate have been altered, the person required to complete and sign that section of the form must initial the changes. Excessive alterations to an ASH Breeding Certificate will cause the certificate to become null and void, whether initialled or not and a new certificate must be completed.

ASH Breeding Certificates not completed correctly will be rejected by the Society. From 1st August 2006, no replacement ASH Breeding Certificates will be obtainable for any mare that has missed or slipped the service.

LODGE MENT OF ASH BREEDING CERTIFICATES

For services on or after 1st August 2006, the Original ASH Breeding Certificate must be submitted to the Society annually as follows:

- Mares served between August and December and no longer running with or being mated to the stallion should be **submitted by 1st May** of the following year.
- Mares served between August and December and still running with or being mated to the stallion in January should be **submitted by 1st September** of the following year.
- Mares served between January and July should be **submitted by 1st September** of the same year.

PROOF OF SERVICE

When a copy of the ASH Breeding Certificate is submitted as **Proof of Service** with an Application for Registration, no **Proof of Service Fee** is required.

Proof of Service can be provided by any of the following, provided the **Service Lodgement Fee** is paid, in addition to the prescribed registration fee (standard rates apply):

- Service Certificate – issued by another Breed Society, completed and signed by the owner of the stallion when the mare was served.

- Statutory Declaration – completed by the person who owned the stallion at the time of service.
- Photocopy of Certificate of Registration - with another Breed Society or Organisation where proof of service was supplied to the Breed Society or Organisation when the registration was processed.

DNA Sire Verification Test (conditions apply) - where Proof of Service has not been obtainable by the member, providing the Sire is DNA Recorded, the member can request the Society to investigate registering the horse through a DNA Sire Verification Test provided the **DNA Sire Verification Test Fee** is paid, in addition to the prescribed registration fee (standard rates apply). Please contact the Society or review the Society Regulations on the website (www.ashs.com.au) to obtain further information on the procedures. Sire must be ASH Registered and the owner at time of service must be a member.

Fees Effective until 31st July 2011

ASH Breeding Certificate or ASH Form.....	NO Charge
Service Lodgement - Service Certificate, Statutory Declaration or Photocopy of another Breed's Certificate of Registration	\$15.00
DNA Sire Verification Test	\$180.00

SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

The current owner of the horse must complete an Application for Registration and submit the form to the Society together with the prescribed fee. A horse is not considered registered until the fees have been paid, a number allocated and the horse's Certificate issued.

To have a horse registered with the Society, the current owner of the horse must be a financial member of the Society before applying.

All horses are considered to be one year older on 1st August each year, irrespective of when they are born.

Applications for eligible horses under the age of one year must be lodged by 15th August, as the horse will be officially one year older and the prescribed fee may or will increase with the horse's age. If the horse was born after 1st April, the application must be submitted to the Society before 1st January for under the age of one year registration fee to apply.

The application must be fully completed as indicated and include the following information in relation to the horse: name, sex, colour, foaling date, parentage, markings and brands, owner's details and the like. Incomplete applications will be rejected and returned to the owner.

The submission of any Application for Registration must incorporate a copy of the ASH Breeding Certificate (or Proof of Service). The service and foaling dates indicated on the certificate and the application must be in accordance with an eleven month gestation period. The foaling date should correspond with foaling dates for other registered progeny out of the same mare.

From 1st April 2006, members must register a Prefix for standard naming of horses, or use a different name (including Prefix) for each horse registered. A horse's name, once registered, cannot be changed or altered in any way whatsoever.

The Society will register the horse's name in accordance with the Prefix and Naming of Horses Regulations. If the names submitted are not available, the application will be returned to the owner to submit a further list of names.

The member submitting the application must ensure that the horse has been clearly branded in accordance with the Society's branding requirements under the Identification of Horses Regulations. Any application which does not indicate brands, or which indicates that the horse has not been branded in accordance with the regulations, will be rejected.

The application must accurately disclose all white markings and identifying markings on the horse, in accordance with the Society's Identification of Horses Regulations. Any application completed incorrectly will be rejected.

It is recommended (not compulsory) that photographs of the horse be attached to the Application for Registration. The Society shall have the right to request that a photograph of the horse's brands or markings be submitted.

All horses that are descendants of the Quarter Horse, "Impressive", or that the Society may suspect could be carriers of the HYPP (Hyperkalemic Periodic Paralysis) gene, will be required to provide a DNA negative test for HYPP before they are registered with the Society.

Registered horses, with the exception of Foal Recorded horses or horses admitted for Breeding Purposes Only, have full competition rights provided the owner is a Financial Member of the Society.

The Society retains the right to accept or reject any Application for Registration for any eligible horse without assigning a reason.

STUD BOOK

Progeny resulting from a Stud Book Australian Stock Horse mated to a Stud Book or Second Cross Australian Stock Horse are eligible for Stud Book Registration, at any age.

The sire must be Sire Registered for the resulting progeny to be eligible for Stud Book registration. If the service date is after 1st August 2004, the sire must also be DNA Recorded.

The horse must be registered under the membership that owned or leased the dam at time of foaling. If a member has purchased a mare with a foal at foot, which has not been previously registered, the foal may be registered in the new owner's membership provided the application is lodged before the foal is 365 days old. It must be indicated on the Transfer Application for the mare, that the foal at foot was also purchased at the same time.

The Application for Registration and Proof of Service must be submitted to the Society together with the prescribed fee.

If the stallion owner was financial when the mare was served and the sire is Sire Registered, the registration fees are as follows:

Fees Effective until 31st July 2011

Mares and Stallions	
Under one year.....	\$ 75.00
One year and under three years.....	\$100.00
Three years and under six years	\$125.00
Six years and over.....	\$175.00
Sire Registration – refer to page 8	
Geldings – any age.....	\$ 65.00

If the stallion owner was unfinancial and the sire was Sire Registered when the mare was served, a \$25.00 penalty fee will apply for mares and stallions under 6 years.

Subject to the Society's Regulations (including Sire Registration), the breeding options for Stud Book horses and the registration opportunities for resulting progeny are as follows:

<u>Mated to:</u>	<u>Resulting Progeny:</u>
Stud Book status	Stud Book
Second Cross status	Stud Book
First Cross status	Second Cross
Unregistered	First Cross, unless Special Merit applies

FIRST CROSS

Progeny resulting from a Stud Book Australian Stock Horse mated to an unregistered or non Foal Recorded Australian Stock Horse are eligible for Inspection for First Cross Registration. **Progeny resulting from a Second Cross Australian Stock Horse mated to a First Cross Australian Stock Horse is eligible for First Cross Registration.**

If the sire is ASH Registered, he must be Sire Registered for the resulting progeny to be eligible for First Cross registration. If the service date is after 1st August 2004, the sire must also be DNA Recorded.

If the dam is ASH Registered, a Breeder's Declaration must be signed by the Registered Owner of the dam at the time of foaling to verifying breeding details.

Only mares and geldings are eligible for inspection for registration under this category and may be registered at any age providing they have passed inspection by a Society Inspector prior to registration. First Cross horses are not eligible for Foal Recording.

Horses must pass inspection by a Society Inspector prior to registration. When the Inspector recommends the horse for acceptance or otherwise, he/she must consider the horse's conformation, Stock Horse type, movement, ability, colour, height, temperament, overall appearance and the like. The options for inspection are detailed under Inspection on page 7.

The Application for Registration and Proof of Service must be submitted to the Society together with the prescribed fee:

Fees Effective until 31st July	2011
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Mares	\$185.00
Geldings	\$125.00

All horses accepted for First Cross registration will have full competition rights.

Horses accepted for First Cross Registration must always be advertised as First Cross Australian Stock Horses if at any time sold or used at stud.

Subject to the Society's Regulations (including Sire Registration), the breeding options for First Cross horses and the registration opportunities for resulting progeny are as follows:

<u>Mated to:</u>	<u>Resulting Progeny:</u>
Stud Book status	Second Cross
Second Cross status	First Cross
First Cross status	Not Eligible
Unregistered	Not Eligible

SECOND CROSS

Progeny resulting from a Stud Book or Second Cross Australian Stock Horse mated to a Second Cross Australian Stock Horse are eligible for Second Cross Registration, at any age. Second Cross horses are not eligible for Foal Recording.

The sire must be Sire Registered for the resulting progeny to be eligible for Second Cross registration. If the service date is after 1st August 2004, the sire must also be DNA Recorded.

The horse must be registered under the membership that owned or leased the dam at time of foaling. If a member has purchased a mare with a foal at foot, which has not been previously registered, the foal may be registered in the new owner's membership provided the application is lodged before the foal is 365 days old. It must be indicated on the Transfer Application for the mare, that the foal at foot was also purchased at the same time.

The Application for Registration and Proof of Service must be submitted to the Society together with the prescribed fee.

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Mares and Stallions	
Under one year.....	\$ 75.00
One year and under three years.....	\$100.00
Three years and under six years.....	\$125.00
Six years and over.....	\$175.00
Sire Registration – refer to page 8	
Geldings – any age	\$ 65.00

If the stallion owner was unfinancial and the sire was Sire Registered when the mare was served, a \$25.00 penalty fee will apply for mares and stallions under 6 years.

All horses accepted for Second Cross registration will have full competition rights.

Horses accepted for Second Cross Registration must always be advertised as Second Cross Australian Stock Horses if at any time sold or used at stud.

Subject to the Society's Regulations (including Sire Registration), the breeding options for Second Cross horses and the registration opportunities for resulting progeny are as follows:

<u>Mated to:</u>	<u>Resulting Progeny:</u>
Stud Book status	Stud Book
Second Cross status	Second Cross
First Cross status	First Cross
Unregistered	Not Eligible

REGISTRATION UPGRADE

In the event that a First or Second Cross horse has sufficient Australian Stock Horse breeding to be eligible for registration under a higher category, provided the horse meets the breeding requirements for the category, the horse may be upgraded as follows:

- A letter requesting a **Breeding Upgrade** must be submitted to the Society together with the horse's Original Certificate of Registration and the prescribed **fee of \$55.00**.

The registration status for Breeding Purposes Only horses (including non-competition status) cannot be changed.

<h3>COMPETITION ELIGIBLE</h3> <p>What does competition status mean?</p> <p>To be eligible to compete in an Australian Stock Horse event, the Online Stud Book must indicate the competition status field as COMPETITION ELIGIBLE.</p> <p>Horses that are NOT ELIGIBLE may have been either sold to a non-Member, owner unfinancial, deceased, registration suspended, only foal recorded or registered for breeding purposes only on Society Records.</p>
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SPECIAL MERIT

Horses eligible for Special Merit registration must have Registered Australian Stock Horses with Stud Book status on both sides of the horse's pedigree within two generations of the horse that is being registered. The Australian Stock Horse breeding must appear at least twice on one side of the pedigree and once on the other side of the pedigree. From 1st August 2008, Special Merit horses will only be accepted as Second Cross status and the registration number will be identified as "C2-".

Horses must be a minimum of two years old to be eligible for inspection for registration. Special Merit horses are not eligible for Foal Recording.

Special Merit horses, whether accepted as Stud Book or Second Cross status, must pass inspection by a Society Inspector prior to registration. When the Inspector recommends the horse for acceptance or otherwise, he/she must consider the horse's conformation, Stock Horse type, movement, ability, colour, height, temperament, overall appearance and the like. The options for inspection are detailed under Inspection on page 7.

The Application for Registration and Proof of Service must be submitted to the Society together with the prescribed fee:

Fees Effective until 31 st July	2011
Mares.....	\$185.00
Stallions – including Sire Registration.....	\$560.00
Geldings.....	\$125.00

All horses accepted for registration as Special Merit horses, whether accepted as Stud Book or Second Cross status, will have full competition rights.

Special Merit horses accepted for registration with Second Cross status; the registration number has been identified as "**C2-**". Horses with Second Cross status must always be advertised as Second Cross if at any time sold or used at stud. Subject to the Society's Regulations (including Sire Registration), the breeding options or registration opportunities for resulting progeny are as follows:

<u>Mated to:</u>	<u>Resulting Progeny:</u>
Stud Book status	Stud Book
Second Cross status	Second Cross
First Cross status	First Cross
Unregistered	Not Eligible

Special Merit horses accepted for registration with Stud Book status (under past regulations); the registration number has been identified as "**SM-**". Subject to the Society's Regulations (including Sire Registration), the breeding options or registration opportunities for resulting progeny are as follows:

<u>Mated to:</u>	<u>Resulting Progeny:</u>
Stud Book status	Stud Book
Second Cross status	Stud Book
First Cross status	Second Cross
Unregistered	First Cross, unless Special Merit applies



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BREEDING PURPOSES ONLY - ASB

Under this category, horses in the Australian Stud Book (Thoroughbred) are eligible for registration with the Society for Breeding Purposes Only. From 1st August 2008, Breeding Purposes ONLY horses will only be accepted as Second Cross status and the registration number will be identified as "B2-".

Horses accepted for Breeding Purposes Only are NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE SHOWN in any events restricted to Australian Stock Horses.

Only stallions, colts, mares and fillies are eligible for inspection for registration under this category and must be a minimum of two years old to be inspected.

Horses must pass inspection by a Society Inspector prior to registration. When the Inspector recommends the horse for acceptance or otherwise, he/she must consider the horse's conformation, Stock Horse type, movement, ability, colour, height, temperament, overall appearance and the like. The options for inspection are detailed under Inspection on page 7.

The ASH Breeding Certificate (or proof of service) is not required, as breeding and eligibility will be verified on the Australian Stud Book Official Website - www.studbook.org.au.

The Application for Registration must be submitted to the Society together with the required fee:

Fees Effective until 31 st July	2011
Mares.....	\$185.00
Stallions – including Sire Registration.....	\$560.00

Australian Stud Book (Thoroughbred) horses accepted for registration as Breeding Purposes ONLY with Second Cross status; the registration number has been identified as "**B2-**". Subject to the Society's Regulations (including Sire Registration), the breeding options or registration opportunities for resulting progeny are as follows:

<u>Mated to:</u>	<u>Resulting Progeny:</u>
Stud Book status	Stud Book
Second Cross status	Second Cross
First Cross status	First Cross
Unregistered	Not Eligible

Australian Stud Book (Thoroughbred) horses accepted for registration (under past regulations), as Breeding Purposes ONLY with Stud Book Status; the registration number has been identified as "**BP-**". Subject to the Society's Regulations (including Sire Registration), the breeding options or registration opportunities for resulting progeny are as follows:

<u>Mated to:</u>	<u>Resulting Progeny:</u>
Stud Book status	Stud Book
Second Cross status	Stud Book
First Cross status	Second Cross
Unregistered	First Cross, unless Special Merit applies

Horses accepted for Breeding Purposes Only registration must always be advertised as Breeding Purposes Only and registration status (Stud Book or Second Cross) if at any time sold or used at stud.

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REGISTERED PREFIX

It is recommended that members breeding a number of horses on a yearly basis register a Prefix for the following reasons:

- Creates an individual identity for the member and their horses as an Australian Stock Horse stud.
- It is a perfect way of recognising the stud and horses bred for years to come.
- It provides a convenient and simple way to name horses.
- The performance of horses bred by the stud and overall success of the stud are easily recognised.
- At sales, horses bred or appearing in pedigrees are easily identified as being from the stud.
- It is a way of promoting the stud and all it has to offer, under one identity.

The member must complete a Prefix Application and submit the application to the Society together with the prescribed fee.

From 1st April 2002, a prefix must be of one word only. Prefixes that sound phonetically similar will not be permitted. Once a prefix is registered, a singular or plural form of the prefix becomes unavailable. Prefixes of an offensive nature will not be considered.

Initials are not acceptable as a prefix, unless stated otherwise. Initials are allowed for members with initials registered as a trademark, government departments and/or agricultural colleges.

For a prefix to be eligible for registration and an individual identity to be created, the requested prefix must **not have been used more than ten times**.

The registered owner of the prefix may notify the Society, in writing, that the prefix may be allocated to a particular horse where a registered owner of the prefix has been involved with the breeding or ownership of the horse in question.

The registered owner of the prefix may notify the Society, in writing, that a family member, business partner or devoted friend is permitted to **DUAL REGISTER THE PREFIX**. The prescribed fee for dual prefix registration is as follows:

- **Immediate family members** – no fee is applicable. The written authorisation for dual registration of the prefix must include that the members concerned are immediate family members.
- **Outside the immediate family** – the prescribed fee for prefix registration must be paid. It is an agreement between the parties concerned as to who pays the fee.

If giving another member the authority to dual register the prefix, the original member also gives the right for members with dual registration status to authorise other members to use the prefix in accordance with the regulations as an owner of the prefix.

A prefix is suspended when the registered owner is unfinancial. A suspended prefix is unable to be used when naming any horse. A prefix will be deregistered if the owner of the prefix has been unfinancial for fifteen consecutive years.

A prefix, which has been used in the naming of 40 horses or comes before an Impact or Foundation Stallion or Mare, will be deemed a significant prefix. A significant prefix cannot be deregistered or reallocated to any other member, except under the Dual Registration Prefix regulations.

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Prefix Application \$100.00
Prefix Applications may be obtained from Head Office or from our website.

NAMING OF HORSES

A Prefix is the initial part of a horse's name. From 1st April 2006, members must register a Prefix for standard naming of horses, or use a different name (including Prefix) for each horse registered. Names of an offensive nature will not be considered.

A horse's name, including the prefix, will be no longer than thirty spaces, allowing a space for every letter and a space between words.

A horse will not be accepted for registration or foal recording unless it has been allocated a name. A horse's name will not be accepted if it has already been registered with the Society or if it contains any punctuation marks or any other symbol.

Names that sound phonetically similar will not be permitted. A horse's name will not be accepted if the prefix is an initial or if the name contains numerals. Roman numerals as a suffix are acceptable.

A horse's name will not be accepted if another member of the Society has already registered the prefix – singular or plural.

From 1st April 2006, when using a registered prefix to name a horse, the prefix must be used "as registered" and not changed in any way.

A horse's name, once registered or foal recorded, cannot be changed or altered in any way whatsoever.

To obtain Australian Stock Horse registration naming rights for an unregistered or non foal recorded horse, the breeder or current owner must ensure that the application for registration or foal recording is submitted and finalised whilst having ownership of the horse and prior to the horse being offered for sale. Once the unregistered horse has been sold, the vendor surrenders the naming rights of the horse to the new owner.

BULK DISCOUNT

REGISTRATION and DNA FEES

Not Transfer, Foal Recording, Inspection Fees, etc.

Members who lodge the required number of Applications for Registration at one time, are entitled to the following discounts:

- 5% Discount** – 5 and 9 Applications
- 10% Discount** – 10 and 14 Applications
- 15% Discount** – 15 and 19 Applications
- 20% Discount** – 20 or more Applications

ONLINE PHOTOGRAPHS

Members may apply to have one photograph or a replacement photograph loaded onto the Online Stud Book. A good quality colour picture of the horse (photograph or in digital format a JPEG file) must be forwarded to the Society together with the upload fee of \$25.00 and a photocopy of the horse's Certificate of Registration.

INSPECTION

A horse eligible for First Cross registration may be inspected at any age. A horse eligible for Special Merit or Breeding Purposes Only must be at least two years old when presented for inspection.

Video/DVD Inspection is preferred by the Society, but if this method is not possible the Physical method may be used.

VIDEO/DVD INSPECTION – The owner is required to have the horse filmed and sent to Head Office for an Inspector to view. The following mediums may be used.

VIDEO – In relation to video inspections, the video cassette must be a **standard 'VHS' tape** (not a camera tape) and be able to be viewed at the **normal speed**. When the video tape is submitted to the Society for the Inspector to view, the required footage should be at the commencement of the tape.

DVD – It is recommended that the footage is recorded on a DVD recorder, not a computer as quality of viewing is often compromised. There is no 100% guarantee that any home recorded DVD will play in all DVD players and it will depend partly on the type of disc used. **In terms of compatibility, using DVD+RW discs are easier as they do not need to be finalised at the conclusion of the recording process.** Alternatively, DVD-R and DVD+R discs may be used, but must be finalised before removing from the DVD recorder to enable them to be played in a different DVD player.

The horse must be filmed unsaddled as follows:

- Presented on a lead.
- Viewed in a stationary position from the front, rear, near and off sides.
- Front and rear views of the legs must be zoomed in for close inspection.
- All brands must be clearly visible and zoomed in with commentary describing the position. The Inspector will verify that the brands on the horse correspond with the application.
- All identifying marks must be zoomed in with commentary describing each marking and the position of same, ie, white markings, indentations, scars, hair whorls, etc. The Inspector will verify that the markings on the horse correspond with the application.
- Presented at a walk and trot in a straight line directly towards and away from the camera - the handler should ensure that he/she does not obstruct the Inspector's view.
- Presented at a walk and trot in a full circle, which is between twenty and thirty metres in diameter.

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Video/DVD Inspection Fee:..... \$15.00
For the video or DVD to be returned (if accepted), a postage paid, self-addressed postpak must be provided to the Society by the member.

The footage should run between four and eight minutes in length. After the footage has been filmed, it must be viewed by the owner to ensure that the horse is presented in the best possible manner and then forwarded to the Society. When mailing the video tape or DVD to Head Office, place the tape in the recommended postpak, together with the application for registration, registration and inspection fees.

Any footage considered to be unsatisfactory will be returned to the owner with notification by the Society. The application for registration of the horse will be held, pending receipt of more suitable footage. Once the video tape or DVD has been viewed by the Inspector, it may be returned to the owner if the horse is accepted and a postage paid, self addressed postpak

is supplied by the owner. However, if the horse is rejected, the video tape or DVD will be held by the Society for a twelve month period.

Members wishing to have a colt or stallion inspected via the Video/DVD Inspection method must complete a Statutory Declaration stating that the horse in question has two descending testicles. The Statutory Declaration must be signed by the owner of the horse and witnessed by a Justice of the Peace or Solicitor.

PHYSICAL INSPECTION - the Inspector travels to the area where the horse is stabled or paddocked and **the horse is presented to the Inspector unsaddled as follows:**

- On a lead.
- Positioned to enable viewing in a stationary position from the front, rear, near and off sides.

The Inspector must verify that all identifying marks on the horse correspond with the application, ie, white markings, indentations, scars, hair whorls, etc. The Inspector must verify that all brands on the horse are clearly visible and correspond with the application.

Presented in action - at a walk and trot in a straight line directly towards and away from the Inspector ensuring the Inspector's view is not obstructed. The horse is then required to walk and trot in a full circle that is between twenty and thirty metres in diameter.

The Inspector must refrain from riding horses presented for inspection.

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Physical (per horse) - paid to Inspector \$25.00
plus 70c per km travel expenses - Recommended
It is the Society's Policy that the Inspector negotiates these fees with the owner prior to the inspection. These fees must be paid directly to the Inspector when the horse is inspected.

GENERAL INSPECTION REGULATIONS - whether the horse is inspected by the Video/DVD or Physical method, the following criteria will apply:

The Inspector of the horse must be approved by the Board of Directors. The Inspector shall not participate in the inspection of any horse which the Inspector owns or in which the Inspector has a Conflict of Interest or a Pecuniary Interest.

When the Inspector recommends the horse for acceptance or otherwise, the Inspector must consider the horse's conformation, Stock Horse type, movement, ability, colour, height, temperament, overall appearance and the like.

The preferred height for an Australian Stock Horse is between 14 and 16 hands. The following characteristics are considered undesirable:

- Feathered legs, together with a heavy build
- Leopard or blanket markings
- Excessive irregular white coat (more than 70%)
- Pale coloured eyes or eyes showing excessive white
- Hereditary conformation faults or abnormalities
- Crypt orchid and genital abnormalities
- Extremely nervous or nasty temperament
- Overall appearance being unbalanced

An inspection pass does not constitute acceptance by the Society of any application. The application will be considered by the Society in accordance with the Regulations when submitted to the Society.

It is not the Society's policy for a horse to be ridden, however, should the owner feel it is in their best interest they may do so, in addition to the above requirements.

- Under saddle the horse should demonstrate the following paces; ie walk, trot and canter.
- The horse may also be shown in action to demonstrate its ability and temperament; ie gallop, stop, haunch turn etc.

Should the owner feel that the Physical Inspection Fee is too high, the owner may reconsider a Video/DVD Inspection.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST - PECUNIARY INTEREST

A Society Inspector is NOT able to participate in the inspection of any horse as indicated below:

- Conflict of Interest – any situation whereby the Inspector's decision may be influenced.
- Pecuniary Interest – expectation of financial gain or loss.
- The Inspector's immediate family, including partner, owns the horse.
- The Inspector is a business partner, employer or employee of the member.
- A horse currently owned or previously owned (less than one year) by the Inspector.
- The horse was sired by a stallion currently owned or owned within a twelve month period of inspection date by the Inspector.

Conflict of Interest – is defined as a situation in which a Society Inspector has an interest in the subject sufficient to appear to influence the decision to pass judgement (accept, reject and the like).

Pecuniary Interest - is defined as an interest that a Society Inspector may have in relation to a person or horse because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to the person.

Having a Conflict of Interest or Pecuniary Interest is not evidence of wrongdoing, but it may appear to compromise a decision.

APPEALS - In the event of a horse being rejected, the following criteria will apply:

The owner may have the horse re-inspected after a period of six months has lapsed from the original inspection. When re-inspected, the owner may choose the Video/DVD or Physical method. The owner of a horse rejected on the second inspection must lodge an appeal to the Board if they wish the horse to be inspected on a third occasion.

Any owner not satisfied with the result of the original inspection, whether Video/DVD or Physical, and who wishes the horse to be re-inspected within the six month period, must lodge an appeal to the Board.

On receipt of any application of appeal to the Society, together with a Video/DVD Inspection, the General Manager will arrange a subsequent recommendation for registration by the Board for acceptance or otherwise.

Appeal Fee: \$110.00

SIRE REGISTRATION

All ASH stallions or colts being used for breeding on or after 1st August 2004 must be Sire Registered and DNA Recorded. All ASH stallions or colts being used for breeding prior to 1st August 2004 must be Sire Registered.

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Not already DNA Recorded.....	\$330.00
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Previously DNA Recorded	
with ASHS	\$245.00
with another Breed	\$270.00

Sire Registered stallions or colts not DNA Recorded by 1st August 2004 are **SUSPENDED**. Sire Registration will be reinstated when the DNA process is finalised. The suspension will not affect the registration of progeny resulting from matings prior to 1st August 2004.

DNA RECORDING

DNA RECORDED FEE – Upon receipt of a DNA Recording payment, a DNA kit will be issued to the owner with instructions. The Registered Owner with a witness (or Veterinarian) may collect the sample. The horse's markings and brands must be verified at time of collection.

- DNA Recording – A process to identify one horse's individual DNA, so that future progeny can be DNA Tested.
- DNA Testing – A process to identify one horse's individual DNA and compare the DNA data with parents to enable the horse in question to be Parentage Verified, Sire Verified or Dam Verified.

In relation to DNA Recording, Members should allow a minimum of six weeks to allow for DNA testing:

- A DNA kit to be issued and posted to member.
- The DNA sample to be collected and posted to the testing laboratory. If required urgently, send Express Post.
- The DNA sample to be processed and a report issued to the Society.
- The registration finalised and Certificate of Registration issued and posted to the owner.

Where Registered Australian Stock Horses born on or after 1st August 2005 are required to be DNA recorded, the Society requires sire and/or dam verification.

In cases where the sire has been DNA recorded with the Society, owners of the resulting progeny born after 1st August 2005, may apply to have their horses parentage verified.

In relation to a horse being DNA Tested, should an anomaly become obvious during the DNA Testing process for horses born on or after 1st August 2005, the Society would require new samples to be submitted for the horses in question (horse, sire and/or dam). If the results of the second test confirm an abnormality, the horse is deregistered or the Certificate of Registration is not issued until further information on the correct pedigree can be obtained.

In the case of a registrable stallion that has covered mares or registrable mare that was used in an Embryo Transplant program; who dies before a DNA sample is collected, contact the Society for advice so progeny may remain eligible.

In the case the horse has been DNA recorded with another Breed Society, provided the DNA information is held by our Society's Official Laboratory, the following may be submitted:

ANOTHER BREED DNA RECORDING

- Copy of the horse's registration papers with other breed.
- Copy of documentation indicating the DNA number.
- The horse's Original Certificate of Registration.
- **Another Breed DNA Recording Fee payment.**

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DNA Recording Fee	\$85.00
Another Breed DNA Recording	\$25.00

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

Any member with chilled semen from a Registered Australian Stock Horse stallion should register the semen with the Society on the Semen Register - Annual Return from 1st August 2009.

The Society recommends that any member considering an artificial insemination programme, should research the availability of a veterinarian or qualified person for this procedure, along with suitability of facilities, experience and success rate, as well as associated costs.

Members may breed registered Australian Stock Horse mares and/or registered Australian Stock Horse stallions (Sire Registered, DNA Recorded) by Artificial Insemination – fresh, frozen or chilled semen.

All foals born on or after 1st August 2006, conceived by Artificial Insemination, must be DNA Tested and Sire Verified prior to registration. The DNA information pertaining to the sire must be recorded or lodged with the Society. The following procedures will apply to the registration of the resultant foal:

- The member must submit an Application for Registration together with payment of the registration and DNA recording fees. All details, including markings and brands must be completed on the form, together with advice that the horse was conceived by Artificial Insemination.
- Once a name and identification number has been allocated for identification purposes, the Society will issue the member with a DNA kit for the horse to be registered.
- Upon receipt of a DNA test indicating that the sire qualifies, the registration would be duly processed. All other regulations in relation to registration and transfer would apply in the normal manner, except the proof of service requirements.
- Should an anomaly be confirmed during the DNA testing process, there would be no refund and registration will be rejected.

For all **foals born before 1st August 2006**, the owner of the semen must complete the relevant section of an ASH Breeding Certificate. Any past or present Registered Owner of a Stallion will be recognised by the Society as the owner of the semen and they are eligible to issue ASH Breeding Certificates for the supply of semen for Artificial Insemination.

Members using Artificial Insemination may select their own Veterinarian or Qualified Person and this person must complete the Insemination Details on an ASH Breeding Certificate.

EMBRYO TRANSFER

The Society recommends that any member considering an embryo transfer programme should research the availability of a veterinarian or qualified person for this procedure, along with suitability of facilities, experience and success rate, as well as associated costs.

Members may breed a registered Australian Stock Horse mare and/or registered Australian Stock Horse stallion (Sire Registered, DNA Recorded) by natural service or artificial insemination for the purpose of an Embryo Transfer. The recipient mare need not be registered with the Society.

All foals born on or after 1st August 2006, resulting from an Embryo Transfer must be DNA Tested and Parentage Verified prior to registration. The DNA information pertaining to the sire and dam must be recorded or lodged with the Society. The following procedures will apply to the registration of the resultant foal:

- The member must submit an Application for Registration together with payment of the registration and DNA recording fees. All details, including markings and brands must be completed on the form, together with advice that the horse resulted from an Embryo Transfer.
- Once a name and identification number has been allocated for identification purposes, the Society will issue the member with a DNA kit for the horse to be registered.
- Upon receipt of a DNA test indicating that the sire and dam qualify, the registration would be duly processed. All other regulations in relation to registration and transfer would apply in the normal manner, except the proof of service requirements.
- Should an anomaly be confirmed during the DNA testing process, there would be no refund and registration will be rejected.

For all foals born before 1st August 2006, in the case of natural service, the Registered Owner of the stallion must complete the relevant section on an ASH Breeding Certificate, and in the case of artificial service, the owner of the semen must complete the relevant section of an ASH Breeding Certificate. Any past or present Registered Owner of a Stallion will be recognised by the Society as the owner of the semen and they are eligible to issue ASH Breeding Certificates for the supply of semen for Artificial Insemination. The Veterinarian or Qualified Person transferring the embryo must complete an Embryo Transfer Application. The mare owner retains the Embryo Transfer Application and submits it to the Society with the Application for Registration.

Members using the embryo transfer method may select their own Veterinarian or Qualified Person to transfer the embryo.

OTHER REGULATIONS

- Should the owner of a registered horse be unfinancial, the registration of the horse will be SUSPENDED until such time as the owner is a Financial Member of the Society. A suspended horse is NOT eligible to compete in any ASH events (including Approved ASH Sales).
- Any ASH Breeding Certificate or Application for Registration will be accepted by the Society on the understanding that the person submitting the certificate or application agrees to abide by the requirements of the Board regarding such documents.
- The ASH Breeding Certificate or Certificate of Registration does not constitute proof of legal or beneficial ownership of any horse or proof of breeding. It contains information provided by members to the Society for the purpose of the Society's records.
- The ASH Breeding Certificate or Certificate of Registration at all times remains the property of The Australian Stock Horse Society Limited.
- Horses or their progeny which, in the opinion of the Board, are rigs or objectionable horses, and have already been accepted for registration or recording, may be deregistered by the Board.
- NOTE: Any disputes of a contractual or financial nature in relation to the breeding or ownership of a horse are not for the Society's consideration. Members in such situations are advised to seek legal advice if unable to resolve the issues.

TRANSFER APPLICATION

Regarding transfer of horses, the Society accepts no responsibility in relation to Sale Agreements and has limited powers to intervene if any dispute arises. Members may seek the assistance of a legal advisor to compile, endorse or resolve issues in relation to the agreement.

The vendor must complete a Transfer Application and submit the application to the Society, together with the horse's Certificate of Registration immediately a change of registered owner takes place.

Vendor Responsibilities

- Under no circumstances must the horse's Certificate be handed to the purchaser.
- No change of registered owner shall be effected unless the appropriate Transfer Application, prescribed by the Board, is completed and signed by the nominee (or authorised agent) of the last registered or recorded owner of the horse. If the horse was owned by a Syndicate, all members of the Syndicate must sign the Transfer Application.
- Should the nominee of the last registered or recorded owner of a horse be deceased, the Executor or Executrix of the Estate, or a person authorised on behalf of the membership, must sign the Transfer Application. The transfer shall not be effected unless the horse's Certificate is returned to the Society, all fees have been paid, and the purchaser is a financial member of the Society.
- Should the nominee of the last registered or recorded owner of a horse have left the last known address and cannot be contacted by the purchaser or the Society, the purchaser must complete a Statutory Declaration Indemnity Form stating the horse's details and purchase information. Upon receipt of the horse's Certificate and the prescribed fee, the Society may transfer the horse to the purchaser providing the purchaser is a financial member.
- Should the vendor be under 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian must endorse the transfer.
- **The vendor MUST disclose any collection of semen and/or embryos prior to sale.**

The **Date Horse Changed Ownership** and purchaser's name and address **MUST** be completed on the Transfer Application. In relation to stallions standing at stud, this date for the stallions will determine which member must sign ASH Breeding Certificates as Proof of Service. In relation to broodmares, the following will apply:

- Should a broodmare and foal under 365 days be sold together to the same purchaser, only one transfer fee will apply. If the foal under 365 days has been registered or recorded, the foal's Certificate must be returned to the Society, together with the Transfer Application for the mare.
- If the foal under 365 days has not been foal recorded, the ASH Breeding Certificate must be fully completed by the vendor and submitted with the Transfer Application for the mare. The foal may be registered in the new owner's membership.
- If the foal exceeds 365 days, the foal must be registered under the vendor's membership.

Purchaser Responsibilities

- When purchasing a horse, the new owner is responsible for ensuring that the Official Transfer for the horse has been finalised prior to nominating the horse for ASH awards and competitions.
- The transfer fee should be paid by the purchaser, or by mutual agreement by the vendor. If the fee is not attached to the application for transfer, it will be assumed that the

purchaser will pay. No change of registered owner shall be effected unless the prescribed fee has been paid.

- No change of registered owner shall be effected unless the horse's Certificate is submitted to the Society. If the horse's Certificate has been lost or misplaced, the horse's Certificate must be reissued. (Refer Regulations - Reissue).
- A change of registered owner shall not be effected unless the purchaser is a financial member of the Society when the transfer is processed.
- When a horse is accepted for transfer and the transfer has been recorded with the Society, the horse's Certificate which endorses the transfer will be supplied to the new owner.

Non Members

- Should a horse be sold to a non member or unfinancial member of the Society, the horse's Certificate shall be held by the Society until the purchaser becomes a financial member of the Society.
- If a member purchases a horse from a non member or unfinancial member of the Society, and the horse can be positively identified, providing the transfer application has been duly completed by the last registered or recorded owner of the horse and the horse's Certificate is held by the Society, the purchaser may apply for transfer if all fees have been paid and the purchaser is a financial member of the Society. The new owner may be required to complete a Statutory Declaration Indemnity form.

Upon receipt of a signed Transfer Application the registration will be **SUSPENDED** until such time as the transfer is fully completed in accordance with the Regulations. A suspended horse is **NOT** eligible to compete in any ASH events (including Approved ASH Sales). Once the Transfer has been finalised, the horse's registration will be re-instated.

Transfer Applications are obtainable from Head Office at no cost or from our website.

SINGLE TRANSFER – One horse transferred to another membership.

BULK TRANSFER – All Transfers must be from one membership directly to one other membership. There is no limit to the number of applications in a Bulk Transfer.

FAMILY TRANSFER - When a Transfer Application is lodged, members may claim a Family Transfer Fee when a parent/s or guardian/s (current owner) transfers horses to a child's membership (new owner). The following will apply:

- The nominee of the new owner's membership and the nominee of the current owner's membership must not exceed two generations and be either the son/step-son/grandson or daughter/step-daughter/granddaughter of the current owner of the horse and includes legally adopted or fostered children.
- The nominee of the new owner's membership must be under 25 years of age.

Fees Effective until 31st July	2011
Single Transfer Fee (per horse)	\$45.00
Bulk Transfer Fee.....	\$170.00
Family Transfer Fee (per horse)	\$25.00
Bulk Family Transfer Fee	\$85.00

In relation to a horse purchased at an Approved ASH Sale, an amnesty period of sixty days will apply prior to the registration being suspended provided that the purchaser is a Financial Member of the Society. Until the transfer has been finalised and the horse's papers are released to the new owner, the new owner must retain a copy of the proof of purchase and the sale catalogue whilst the amnesty is valid.

PURCHASER NOTICE

- The information contained on the registration is based on details provided to The Australian Stock Horse Society Limited by Members for the purpose of the Society's record keeping. Whilst exercising due care, the Society is unable to guarantee the accuracy or authenticity of such information and cannot accept any responsibility. Registration does not constitute proof of legal or beneficial ownership of any horse.
- The Australian Stock Horse Society, its members, Branches or related corporations, officers, agents and employees, for themselves and for those for whom they act, while exercising due care have provided all information without responsibility and give no guarantee whatsoever as to its accuracy.
- The Society is unable to provide any guarantees as to the suitability of any horse and purchasers must rely on their own enquiries in this regard. Persons making enquiries in relation to suitability should include: health, soundness, temperament, performance, ability, fertility and the like.
- Horses may be offered for sale with all faults, if any, including addiction to windsucking; symptoms of being a wobbler or roarer; cryptorchids, visible deformity of the genitalia and the like. Horses or their progeny which, in the opinion of the Board, are rigs or objectionable horses, and have already been accepted for registration or recording, may be deregistered by the Board.
- The purchaser is responsible for inspection of any horse prior to sale and such inspection should include advice by any qualified person, if deemed necessary.
- Any person, at his or her own expense, may arrange a veterinary inspection (including drug testing) with the vendor prior to the horse being purchased. The purchaser and vendor should agree on conditions of sale prior to a veterinary inspection being conducted. The conditions of sale may include: first offer, price, delivery, veterinary or test results that render sale null and void, payment deadline and the like.
- The vendor has the right to allow or decline any request to ride or handle any horse prior to the sale. Any person who rides or handles a horse at the sale does so entirely at their own risk and the Society, its members or Branches do not assume or accept any responsibility or liability for any accident, damage, injury to horses, riders or handlers, beasts, ground, spectators, or any other person or property whatsoever. Any person requesting to ride or handle any horse must be suitably attired for riding a horse.
- Comments of the vendor relating to horses for sale are based on the vendor's information. The Australian Stock Horse Society Limited is unable to establish the accuracy or authenticity of such comments and any purchaser should rely on their own enquiries in this regard.
- Further advice on purchasing an Australian Stock Horse is available on the Society's website www.ashs.com.au - Horses for Sale page, Buyer's Guide. The Society recommends any persons wishing to purchase an Australian Stock Horse avail themselves of the information provided and seek advice from qualified persons if deemed necessary.
- Any dispute in relation to any statements, guarantees or warranties offered by the vendor shall be against the vendor only. Any dispute of this nature will be for the vendor and purchaser to resolve and is not the responsibility of The Australian Stock Horse Society.
- The purchaser should investigate with any past or present owner whether semen or embryos has been collected, commercial or private use, how many retained and conditions for sale or use. These conditions are between the parties involved and are not for the Society's involvement or consideration.

SYNDICATE TRANSFER

All members of a Syndicate must be Financial Members of the Society and the first member listed will be the Principal of the Syndicate.

All members of the Syndicate must sign a Transfer Application as joint owners of the said horse, when purchasing, selling or changing the members of the Syndicate. The Syndicate Transfer Fee must accompany the signed Syndicate Transfer Application and the horse's Certificate of Registration/Foal Recording.

A group of members requiring multiple horses to be transferred or progeny to be registered under the same name should obtain a membership for the group under a partnership name.

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Syndicate Transfer Fee (per horse)	\$170.00
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LEASE NOTIFICATION APPLICATION

- Lease Notification Forms (Application/Termination) are obtainable from Head Office at no cost or from our website.
- The Lease of a horse is effected only upon the application being completed by the Lessor at commencement of the lease, and submitted to Head Office within 60 days.
- Lease Fee includes the Lease Application and Lease Termination. The fee, together with the Certificate of Registration/Foal Recording must accompany the Notification.
- Leases will only be processed to Financial Members of the Society.
- The lease shall automatically terminate twelve (12) months from the date of commencement unless the date is specified on the lease notification form. Should both parties agree to extend the termination date, an agreement signed by both parties must be lodged with the Society before the lease termination date, and must specify the date to which the lease is extended.
- Once the Lease has been effected, a copy of the Certificate of Registration/Foal Recording will be supplied to the Lessee. Once the Lease Termination has been effected the Certificate of Registration/Foal Recording will be supplied to the Owner/Lessor.
- The Society accepts no responsibility in relation to Lease arrangements and has limited powers to intervene if any dispute arises. Members may seek the assistance of a legal advisor to compile, endorse or resolve issues in relation to the agreement.

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Lease Fee (including Termination Fee).....	\$120.00
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COLOUR

The horse's colour on the registration is based on the horse's physical appearance with colours identified under the Society's Rules and Regulations. True genetic colour may be ambiguous for Society Inspectors and/or other members, as the true genetic colour may be hidden by physical appearance.

The coat colour of a foal can appear mousy grey or dun when the foal is born and when the foal's coat sheds, the true base colour will become obvious. While most horses remain the same base colour throughout life, some will develop a different base colour as the horse matures.

Owners of newborn foals are advised to submit the Application for Registration after the foal coat has shed (Society recommends a minimum of 4 months of age) to reduce the chance of colour amendments being necessary in the future.

The foal coat may mask identifying white markings on the horse's lower legs and muzzle so after the foal coat has shed, these markings will become obvious.

As a horse matures, members are strongly advised to check the coat colour and identifying markings against the horse's Certificate of Registration to ensure the identification has remained accurate.

Owners of Registered Australian Stock Horses may privately arrange Horse Coat Colour Testing to identify a horse's True Genetic Colour at their own expense. The result of such testing, in addition to physical appearance colour, may be noted separately on the horse's Registration. To update the registration to include True Genetic Colour, the following must be submitted to the Society:

- The horse's original Certificate of Registration.
- Documents from the Genetic Colour Testing Laboratory.
- Colour photographs of the horse (front, back, near and off sides).
- The prescribed amendment fee.

The basic coat colours are black, brown, bay and chestnut, although the categories of black/brown and bay/brown are acceptable. These may be modified by either dominant patterns or diluting genes to produce grey, roan, taffy, pied, dun, palomino and white.

Black - black pigment is generally throughout the body coat, including muzzle, flanks, limbs, mane and tail. No pattern other than white markings is present. There are two types of black, fading and non-fading, as follows:

- Non-fading black is also known as jet black and does not generally fade.
- Fading black horses with exposure to the elements and sweat may lose some of the black character and may have a rusty tinge, but the fine hairs around the eyes and muzzle will be black.

Brown - the body colour is predominantly brown or black, with flesh colour mealy or brown around the muzzle and flanks. Mane, tail and lower parts of the legs are black.

Bay - the body coat is bay, although the shade may vary from dull red, approaching brown, to a yellowish colour approaching chestnut. The mane and tail are black and almost invariably there is black on the lower legs and tips of the ears.

Chestnut - the body colour ranges from a light washy yellow, through golden and reddish shades, to a dark liver colour, with the pigment being evenly distributed. The mane and tail are chestnut colour which may be lighter or darker than the body coat. The darkest chestnuts may appear chocolate, liver

colour or nearly black and will show some red character in their coats, usually around the eyes, the pasterns or in the mane or tail and the coat is entirely free of true black hair.

Grey - the body colour is an uneven mixture of coloured and white hairs. The foal will show a basic colour at birth, but with increasing age white hair gradually develops and eventually the whole body turns grey. White hairs usually appear first on the face. The colour of the mane, tail and points is that associated with the basic colour. The skin will be dark, the base colour of a grey may not be known unless the animal is viewed at a very young age and should be stated if known. By applying the laws of inheritance, a grey horse must have at least one grey parent.

Roan - the body coat colour has a fairly even mixture of white and base coat colour hairs throughout the body, but the head, lower legs, mane and tail remain the same as the base coat colour that identifies the type of roan, ie Chestnut Roan, Bay Roan, Black Roan, etc. The base coat colour always precedes the word roan.

Buckskin/Dun - results from a single cremello dilution of solid colours and the horse's skin is black. The colour options for registration are defined as follows:

- Buckskin - the body coat colour is cream, yellow, golden or coppery with black legs, mane and tail. The body coat colour for burnt buckskin may appear very dark, bordering to brown.
- Dun - the body coat colour may appear red, yellow-tan, mouse-brown or blue and always has dun factors (dorsal stripe, mask, leg barring and/or shoulder stripes). The dorsal stripe, legs, mane and tail will be a darker shade of the same body colour. A gunmetal silver, slate grey or blue black horse with a dorsal stripe is known as Grullo (pronounced gru-yo). A red body coat colour with a dorsal stripe is known as Red Dun.

Palomino - body colour may vary from a light yellow to golden yellow with a white mane and tail.

Pied or Broken Colours - also known as pinto, a horse marked with significant white patches on the body coat. For registration purposes, the horse will be registered with base colours and pied (ie, Bay Pied, Chestnut/Grey Pied, etc). All pied horses must have a pied parent. There are four coat patterns in pied horses known as tobiano, sabino, overo and splashed white.

Taffy - the body coat is a red colour with flaxen coloured mane, tail and chocolate lower legs or dark chocolate body colour, silver dapples and light mane/tail. The coat colour should be identified as Bay Taffy, Chestnut Taffy, Brown Taffy, etc.

White/Cream Dilute - results from a double cremello dilution and the horse's skin is pink. The colour options for registration are defined as follows:

- Cremello - the body coat colour is light cream, ivory or yellow. The mane and tail will be white or ivory and the eyes are blue.
- Perlino - the body coat colour is light cream, tan or coffee coloured. Mane and tail will be smoky, tan or coffee coloured and eyes are blue.
- Champagne - the body coat colour may appear yellow, tan, coffee or silvery chocolate. The mane and tail may be a lighter or dark variation of the body coat colour. The skin may be freckled and will be a brownish pink; the eyes will be amber (born with blue eyes).

Fees Effective until 31 st July	2011
Amendment - Colour ONLY	\$25.00

BRANDING REQUIREMENTS

Every horse for which an Application for Registration or Recording has been made with the Society must be CLEARLY BRANDED in such a way that the horse can be positively identified.

- The Society will recognise any Stock Brand (freeze or fire) that is recognised or recognised with the Department of Agriculture as such by the State or Territory authority concerned.
- For identification purposes, it is compulsory that horses born after 1st August 1997 be branded with numeral brands. Numeral brands consist of an Identifying Number (being the top number) and a Foaling Season Number (being the bottom number).
- It is recommended that the Stock Brand be placed on the near shoulder and the Numeral Brands on the off shoulder or in accordance with the Department of Agriculture in the State or Territory where the branding takes place.
- The Identification Number signifies the order in which horses born in the same foaling season were branded with the same stock brand.
- Foaling Season Number is defined as a twelve-month period starting on 1st August and ending 31st July of the following year, during which a foal is born. The Foaling Season is abbreviated to a single year, being the year the period commences. For example: the Foaling Season commencing on 1st August 2005 and ending on 31st July 2006 is the 2005 Foaling Season. Examples as follows:

Foal Born	Foaling Season	Year Number
12/9/09	2009/10	9
30/4/08	2007/08	7
20/3/03	2002/03	2
15/8/05	2005/06	5

1 st Foal Branded for the <u>2009/2010</u> Foaling Season	3 rd Foal Branded for the <u>2007/2008</u> Foaling Season
1	3
9	7

- Should the brands on the Certificate of Registration not correspond with the brands on the horse, please refer to the Society's Regulations - Identification of Horses, clause 7, Alterations to Identification.

SOCIETY A BRAND

The Branch must appoint Branding Officers for the purpose of branding STUD BOOK Registered Australian Stock Horses with the Society's A Brand. Branding Officers must not brand any horse unless the appropriate Stud Book Certificate of Registration is produced. The Branch must ensure that Branding Officers are adequately experienced with freeze and fire brands.

The Branding Officer accepts the same responsibilities as a Society Inspector under the Society's Identification Policy (including Verification of Brands, Verification of Markings and Society Inspector Policies) in relation to verifying the identity of the horse prior to branding with the Society's A Brand as follows:

- If the horse would not be rejected under the policy, the Branding Officer may brand the horse with the Society's A Brand on the near thigh.
- If the horse is REJECTED under the policy, the Branding Officer must NOT brand the horse with the Society's A Brand. The horse's Certificate of Registration would be collected by the Branding Officer and forwarded to the Society with a Rejected Horse Identification form within seven days of the inspection. This form shall be completed by the Branding Officer and witnessed by an adult in charge of the horse. The Certificate will be held by the Society until such time as the Society is satisfied that the owner has rectified the registration anomalies in accordance with the regulations. The rejected horse is suspended until the registration has been rectified and the Certificate of Registration is returned to the owner.

The Branch may borrow a Society A Brand through a Director in their state or purchase the brand from Head Office for the purpose of conducting branding days.

IDENTIFICATION OF HORSES

The organising committee for an ASH event may appoint two Society Inspectors to view horses prior to competition. The organising committee for an Approved ASH Sale must appoint two Society Inspectors to view horses prior to sale.

The Society Inspector must **REJECT** a horse for an ASH event (including an Approved ASH Sale) if the identity of the horse is not acceptable under the Verification of Brands and Markings Policies.

VERIFICATION OF BRANDS POLICY

Any horse presented for identification must have been branded. At least one brand indicated on the Certificate of Registration MUST BE clearly visible on the horse for identification purposes – stock brand, identification number or year number. The brand must be the same characters as the brand indicated on the horse's Certificate of Registration for the specified body part.

The Society Inspector will determine whether the brand is clearly visible as follows:

- Part of the brand is visible from a three metre distance and at a closer distance, the brand characters can be deciphered. In the case of a stock brand with three characters, at least two characters of the brand must be clearly visible and be able to be deciphered.

Irrespective of the coat condition, the Society Inspector will adjudicate whether the brand is NOT clearly visible as follows:

- Part of the brand is not visible from a three metre distance.
- The brand characters are unable to be deciphered.

A horse would NOT be rejected due to a brand discrepancy, if the Society Inspector has identified the following:

- The horse has been branded with the Society's A Brand.
- The horse has additional brands not indicated on the horse's Certificate of Registration.
- If not rejected and should the Society Inspector believe that the registration should be updated, the following is required:
 - Payment of the prescribed Amendment Fee and Late Amendment Penalty Fee – cheque, money order or credit card (MasterCard or Visa ONLY). Cash will not be acceptable. A tax invoice will be issued by the Society after payment is received at Head office.
 - The Current Owner must complete a Statutory Declaration – Horse Identification Amendment with colour, all white markings, brands and identification marks, to the satisfaction of the Society Inspector. The declaration must be signed by the Current Owner and witnessed by a Justice of the Peace or Solicitor.
 - The inspector to ensure that the declaration is promptly submitted to the Society with the horse's ORIGINAL Certificate of Registration and the owner's payment

A horse WOULD BE REJECTED due to a brand discrepancy, if the Society Inspector has identified any of the following on the horse's Certificate of Registration:

- None of the brands indicated on the horse's Certificate of Registration are clearly visible on the horse.
- A brand indicated on the horse's Certificate of Registration when compared to a visible brand on the horse for the same body part, has different characters.
- A brand indicated on the horse's Certificate of Registration when compared to the horse presented for inspection is located on the incorrect body part.

Handwriting size or style would not detract from a horse being accepted providing the brands on the horse are clearly visible and correspond to the horse's Certificate of Registration.

VERIFICATION OF MARKINGS POLICY

The body coat colour and white markings on the horse presented for inspection should be identical with the horse's Certificate of

Registration, irrespective of the coat condition and subject to the coat being dry (except under wet weather conditions).

A horse would NOT be rejected due to a marking discrepancy, if the Society Inspector has identified that the following has not been indicated on the horse's Certificate of Registration:

- Hair whorls.
- A recent injury or swelling.
- Permanent scars.
- Other acquired markings – saddle or girth marks, split ear, enlarged joint and the like.

A horse would NOT be rejected due to a MINOR marking discrepancy, if the Society Inspector has identified that the horse's Certificate of Registration is adequate for the identity of the horse to be confirmed. Such minor marking discrepancies are as follows:

- A white marking has been completed accurately on only one side view of the horse.
- Small markings on body coat not visible at time of registration or acquired markings since registration which may have resulted from rain scald, saddlemarks, scars and the like.
- A white marking lacks an accurate shape definition, the size is slightly inaccurate or the marking is slightly off centre.
- The horse's coat colour has changed due to increasing age (foal to mature age coat), genetics (grey) or coat colour could be affected with seasonal changes (summer/winter – bay/brown, brown/black).
- If not rejected and should the Society Inspector believe that the registration should be updated, the following is required:
 - Payment of the prescribed Amendment Fee and Late Amendment Penalty Fee – cheque, money order or credit card (MasterCard or Visa ONLY). Cash will not be acceptable. A tax invoice will be issued by the Society after payment is received at Head office.
 - The Current Owner must complete a Statutory Declaration – Horse Identification Amendment with colour, all white markings, brands and identification marks, to the satisfaction of the Society Inspector. The declaration must be signed by the Current Owner and witnessed by a Justice of the Peace or Solicitor.
 - The inspector to ensure that the declaration is promptly submitted to the Society with the horse's ORIGINAL Certificate of Registration and the owner's payment.

A horse WOULD BE REJECTED from an ASH event (including Approved ASH Sales), if the Society Inspector has identified a SIGNIFICANT marking discrepancy whereby any other person could dispute the identity of the horse. Such significant marking discrepancies are as follows:

- Any white marking on the horse (visible from a three metre distance) has NOT been completed for the specific body part.
- A white marking on the registration is not evident on the specific body part, excluding horses with a grey (white in colour) body coat.
- A horse's coat colour is incorrect (with exception of clause 1.4.3.4 under the Regulations – Identification of Horses).

REJECTED HORSE POLICY

Please refer to the Society's Rules and Regulations, Identification of Horses, Clause 1.5.

OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY

- The registered owner of the horse is responsible for ensuring that the person in charge of the horse at an ASH event is able to produce a copy of the horse's Certificate of Registration for identification purposes. Failure to produce the horse's Certificate of Registration would ultimately result in the horse being REJECTED from participating in the ASH event (including Approved ASH Sales).
- It is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that the horse's Certificate of Registration is correct and the identity of the horse can be verified at time of inspection under the Verification of Brands and Marking Policies.

HORSES' MARKINGS AND BRANDS

Check your registration papers as soon as you receive them, as new registrations have a 30 day amnesty for correction of brands and markings. Once the amnesty has expired an Amendment Fee will apply for any correction to markings and brands on a horse's Certificate of Registration.

HOW TO AMEND MARKINGS

- Payment of the prescribed Amendment Fee.
- It is recommended that colour photographs of the horse be provided to the Society (near, off, front and rear views). Additionally, photographs should confirm the clearly visible brands on the horse.
- The Current Owner must complete a Statutory Declaration – Horse Identification Amendment with colour, all white markings, brands and identification marks, to the satisfaction of the Society.
- When a Certificate of Registration indicates that the horse has been transferred, the member identified on the Certificate of Registration as "Registered by", must also sign a Statutory Declaration – Horse Identification Amendment with colour, all white markings, brands and identification marks, to the satisfaction of the Society.
- For the Horse Identification Amendment to be accepted, the required declaration/s must be identical in relation to the horse's identification.

Fees Effective until 31st July	2011
Amendment – Colour ONLY	\$25.00
Amendment – Brands and/or Markings	\$40.00
Late Amendment – Penalty (ASH event).....	\$25.00

DRUGS POLICY

All horses competing in Australian Stock Horse Society (ASHS) events or being offered at ASH Approved Sales are subject to a No Prohibited Substance rule. This means that no Prohibited Substance is to be administered to the horse in the time before an event or sale such that it, or any ingredient or metabolism of it, might be present in the horse, might be detectable in its blood, saliva and/or urine samples, or might have any effect on its performance at the time of the event or sale.

Any substance is a "prohibited substance" if it contains an ingredient that is a stimulant, depressant, tranquilliser, local anaesthetic, psychotropic (mood and/or behaviour altering) substance, or drug which might effect the performance of the horse and might interfere with the prohibited substance testing process. The use of so-called herbal and natural products in the horse could result in a positive prohibited substance test. The plant origin of any ingredient does not preclude it containing a pharmacologically potent and readily detectable prohibited substance.

The following penalties shall automatically apply in respect of a positive prohibited substance test: Owner's 1st Offence – Awards won by the horse in any class at the event or show are forfeited. The ASHS membership of the registered owner of the horse will be suspended for a period of 13 months and the owner must pay to the ASHS a fine of \$500.00. Horse Offence – A horse shall be banned from entry into any event conducted by the Society, events restricted to Australian Stock Horses or ASH Approved Sales for a period of 13 months at any given suspension. Handler Offence – A penalty of \$500.00 will be imposed on the rider/handler responsible for the performance of the horse.

In the event that a horse, suspended from participating in ASHS events or sales, changes ownership, the change of ownership will not dissolve or shorten the term of suspension. A transfer application will not be effected until the suspension period has lapsed and fines are paid in full.

The complete DRUG POLICY REGULATIONS are available from HEAD OFFICE or SOCIETY'S WEBSITE.

BREEDING AGREEMENTS

The Society strongly recommends that stallion and mare owners enter into a written agreement prior to breeding horses. To formalise an Agreement, both parties must sign the document. Members may seek the assistance of a legal advisor to compile, endorse or resolve issues in relation to the agreement.

The parties involved in the breeding programme should consider or include the following basic points in a breeding agreement as a minimum:

Natural Service

When a mare is transported to another property:

- Fees - service fee, agistment, feeding, veterinary, stallion handling and the like.
- Breeding – maiden or seasoned broodmare, easy or difficult breeder, live foal guarantee, pregnancy tested in foal (42 days), mare served for a limited number of breeding cycles, mare served until in foal, free return if mare slips the foal or foal born dead and the like.
- Transport arrangements – private or commercial, delivery and collection dates.
- Agistment – length of residence (1 day, 7 days, 21 days, 42 days, etc), feeding (in drought and/or abundant conditions), type of agistment (paddock, yard or stable), regular inspections, standard of facilities and the like.
- Type of Service – natural service (hand or paddock served) or artificially inseminated.
- Veterinary Requirements – care and health of mare, including condition, overall health, vaccination, as well as outcomes and responsibilities in the event of injury whilst at stud, pregnancy testing, selected veterinarian and the like.
- Service Records – responsibility of obtaining and lodging breeding certificates as required for registration of resulting foal.
- Payment – deposit, part payment and full payment deadlines (on booking, delivery, positive pregnancy test or collection of mare), payment structure, refunds, acceptable types of payment (cash, bank or personal cheque, credit card, etc), tax requirements and the like.

Artificial Insemination

When semen is transported:

- The mare owner should firstly research the availability of a veterinarian or qualified person for this procedure, along with the suitability of facilities, experience and success rate, as well as associated costs.
- Fees – cost of semen, transport of semen and veterinary expenses, including the number of consultations, mare's time at clinic (agistment), prescribed treatment of hormones and the like. The additional cost of registration of the foal for DNA testing must be considered.
- Semen (fresh, chilled or frozen) – number of straws provided, size of semen straws, delivery of semen, age of semen, fertility of semen and the like.
- Transport of semen from semen storage centre to veterinarian or qualified person and type of transport required (refrigerated, express, etc).
- Mare – semen for a specified mare or any mare, semen for only one mare or unlimited number of mares, and the like.
- Service Records – responsibility of obtaining and lodging breeding certificates as required for registration of resulting foal.
- Payment – deposit, part payment and full payment deadlines (on booking, delivery of semen, positive pregnancy test or live foal), payment structure, refunds, acceptable types of payment (cash, bank or personal cheque, credit card, etc), tax requirements and the like.

ASH BREEDING CERTIFICATES ORDER FORM

Name: _____

M/ship No: _____ (if applicable)

Address: _____

Fees Effective until 31st July 2011

Single Certificate.....\$15.00

ASH Breeding Certificate:
Number of forms required: _____

Fees Effective until 31st July 2011

Book of Twenty Certificates.....\$200.00

ASH Breeding Certificate Book
– saving of \$100.00

Attached cheque or money order, or complete credit card details below:

Mastercard Visa

Card Number ____/____/____/____

Expiry Date __/____

Cardholder's Name: _____

Signed: _____

ASH EVENTS AND SALES

Registered horses, with the exception of Foal Recorded horses or horses admitted for Breeding Purposes Only, have full competition rights provided the owner is a Financial Member of the Society. **Proof of registration and membership must be produced if requested.**

GELDED or DECEASED

The owner must notify the Society, in writing within sixty days, advising date and in the case of geldings, return the Certificate of Registration for alteration. No fee is applicable provided the Certificate has not been defaced.

RE-ISSUE OF CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

If a horse's Certificate of Registration is lost or destroyed we require a Statutory Declaration from the Registered Owner (must be a Financial Member of the Society), signed before a Justice of the Peace or Solicitor, stating the horse's registered name and how the papers were lost or destroyed.

- The **Re-issue Fee** will be required.

Fees Effective until 31st July 2011

Reissue Fee.....\$40.00



REGISTRATION FEES

Fees Effective from: 15th May 2010, until 31st July 2011

Please Note: All prices are subject to change without notice



The Breed for Every Need

Fees Effective until: 31st July 2011

ASH BREEDING CERTIFICATES

ASH Breeding Certificates include details of Artificial and Natural Service and are in triplicate.

Single Certificate	\$15.00
Book of Twenty Certificates	\$200.00
– saving of \$100.00	

PROOF OF SERVICE

Submitted with **Application for Registration**

ASH Breeding Certificate or ASH Form..... NO Charge

Service Lodgement - Service Certificate,

Statutory Declaration or Photocopy of another

Breed's Certificate of Registration \$15.00

DNA Sire Verification Test \$180.00

STUD BOOK REGISTRATION

If the stallion owner was **financial** and the sire was Sire Registered when the mare was served.

Mares & Stallions

Under 1 year	\$75.00
1 year & under 3 years	\$100.00
3 years & under 6 years	\$125.00
6 years & over	\$175.00
Geldings – any age	\$65.00

If the stallion owner was **unfinancial** and the sire was Sire Registered when the mare was served, a \$25.00 penalty fee will apply for mares and stallions under 6 years.

SECOND CROSS

Mares & Stallions

Under 1 year	\$75.00
1 year & under 3 years	\$100.00
3 years & under 6 years	\$125.00
6 years & over	\$175.00
Geldings – any age	\$65.00

If the stallion owner was **unfinancial** and the sire was Sire Registered when the mare was served, a \$25.00 penalty fee will apply for mares and stallions under 6 years.

DNA RECORDING

All foals resulting from AI or ET and born after 1/8/06, must be DNA Recorded and Parentage Verified.

DNA Recording Fee	\$85.00
Another Breed DNA Recording	\$25.00

SIRE REGISTRATION

Not DNA Recorded	\$330.00
Already DNA Recorded	
with ASHS	\$245.00
with another breed	\$270.00

FOAL RECORDING

Foal Recorded horses are **NOT** eligible for ASH Events and/or Approved Sales until Registered.

Stud Book Horses are eligible for either Registration as indicated above, or Foal Recording and later Registration.

FOAL RECORDING - Under 1 year..... \$25.00

REGISTRATION – Stud Book Registration fees less a \$15.00 discount. Special Merit, First and Second Cross horses are **NOT** eligible for Foal Recording.

ALL FEES GST INCLUSIVE

Fees Effective until: 31st July 2011

INSPECTION

Required for First Cross, Special Merit and Breeding Purposes Only

Video/DVD (per horse).....	\$15.00
Physical (per horse) - paid to Inspector	\$25.00
plus 70c per km travel expenses - recommended	

FIRST CROSS

Mares	\$185.00
Geldings.....	\$125.00
Stallions	NOT Eligible

SPECIAL MERIT

SECOND CROSS STATUS ONLY

Mares	\$185.00
Stallions (including Sire Registration/DNA)	\$560.00
Geldings.....	\$125.00

BREEDING PURPOSES ONLY

Australian Stud Book (Thoroughbred)

NOT eligible for showing in ASH Events.

SECOND CROSS STATUS ONLY

Mares	\$185.00
Stallions (including Sire Registration/DNA)	\$560.00
Geldings.....	NOT Eligible

TRANSFER/LEASE

Single Transfer Fee	\$45.00
Bulk Transfer Fee	\$170.00
Family Transfer Fee.....	\$25.00
Bulk Family Transfer Fee.....	\$85.00
Syndicate Transfer Fee.....	\$170.00
Lease Fee (including Termination Fee)	\$120.00

OTHER FEES

Priority Fee.....	\$50.00
Prefix Registration.....	\$100.00
Horse Gelded or Deceased	NO Charge
Re-Issue Registration Certificate	\$40.00
Amendment – Colour ONLY	\$25.00
Amendment – Brands and/or Markings	\$40.00
Late Amendment – Penalty (ASH Event)	\$25.00
Horse Photograph on Online Stud Book	\$25.00

BULK REGISTRATION DISCOUNT

Not Transfer, Foal Recording, Inspection Fees, etc.

Members who lodge the required number of Applications for Registration at one time, are entitled to the following discounts:

5% Discount – 5 and 9 Applications

10% Discount – 10 and 14 Applications

15% Discount – 15 and 19 Applications

20% Discount – 20 or more Applications

These discounts may be applied to bulk DNA recording/tests.

REGISTRATION OF FOALS

Deadline: 1st August

Applications for eligible horses under the age of one year must be lodged no later than 1st August to attain the cheapest rates for registration.

If the horse was born after 1st April, provided the application is submitted before 1st January, registration fees for under the age of one year will apply.