



Rules regarding passport applications.

American Miniature Horse Club GB is the DEFRA approved passport issuing Office of MHCGB.

We offer a studbook for miniature horses with American bloodlines applying the following criteria:-

We offer three sections within our Studbook

Studbook A

Registration criteria

- a) the Foal's parents meet the Main Studbook Breeding criteria
- both parents are purebred horses registered in a recognised Studbook for pedigree horses
- b) the Foal is DNA typed and parentage tested if any of the following criteria have not been met with:-
 - i) the Covering Certificate must have been submitted to the AMHCGB Registry Office within the year of covering.
 - ii) the Foal must be 5 months old or less when the Registration application form is completed by the Vet.
 - iii) the Foal must be at Foot with its mother.
- c) Pure bred American Miniature Horses imported from the USA with current papers.
- d) Horses hardshipped into the AMHA studbook following the current AMHA ruling.

Studbook B

Registration criteria

Open to horses with a minimum of 25% American bloodlines. I.e., one grandparent.

Studbook C

Registration criteria

Open to horses which comply with the breed characteristics laid down in the breeding programme but do not comply with parentage criteria

Rules

AMHCGB will not enter into ownership disputes.

The owner of the mare at time of foaling will have the right to use their prefix as registered with Central Prefix Register.

All passports must be applied for in the current year of birth excepting imported horses.

A veterinary surgeon must implant the microchip and complete the AMHCGB silhouette page.

Information must be correct to the best of owners knowledge and will be checked on the studbook online.

All prefixes used must be registered with Central Prefix Register and shall be a minimum of two letters, no hyphens, spaces, numerals or apostrophes.

Applications will be accepted for all eligible horses regardless of owners membership status.

AMHCGB will enter into the breeding book, animals of the same breed, line or cross that are eligible for entry under the Society's breed criteria, without discrimination on account of their country of origin."

Your legal obligations.

Due to the new Minimum Operating Standards for PIOs that came into force in October 2018 we are obliged to inform you of your responsibilities regarding the passporting of your horse.

It is a legal requirement for all horses and ponies to be issued with a passport. Horse Passport law is governed by the commission Regulation (EU) 2015/262, and in England by the Horse Passport Regulations 2009, and where applicable, any subsequent amendments or successors to these regulations.

A horse's passport must be kept with him at all times. It is illegal to travel a horse without their passport

No animal may have more than one passport. Passports are the property of the Passport Issuing Organisation (PIO) and the passport must be returned to the issuing PIO for the following reasons:

- If the animal changes ownership (within 30 days), with transfer of ownership form and correct fee.
- If any alterations are required (for update of adult colour, castration etc)
- If extra pages are required for vaccination records etc
- If the document is damaged
- When the animal dies (within 30 days), with correct form and fee.
- Part II Section II (or pre-2016 Section IX) has been signed to permanently exclude the horse from the human food chain, within 14 days

Late Passports are still available and will be marked as 'Duplicate'

Duplicate Passports

If the passport is lost, a duplicate may be applied for with correct fee.

Transfers of Ownership

A horse passport does not constitute proof of ownership of the horse. Return passport with appropriate form and correct fee within 30 days of acquiring a horse.