HOW TO REGISTER YOUR AMERICAN MINIATURE HORSE

An Official Resource of The American Miniature Horse Association
Welcome to the wonderful world of Miniature Horses!

Now that you have purchased the horse of your dreams or had your first ever foal, it is time for the fun to begin!

PAPERWORK. We know how much everyone loves registration paperwork and that it can be confusing at times. So, we have a solution! A step by step guide on How To Register Your Horse. We hope that this will be a useful resource to you throughout the years.

Every form that you could possibly need, is explained and contained in this guide. Our forms are also all available online or in print by calling 817.783.5600. We are here to help you through this process, so if you would like further assistance or need some information, please call us at 817.783.5600 or email registration@amha.org.

Welcome,

The AMHA Registration Department

BEFORE YOU START

Before you start filling out any paperwork, please check to make sure that you have the following:

Current AMHA Membership

To do business with the AMHA, you must be a current member. Not a member yet? No problem, you can just fill out the application and send it in along with your registration paperwork. PLEASE NOTE: A Youth Membership does not have registration privileges.

QUICK TIP

Anytime you see something in this guide that is underlined and highlighted in blue, you can click on that item and it will take you straight to more information on the subject or the applicable form that you will need.
If you already know which registration transaction you would like more information on, please click one of the Quick Start options below.

- **PARTS OF A MINIATURE HORSE**
- **HOW TO MEASURE MY HORSE**
- **REGISTER A FOAL**
- **HOW TO DETERMINE MY HORSE'S COLOR**
- **SUBMIT CURRENT PHOTOGRAPHS**
- **OWNERSHIP TRANSFERS**
- **APPLY FOR PERMANENT STATUS**
- **HARDSHIP REGISTRATION**
- **HELP! I LOST MY CERTIFICATE!**
- **DNA TESTING**
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- **BREEDING REPORTS**
- **RESERVE MY FARM PREFIX**
- **LEASES, AGENTS & SYNDICATES**
An AMHA horse is issued a Temporary Registration certificate until they reach the age of 36 months. At that time, if they measure 34 inches or less according to AMHA measurements, these horses can apply for Permanent Registration.

A Registration Application should be filled out for all foals. The most economical option for registering your horses is to do so before 4 months of age. Registration fees are as follows:

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<td>Gelding (at any age if already gelded)</td>
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Are you registering a foal that you have already sold?

If so, you can complete a registration application and a transfer at the same time. Just be sure to fill out the entire registration application and submit the registration and transfer fee.

AMHA Registration forms can be found online at www.amha.org and you can fill them out on your computer. If you do not want to fill them out on computer, you can print and submit them, or request printed copies from the AMHA. Please note: Forms that are filled out on computer must still be printed and submitted for signature collection purposes.

Ready to get started? On the next page is a complete copy of the AMHA Registration Application. Take a quick look and then continue on for step by step instructions.
Registration Application
The American Miniature Horse Association, Inc.
5601 S Interstate 35 W, Alvarado, TX 76009
(817)783-5600 www.amha.org

Section 1 - REGISTRATION APPLICATION - Must be completed in its entirety.

NAME: Give 2 choices, not to exceed 35 characters, including spaces - punctuation is not allowed.
1st Choice: ____________________ Height: ______ Sex: ______
2nd Choice: ____________________ Foaling Date: ______

☐ Yes, I authorize the AMHA to select a name if the above choices are unavailable or objectionable.

☐ Yes, I authorize the AMHA to designate the color as represented by photographs submitted.

SELECT ONE COLOR:
☐ SOLID
☐ APPALOOSA
☐ DAPPLE
☐ PINTO
☐ ROAN
☐ PINTALOOSA
☐ DUN
☐ OTHER

PLEASE NOTE:
If you are filling out this form online, the recognized color choices will appear in the drop down menu. If filling out by hand, please fill in your selection after reviewing the recognized color choices.

IF YOU DID NOT OWN BOTH THE MARE AND STALLION AT TIME OF SERVICE REFER TO SECTION 2 BELOW, AFTER COMPLETING THIS SECTION. HEIGHTS OF SIRE AND DAM MUST BE PROVIDED EVEN IF TEMPORARILY REGISTERED.

SIRE Reg. Name: ____________________ Reg. #: ____________________ Height: ______
DAM Reg. Name: ____________________ Reg. #: ____________________ Height: ______

RECORDED OWNER(S) OF DAM AT TIME OF FOALING:
Name: ____________________ Phone #: ____________________
Address: ____________________ City: ____________________ State: ______
Zip: ____________________ Country: ______ Email: ____________________

As the owner of the dam at the time of foaling, I hereby certify that all information on this registration is true and correct to my personal knowledge, and agree that the Association has the privilege to correct and/or cancel the registration certificate for cause under its rules and regulations.

Signature of Owner of Dam at Time of Foaling: ____________________ Date: ____________________

Section 2 - SERVICE/BREEDERS CERTIFICATE

This is to Certify: Name & Registration # of Stallion
Name: ____________________ #: ______ Height: ______
Signature of registered owner(s) of Stallion at time of service*: X:

This is to Certify: Name & Registration # of Dam
Name: ____________________ #: ______ Height: ______
Signature of registered owner(s) of Dam at time of service*: X:

List Dates of Breeding Season*: X:
* ALL Signatures Required if joint ownership.

Section 3 - OWNERSHIP TRANSFER AND HEIGHT CERTIFICATION

The Buyer and Seller MUST complete the following height certification in order for the transfer of ownership to be processed. After registration is completed, I/we hereby transfer the recorded ownership to:

We certify that the above-named horse was measured on (date): ____________________
And the height of the horse was: ____________________

X: Signature of seller (owner of dam at time of foaling)
X: Signature of buyer
X: Second signature if joint ownership
X: Second signature if joint ownership

Date of Transfer: ____________________

DATE MARKINGS

OTHER

LEG MARKINGS

Mane & Tail Color:

Right Front

Right Hind

Left Front

Left Hind

SOLID

APPALOOSA

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Fees

For a list of fees, please refer to the current Work Order Form.

PRINT

This form must be printed & signed.

Email:

We certify that the above-named horse was measured on (date): ____________________
And the height of the horse was: ____________________

X: Signature of seller (owner of dam at time of foaling)
X: Signature of buyer
X: Second signature if joint ownership
X: Second signature if joint ownership

Date of Transfer: ____________________
Here we go! Step by step. Let’s start with Section 1 of the Registration Application.

Section 1 - REGISTRATION APPLICATION - Must be completed in its entirety.

Have you picked out the perfect name for your horse? When filling out a Registration Application, we ask for 2 name choices.

NAME: Give 2 choices, not to exceed 35 characters, including spaces - punctuation is not allowed.

2nd Choice: [ ]
2nd Choice: [ ]

☐ Yes, I authorize the AMHA to select a name if the above choices are unavailable or objectionable.

Registered names cannot exceed 35 characters including spaces, and punctuation is not allowed. Once a horse is named, that is it! You or a future owner cannot rename this horse, so pick carefully!

Most AMHA horses carry a farm prefix or farm name at the beginning of their names. This is not required, but does help you build recognition for the breeding program at your farm. If you would like to reserve a farm prefix for your exclusive use, you can apply for a Prefix Reservation.

Another common naming option to consider is to include part of the sire or dam’s name in the foal's name. Typically it is the sire's name that is used to reflect in the foals he produces. But if a mare’s bloodline has a highly respected show horse lineage, or she has produced a show winner previously, you might see her name reflected in the foal's name also.

If you would rather have the AMHA select a name for your horse, or have us name the horse if your first two choices are not available, please just mark the box that says ‘Yes, I authorize the AMHA to select a name if the above choices are unavailable or objectionable.

PLEASE NOTE: If the owner/lessee of the dam at the time of foaling fails to register the foal, the owner/lessee forfeits the right to name the offspring.

Looking for more information on how to name your horse? Check out the following resources:

- What's In a Name? Reprint Article from Miniature Horse World
- AMHA Studbook Online
  AMHA Pedigree search database
  (subscription fee applies)
REGISTRATION APPLICATION - SECTION 1

Next up, you will need to fill out the following information on your horse. PLEASE NOTE: If your horse is 24 months or older at the time of application for registration, it MUST be DNA tested and parent qualified.

Need help determining your horse’s height? Click below for a How To Measure guide. Once you determine the horse’s height (in inches), please list it in the height box.

You may select from one of three options for your horse’s sex; Mare, Stallion or Gelding. If your horse has been gelded by the time you are applying for registration, the fee is just $10. If the horse was gelded, please note the date.

The last information needed here is the foaling date. Pretty simple - just give us the month, day and year that your foal was born. Please be sure to double check this date and ensure it is accurate.

Now it is time to list your horse’s color. Each of the options listed on the form have a drop down submenu of the color patterns that the AMHA recognizes.

A horse’s coat color can change with age, and the AMHA does allow you to correct the color of your horse if needed. If you need to correct the color of your horse, you will need to submit the original certificate and current photos.

Selecting a horse’s color can sometimes be overwhelming. If you do not feel as though you are sure of what color your horse is, please just mark the ‘Yes, I authorize the AMHA to designate the color as represented by photographs submitted. Several of our staff members have been identifying coat colors for more than 15 years and would be happy to assist you.

On the following pages, we will share some more information and examples regarding the accepted AMHA color patterns.
COAT COLORS

Solid colored horses are just that - solid colored. They have one body color aside from leg or face markings that will be discussed later in this guide. The AMHA also recognizes horses with color patterns such as pinto, appaloosa and pintaloosa's. Each of these colors have variations which are also available for notation on registration forms.

If you would like help identifying your horse's color, please contact us at 817.783.5600 or email us.

PLEASE NOTE: The photos and descriptions below do not represent all of the colors recognized by the AMHA. These are the most commonly used color descriptions:

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<td>BAY</td>
<td>Chestnut or Sorrel with black mane and tail and black points.</td>
<td>CREMELLO</td>
<td>Creamish body and points with pink skin. Must have blue eyes.</td>
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<td>BLACK</td>
<td>Black with black hooves and skin; points are always black.</td>
<td>PERLINO</td>
<td>Creamish body with very slightly darker points. Must have blue eyes.</td>
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<td>BROWN</td>
<td>Sometimes difficult to distinguish from black or dark bay but flank and muzzle usually lighter.</td>
<td>BUCKSKIN</td>
<td>Tannish to yellow body color with black mane and tail and lower legs.</td>
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<td>SORREL</td>
<td>Reddish or copper red. Mane and tail usually the same color but may be flaxen.</td>
<td>GRULLO</td>
<td>Smooth greyish blue color like a mouse. Not a blue roan. Typically has a black mane and tail and black lower legs.</td>
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<td>CHESTNUT</td>
<td>Dark mahogany red, or dark reddish brown. Mane and tail usually the same color but may be flaxen.</td>
<td>PALOMINO</td>
<td>Light yellow to bright gold. Must have a white mane and tail.</td>
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<td>Usually born a darker color and gradually turn white with age.</td>
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<td>Solid colored skin with leopard like spots. Spots can be various colors.</td>
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<td>Duns have a dorsal line back and usually zebra markings at the knees and hocks.</td>
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<td>Must have at least 2 square inches of white somewhere on body. Can be any base color.</td>
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<td>Chestnut or Sorrel with a silver or white mane and tail and black points.</td>
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<td>Has the characteristic spotting of both the Pinto and the Appaloosa.</td>
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<td>Pinkish or light brown skin with dark freckles. Either bright blue, hazel or amber eyes. Skin around eyes and muzzle is pinkish with dark freckles.</td>
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<td>May be red, blue, black or bay base body color with about 50 percent white hairs intermingled with much darker points. Shown here is a blue roan.</td>
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There are hundreds of color choices that Miniature Horses come in and many change color throughout their lives. If you do not feel secure with your choice of color, you can always check the box to allow the AMHA to select the color for you. We are here to help!

Yes, I authorize the AMHA to designate the color as represented by photographs submitted.
LEG & FACE MARKINGS

Now that you have identified the color of your horse, it is time to note any white leg or face markings that make it unique. This is just one more way that helps identify your horse throughout its life.

PLEASE NOTE: If your horse is a Pinto or a Pintaloosa, the AMHA does not record the leg or facial markings. We use the body white on those horses to identify them. If your horse is Pinto or Pintaloosa, you can skip this step.

Here are some diagrams that show the most commonly identified leg and face markings:

**DISTINGUISHABLE MARKINGS GUIDE**

- Star
- Strip
- Snip
- Crescent
- Star & Strip
- Star & Strip & Snip
- Blaze
- Bald Face
- Coronet
- Pastern
- Fetlock
- High Fetlock
- Sock
- % Stocking
- Stocking
- White Leg to Knee
- Heel
- Outside of Heel

### LEG MARKINGS

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A space is provided on the Registration Application for you to identify any unique leg markings on each leg. If your horse does not have any leg white to identify, just leave this section blank.

### HEAD MARKINGS

- Head markings refers to the white coloring on a horse's face. There are various unique markings that are commonly seen in horses which vary from a few white hairs to a full bald face. Please identify any head markings your horse may have in this section.

### Mane & Tail Color:

- This space is for you to write in the mane and tail color of your horse if you so choose. Many times the coat color dictates the color of the horses' mane and tail, but it can be the same or different color than the body. It can also be mixed colors.

Don't forget - if you have any questions regarding your horse's markings or how to properly identify them, we are here to help! Just call 817.783.5600 or email registration@amha.org. Once we see photos of your horse we can guide you through this process.
REGISTRATION APPLICATION - SECTION 1

PARENTAGE INFORMATION
The following information on the Registration Application is required. Please be sure to complete all of the information requested in this section with current AMHA information. If you do not know the AMHA registered name or number of the sire or dam, we may be able to help you locate it. Just call 817.783.5600 or email us.

* If you purchased a mare in foal, please be sure to transfer the mare into your name PRIOR to trying to register the foal.

* Please note that if eligible, the sire and dam must have been brought permanent before the foal can be registered.

* The sire and dam of any foal applying for AMHA Registration MUST have been DNA tested if born after 1996. In addition, any stallion that has bred 5 or more mares within one breeding year, must be DNA tested. You can call us at 817.783.5600 to verify if this has been done.

IF YOU DID NOT OWN BOTH THE MARE AND STALLION AT TIME OF SERVICE REFER TO SECTION 2 BELOW, AFTER COMPLETING THIS SECTION. HEIGHTS OF SIRE AND DAM MUST BE PROVIDED EVEN IF TEMPORARILY REGISTERED.

SIRE Reg. Name: ___________________________ Reg. #: ___________________________ Height: ___________________________

DAM Reg. Name: ___________________________ Reg. #: ___________________________ Height: ___________________________

The recorded owner of the Dam's information MUST BE provided here. If you did not own the Dam at the time of foaling, you must have the recorded owner complete this section.

BREEDERS PLEASE NOTE: This is a step that delays many new foal registrations. If you plan to sell a horse that has not yet been registered, please provide the new owner with this section of the form completed.

RECORDED OWNER(S) OF DAM AT TIME OF FOALING:

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Signature of Owner of Dam at Time of Foaling: X________________________________________ Date: ____________

Congratulations!
You have completed Section 1 of the Registration Application!

Ready for Section 2? Read on!
REGISTRATION APPLICATION - SECTION 2

BREEDERS SERVICE CERTIFICATE
PLEASE NOTE: If you owned BOTH the mare and the stallion at the time of breeding, you can skip this section. If you did not own BOTH the mare and the stallion at the time of breeding, the following information must be provided.

If you bred your mare to someone else’s stallion (an outside stallion), you may have already received a Breeders Service Certificate. If so, please just submit it along with the Registration Application. If you have a Breeders Service Certificate to submit, you do not have to fill this section out.

Please note: When asked to list the dates of the breeding season, please ensure that they match with those submitted on the Stallion Breeding Report.

REGISTRATION APPLICATION - SECTION 3

OWNERSHIP TRANSFER AND HEIGHT CERTIFICATION
For a full list of transfer requirements, please refer to the Ownership Transfer Form.

This section of the Registration Application does not need to be completed unless you are selling the foal at the time of registration. If you are selling the horse at the same time it is being registered, all of the following information must be submitted. Please be sure to list the date of transfer. At the time of sale/transfer, the buyer and seller must agree on the height of the horse. Once the registration transaction has been completed, the Registration Certificate will be sent to the buyer. Please note that a transfer fee applies.
PHOTO SUBMISSION

* All applications, transfers, and Temp to Perm transactions MUST BE accompanied by AT LEAST FOUR (4) CURRENT color photographs showing all markings.
* Photos must be no larger than 3 x 3 inches with the horse's image being 80% of the photograph.
* The four photographs must be as follows:
  - Left side
  - Right side
  - Headshot 1
  - Headshot 2

  * The head shots must be of the head facing the camera WITH THE FORELOCK PULLED COMPLETELY ASIDE SO THE ENTIRE FLAT OF THE FACE IS CLEARLY VISIBLE.
  * The side shots must show the entire horse from ears to hooves.
  * A Temporary Certificate will be issued until the horse reaches 36 months of age. If the horse is thirty-four (34") or under and 36 months of age, a Permanent Certificate will be issued after certification of height by the owner.

Here are four examples of acceptable photographs to be submitted to the AMHA:

A photo submission form is available to assist you with this process. It allows you to properly size the photos and ensure that you have the correct photos to submit. It is optional to use this form.
Once you have completed the Registration Application form and have your four current photographs ready to submit, send them to us and we'll take it from here! A list of current fees can be found on the AMHA Work Order form and please be sure to submit full payment in US dollars. Applications will not be processed until paid for in full.

When your papers are received in the AMHA office, here is what happens:

1. Papers received and processed by shipping & handling department.
2. Membership verified and payment processed by accounting department.
3. Application stored in order received to be worked by the Registration Department.
4. Expedited paperwork is pulled and processed first.
5. Application information entered into AMHA database. Application and photos checked for accuracy.
6. If need be, missing items or errors are addressed with owner via email or mail. DNA testing performed if need be.
7. Once verified, a certificate is issued and printed and the photos attached.
8. Horse ownership information and AMHA Official seal affixed to papers.
9. Completed certificate scanned into the AMHA database.
10. Completed certificate mailed back to applicant.

Congratulations! You now have an AMHA Registered horse!

PLEASE NOTE: Once received, the average turnaround time on applications varies greatly. An accurate and fully completed application on average will take 14 - 21 days to be returned. Throughout the year, certain high volume periods do occur, and will increase the turnaround times.
BUYER BEWARE

Buyer Beware. Those words should strike fear in the hearts of every new horse owner. Because unfortunately our horse market is very similar to the used car business, a new sucker is born every 15 minutes! There are many unscrupulous horse owners just waiting to pounce on an infatuated new mini person, fleecing the sale with promises of a registerable horse when nothing could be further from the truth.

No one hears more of these tales of woe, than the AMHA Registration Supervisor, Pam Pruitt. Having worked in the registration department for over 10 years she has ample bad situations to choose from, but she shares some of the most common scenarios of new horse owner versus seller who just dumped an unregistered foal.

“It saddens us to hear the foal owner’s disappointment when we have to tell them we have no record of a foal by that name, nor do we have any registered foals born that year out of that mare or by that stallion”. Pam shares, “Typically it is the domino effect, the seller breeds his mares to one of his stallions, and then either forgets to file the stallion report or doesn't want to pay the late penalty.” And so the situation worsens.

By the time the foal is born, there is no record at AMHA of the breeding, and more than likely there will be other problems by this time. An issue that is easy to sweep under the rug and catches many people off guard is the rule that both the sire and the dam MUST BE DNA TESTED, if they are breeding animals and are producing foals. Add to this the possibility the sire and dam may also be 5 years of age by now, in which case they must be brought to permanent status. If this is confusing to a breeder who has been involved with minis for some time, you can imagine the frustration of the new foal owner!

What can a “Newbie” do to avoid being “ripped off”? When buying an already registered horse, here is what you must have when you are about to sign on the dotted line…. STOP! And be sure this is what you are getting:

MUST HAVES:

☐ An ORIGINAL certificate. Original certificates have original photos of the horse on the back. Look closely and be sure it is the horse you are buying.

☐ An ORIGINAL ownership transfer form with all the blanks filled in. The horse’s current height must be listed no matter the age of the horse. Make sure the last recorded owner listed on the back of the certificate is the one who signs the seller section of the transfer form.

☐ Current photos must be submitted to send in with the transfer and certificate in order to transfer the horse into your name. For information on how to submit those please see our Photo Submission information.

☐ Don’t forget that all AMHA horses must be brought permanent by the age of three (36 months). If the horse you are purchasing is older than 36 months, it may be brought permanent at the same time you do the transfer.

You can tell by looking at an Original Registration Certificate whether or not your horse has been brought permanent. If the certificate is white, that is a Temporary Certificate and the horse has not been brought permanent. If the certificate is brown, the horse has been brought permanent. Is the certificate blue? If so, read on!
What does a blue certificate mean? Some of our horses are parent qualified. What that means is the sire, dam and foal have all three been DNA tested and the foal's hair was compared to the sire and dam at the lab. Voila! The parentage on the foal is proven, and a blue certificate is issued. This is most valuable as now you KNOW the horse you are buying is truly the horse represented on the pedigree.

Many times a breeder will sell a foal or young horse on application. What this means is the horse is not registered; he may be eligible for registration, but no information has been verified and there are over twenty checks that are completed on each application, so many things might stop the application, many of them expensive!

RED FLAGS TO WATCH FOR:

☐ The person listed on the back of the horse's certificate is not who you are buying the horse from. You cannot skip transfers; the seller must first transfer the horse to himself, then transfer the horse to you. You can however send in two transfers at the same time, as long as both are completely filled out and paid for.

☐ The foaling date on the application shows the horse is over a year old. Typically, the longer a person waits to register the horse, the more complicated it becomes.

☐ The name of the breeder on the application is not the person who is selling you the horse. (in essence, the person selling you the horse, never officially owned it)

If any of this scenarios sound familiar you may hit quite a few snags when you send your paperwork in. But all is not lost. As long as the seller is willing to work with you, and will provide the information you'll need, you can still register that baby and be well on your way to a wonderful relationship with the AMHA.

If you are purchasing a horse and have any questions regarding its current status with the AMHA, do not hesitate to call us. If you have the name or registration number of the horse, we can help you verify information.
**Transfer Report and/or Bill of Sale Height Certification**

The American Miniature Horse Association, Inc.
5601 S Interstate 35 W, Alvarado, TX 76009
(817)783-5600                         www.amha.org

* Check the color and markings of the horse against the description on the Registration Certificate.
* Submit the following to the AMHA:

- [ ] Completed Transfer Report
- [ ] Original Registration Certificate
- [ ] Fees for Transfer - see Current Work Order Form
- [ ] Current Photographs (4)

Date Transferred (Month, Day, Year of actual ownership change):

Registered Name of Horse: ___________________________ Reg. #: __________

Height at time of sale: __________ Date Measured (M/D/Y): __________

Buyer’s Name: ___________________________________________ Phone #: __________
Address: ___________________________________________ City: __________ State: __________ Zip: __________
Country: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Seller’s Name: ___________________________________________ Phone #: __________
Address: ___________________________________________ City: __________ State: __________ Zip: __________
Country: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

SELLER(S) certify that the above-named horse was transferred directly to BUYER(S) and is the same horse as described on the attached original AMHA certificate of Registration.

BUYER(S) and SELLER(S) certify that the above-named horse was measured on the above date and that the height of the horse is correct as stated.

* ALL signatures required if joint ownership.

Signature of seller *

X:_____________________________________________________ X:________________________

Signature of buyer

X:_____________________________________________________ X:________________________

Signature of buyer

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**SHOW HEIGHT LIMITATIONS**

PLEASE NOTE: The following measurements are for SHOW purposes only.

As stated in AMHA’s Official Show Rules, the following height limitations are in effect for the purpose of participating in a recognized/approved AMHA Show:

- Weanlings Must Not Exceed 30 inches
- Yearlings Must Not Exceed 32 inches
- Two-Year-Olds Must Not Exceed 33 inches

**PHOTOGRAPHS**

Please refer to our Photo Submission Form for automatic sizing and submission information.

All transfers and Temp to Perm transactions MUST BE accompanied by AT LEAST FOUR (4) CURRENT color photographs showing all markings. The horse’s image should not be bigger than 3x3 and be 80% of the photograph.

Left Side  Right Side  Headshot 1  Headshot 2

Head shots must be of the head facing the camera WITH THE FORELOCK PULLED COMPLETELY ASIDE SO THE ENTIRE FLAT OF THE FACE IS CLEARLY VISIBLE. And side shots must show the entire horse from ears to hooves.

- [ ] Return Via Certified Mail (US only) $5.00 fee applies

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**HOW TO MEASURE A MINIATURE HORSE**

The height of a miniature horse is the vertical distance from the top of the mane to the ground when the animal is standing squarely on a level area.

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**RETURN TO TOP**
A Transfer form should be used anytime you purchase or sell a horse. The buyer and seller need to be diligent in completing this form at the time of sale to ensure that the AMHA can continue to register the horse's offspring. When transfers are not completed, paperwork becomes complicated and time consuming for the new or future owners.

To complete a transfer report you must submit the following completed items to the AMHA:

* Check the color and markings of the horse against the description on the Registration Certificate.
* Submit the following to the AMHA:

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Date Transferred (Month, Day, Year of actual ownership change):

Registered Name of Horse:

Height at time of sale: Date Measured (M/D/Y):

When filling this section out, please list the ACTUAL date that the horse actually changed hands. It is NOT the date that you are filling out this form.

The registered name and number of the horse should also be completed. That information as it is recorded by the AMHA can be found on the horse's registration certificate.

The horse's current measurement must be recorded on the transfer report along with the date it was measured. This is to ensure that the buyer and seller agree on the height of the horse at the time of the sale.

Buyer's Name: Phone #:

Address: City: State: Zip:

Country: Email:

Seller's Name: Phone #:

Address: City: State: Zip:

Country: Email:

This section must contain the complete contact information for both the buyer and seller.

SELLER(S) certify that the above-named horse was transferred directly to BUYER(S) and is the same horse as described on the attached original AMHA certificate of Registration.

BUYER(S) and SELLER(S) certify that the above-named horse was measured on the above date and that the height of the horse is correct as stated.

* ALL signatures required if joint ownership.

Signature of seller:

Signature of buyer:

Signature of seller:

Signature of buyer:

This section must contain original signatures of the seller and buyer. If the horse is or will be owned jointly, both owners must sign this form. Once the form and required items are ready, just mail it in to the AMHA and we will process it. The update certificate will list the new owner(s) on the back and be mailed directly to them.
If a horse has reached the age of 36 months and does not measure more than 34" in height, it is eligible for permanent registration. To apply for permanent registration, please complete this application and the following steps:

- Submit completed permanent registration application & fees
- Submit original temporary registration certificate. (Please note if the temporary certificate is lost or destroyed you must request a duplicate.)
- Submit 4 current color photographs according to AMHA requirements.

I hereby certify that following horse was measured according to AMHA regulations and found to not measure more than 34" in height. I further certify that to the best of my knowledge the horse is 36 months or older. In signing this statement I accept responsibility for the information submitted and understand any misrepresentation on my part will render this certificate null and void and will be subject to penalty and or suspension as prescribed by the AMHA Rules and Regulations.

Registered Name of Horse: 
Reg. #: Height: 
Date: X: (Signature of Owner)

**DID YOU KNOW...**

For a limited time you can bring REVOKED horses permanent without incurring late fees.

By special standing rule, effective July 1st 2009 through December 31st 2010, the AMHA is offering coupons to be used to reinstate horses that have revoked papers. Coupon use is not mandatory and all AMHA registration fees still apply. If you would like to use one of these FREE, Limited Time Coupons, please visit our web site.

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| All transfers and Temp to Perm transactions MUST BE accompanied by AT LEAST FOUR (4) CURRENT color photographs showing all markings. The horse’s image should not be bigger than 3x3 and be 80% of the photograph. | Head shots must be of the head facing the camera WITH THE FORELOCK PULLED COMPLETELY ASIDE SO THE ENTIRE FLAT OF THE FACE IS CLEARLY VISIBLE. And side shots must show the entire horse from ears to hooves. | Mares: $25.00  
Geldings: $10.00  
Stallions: $60.00 |
| Left Side  
Right Side  
Headshot 1  
Headshot 2 | Note: If a horse’s papers are revoked for not being brought permanent within 6 months of eligibility, the fee will be: | Mares: $50.00  
Geldings: $20.00  
Stallions: $120.00 |
Any horse registered with the AMHA as a foal, is given temporary status until the age of 36 months. Once a horse has reached the age of 36 months or older and does not measure over 34” in height, it is eligible for permanent registration. If at any time, the horse measures more than 34” in height it is not eligible for permanent registration and its registration is voided.

Once a horse is eligible to go permanent, this must be completed before any resulting foals can be registered.

A horse whose registration is not taken permanent after the age of 42 months (there is a six month grace period), is considered revoked by the AMHA. In order for that horse to be reinstated, it must be brought permanent. Additional fees apply after 42 months, so it is best to ensure that you keep your horses' registration status current.

PLEASE NOTE: Once a horse is revoked, it is in INELIGIBLE to show. Also, a request for Temporary to Permanent Registration will not be processed until the physical third birthday of the horse.

### TEMPORARY TO PERMANENT REGISTRATION FEES

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To complete an application for temporary to permanent registration status, you must complete the following:

If a horse has reached the age of 36 months and does not measure over 34” in height, it is eligible for permanent registration. To apply for permanent registration, please complete this application and the following steps:

- Submit completed permanent registration application & fees
- Submit original temporary registration certificate. (Please note if the temporary certificate is lost or destroyed you must request a duplicate.)
- Submit 4 current color photographs according to AMHA requirements.
- I hereby certify that following horse was measured according to AMHA regulations and found to not measure more than 34” in height. I further certify that to the best of my knowledge the horse is 36 months or older. In signing this statement I accept responsibility for the information submitted and understand any misrepresentation on my part will render this certificate null and void and will be subject to penalty and or suspension as prescribed by the AMHA Rules and Regulations.

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This information must be filled in and submitted with the original signature of the horse owner(s) on record. Once the status is updated, you will receive a new certificate that is brown or blue rather than the original temporary certificate. PLEASE NOTE: The AMHA does NOT return Temporary Certificates.
HARDSHIP REGISTRATION

Do you have a horse without papers or one that is registered with another breed association?

If so, it may be eligible for AMHA Hardship Registration. The horse must physically be three years old and meet AMHA Registration requirements (measure 34" or less and comply with the Standard of Perfection). The fees to apply for Hardship Registration are as follows:

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A hardship horse must be physically inspected and measured by a current AMHA Director. The Director will be measuring the horse, checking for conformation and will pull hair for the DNA test. Please note that the owner is responsible for the inspection expenses incurred by the Director. There is a specific form for Hardship Registrations and it must be completed in full. Once you submit your application for Hardship Registration to the AMHA Office, we will contact the nearest Director to you and arrange for the inspection.

All hardship horses, except for geldings, must also be DNA tested. If it turns out that your horse is not eligible for AMHA Hardship Registration, your application fee minus the inspector’s expenses and DNA testing fees will be refunded.

Example of a Hardship Registration Application

BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1994, HORSES (EXCEPT GELDINGS) BEING HARDSHIP REGISTERED MUST BE DNA TESTED IN ADDITION TO BEING INSPECTED.

PLEASE NOTE:

Effective December 31, 2013, Hardship Registration will no longer be available.

All horses registered following that date must have previously registered AMHA sires and dams.
Okay, now your horse has been hardship registered. What about its previous offspring?

**Progeny Hardship Registration** allows for any prior offspring, two years old or younger to apply for AMHA registration. The horse must be inspected by a current AMHA director in the same process as a Hardship Registration. In order to be eligible, both parents must be AMHA registered at the time of application. These offspring are eligible for a Hardship discount rate of fifty percent, but must still be DNA tested for parentage qualification, meet show height requirements, all Hardship requirements and all regular registration requirements.

The fees to apply for Hardship Registration are as follows:

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There is a specific form for Hardship Progeny Registrations and it must be completed in full. Once you submit your application for Hardship Progeny Registration to the AMHA Office, we will contact the nearest Director to you and arrange for the inspection.

**Example of a Hardship Progeny Registration Application**
HELP! I LOST MY CERTIFICATE!

Don't panic! Now that you have turned your house and barn upside down looking for the missing certificate, we can help. In order to apply for a Duplicate Certificate, you must complete an Affidavit for Lost/Destroyed Certificate and submit along with new photos and the required fees.

As if you needed one more reason to keep your horses registration status current and up to date! If you lose a certificate and find yourself needing to apply for a Duplicate, things will go much smoother if you are the recorded owner of the horse. If you are yet not listed as the recorded owner, you will have to go back to the person you acquired the horse from and they will have to sign the Affidavit for Lost/Destroyed Certificate and a Transfer Form.

If you think this form seems stern, it is. This form serves to protect all AMHA horse owners from those who may try to provide papers to unregistered horses. The following information must be completed and submitted to the AMHA before a Duplicate Certificate is generated:

- Completed Affidavit for Lost/Destroyed Certificate (see below for example)
- Current Photographs
- Applicable Duplicate Fee of $20.00 (US)
- Taking the horse Permanent at the same time? If status change to Permanent is being processed (horse must be 36 months of age), the duplicate fee does not apply. The fee for Permanent Status does apply and a height certification must be completed.

Example of an Affidavit for Lost/Destroyed Certificate

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**Affidavit for Lost/Destroyed Certificate**

In accordance with Rule 186C of the Rules and Regulations of The American Miniature Horse Association, I hereby certify that the original registration certificate for the following horse:

- **Name of Horse:**
- **Reg. #:**
- **Number of Months:**

has either been lost or has been totally destroyed. I have no knowledge whatsoever of the location or possible location of the original certificate or any remains or portions of the original certificate;

- **Name of Horse:**
- **Reg. #:**
- **Number of Months:**

I have made a reasonable and diligent search for the lost certificate or any remains or portions of the original certificate;

- **Name of Horse:**
- **Reg. #:**
- **Number of Months:**

I understand that the issuance of a duplicate certificate of registration voids the original certificate and should it be found, it must immediately be surrendered to the AMHA.

I also understand that any false statements furnished to the AMHA as a basis for any action by the AMHA with respect to any horse is a violation of Rule 139 of the Rules and Regulations of AMHA, which violation likely would subject me to penalties under the Disciplinary Procedures of AMHA.

**Signature of Owner(s) of Record**

**Date**

**Signature of Owner(s) of Record**

**Date**

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In addition to this form, please submit the following:

- **Applicable Fees**
- **Current Photographs**

**Fees**

- **Duplicate Fee of $20.00 (US)**

**Taking the horse Permanent at the same time?** If status change to Permanent is being processed (horse must be 36 months of age), the duplicate fee does not apply. The fee for Permanent Status does apply and the following height certification must be completed.

- **Height Certification:**

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**Photographs**

Please refer to our Photo Submission Form for automatic sizing and submission information.

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- **Photo 1:**
- **Photo 2:**
- **Photo 3:**
- **Photo 4:**

Head shots must be of the head facing the camera WITH THE FORELOCK PULLED COMPLETELY ASIDE SO THE ENTIRE PLAIN OF THE FACE IS CLEARLY VISIBLE, and 600 shots must show the entire horse from ears to hooves.
DNA TESTING

All horses registered with the AMHA after 1996, must undergo DNA testing. Before you panic and try to find a geneticist or call your veterinarian, read over the following steps and information. This is literally as easy as pulling hair.

You may either request a DNA Sampling Kit or Parentage Qualification for your horse. A DNA Sampling Kit MUST BE completed before a Parentage Qualification test can be run. An example of the DNA Sampling Kit is on the following page. So what’s the difference between DNA Testing and Parent Qualification?

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<td>DNA SAMPLING KIT</td>
<td>- A form with your horse’s name on it that you need to sign and return to AMHA.</td>
<td>- Pull approximately 50 hairs from the mane. This number helps ensure</td>
<td>- A report with your horse’s genetic markers will be processed by the lab. The results are</td>
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<td>- A form to send to the lab with a horse hair sample attached.</td>
<td>that roots are available for testing by the lab.</td>
<td>returned to the AMHA, and will then be sent on to you.</td>
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<td>- You can request to receive these forms via mail, e-mail or fax.</td>
<td>- Tape the samples to the lab form and send in envelope provided to the</td>
<td>PLEASE NOTE: Unless you happen to be a geneticist, these results will not mean a thing to you.</td>
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<td>They will be the identifying markers of the horse.</td>
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<td>- Be sure that you return the AMHA form to us.</td>
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Did you get your DNA test results back and want to rip your own hair out? Doesn’t make much sense to you does it? Don’t worry, it does to us. However, if you would like to go one step further and Parent Qualify your horse, we promise to send you a report that you can understand and will verify the pedigree’s authenticity on your Registration Certificate.

PLEASE NOTE: If you select to have your horse Parent Qualified and the resulting report excludes either parent on the registration form, you papers will be voided until the correct parents are located.

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<td>PARENT QUALIFICATION</td>
<td>- Verify that both the sire and dam of your horse have DNA test results on file with the AMHA. The easiest way to do this is to call us at 817.783.5600 or e-mail <a href="mailto:registration@amha.org">registration@amha.org</a>.</td>
<td>- Submit a Request for DNA Sampling. This test can be done at the same time as the initial DNA report that is generated for your horse or performed at a later date. Please note that Parent Qualification is not required unless you are notified by the Registration Department.</td>
<td>- A report that proves who the sire and dam of your horse are.</td>
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<td>- The opportunity to request a new Registration Certificate. This certificate is blue and indicates that the horse has been Parent Qualified.</td>
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DNA testing can prove the genetic makeup and parentage of your horse. Additional testing is available through various labs to determine color, but the AMHA does not provide or record those results.
DNA TESTING Continued

Please complete the following to request DNA Sampling Kits for any American Miniature Horse. If you request a DNA Sampling Kit, a report with your horse’s genetic markers will be processed by the lab and a copy sent to you.

If you are wanting to prove the pedigree of your horse, please request a Parent Qualification for your horse. **To do so, both its sire and dam must have been previously DNA tested.** You must order and complete a DNA Sampling Kit on your horse according to the specifications below. **PLEASE NOTE: If you select to have your horse Parent Qualified and the resulting report excludes either parent on the registration form, you papers will be voided until the correct parents are located.** If you have any questions regarding Parent Qualification or would like to see if your horse’s sire or dam have been tested, please contact us at 817.783.5600 or registration@amha.org.

Select one of the following options, and then provide the necessary information:

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<td>Provide registration numbers &amp; registered named below</td>
<td>Submit an <a href="#">Application for Registration</a></td>
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<td>Include applicable fee of $41 (US) per horse.</td>
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X: ___
(Signature of Recorded Owner)

Please send me my DNA Sampling Kit via:

- Email: ___
- Fax: ___
- Mail: ___

Please note if you would like your kit delivered to an address different than that of the recorded owner, please fill out the following:

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GELDING VERIFICATION

Hurray! A form you can send that does not require pictures or money. Once a horse is gelded, please submit a gelding verification form. The AMHA tracks the status of all current breeding stallions and once a horse is gelded, they are removed from that list. Also, geldings are eligible to participate in several programs within the AMHA. The form is straightforward and can be filled out by the current or previous owner or a veterinarian.

Please note: The form may be signed by a current or previous owner and/or your veterinarian.

This is to notify the AMHA that the following horse, has been gelded.

Registered Name: ________________________________
AMHA Reg. #: ________________________________
Was gelded on: ________________________________  (M/D/Y)

Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City: __________________ State: ______ Zip: ______

To complete this process, please submit the following to the AMHA:

- Completed Form
- Original Registration Certificate

Once your gelding verification form and certificate are received, we will process the status change on your horse and return your papers.

There is NO fee for this transaction and current photos are not required.

DID YOU KNOW?

Geldings are eligible to participate in several programs within the AMHA.

To learn more about how your gelding can earn money in the show ring, please visit our website to learn more about:

GELDING INCENTIVE FUND
ULTIMATE GELDING AWARDS
If you choose to breed your mare or stallion, you will want to make sure and take the proper steps to document the breeding in order to ensure easy registration of the resulting foal.

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Filing or receiving the appropriate breeding report is the first step towards registering any resulting foals. Once a resulting foal is born, a Registration Application must also be submitted.

**TIP**

If you keep accurate breeding records throughout the year, the resulting application process will be much smoother! Incorrect breeding dates that do not correspond with a resulting foal date will create delay and additional fees in the registration process.

The extra time you take now to ensure you keep accurate records, will be saved down the road!
The **Stallion Breeding Report** is two pages long. The first page is to be filled out in entirety and includes information on the dates that mares were exposed, which mares were exposed and the method of breeding. The second page is for your records and will be returned to you upon receipt of the Breeding Report by the AMHA. Receiving the second page back, is the only confirmation you will receive that your Report has been received.

Here are some quick tips for review before you begin to fill out the form:

- A Stallion Breeding Report must be filed for EACH active breeding stallion you own. Use one report per horse per year. There is a $10 filing fee per stallion.
- After a mare has been exposed or bred, either by hand or pasture methods to one stallion, at LEAST 42 days must elapse before exposing the mare to a different stallion.
- Within 30 days after a stallion is sold, the previous owner must file a stallion breeding report with the AMHA.
- If you choose to breed your horses using cooled semen, embryo transfer or artificial insemination you must file a permit prior to the breeding.
- If a Stallion Breeding Report is not on file before a foal is born, DNA testing will be required to parent qualify foal.
- All stallions that breed to five or more mares in a calendar year must be DNA tested before any resulting foals will be eligible for Registration.
- If a breeding stallion dies during any current breeding season, the stallion breeding report is due within 30 days following the death.
- There is a separate Stallion Breeding Report for the Northern and Southern Hemispheres.

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The Breeder/Service Certificate will eventually be submitted with each resulting foal’s Registration Application. This form should be generated by the Stallion owner and provided to the mare owner. If you breed your mare to a stallion and this form is not provided to you, be sure to ask for it! You WILL need it! It is much easier to acquire at the time of breeding. Many a frustrating foal registration starts with "I didn't get a Breeder/Service Certificate."

It is as much the responsibility of the mare owner as it is the stallion owner, to be sure that you receive this.

TIP
An AMHA Breeder/Service Certificate should not be submitted to the AMHA until it accompanies a resulting foal Registration Application.

For the Stallion Owners convenience, 3 Breeder/Service Certificates print on a page. An individual Breeder/Service Certificate will look like this:

I CERTIFY that

Registered Name of Stallion

Registration #

Height

SIGNATURE OF RECORDED OWNER(s) OF STALLION at time of service:

All signatures required if joint ownership.

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Email:

Phone:

Date:

serviced

Registered Name of Mare

Registration #

Height

on the ___ days of _____ 20__

SIGNATURE OF RECORDED OWNER(s) OF MARE at time of service:

All signatures required if joint ownership.

SUBMIT THIS CERTIFICATE WITH THE RESULTING FOAL'S APPLICATION TO THE AMERICAN MINIATURE HORSE ASSOCIATION.

Now....hurry up and wait! You have approximately 325 days until the resulting foal will appear. Do you know what that means? Put this form in a very safe and secure location because chances are 325 plus days from now you will have NO idea what you did with it.
Horses can be leased for one of two purposes. People will often lease a show horse to become involved in equine competitions or lease a horse for breeding purposes. This is a cost effective method of being involved in the Miniature industry without investing in a long term or costly partnership. Leasing horses also allows owners to promote their horse in a wider spectrum of venues. For example a youth member may lease and show a horse that is typically shown in the open division. For breeding leases, you may be able to lease a high quality stallion or mare without the initial purchase price. Leases also provide individuals with the right to perform AMHA business while showing, breeding and promoting a horse that is not theirs.

When you submit a Lease Authorization you must declare whether it is for Showing or Breeding purposes. Show leases are good for 12 month and breeding leases are good for 18 months unless otherwise noted. There is a $20 filing fee for leases. PLEASE NOTE: If you lease a horse to someone, you are granting them the right to perform all aspects of business within the AMHA other than selling it and transferring ownership.
Want to reserve your farm prefix with the AMHA for your use when naming horses? If so, file a Farm Prefix Reservation form and return it to the AMHA.

The filing of such a reservation does not override any rights that another member or nonmember may have to the exclusive use of a prefix, suffix or horse name pursuant to federal trademark or trade name laws or other laws similar thereto including, but not limited to, common law surrounding rights in trademarks and trade names.

All of the currently registered prefix's are listed online on our website. To check if a certain prefix is in use or available, please visit our website or call 817-783-5600.

You do not have to reserve a prefix in order to register foal's with the AMHA. A prefix merely links the foals you produce to your farm name.

There is a one time fee of $150.00 to reserve your farm prefix. Once you have submitted your application and fee, the request is reviewed to ensure that it is not already in use. From there it published in the Miniature Horse World magazine where 60 days later it will be reviewed by the Board. Once approved, you have the exclusive right to use the name when registering your foals with the AMHA.

Be specific when reserving a prefix. The AMHA will only reserve EXACTLY the prefix you have listed. For example Pegasus Fields is a different prefix than Pegasus Farms. Reserving a farm prefix does not have any impact on any other name except for horse names. Also keep in mind that AMHA registered horse names are limited to 35 characters. The longer your prefix name, the less room you will have available for the remainder of the horse name.

For more on this subject please read the following reprint from Miniature Horse World magazine.

What's In a Name?
Reprint Article from Miniature Horse World
There are various scenarios that may necessitate that you have an individual (agent) handle some or all of your registration paperwork. Farms may find it easier to designate a barn manager or other individual to take care of all of the paperwork. If a horse owner is away for an amount of time or unable to keep up with the paperwork, they may also designate an agent to do so on their behalf. Filing an Agent Authorization form notifies the AMHA that we have the right to discuss and process Registration transactions with the owners designated agent. Unless this form is filed, we will not allow anyone other than the recorded owner to conduct business affecting the horse.

Please note that you have the option to designate an agent for a single transaction, or to manage all documents pertaining to your horses. This agent will remain listed on file until the AMHA is notified otherwise by the owner.

If you have an agent handling your farm's registration paperwork, or would like to appoint a single person as the contact for all of your registration applications, please submit an agent authorization form to the AMHA. Please note you have the option to designate an agent for a single transaction, or to manage all documents pertaining to your registered horses.

I/We: ______________________ and ______________________

Name of owner

Second owner if joint ownership

hereby authorize ______________________

Name of designated agent

to act as an agent for me/us in the signing of:

☐ This document: ______________________

☐ All documents pertaining to my AMHA registered horses.

X: ______________________ Date: ______________

Signature of Owner of Record

X: ______________________ Date: ______________

Signature of Owner of Record (if joint ownership)

X: ______________________ Date: ______________

Signature of Agent

X: ______________________ Date: ______________

Signature of Owner of Record (if joint ownership)
SYNDICATE OWNERSHIP

A syndicate is a group of share owners that manage one horse as named on the application. The horse being managed will reflection ownership by the Syndicate. Syndicates allow a group of individuals to purchase shares in a horse. There is no fee to file a Syndicate Ownership Form with the AMHA.

In order for the syndicate to be recognized by the AMHA as the owner, the horse must be transferred into the name of the syndicate with the following items:

- Completed Transfer Report to Syndicate Name
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- Current Photographs (4)
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- Applicable Fees
- Applicable Fees
- Original Registration Certificate
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* Please Note: Syndicates do not have voting rights.

* Submit the following to the AMHA:
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Registered Name of Horse: ____________________________ Reg. #: ____________________________

Syndicate Name: ____________________________

The individual named below will serve as the Agent for the syndicate until further notice:

Agent Name: ____________________________

Signature: ____________________________

The following persons are share-holders in the syndicated horse until further notice.
The AMHA is first and foremost a height registry. Accurate measurement of horse's is critical. No horse is eligible for registration with the AMHA if it exceeds 34 inches in height. There are additional height requirements for show purposes that will be discussed later in this article.

Before you start to panic, let us explain how AMHA horse's are measured. We are not referring to the horse's height from the ground to the top of their head. It is a little more specific than that. Miniatures are not measured like other pony and horse breeds do at the highest point of the withers. AMHA horses are measured at the last hairs of the mane.

If a horse exceeds 34 inches in height it is no longer eligible to be registered with the AMHA.

The following is the AMHA Rule Book's instructions on how horse's must be measured:

**GR-020 HEIGHT VERIFICATION**

A. No Miniature Horse shall exceed 34 inches in height.  
Weanlings must not exceed 30 inches.  
Yearlings must not exceed 32 inches.  
Two-year-olds must not exceed 33 inches.  
The show age of the horse is determined from January 1 preceding its birthday.

B. Horse’s height must be verified on a hard, level surface, preferably concrete or paved, in a public place, by a show official and witnessed by a member sponsoring the show. No person with horses being shown competing in the show may be a measuring official at the show.

The measuring device used to measure the first horse must be used to measure all the horses. A standard measurement stick is a straight, stiff, unbendable stick (metal) that is equipped with a bullseye, plumb bob or a spirit level to make sure that the standard is perpendicular to the ground and that the cross piece or arm is parallel with the ground surface.

Make sure that the horse is standing square  
Front Legs - parallel with the measuring device  
Rear legs - in a vertical line with the horse's Buttocks

Keep measuring stick straight. Measure at the last hairs of the actual mane hair, not the long body hair.
Here is a diagram of parts of the Miniature Horse that we refer to throughout this book. Feel free to zoom in on the diagram if need be for help distinguishing the various parts.