



## **WORLD BREEDING FEDERATION FOR SPORT HORSES**

### **PROFILE of APPLICATION FORM for MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Amended version following approval by the General Assembly in 2014 of new Rules and Regulations on the Duties and Obligations of Membership**

This Profile of Application Form must be completed by a Horse Studbook Organisation seeking to be a Member of the World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses, WBFSH.

To be accepted into Membership horse studbooks must meet the following criteria:

- I. Have a major objective to breed horses for at least one of the Olympic disciplines of show jumping, dressage and/or eventing. Such horses would generally be of a 'warmblood' type.
- II. Be a horse studbook that is a studbook of members and controlled by these members in a democratic fashion.
- III. Be a legal entity that operates according to the general standards expected of reputable horse studbooks.
- IV. Be recognised as a horse studbook by the relevant authority in the country in which it is based. In the European Union the horse studbook must be recognised under the relevant European Union legislation by the relevant Competent Authority in the Member State and proof of such recognition must be provided.
- V. Be of sufficient size to be viable and operate an effective horse identification, registration and breed improvement programme. As a general guide the horse studbook should be registering at least 100 foals annually. However, in exceptional circumstances, less than 100 foals could be acceptable.
- VI. In the case where the studbook name refers to another original studbook, the relationship between the studbooks must be clearly stated and agreed upon.

The following sections are designed to give a basis for deciding on whether or not the studbook meets the eligibility criteria for membership of WBFSH. Please answer all questions and use additional sheets as required.



## 1. Characterisation of the Studbook

1.1 Official Name of the Studbook:

1.2 Official Address:

**Tel:**

**Fax:**

**E-mail:**

1.3 Contact person:

1.4 Legal Status: e.g. Limited Company, Not for profit Company, Cooperative Society, etc.

1.5 Is the Studbook officially recognised as a Horse Studbook in the country in which you are based?

*If yes, please attach copy of document(s) granting recognition from a relevant Ministry.*

1.6 Give a description of each breed catered for in your studbook

1.7 Is breeding horses for at least one of the Olympic disciplines of show jumping, dressage and/or eventing a major objective of the studbook?

*Please attach a copy of the statutes, constitution, rules, breeding objectives, breeding plans or other documents of your studbook as relevant in support of your answer.*

1.8 If any of the breeds catered for derive from another horse studbook, please describe the relationship of your studbook with that other studbook.

Are such horses in your Studbook considered the same or a different breed from that of the other studbook?

1.9 Describe the geographical area in which your Studbook operates.

1.10 Describe the size of your Studbook in terms of:

- Number of members in the studbook organisation
- Number of foals registered annually for the last five years
- Number of active breeding mares in the studbook
- Number of currently active Stallions approved for use in the studbook
- Total number of horses registered in your studbook



## **2. Registration System**

- 2.1** Describe the system used for the physical identification of horses in your studbook.
- 2.2** Describe the system used for naming horses.
- 2.3** Describe the system used to ensure the accuracy of declared parentage of horses in your studbook.
- 2.4** Describe the various documents and procedures used in the registration chain from covering of the mare to issuing of an identifying document (passport) to the offspring.

## **3. Breeding programme**

- 3.1** What are the breeding objectives of your Studbook?
- 3.2** Describe the procedures used for the approval of stallions
- 3.3** Describe the procedures used for the grading / approval of mares
- 3.4** Describe the procedures used, if any, for estimating the genetic merit of mares and stallions
- 3.5** Is your studbook closed or open? If open, what criteria are used for the entry of external horses to the studbook?

## **4. Please give a general description of the horse industry in your country and the importance of your studbook in that industry.**

The \_\_\_\_\_ requests admittance as a Member of The World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses.

Signed:

Date: