

BHA Equine Anti-Doping Rules – Foal registration and permanent importation of horses

Trainers <u>must</u> read the full rules and guidance from the BHA. This is a summary only.

Foal registration

All horses born in Great Britain from 1st January 2015 must have their complete registration received at the General Stud Book within 12 months of their birth. For the 2017 foal crop, this will be reduced to six months.

Registration process - actions

This is the same as present but the breeder (or their agent) must sign a declaration that they agree to be bound by the Rules of Racing and they confirm the horse has not been administered nor could have ingested any substances which are prohibited at all times at any point in their life

Failure to register within the timeframe and failure to sign the declaration will mean the horse cannot race or be trained in Great Britain.

Permanently Importing horses into Great Britain

The horse will only be able to be trained and raced in Great Britain if the laboratory reports no evidence of the presence in the urine or blood of the horse of substances prohibited at all times, nor any other evidence of use from 2nd March 2015 of a substance or method which is prohibited at all times.

See "exemptions" below for horses from Ireland France and Germany meeting the requirements for exemption.

The horse must meet all the usual conditions (Rule (E) 8) and

- The export certificate must be received by the General Stud Book within 90 days of the horse's arrival in Great Britain
- Within 7 days of the horse arriving in Great Britain, the Responsible Person must provide to the BHA the whereabouts of the horse so that the horse can be tested
- The sample(s) collected must contain no evidence of the presence in urine or blood of substances prohibited by the BHA at all times nor any other evidence of use from 2nd March 2015 of a substance or method prohibited at all times



• The person making the application for the horse to be registered with the BHA must pay for the cost of the sample collection and analysis. The cost of this is likely to be around £500.

Export Certificate

The importer should contact the relevant country's Stud Book as early as possible to ensure the export certificate arrives within 90 days.

Whereabouts notification

The responsible person must provide the information to the BHA within 7 days. This includes the overnight location of the horse from the date of the form for a period of one month and the name and contact details of a person available at all times so they can be contacted to arrange the testing. The BHA has a form for this notification – see http://www.britishhorseracing.com/resource-centre/anti-doping-medication-control/.

Exemptions

The above requirement for a test is waived for horses from Ireland France and Germany which have been present in one or more of those counties for at least 12 consecutive immediately prior to being permanently imported into Great Britain. Such horses must still comply with the export certificate requirements.

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