

MEMO



To: HHPCS Membership
From: Board of Directors, HHPCS
cc: Levi Myers
Date: 10/10/19
Re: Ownership Policy Update

After the 2018-2019 HHPCS season the Board of Directors felt the need to clarify and give ample notice to the membership regarding the policy of ownership that is found in both the By-Laws and Policy Guides of our organization. These clarifications will not take place retroactively and will be enforced from this date forward.

Article X, Section 1, Rule 6.1

- The BOD is recommending that all six horse hitch participants maintain proper ownership records on their horses or ponies. Per by-laws and policies of the HHPCS. As a dues paid member you are required to follow by the policies and By-Laws of our organization. As a reminder, we require that all members own at least 4 of the 6 horses used to earn points in the six-horse hitch competition.

- Items that will be accepted as proper registration include the following.

-Signed and stamped registration papers from a recognized breed association or organization, or

-proper lease paperwork signed by the breed association or organization attached to the original registration papers from the owner(s) of the animal.

Article X, Section 1, Rule 6.1.1

-Registrations from the following organizations or associations will be accepted as legitimate registrations.

-American Haflinger Registry

-American Draft Pony Association and Registry

-Friesian Sport Horse Association

-If a hitch is using an unlisted registry and would like to add it to the approved list they must submit a written proposal to the Board of Directors prior to June 1st of each year. The BOD will determine the status of the proposed association or organization and will decide to accept or not accept the organization or associations registration papers solely based on the merit of the organization/association/registry.

Article X, Section 1, Rule 6.2

-Items that will not be accepted as proper registration include but are not limited to the following. Canceled checks from buyers or sellers, any bill of sales (hand written or computer generated), photocopies of registration papers, unsigned breed association or organization papers, and unofficial transfers from breed organizations.

-Owners will not be required to provide proof of ownership on a random basis.

Article X, Section 1, Rule 6.3

-Formal written complaints can be lodged with any member of the board of directors. Once a formal complaint is filed The following steps will take place.

1. The notified board of director will inform the other members of the board Unless a complaint is filed against a member of the board. In that case the member in question will not be notified. This reporting period will happen immediately after receiving an official written complaint and will not exceed 24 hours.
2. Once every board member is informed of the situation, the member of the board who the complaint was filed with will initiate an investigation into the registration and ownership of the hitch in question. This will be done immediately after all board members are notified. This will all happen within 24 hours of the complaint being filed.

Article X, Section 1, Rule 6.4

-If the owner is unable to provide sufficient registration proof one of two situations will apply.

-In the event a hitch earns points at a show in violation of the rule, the earned points will not be counted towards the members' total. It will not affect the points earned by other hitches at the show.

-In the event a complaint is filed at the Finals and a hitch is in violation of the rule, the hitch will not be allowed to compete in the remainder of the Finals and will receive no payment for their attendance at the Finals.

Bob Shanahan, President 2019-2020

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Kyle Love, Vice President 2019-2020

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Ryan Hefner, Treasurer 2019-2020

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Levi Myers, Secretary 2019-2020

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Joey Lysinger, Member at Large 2019-2020

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