

## **THE HOLSTEINER VERBAND APPROVAL TOUR FOR HOLSTEINER MARES AND FOALS IN NORTH AMERICA**

The Holsteiner Verband, together with the North American Breeding District, has organized an approval tour for mares and foals in North America. The approval tour is scheduled for mid-September with the exact inspection sites and dates published on our website as soon as possible.

Mares and foals must be registered in advance with the breeding department in Kiel and the Approval Entry form submitted. All required forms are available on our Holsteiner.com website under **FORMS**.

Several administrative requirements must be fulfilled prior to a mare and a foal being presented for registration and inspection. We have summarized the most important steps in the information below.

### **Membership**

In order to get a horse inspected, you have to be an active member of Holsteiner Verband. Please download the **membership form**

### **Foals**

Please download and complete a **Breeding Certificate** and send it to us via email. There is a separate **Breeding Certificate** form for Embryo Transfer. Please be sure to complete the **Foal Report** portion at the bottom of the forms and verify that the stallion owner has signed the covering portion. In the case of Embryo Transfer, please be sure that there is a signature from the Veterinarian. You will find some helpful instructions in completing the form in the Foal Form section below. If you would like to have your foal inspected, please complete the foal portion of the Approval Entry form. Deadline for entry to the approvals in July 30<sup>th</sup>.

After the Certificate of Birth has been received, we will send you the registration documents (diagram, documents for the DNA testing) from Germany via email. You will receive the microchip from our office of the North American Breeding District by postal service.

**If you are not able to bring your foal/yearling/mare to an inspection place, but you would like to register and approve your foal/yearling/mare, please contact us directly via email at [Bergmann@holsteiner-verband.de](mailto:Bergmann@holsteiner-verband.de)**

### **Mares**

If you want to have your mare Approved, please download and complete the mare portion of the **Approval Entry** form and submit a copy of the mare's pedigree papers.

All completed forms can be sent via email to [Bergmann@holsteiner-verband.de](mailto:Bergmann@holsteiner-verband.de). If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact us in Germany at [weber@holsteiner-](mailto:weber@holsteiner-)

verband.de or our contact, Patti Mahaffey, at the office from the North American Breeding District at Holsteiner@bellsouth.net .

**In the following we have summarized the most important steps for you:**

### **Foals**

1. Send the completed **membership form**
2. Complete the **Breeding Certificate** and send it to us via email (After the Certificate of Birth has been received, we will send you the registration documents (diagram, documents for the DNA testing) from Germany via email. You will receive the microchip from our office of the North American Breeding District by postal service.)
3. Send the **Approval entry form** by July 30<sup>th</sup>.

For the foal inspection you must bring the registration card! In addition, please note, that the mare has to be presented if she has not been Approved as a breeding mare with the Holsteiner Verband.

### **Mares**

1. Send the **Approval Entry form** by July 30<sup>th</sup> with the **mare portion** completed and submit a copy of the mare's pedigree papers.

Please note that you must bring the original pedigree paper (Equine Pass or Certificate of Registration) to the inspection site.

### **Stallions**

1. Send the completed **Approval Entry** form for **Stallion Licensing** and submit a copy of the stallion's pedigree papers and performance data. Entry is due by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Please note that you must bring the original pedigree paper (Equine Pass or Certificate of Registration) to the inspection place.

If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact us in Germany at weber@holsteiner-verband.de or our contact, Patti Mahaffey, at the office from the North American Breeding District at Holsteiner@bellsouth.net

**The Holsteiner Verband is looking forward to a successful Approval tour in North America and hopes that the events will be enthusiastically received by breeders and owners.**