

## HAFLINGER HORSE ASSOCIATION NEW ZEALAND

### REGULATIONS

1. These Regulations apply to Breeder Members, Ordinary Members and Associate Members of the Association, AND to HORSES shown in Haflinger classes or at breed shows, providing the horses registration fee is paid.
2. The Association may amend Regulations at an ordinary general meeting or an Annual General Meeting, when such meeting is called in accordance with the constitution of the Association.
3. **Definitions:-**
  - a. **"The Association"** means the Haflinger Horse Association New Zealand
  - b. **"HHANZ"** means the Haflinger Horse Association New Zealand
  - c. **"The Regulations"** means the Regulations of the Association from time to time in force.
  - d. **"The Stud Book"** means the Stud Book of Haflinger Horse Association New Zealand
  - e. **"Stud Book Numbers"** denotes the number allocated by the Association to a horse registered in the Stud Book
  - f. **"Foal Recorded"** denotes the progeny of a registered sire and/or a registered dam which progeny has been submitted for a recording in accordance with the Regulations.
  - g. **"Registered Owner"** denotes the person recorded as the owner of that horse in the Association's records.
  - h. **"Registered lessee"** denotes the person recorded as the lessee of that horse by the "registered owner" of that horse as the "lessor"
  - i. **"Service Certificate"** denotes the Certificate signed by the registered owner or registered lessee of a sire certifying the date or dates when a dam was serviced by the sire, registered number.
  - j. **"Breeding"** by natural service, artificial insemination or foetal Transplant (embryo transfer).
  - k. **"Date of Sale"** and **"Date of Transfer"** shall respectively be the date on which ownership or lease passes to the transferee provided that for the purpose of these regulations the date of sale or date of transfer shall be deemed to be that set out in the transfer submitted to and recorded by the Association.
  - l. **"Brand"** denotes WHF fire or freeze brand. (See Appendix III)
  - m. **A Purebred Haflinger Horse** is defined as:- The progeny of a registered classified Haflinger Stallion and a registered classified Haflinger mare and shall conform to the standard description and requirements for registration.
  - n. **The Executive/Executive Committee** as defined in Clause 7 of the Constitution is the President, Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar. There must be a minimum of three members of the Executive in the case of anyone holding a joint office.

4. **Standard Description** REFER TO APPENDIX III

NOTE: THE STANDARD, AS SET OUT BELOW IS A GUIDE FROM APPROVED STUD BOOKS TO SHOW JUDGES AND THE PUBLIC FOR PUREBRED HORSES. CLASSIFIERS ARE EXPECTED TO BEAR IN MIND THAT THEIR JUDGMENTS AFFECT THE FUTURE GENERATIONS OF THE BREED IN NEW ZEALAND

THESE DESCRIPTIONS ARE FOR BREEDING AND SHOWING PURPOSES WHICH MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME

FOR SHOW PURPOSES A CROSS-BRED HORSE MUST RESEMBLE ITS HALFINGER ANCESTRY in breed type and conformation standards.

5. **Stud Book Categories.**

The Stud Book of the Association shall consist of the following :

- a. Imported Registry of Purebred Horses – Any imported horse which is included in the Stud Book of a member country of the World Haflinger Federation is eligible for registration subject to the application being accompanied by the original Registration Certificate which must show that the horse has been transferred into the name of the member making the application. The horse is subject to regulations 6 and 13 (d) and (e).
- b. Any horse used as a donor for semen or eggs for artificial insemination which is included in the Stud Book of a member country of the World Haflinger Federation will be given a unique donor number, and any offspring of this imported semen or embryos is eligible for registration as long as it meets section 6 to 8, and 13(d) and (e). Imported semen or embryos must be accompanied by a certified copy of the donor(s) registration certificate(s), and comply in all respects with regulation 7.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein the Executive may insist upon inspection of any horse before accepting the application for registration in the Association's Stud Book and may appoint an Inspector or Inspectors for that purpose and the expense of the inspection shall be borne by the applicant for registration.

- c. Purebred - Any purebred horse born in New Zealand which is the progeny of a purebred Haflinger sire registered with the Association and a purebred Haflinger mare registered with the Association
- d. Crossbred - Record of First Cross Horses – Any horse that is the progeny of a purebred classified Haflinger sire or a purebred classified Haflinger mare will be recorded in the Cross bred Register
- e. Any purebred horse recorded as a foal registration but not making classification will continue to be recorded in the Foal/Progeny Recorded Register

6 **Studbook Conditions**

Conditions for entry of horses into appropriate section of stud book of Purebred Haflinger, or Part-bred are as follows:

**Application is subject to the horse's dam and sire being classified by an Association affiliated to the WHF**

- a. The name of an individual or organization applying for registration or recording of a horse shall be the same name as appears on the Register of Members under clause 3 and clause 5 of the HHANZ constitution.
- b. If the name in which the horse to be registered differs from the name of the Register of Members an additional Membership will be required.

- c. Application for registration shall be made to the Registrar, who shall communicate to the executive committee by email or other means. (Executive defined in constitution clause 7 – President, treasurer, secretary and registrar. There must be a minimum of three members of the Executive in the case of any one holding “joint office”,
- d. The HHANZ executive committee may accept or refuse any application but must assign a reason for refusal.
- e. The registration of a horse shall be effective only upon the application being made by its owner or lessee and provided that all fees have been paid and progeny recording has been carried out as required under the regulations.
- f. If the HHANZ Executive committee is of the opinion there is reason to believe that application supplied by any breeder owner, or lessee is incorrect, the HHANZ Executive Committee can direct the applicant that all relevant books, receipts and documents be submitted and can direct the breeder, owner or lessee to present the horse for inspection and/or DNA evidence.

In all proceedings concerned with or affecting the records of the Association and in all disciplinary actions the burden of resolving any doubt as to the true parentage or identification of a horse shall be upon the applicant, owner, lessee or other member involved and the decision and action of the Association upon all such questions shall be final and binding upon all parties.

#### **7. Breeding Requirements**

- a. All Haflinger stallions and mares registered and classified must be microchipped and DNA recorded by a facility approved by the HHANZ Executive committee.
- b. Artificial breeding: Artificial Insemination or Embryo Transfer shall only be permitted under the following conditions:
  - i. All donor stallions must have been classified and registered either in New Zealand or by an overseas Haflinger Association which is a member of the World Haflinger Federation.
  - ii. Prior to use, all donor stallions must be DNA recorded. Overseas stallions must be DNA'd by a recognised overseas laboratory, the DNA lodged with the Registrar of Haflinger Horse Association New Zealand, and the relevant laboratory before semen or embryos are used.
- c. All Haflinger mares registered in New Zealand mares must be DNA recorded prior to any progeny being recorded in either the stud book or the cross bred register.

#### **8 Certificate of service by Natural or Artificial means**

The owner or lessee of a registered purebred stallion must complete a certificate of service for each mare served by the stallion. The original copy goes to the Registrar, with a registration fee as specified in the current "fees list". The foal owner sends the progeny recording application form to the Registrar.

#### **9. Identification**

- a. Description – when making application for progeny recording, A "Head On" photograph clearly showing horses white head markings, must accompany such applications. Incomplete or incorrect description of a horse on an application form may render the horse ineligible for registration, recording or transfer.
- b. All horses must be microchipped and DNA recorded before being presented for classification or at the time of classification. Members must forward to the Registrar details of all brands put on horses, microchip number

and DNA details —Micro chips shall be inserted in the left neck region. Locations of previous micro chipping if not in this location shall be lodged with the Registrar.

- c All imported mares and stallions must be microchipped and DNA tested prior to entry in the HHANZ Stud Book

## 10 **Classification**

- a. Only Classifiers approved by the Association may classify horses.

All horses to be classified must have a current RAS height certificate or a measure by a vet using a proper Measuring stick/rod complete with spirit level measure on flat concrete or similar surface. The height certificate must be presented at the classification, the height recorded in centimeters by rod measure. Measurements recoded in hands will be converted by the Association. The classifier can measure the horse on the day of the classification providing that a true spirit level measuring rod and correct measuring conditions (i.e. flat ground) are available

- b A classified Haflinger can have a final height recorded as measured above at the age of six years in the purebred register. On a veterinary or preferably RAS height certificate in accordance with RAS rules

- c Minimum height for Purebred Haflinger stallions must be 140cms (one hundred and forty centimeters) and Purebred Haflinger Mares must be 135 cm (one hundred and thirty five centimeters). (Please note that from 2020 HHANZ will be following AHHBA and World Haflinger Sports and Breeding Federation and all males and females must be 140 centimetres.)

- d Stallions must score at Class IA to pass classification. which means a minimum score of 80 with no score lower than 5 points on any sub score

eGeldings may be inspected by a local veterinarian using the Certificate as per Appendix II in the Regulations. The Veterinarian should complete and sign the certificate, which is to be forwarded to the Registrar with a clear photograph of the OFF side, the NEAR side and HEAD-ON showing facial markings. There will not be a point score or branding with the Edelweiss for this procedure. The Registrar will forward the photographs and Vet certificate to the Classifier(s) for approval. If acceptable, the horse is deemed to be classified for show purposes. A fee Classification as per the current Fee List is payable. A Gelding accepted as above, may be presented at a future classification day, to be scored and branded. A second fee will be charged for presentation in this case. Geldings do not receive the edelweiss brand, it is for studbook horses only that are in the breeding register.

f Horses must exhibit a calm quiet temperament and must be able to be closely inspected. Failure in this regard means the horse will be rejected.

gBlemishes, such as wire marks which do not affect the horse's movement are not detrimental and must NOT be used to withhold classification. Injuries resulting in bad movement should be taken into consideration when judging a horse.

hApplication may be made for re-presentation of a horse at any of the Association's future classification days. The score achieved at the latest re-presentation is the recorded score.

iAll written comments concerning scoring at classification days are to be strictly confidential to the owner of the horse, the classifier and the Registrar.

- j All Haflinger horses must be foal registered or otherwise recorded in the stud book

- k Stallions need to be classified by 2 classifiers recognised by HHANZ, one of these can be a video classification at the discretion of the registrar. This is usually granted when geographical isolation is a factor.

- l Video classification should be taken on the same day as classification, preferably at the same time. This video should have no audio.
- m It is important that the horse is videoed continuously standing square on near side, front, off side and back view. This segment should be about 2 minutes long to give the classifier sufficient time to view the horse. Following this a classic triangle workout should be performed with the video taking the position of the person judging the horse. "Tracking" views on the triangle must be included and at the conclusion of the triangle horse stood square. In addition footage of mane and forelock being moved and close-ups of hooves.
- n Classification should be based on a simple triangle workout: walk away from judge, walk out across the second side of the triangle, turn and walk towards to classifier (minimum of once). A second triangle workout is also required at a trot. Options to further assessment are to allow the horse to be ridden, worked on a lunge line and /or worked in an enclosed area at liberty. However, while ridden or lunging is an option, people choosing the traditional workout only, should not be penalised.
- o Decisions of the classifiers at the time of inspection shall be binding. Appeals against any decision must be made to the Executive in writing for their consideration.
- p A photographic record of the horse must be taken on the day of classification to establish a photographic record of the horse at that time for archive records.

## 11 **Name of Horse**

Each horse for which progeny recording is supplied must be given an acceptable name which does not conflict with any other living horse registered or recorded with the Association. In accordance with International tradition, all Fillies must have a name using the first letter of her Dam's name. All Colts must have a name using the first letter of his Sire's name. (This is not necessary for cross bred progeny).

The Registrar may refuse to allow any name which in their absolute discretion they consider to be misleading, misapplied or contrary to the interests of the members of the Association generally.

The name of a horse may be changed with the consent of the Registrar, at their discretion, but only before classification.

## 12. **Progeny Recording**

Unless otherwise determined by the Executive, in relation to any particular application for foal recording, the following regulations apply:-

- a. Each application for recording shall be submitted on the prescribed form containing any such information as the Association may from time to time determine.
- b. All imported foals must be recorded with the Association within sixty (60) days of arrival in New Zealand
- c. Each foal born in New Zealand and submitted for recording in the Progeny record must be the progeny of a parent or parents which are registered in an Association's Stud Book, affiliated with the WHF at the date of application.
- d. A number shall be allotted by the Registrar to each horse upon registration the Association's Stud Book and that **number will be irrevocable.** Numbers shall be allocated consecutively for males as well as females.
- e. Numbers allocated shall have a prefix letter as follows: "HA" for all purebreds "HAX" for all crossbreds
- f. Any horse born in New Zealand after 31 December 2005 must be classified by the Association's Classifier, before it may be recorded in the Stud Book.
- g. Notwithstanding anything herein contained the Executive can insist upon inspection of any horse before accepting the application for entry into the Progeny Register and may appoint an Inspector for that purpose and the expense of the inspection shall be borne by the member applying for recording.

13. **Adult Registration**

Unless otherwise decided by the HHANZ Executive in relation to any particular application for registration or recording the following regulations shall apply to registration in the Association's Stud Book.

- a. All horses born in New Zealand must be foal recorded and classified before they can be adult registered.
- b. Each application for registration in the Association's Stud Book shall be submitted on the prescribed form containing such information as the Association may from time to time prescribe.
- c. If born outside New Zealand or imported in utero a horse must be registered or eligible for registration in the Stud Book or Progeny Register of a country affiliated with the World Haflinger Federation.(see regulation 5 (a))
- d. In respect of each horse imported into New Zealand an application for registration in the Association's Stud Book shall be made by its owner
- e. All applications for registration of any horse in the Association's Stud Book shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee
- f. Notwithstanding anything contained herein the HHANZ Executive may insist upon inspection of any horse before accepting the application for registration in the Association's Stud Book and may appoint an Inspector or Inspectors for that purpose and the expense of the inspection shall be borne by the applicant for registration.
- g. The HHANZ Executive may refuse any application for registration, but must assign a reason in writing.

14. **Transfer or Lease**

Upon the sale, exchange, gift lease or other disposition of a horse registered or recorded in the Pure Bred Stud Boor or Cross Bred Register of HHANZ, notification of such disposal shall be given in writing or notification by electronic mail, by the Registered owner (Transferor) to the Registrar of HHANZ within thirty (30) days of such disposal/lease transfer. A copy of the notification to the Registrar should be given to the Transferee/lessee.

Forms for transfer of ownership or registration of a lease should be accompanied by the original Certificate of Registration or Certificate of Foal recording, for endorsement or reissue of the same, by the Registrar of HHANZ for the Transferee upon acceptance of the transfer or lease registration in the Stud Book. The Registrar will forward the certificates to the Transferee in a timely manner.

A new owner/lessee who has not received a copy of the notification to the Registrar within the prescribed 30 days, may make application to the Registrar, upon payment of a fee set in the fee schedule, to pursue the matter with the Registered Owner

Where a horse is lent or leased by its registered owner to some other person written notification of such loan or lease shall within thirty (30) days be given to the Registrar.

15 **Stud Book Publication**

The Registrar will be responsible for editing and collating all material prior to the printing of the Stud Book Annually.

16 **Classification Days**

- a. The Registrar will be responsible for notifying members regarding classification days, the results of the inspection, and amending Registration Certificates as required.
- b. Decisions of the classifiers at the time of inspection shall be binding.

17. **Replacement of lost Registration Certificates**

Certified copies of certificates may be issued by the Registrar, at their discretion. A fee as set out in the current "Fee List" will be payable.

18. **Showing of Horses**

- a. Only purebred horses registered or recorded in the stud book of the Haflinger Horse Association New Zealand may be shown in Haflinger classes at Agricultural shows, or "All Breed Shows"
- b. All horses must be under proper control at all times.
- c. All colts and stallions over the age of 12 months must be shown with a bit.
- d. All horses must have been trained to make turns in the ring to the RIGHT. A handler must not stand or lead a horse in such a way as to obscure the Judges' view of the horse.
- e. Horses must be shown as naturally as possible and must be properly groomed.
- f. Body clipping is permitted, but where two horses are on equal points preference will be given to the non-clipped horse.
  - Mane and tail are not to be plaited or braided, double sided manes are acceptable
  - Clipping of the Bridle path is optional
  - Ears may be neatened, but not clipped out
  - Clipping of feathers and legs below knees and hocks is optional
- g. Handlers must be properly attired and groomed to compliment their horse. Traditional costume is optional..
- h. Horses may be shown shod or unshod, but feet must be neatly and correctly trimmed.

19. **Video Classification procedure.**

- a. Horses reaching the designated age may be presented at an HHANZ classification day, or
- b. Subject to the prior written approval of the HHANZ Executive for horses resident in remote or isolated areas, a video/DVD made to HHANZ specifications may be presented for consideration.
- c. All horses will be graded using the numerical evaluation classification sheet as per Appendix 1 and must have a satisfactory Veterinary Certificate of Suitability report, which also states the height and other measurements of the horse – see Appendix II
- d. Video/DVD classification for Stallions will be a preliminary assessment only. If satisfactory the horse must be inspected by two Classifiers for classification or one classifier and one video classification until such time where it will be possible to have a minimum of 2 NZ classifiers appointed.

STATE THE NAME AND NUMBER OF THE HORSE

STATE THE NAME OF OWNER at commencement of filming

- a. The horse must be filmed stationary and moving for a minimum of 10 to 15 minutes. Close up shots must clearly show the markings and brands zooming in without break from a 30 to 60 second view of the whole horse.
- b. The horse must be viewed from both sides (laterally) and from in front and behind to show alignment of the bones of the legs. Each position to be held stationary for a minimum of 30 seconds (Front, Off side, Near side, and Rear views)
- c. Moving. The horse must walk a triangle (20x20x20 metres) in STRAIGHT LINES and directly towards the camera, and filmed walking away from the camera as well. In STRAIGHT LINES. The horse must then trot the same pattern.
- d. Type. Extra footage is to be included to demonstrate the horse under saddle and/or in harness or engaged in some other sensible activity so that obedience may be observed such as: being groomed, handled or washed, or having feet picked up and cleaned out, or catching the horse in a paddock and putting on a head stall.

Digital still cameras giving short video clips are not suitable for video classification as they give a distorted picture of the movements of the horse. PLEASE NOTE: if the video/DVD images are not satisfactory the classifiers have the discretion to refuse to score the horse and the classification fee will not be refunded.(Mobile telephone footage is not acceptable.)

All material should be forwarded to be in the hands of the Registrar of HHANZ to be presented to the Classifier at the first relevant opportunity after filming.

The Registrar reserves the right to refuse any application for video Classification without explanation.

Please note that HHANZ has agreed in principle to the phasing out of video classification and will be done only in special circumstances



**APPENDIX I**

**CLASSIFICATION INSPECTION REPORT**

Name of Horse and Registered #.....

Name and address of owner.....

CLASSIFIER TO CHECK FOR UNDESIRABLE FAULTS:

**Horse will be rejected for any one of the following:**

- Parrot mouth
- Hernia (larger than a golf ball)
- Undescended testicle
- Disproportionate feet
- Lameness
- Poor temperament
- Excessive white markings (above knees or hocks – markings larger than a tennis ball)
- Under minimum height
- More than 10% black or grey hairs in mane and/or tail

Point Score – 10 sections @ 10 points total 100 points

Height	cms
Circ of Cannon	cms
Circ of Girth	cms

type/temperament	
head	
neck	
forequarters	
midsection	
hindquarters	
front limbs	
hind limbs	
correct gait	
length of stride	
<b>TOTAL</b>	

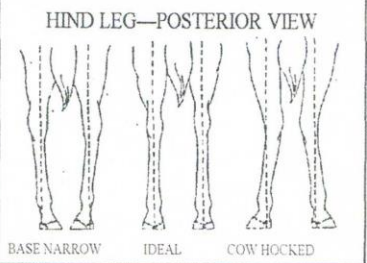
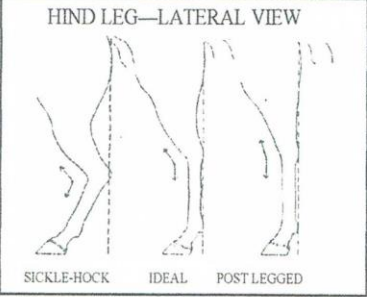
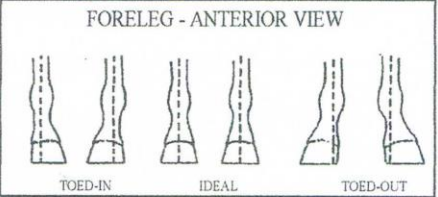
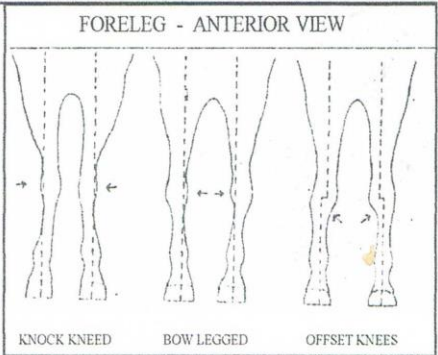
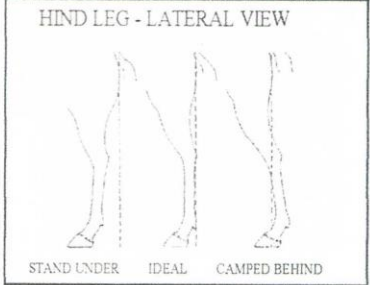
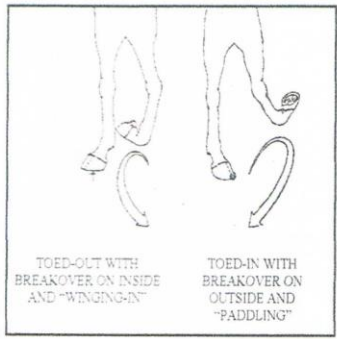
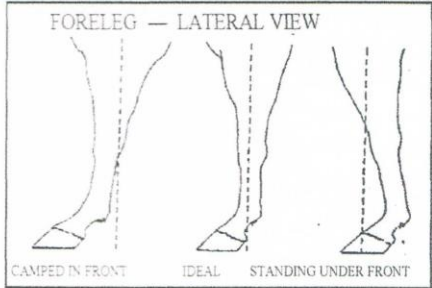
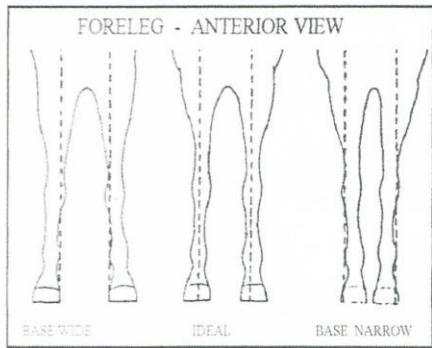
<b>5 points or less</b>	<b>rejection for classification</b>
6 points	adequate
7 points	satisfactory
8 points	good
9 points	very good
10 points	excellent
Class 1A	80+ points
Class 1B	77-79
Class 1C	74-76
Class 2A	71-73
Class 2B	68-70
Class 2C	65-67

**Please check brands and markings with registration certificate.**

Classifier's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**CLASSIFIER'S OBSERVATIONS:**  
INSPECT HORSE STATIONERY & MARK  
DIAGRAMS.  
IN ACTION, ON TRIANGLE 20Mtrs EACH SIDE,  
AT WALK AND TROT TURNS TO RIGHT ONLY.



**Appendix II**

**CLASSIFICATION INSPECTION REPORT**

For use for remote area video classification (per regulation 19)

Veterinary certificate of suitability for classification

Name of Horse and Registered #.....

Name and address of owner.....

CHECK FOR UNDESIRABLE FAULTS:

**Horse will be rejected for any one of the following:**

- Parrot mouth
- Hernia (larger than a golf ball)
- Undescended testicle
- Disproportionate feet
- Lameness
- Poor temperament
- Excessive white markings (above knees or hocks – markings larger than a tennis ball)
- Under minimum height
- More than 10% black or grey hairs in mane and/or tail

Height	cms
Circ of Cannon	cms
Circ of Girth	cms

**Please verify that brands and white markings match registration certificate.**

Veterinary to sign \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name and address.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### APPENDIX III

#### STANDARD DESCRIPTION OF A PUREBRED HAFLINGER HORSE

(a) Type

A body structure that is suitable for an all-round pleasure horse is desirable. A harmonious distribution of forehand, mid-section and hindquarters is ideal. The desired appearance is that of an elegant and harmonious horse. A (lean and expressive) head with large eyes a well-formed neck, a sufficiently coupled and supple mid-section, a good croup, not too divided and not too short, defined limbs with good joints. Stallions and mares for breeding should have clearly defined masculine or feminine features.

Colours from light chestnut to dark liver chestnut with white/blonde mane and tail. Colour impurities in the body base colour, as in roaning dark smudges, or white markings larger than a tennis ball are undesirable and will be judged as negative up to the point of exclusion.

Head markings are desirable, but not a prerequisite, too many markings are undesirable and can go as far as causing exclusion.

Leg Markings white leg markings are not desirable, white leg markings above the hock or knee will result in exclusion. A creamy frosting in the area of the lower cannon and fetlocks is normal for the breed

Height: The required size is from 135 cm

Mares must be 135 centimetres plus and stallions must be 140 centimetres. The minimum size must be achieved, non-achievement leads to exclusion.

(b) Head

The head should be noble and lean, the size in harmony with the horse broad between the eyes and between the branches of the jaw. The eyes should be large, the nostrils set at the end of the nose rather than underneath. The head should be well set on the neck and with correct positioning of the ears which should point forwards and be appropriately sized. Some horses have a slightly dished face.

(c) Neck

The neck should be of medium length and more refined towards the head, with neither a bulky line nor a swan neck. It should not be too wide vertically nor too thick laterally. The neck should be clearly defined at the throat.

(d) Forehand

A defined wither reaching well back, long sloping shoulders and sufficient depth of girth are desirable Proportionately wide between the front legs, with well sprung ribs and lung capacity

(e) Midsection

The back should be medium length with loins well muscled, thereby creating good load bearing capacity. Too long in the back is regarded as a weakness.

(f) Hindquarters

The hindquarters should be long and slightly sloping with a not too strongly divided croup. The tail should not be set too low. The gaskins should be well defined and hocks let down. Ideally there should be an equilateral triangle from point of hip to point of buttock to stifle.

(g) Forelegs

The forelegs must be perpendicular to the ground and body, with clearly defined joints, flat bone and tendons running parallel to the bone. Knees should be shield shaped. The pasterns should be of moderate length (long pasterns are weak), they should slope at between 45 and 50 degrees, but most importantly they must match the angle of the shoulder and the hoof. The foreleg to cannon ratio should be 2/3 forearm, 1/3 cannon, i.e. long forearm and short cannon is highly desirable.

(h) Hind legs

Hind legs must be perpendicular to the ground and body with clearly defined joints, flat bone and tendons running parallel to the bone. The hock should be clearly defined and let down, a straight line should be able to be drawn from the point of buttock through the hock to the ground bisecting the leg equally in half, hind leg angle of 150 degrees (*as per classification diagram in Appendix 1 of Regulations*)

(i) Feet

Hooves should be round, distinct and hard with clean open heels

(j) Correct gait

The horse's gait whether free in the paddock, being led or under saddle, should be ground covering, free and forward moving. The rhythm should be pure, even and regular. Correct footfalls for each pace are mandatory. Knee and hock flexion is desirable with the general gait not too flat.

(k) Temperament

The horse must show a calm, quiet and intelligent disposition