

Owners, breeders and others are responsible for being familiar with the rules and requirements of the Kiger Mesteño Association and Registry contained in this booklet. Amendments and new rules are published in the KMA Newsletter and annual Stud Book updates. For further information, please contact the Registry Office.

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KIGER MESTEÑO ASSOCIATION

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KIGER MESTEÑO ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this organization shall be - Kiger Mesteño Association, abbreviated to KMA.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

The purpose of the KMA is to benefit the Kiger Mustang horse, a band of free-roaming wild horses found on the range and managed by the Burns, Oregon District of the Bureau of Land Management, and its counterpart in captivity.

ARTICLE III NON-PROFIT STATUS

The KMA is one which does not exist for pecuniary gain or profit to the members or officers thereof, and is organized pursuant to the general non-profit corporation laws of the State of Oregon. Upon dissolution of the KMA, and after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations thereof, any remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation, or corporation, which is organized and operates exclusively for equine charitable, educational, scientific, or welfare purposes, and which has established its tax-exempt status under Section 501 © of the Internal Revenue Code. If the KMA holds any assets on trust, such assets shall be disposed of in such manner as may be directed by decree of the Superior Court of Harney County, Oregon, upon petition thereof by the Attorney General or by any person concerned in the liquidation.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the KMA shall consist of those individuals who make proper application and submit the prescribed membership fees. The Board of Directors reserves the right to deny membership to any applicant.

ARTICLE V BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A Board of Directors shall be chosen from the general membership whose names are brought forward in nomination from the nominating committee or from the floor.

KIGER MESTEÑO ASSOCIATION BYLAWS TO THE CONSTITUTION

I PURPOSE

1. In cooperation with the Burns District Bureau of Land Management (BLM), to protect, preserve, promote and enhance the wild herds of mustangs currently inhabiting the Kiger, Smyth Creek and Riddle Mountain Herd Management Areas.
2. Be involved as an input source to the BLM relative to management decisions pertaining to the wild horse herd.
3. To encourage and promote the establishment of captive herds of the Kiger Mustangs for purposes of preserving the gene pool as found in the wild herd.
4. a. To disseminate historical information and education relating to the Kiger Mustang in both it's wild and captive condition.
b. To establish a Registry and Stud Book for the registration and preservation of pedigrees of adopted Kiger Mustangs and their progeny.
5. a. To promote activities and fellowship among owners, breeders and other individuals interested in the Kiger Mustangs.
b. To encourage the use of the Kiger Mustang in all applicable areas of recreation, competition, and work.

II MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. General Membership

General membership of Kiger Mesteño Association (KMA) shall be composed of the following:

A. Active Individual Member - Any individual who supports the purpose, Constitution and Bylaws of the KMA and annually submits the prescribed membership fee.

B. Joint – Husband and wife, limited to only one vote, and who support the purpose, Constitution and Bylaws of the KMA, and annually submits the prescribed membership fee.

C. Honorary Member - An individual nominated by an existing board member because of the individual's unique contribution to the purpose of the KMA, and approved by the unanimous vote of the total board. Such nomination shall be in written form stating supporting evidence for such nomination. This is a non-voting, non-fee position.

Section 2. Membership Year

The membership year will run from July 1st to June 30th. If a member joins on or after March 1st, membership shall be considered paid through June 30th of the following year.

Section 3. Notification

Members shall be notified not later than one (1) month prior to expiration of membership that dues are payable. Should dues remain unpaid for thirty (30) days following expiration, the membership director will mail a notice to the member. If dues are not paid by sixty (60) days from June 30, membership is terminated. Membership is reinstated upon payment of dues.

Section 4. Termination of Membership

Membership in the KMA may be terminated by resignation, unpaid dues or expulsion for conduct injurious to the organization or its purpose; i.e. falsifying documents, etc.

Section 5. Disciplinary Action and or Expulsion

The Board of Directors may take disciplinary action against a member for conduct, as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book. No member may be expelled or suspended except pursuant to a procedure, which is fair and reasonable as provided for in Oregon Revised Statutes 65.167.

Section 6. Reinstatement of Removed Members

A member who has been removed from the active membership roll for resignation or expulsion may apply for reinstatement by again filling out the regular application form and be accepted by a (2/3) two-thirds vote of the Board.

III BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors may consist of: Immediate Past President, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, and six (6) directors chosen from the general membership, having been a member in good standing for a minimum of six (6) months. Officers of the Board and Directors, except the immediate past President, shall be elected by the general membership at the Annual Meeting.

Section 1. Terms and Duties

A. Past President (one year term) - Shall provide advisory support to the President and be a voting member of the Board of Directors.

B. President (one year term) - Shall function as Chairman of the Board and shall preside over and supervise the work of the Board, directly or by delegating such functions. The President is an ex-officio member of all standing and temporary committees. The President shall not have voting power, except as the tiebreaker or as otherwise prescribed by the Board.

C. Vice President (one year term) - Shall assume the duties of the President in the absence of the President and assist the President.

D. Secretary (one year term) – Shall provide support to the Officers and Directors as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

E. Treasurer (one year term) – Shall be responsible for handling KMA monies and financial matters as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book

F. Director #1 Fund Raising Director (Two year term to expire in even numbered years). Shall direct, seek and assist in all fund-raising endeavors for the association and distribute Breeders Directory as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

G. Director #2 Membership Director (Two year term to expire in odd numbered years). Shall direct and assist in all membership issues as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

H. Director# 3 Liaison (Two year term to expire in even numbered years). Shall act as liaison between KMA and BLM and other organizations.

I. Director #4 Outdoor Activities (Two year term to expire in odd numbered years). Shall direct and assist with all outdoor activities.

J. Director #5 Meetings Director (Two year term to expire in even numbered years). Shall direct and assist in the arrangement of all meetings and activities associated with meetings as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

K. Director #6 Registration Director (Two year term to expire in odd numbered years).

Shall direct and assist the Registration Committee as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book and serve as Chairman of the Registration Committee. This Directors' position requires approval and recommendation of the candidate by the Registration Committee before vote by membership. Candidate must be a member of the Registration Committee.

Section 2. Term of Office

A. All officers shall be elected for a term of one year, by members in good standing, as defined in article VI section 3, at the annual meeting.

B. All directors shall be elected for a term of two years, by members in good standing, as defined in article VI section 3, at the annual meeting.

Section 3. Removal of Officers, Directors, and any other person elected to a position.

Following a (30) thirty day notification, any Officer, Director, or any other person elected to a position, may be removed from their position by the members at any regular or called meeting as provided for in Oregon Revised Statutes 65.324.

Section 4. Filling Vacated Board Positions

Should a position of a Board member become vacated for any reason, (i.e. removal, death, quitting the Association, etc) the President shall, if deemed necessary, appoint a member in good standing for six (6) months to fill the position until the next Annual Meeting. If no member of greater than six (6) months wishes to fill the vacated position, the President may appoint a member of less than six (6) months. If one year remains in the vacated positions term the position shall be voted on at the next Annual meeting to last only until the end of the vacated positions normal term.

Section 5. Bonding of Officers, Directors and other Selected Members

The Board of Directors, at their discretion, may request that certain Officers, Directors, or other members handling KMA monies or property be bonded, as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

IV OTHER ELECTED POSITIONS

Other elected positions are chosen from the general membership having been a member in good standing for a minimum of (6) six months and shall be elected by the general membership at the Annual meeting, unless stated otherwise.

A. Historian (Three (3) year term)

Shall maintain KMA historic information as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

B. Registrar (Three (3) year term)

Shall maintain the KMA Registry records as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

C. Inspectors (Indefinite term)

Shall serve as a member of the Registration Committee and perform inspections and other duties as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

D. Medallion & Awards Chairperson (Three (3) year term)

Shall assist and oversee the Medallion and Awards Committee as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book, and recommend members to fill the other positions of the committee.

E. Medallion Consultants & Statistician (Two (2) year term)

Upon recommendation of the Medallion Chairperson and approval by the membership, shall serve on the Medallion Committee as defined in the KMA Official Rule and Regulation Book.

V COMMITTEES

The Board of Directors shall appoint such committee chairpersons, with the exception of the Registration Committee Chairperson and Medallion Chair person, that are elected positions, as it may determine helpful to the purpose of the KMA and its functions. They will implement this by utilizing a majority vote. Each committee shall perform those duties prescribed for it by the Board of Directors. Each committee, with the exception of the Registration Committee and Medallion Committee, may be dissolved at the discretion of the Board.

Section 1 Nominating Committee

At least ninety (90) days prior to the Annual Meeting, the President shall appoint a Nomination Committee of five (5) individuals: three (3) from the existing Board and two (2) from the general membership, representative of the full purposes of the KMA. The Nominating Committee shall submit at least as many names for nomination as there are positions to be filled. Any general member at the Annual Meeting may submit in writing or in person additional nominations.

VI MEETINGS

Section 1 Meetings

A. The Annual Meeting shall be held in the summer, within sixty (60) days of the end of the fiscal year June 30th each year, in connection with the annual Kigerfest. The exact location and time for the Annual Meeting shall be decided and published no less than sixty (60) days in advance. For good cause, Board of Directors may change location, advance or postpone the meeting a maximum of thirty (30) days.

B. Two additional meetings may be held during the year, one in the spring and one in the fall. The spring meeting may be held in connection with an Equine Expo. The exact location and time of this meeting shall be determined no less than sixty (60) days in advance. The fall meeting may be held in Mahler County (Burns-French Glenn proximity). The exact location and time of this meeting shall be determined no less than sixty (60) days in advance. For good cause, the Board of Directors may change location, cancel, advance or postpone any of the general meetings a maximum of thirty (30) days.

C. Called meetings of the Board shall be meetings other than the annual meeting, and shall be held at a time and place agreeable by a quorum of the Board. Notification of time and place of meetings shall be sent thirty (30) days prior to meeting. In case of emergency time limit may be waived.

D. All regular and called meetings of the Board of Directors shall have an open-door policy toward the General membership.

E. Transfer of Officers Meeting

A board meeting for newly elected officers and directors shall be held within 48 hours after the election of officers. Meetings Director shall schedule this meeting while scheduling the annual meeting and notice shall be provided with notice of the annual meeting. The transfer of office to newly elected officers and board members will be done

at this meeting. All KMA notes and materials will be passed to the newly elected officials at this time.

Section 2 Quorum

- A. A quorum for Board action shall be one-half (1/2) the existing Board of Directors.
- B. A quorum for membership shall be one-fifth (1/5) of the general membership.
- C. In establishing a quorum, all members present at the meeting are counted and included in the total. Absentee ballot voting does not count toward a quorum.

Section 3 Voting

- A. Voting shall be done by members in good standing, either in person or by absentee voting (voting by mail on written ballot), and submitted to the Secretary no later than the start of the meeting.
- B. Absentee Ballot Voting By Mail
 - 1) All ballots must be on the original form sent to member by the secretary.
 - 2) No other subjects may be discussed on the ballot.
 - 3) All ballots that are not clearly legible will be disqualified.
 - 4) All ballots must be folded neatly.
 - 5) Ballots shall be placed in an envelope, sealed and signed across the seal by the voting member.
 - 6) Only one ballot per envelope.
 - 7) Any member delinquent in dues forfeits their voting privilege.
 - 8) Absentee ballot voting is limited to Constitution and Bylaw changes.

Section 4 Rules of Order

The KMA shall conduct all of its annual and called meetings according to the procedures of “Roberts Rules of Order, Revised”.

Section 5 Order of Meetings

- A. Meeting called to order.
- B. Roll call.
- C. Ascertain if a quorum is present.
- D. Reading of previous meetings minutes.
- E. Treasurer's report.
- F. Committee reports.
- G. Reading of communications.
- H. Unfinished business.
- I. New Business.
- J. Adjournment.

VII INCOME

Financial income shall be from annual membership fees set by the membership, from horse registration fees, philanthropic contribution and fundraisers. No part thereof may inure to any private individual until such time as the workload of the KMA shall demand salaried positions as determined by the Board of Directors and as approved by the General Membership by twothirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the respondents.

VIII AMENDMENTS

The Bylaws may only be amended by publishing revisions thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting and must be approved by three-fourths (3/4) of the ballots cast.

IX PROPERTIES

A. All properties, materials, booths, flags, literature, etc shall be listed with the Secretary of KMA and in the care and custody of a KMA member in good standing.

B. All KMA properties, materials, booths, flags, literature, etc shall be used for KMA functions only, or at functions approved by the KMA.

C. The Public Relations Committee shall govern all promotional materials, literature, booths, etc with special attention to precedence that might constitute future use.

D. All office equipment, paper, copyrights, etc., used by KMA press shall be governed by the current editor.

E. All registry equipment, paper, certificates, files, etc. shall be governed by the current Registrar.

F. All Implant equipment, freeze brand equipment and blood and hair sampling paraphernalia, shall be governed by the Registration Committee.

G. All future properties, materials, etc, acquired by KMA will be assigned the proper custodian and listed in this section of the by laws.

X Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the Association shall be from July 1st through June 30th.

II LOCATION OF OFFICES AND AVAILABILITY OF FORMS

Membership and General information:

Kiger Mesteño Association
11124 N.E. Halsey, Suite 591
Portland, OR 97220

www.kigermustangs.org or contact current Board of Director.

III Color Guide

Most Kiger horses are Dun. The following are the colors recognized by the KMA.

Dun: A shade of yellow, red to orange, with black points. Variations: zebra dun, dusty dun, smutty dun and coyote dun.

Red Dun: Red bodies with brown, red or flaxen points. Variation: apricot dun.

Grulla: Slate or mouse colored with black points. Variations: lobo grulla, olive grulla, silver grulla and smutty grulla.

Claybank: Body color more pale than red dun, but darker than palomino with red/orange tint and darker points.

Bay: Dark red body with black points. Variations: Line-back Bay.

Black: Entire coat is black, with the exception of the inside of the ears which are fawn colored.

Roan: A mixture of white and colored hair.

STANDARD OF PERFECTION for the KIGER MESTEÑO ASSOCIATION

Height 13.2 to 15.2 hands

Conformation In general, the Kiger Mesteño should be compact, light to moderately muscled, with a smooth and stylish appearance and have good saddle conformation.

Quality The Kiger Mesteño should have clean, dense bone with sufficient substance, well developed joints and tendons and have a fine coat.

Temperament The Kiger Mesteño should be tractable, but with good spirit.

Color Variations of the Dun Factor: Dun, Red Dun, Grulla, Bay, Black, Claybank and Roan.

Head The head is medium in size, clean cut and tapering slightly from jaw to muzzle. The profile side view can be straight, concave or slightly bulged, such as the Tarpan. Wide, clean cut lower jaw, medium fine muzzle with small and firm lips and medium nostrils. Ears should be medium in length, hooked at the tips on the inside, set wide apart and carried alertly. Cob-webbing and masking are highly desirable.

Neck Medium length, well crested, clean cut at the throatlatch, smoothly jointed to the shoulder and deep at the point of the shoulder. Mane and forelock full and bi-colored. (Some may tend to be upright mane, Tarpan type.

Forehand Shoulders of long length and at 45-50 degree slope, blending into smooth, well defined, but not too high withers. The withers should be slightly higher than the point of the hip. Wither stripes, crosses, shadow, bars and stripes on chest and legs are highly desirable.

Forelegs should be moderately spaced with an inverted V appearance when viewed from the front where they connect to the chest. Viewed from the front, the legs should be thin and must be straight; viewed from the side, legs should be wide and sinewy.

Cannons should be short to medium, wide, flat and free from muscling. Fetlock joint should not be round, but rather wide. Pasterns should be clean and strong, of medium length with the slope to correlate with the slope of the shoulder. The hoof should be of medium size, round to oblong, with thick walls. Kiger horses tend to be mule footed.

Barrel The body conformation of the Kiger Mesteño is distinctive, with a chest of good depth and with a short back, broad and moderately muscled.

The barrel is oval with well sprung ribs and full flanks. The sternum should not protrude. The withers are well defined, but not prominent.

The dorsal stripe is mandatory with herringbone stripes desirable.

Hind The hind legs should be squarely set and so placed that the horse turns on his hindquarters with legs under the horse. The hips should be wellrounded.

The croup should be rounded gently with medium, low-set

tail, well carried. The tail to be full with light colored guard hair.

Muscles in the hip and thigh should be long and sinewy; not heavy as characterized in draft horses.

The hocks should be wide, deep and clean. Viewed from the rear, the hind legs are usually closer at the hocks than at the fetlocks. Stripes on the lower legs are highly desirable.

Cannon Short to medium, wide, flat with tendons standing well out from the bone and well defined.

Pastern The hind feet should resemble the forefeet and should be round, medium in size, smooth and dense.

Hooves The hooves should be dense, compact, recessed sole and frog, tending to be oblong or mule footed.

Action The action should be lively, light, tending toward higher than average front leg action. Some tend to be Paso gaited.

V. REGISTRATION

A. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

A horse is eligible for registration providing it is shown to the satisfaction of the Registration Committee the following:

1. DIVISIONS

a. Foundation Division

1. Copy of Private Maintenance and Care Agreement (PMCA).
2. Copy of BLM "Equine Health & Identification Records" (side showing diagram of horse, signalment key, vaccination records and verifying Kiger or Riddle Mt.HMA). (In lieu of A and B above, other official BLM documentation providing the herd management area of origin, freeze brand number and signalment key.)
3. BLM Freeze Brand.
 - a. If bred on BLM range but born in captivity, above information on dam required.
4. Color photographs showing (Photos may include more than one of the following. It is preferred to have horse standing square in summercoat):
 - a. Dorsal stripe.
 - b. Side views, left and right, showing complete conformation, head, neck, backline, hips, legs and hooves.
 - c. Front view showing face, chest, forelegs, hooves and front view of hind hooves.
 - d. Rear view showing hind quarters, tail, legs and hooves.
 - e. View showing fullness and color of mane and tail.
 - f. Close up view of freeze brand (shave/clip area if necessary.)
5. Horse must receive scores of 90 or more from registry inspectors.

b. Permanent Division

1. KMA registration numbers of both sire and dam
2. KMA Registration office must have DNA testing on file for both sire and dam.
3. KMA Registration office must have a copy of stallion report on file listing dam.
4. Color photographs as in 4.a, b, c, d, e and f above.
5. Horse must receive scores of 90 or more from registry inspectors.
6. DNA Test Kit Application must be submitted at same time as Registration application.

c. Non-Breeding Division

1. Same as above with exception of inspection scores.
2. Horses must receive scores of 75 or more from registry inspectors.

d. Half-Kiger Division

1. KMA registration number of sire or dam.
2. If by Kiger stallion, KMA Registration office must have a copy of stallion report on file listing dam.
3. Color photographs showing front, back, left and right.
4. KMA Registration office must have DNA Testing on file for Kiger parent.
5. DNA Test Kit Application must be submitted at same time as Registration application.

2. REGISTRATION FEES – ALL DIVISIONS

- a. Registration is \$55.00 for members of KMA, includes DNA.
- b. Registration is \$70.00 for nonmembers, includes DNA.
- c. DNA Testing only is \$35 for both members and non-members.

Photos sent to the registry become the property of the Association and may be used as the KMA sees fit. Please send good quality, sharp photos no larger than 4"X6". If the information is not complete or the photos are not good enough to score the horse, you will be notified and your application will be held pending the necessary information/photos. Application will be closed 30 days after second request for additional information and money returned, less a \$10 handling fee.

B. CERTIFICATES

1. Naming of Horses

Names will be assigned based upon availability and compliance with the naming rules as stated herein.

- a. Names are limited to 40 letters/spaces.
- b. Only horses in the Foundation Division of the Registry will be allowed to use the word “Kiger” as the first word in their name.
- c. Duplicate names will not be issued.
- d. Name changes are allowed, if the horse has no registered offspring, for a fee of \$10.

2. Correction of Certificates

- a. Owner error: An illegible Registration request or error by the owner will be corrected for a fee of \$10
- b. Registry Office error: An error made by the Registry Office will be corrected at no charge.
- c. Alterations of the reproductive status of a horse: Registered horses that are gelded or spayed should have their registration certificate corrected to reflect the change. The fee for corrections of this type is \$10.

3. Duplicate Certificates

- a. In the event of loss, duplicate certificates may be issued. Duplicate certificates will carry the distinction in the lower left hand corner, i.e. Issue 2.

The last recorded issuance will be the only certificate that will be honored.

- b. Duplicate Certificate Fees: The fee for a duplicate certificate is \$10.

4. Transfers of Ownership

- a. Transfers of Ownership may be done at any time of year. Ideally transfers should be recorded within 30 days of transfer. The releasing owner must sign and date the certificate. Certificates are not transferred until the Association seal has been affixed over the transfer data.

At the time of the third transfer, a new certificate will be issued, as there are three transfers per certificate.

- b. Transfer Fees: The fee for transferring a registration certificate is \$10.

C. REPORTS

1. Stud Reports

All owners of stallions registered in the Foundation and Permanent divisions must report annually, each mare that was bred to their stallion(s) on the Stud Report form. These reports must be sent to the Kiger Mesteño Association Registry Office no later than December 31st of each year. A separate Stud Report form must be completed for each stallion each year.

It is the stallion owner’s responsibility to comply with the requirements set forth in this rule.

2. Gelding/Spay Reports

All registered horses that have been gelded or spayed must be reported in writing promptly to the Registry Office, giving the name and registration number of the horse, the date the horse was altered, the ownership of the horse, the name, signature and the date of the person filing the report.

3. Death Reports

The death of a horse registered in the Foundation or Permanent divisions of the KMA Registry must be reported promptly, in writing, to the Registry Office. This report must give the name and registration number of the horse, the date the horse died, the ownership of the horse, the name, signature and date of the person filing the report.

D. DECEPTIVE PRACTICES

The Registration Committee of the KMA may, for such reasonable time as they deem warranted, under the facts and circumstances and in the exercise of their discretion, deny or revoke any or all of the privileges of the KMA Registry to:

1. Any person who shall have knowingly misrepresented, or knowingly participated in or aided or abetted the misrepresentation of name, age, appearance, pedigree, eligibility, implant, or any other information in or in connection with any application for registration or in any other communication, written or oral, to the Kiger Mesteño Association and Registry;
2. Any person who shall have knowingly altered a Certificate of Registration, Bureau of Land Management forms, Stud Report, or any other certificate or document issued by the Kiger Mesteño Association and Registry or the Bureau of Land Management, in connection with the registration of horses;
3. Any person who shall have stolen, counterfeited or forged a Certificate of Registration, Bureau of Land Management forms, Stud Report, or any other certificate or document issued by the Kiger Mesteño Association, in connection with the registration of horses;
4. Any person who shall have intentionally violated any of the Principle Rules and Requirements of the Kiger Mesteño Association and Registry.

E. REGISTRY HISTORY

The Kiger Mesteño Association was formed in 1988 to protect, preserve and promote the Kiger horses, both in the wild and in captivity. The Registry was established to record the pedigrees of the adopted Kiger horses and their progeny. In 1988 there were a very limited number of Kiger horses available for registration and breeding. There was concern among KMA members regarding the possibility of in-breeding. The Bureau of Land Management found Kiger-like horses outside of the Kiger and Riddle Mountain Herd Management Areas (HMA's). Several of these were released back into the Kiger HMA, others were adopted to the public. At this time the association decided to accept these "found" horses into the registry and to allow for additional horses who met the physical requirements but not from the Kiger HMA to be allowed into the registry.

This practice was discontinued as of January 1, 1996.

REGISTRATION LETTERS KEY

W – Foundation Division

Assigned to horses directly from the Kiger and Riddle Mountain ranges, including horses conceived on these ranges and born in captivity.

P – Permanent Division

Assigned to horses bred in captivity and horses previously registered as "F" (Found).

N – Non-Breeding Division

Horses whose get are not eligible for registry.

H – Half-Kiger Division

Horses that have one parent registered in the Foundation or Permanent Division.

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