

Irish Draught Horse Society (GB)

DNA TESTING

- DNA parentage testing is a **requirement** for admission to the purebred register (Main Studbook). Some, but not all, sport horse foals also have to be DNA tested.
- DNA kits are available from the Administrator at the office: 03452 300399, email administrator@idhsqb.com.
- The cost to MEMBERS (purebreds and sport horses) is **£55.00 per horse** in addition to the registration fee. The fee for NON-MEMBERS (sport horses only; you have to be a member to register a purebred) is **£60**.
- **Main Studbook rules:** All colt and filly foals by **any Irish Draught stallion registered in the Main Studbook** (Class 1, 2, 3 or 4) out of **any mare registered in the Main Studbook** (Class 1, 2, 3 or 4, or Supplementary Grade Up, which will be dual registered as a sport horse and in the Main Studbook), **must** be DNA tested before a passport can be issued.
- All colt and filly foals by any Irish Draught stallion registered in the Main Studbook (Class 1, 2, 3 or 4) out of an **AID mare** must also be DNA parentage tested, because they are potentially eligible for inspection for Main Studbook classification. The exception to this is for colts out of AID mares that have been gelded prior to registration. Veterinary confirmation of castration is required.
- **Sport horse foals** do not have to be DNA tested unless they are Traditional Sport Horse Register (TSR) animals or likely to come forward for inspection. Owners may choose to have sport horse foals tested if they wish, and this is recommended if you are going to breed from them later on.
- All mares and stallions (purebred and partbred) coming forward for inspection **for any of the IDHS (GB) registers** must be DNA tested.
- **Sport horse stallions** registered or over-stamped with the IDHS (GB), which have not been inspected but which are used for breeding purposes, **MUST** be DNA tested before a covering book can be issued.
- DNA samples **must** be collected by a qualified veterinary surgeon. This is usually done at the time that the foal is microchipped and the foal identification diagram is completed. Mane or tail hair is **pulled** and not cut, to ensure that DNA is present in the hair roots. DNA samples taken by owners are **not** acceptable.
- We have a new DNA test provider, Weatherby's Scientific. They ask that the vet sticks the transponder code onto the DNA sample bag as well as onto the marking/identity chart.
- All identity forms, guidance notes and application forms can be downloaded from the website on www.idhsqb.com or requested from the office. If you have trouble downloading a form, please email administrator@idhsqb.com

When you pay by Paypal, please ensure that you include on your registration application form the transaction number or date of payment, with the name of the person who paid it.

All applications for registration, including DNA where appropriate, must be sent to:

Please send your completed application, DNA and your fees to: Miss A Holbeche, 2 Burnbake Cottages, Burcombe Lane, Wilton, Wiltshire SP2 0ES.

Please note that this is a private residence, so please do not call at the house.

Tel. 01722 742333

Email: passports@idhsqb.com

Our web site: www.idhsqb.com