



6. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q *How will I enroll myself with the Program Registry?*

A To enroll with The Program, you must first be licensed by the Ontario Racing Commission. You must then complete a 2009 Application to Enroll and submit it to the Program Administrator by the March 1st deadline.

Q *If I'm an Ontario owner, why do I need to get my Broodmares or Stallion "accredited"?*

A The rules for "accreditation" are based on the broodmare or stallion remaining resident in Ontario for the breeding and/or foaling season. To be eligible for breeding incentives you will be required to accredit your broodmare(s) and stallion(s) each year, and confirm the home farm for the current breeding/foaling year.

Q *How will I get my Broodmare (or Stallion) Accredited for 2009?*

A A copy of all required application forms will be mailed to 2008 ORC Quarter Horse Racing licensees. All required application forms will also be available on the ORC website to download and print, with instructions on how to complete the forms. Visit www.ontarioracingcommission.ca

Q *When do I need to have my horses recorded with the Program Registry?*

A As a breeder, it is recommended that you record your foals with the *Program Registry* as soon as possible after you receive the AQHA Certificate of Registration to ensure your receipt of *Breeders Awards*. As an owner of racing stock, your racehorses must be recorded with the *Program Registry* before time of entry in a race to be eligible to receive the maximum amount of purse bonuses. Horses only need to be recorded with the *Program Registry* once.

Q *What about my horses that are racing in 2009? Are they eligible for "Ontario Foaled", "Ontario Bred" and "Ontario Sired" races?*

A If a horse meets the Breeding Program criteria for ONTARIO BRED, ONTARIO FOALED and ONTARIO SIRE status, and is enrolled in the *Program Registry*, it is eligible for all benefits attached to its status. See Chapter 2.1 – Special Conditions for Foals of 2007 and Earlier Years (page 11).



Q *What happens if the criteria changes for ONTARIO BRED, ONTARIO FOALED and ONTARIO SIRE status?*

A A horse's status as recorded in the *Program Registry* is based on the criteria in effect in its birth year. This status is maintained for the horse's full racing career.

Q *My racehorses were recorded with the program in 2008. Do I have to re-register them every year?*

A NO. Racehorses retain their ONTARIO BRED, ONTARIO FOALED and ONTARIO SIRE status for their lifetime.

Q *What about my Paints? ... Are they eligible for Breeders Awards or the special restricted stakes races?*

A Only horses registered with the AQHA are eligible for accumulation of points for *Breeders Awards* or *Stallion Awards*. It is intended that application will be made for AQHA "Grading" for *stakes* races in future years – and it is an AQHA requirement that graded stakes are restricted to horses registered with the AQHA. Added money to the QROOI Stakes Program includes added money to following four stakes races open to horses registered with the AQHA and Paints (registered with the APHA):

- Ajax Downs Classic
- Unclassified NB 79
- Maple Leaf Futurity
- Maple Leaf Derby.

Q *I own only horses that race, not breeding stock. If my horses already have ONTARIO FOALED, ONTARIO BRED or ONTARIO SIRE status, is there any value for me to be enrolled in The Program in 2009?*

A You must be enrolled in the *Program Registry* to receive the *First Time Starter Bonus* as this is paid directly from the Program. You do not need to be enrolled in the *Program Registry* to receive bonuses attached to the status of the horse that are paid with the purse.

Q *I have a two year old that I am prepping to race in 2009. I bought him from an Ontario breeder. How do I find out his status in The Program?*

A The *Program Registry* publishes a list of ONTARIO BRED, ONTARIO FOALED and ONTARIO SIRE horses at www.ontarioracingcommission.ca or you can call the Program Registry at 416-213-0520.



Q *Do I have to have an ORC licence to be in The Program?*

A Every individual, partnership, corporation and syndicate must have a current ORC licence to benefit from the Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program racing and breeding incentives and industry support programs. Licensing details and applications can be found in the THOROUGHBRED LICENSING section on the Ontario Racing Commission website at www.ontarioracingcommission.ca.

Q *Can a non-Ontario resident benefit from The Program?*

A YES. Racing opportunities and purse bonuses attached to the status of the horse make it beneficial to own an ONTARIO FOALED, ONTARIO BRED or ONTARIO SIRE horse. Breeders Awards and Stakes Breeder Bonuses make it beneficial to own an ONTARIO ACCREDITED BROODMARE.

Q *When will Stakes Breeder Bonuses be paid out?*

A The *Program Administrator* will usually pay out Stakes Bonuses within 30 days of the posting of the Official Race Results.

Q *When will I expect to get paid my Breeders' Awards (or Stallion Awards) payments?*

A *Breeders' Awards* and *Stallion Awards* will be paid out at the end of the racing season, once all official race records are submitted.

Q *How much will each breeder or stallion owner get at the end of the year?*

A There are two steps to calculating the points for Breeder and Stallion Awards ... calculating the value of the points, and then calculating the value of the payment earned.

Total awards budget / total points = Value-per-point

Total points earned for the horse x Value-per-point = Award earned

Q *What happens if I sell my Accredited Ontario Broodmare? ... Who gets the awards and bonuses?*

A *Breeders' Awards* and *Stakes Breeder Bonuses* are payable to the BREEDER-OF-RECORD ... the owner or lessee of the mare at the time of breeding.



Q *I have registered all my mares within the required deadline for 2008 – do I have to register again?*

A YES. As an owner or lessee you have to enroll yourself with the *Program Registry*, and “renew” the accreditation of your mares with the *Program Registry* by March 1st.

Q *My mare is accredited to The Program – do I have to register my foal both with the AQHA and with The Program?*

A YES ... You will first register the foal with the AQHA, and then you must provide a copy of the AQHA Certificate of Registration when you record the foal in the *Program Registry*.

Q *Why would I bother to breed my mare in Ontario – how do I benefit as opposed to breeding to a US Stallion?*

A **ONTARIO SIRE**D foals are eligible for restricted races. The Ontario Sires Stakes series begins with the *Ontario Sires Stakes Futurity* in 2011 for foals of 2009. As a Breeder, you earn richer *Breeders Awards* and *Stakes Breeder Bonus* if you breed your accredited mare to an Accredited Stallion.

Q *I have a filly that was racing at Ajax Downs in 2008 and I want to retire her to the breeding shed. Is she an ONTARIO ACCREDITED BROODMARE?*

A The filly is eligible for ONTARIO ACCREDITED BROODMARE status if she applies for accreditation before First-Day-Bred and she has been a resident in the Province of Ontario for 270 consecutive and clear days before her date of foaling out in Ontario.

Q *My mare is having a foal in 2009 but I have not applied to put her in The Program yet. She has lived in Ontario all her life. What status will her 2009 foal have?*

A If you can prove her residency status, and if you record your mare with the *Program Registry* before she foals in Ontario in 2009, her foal of 2009 will be ONTARIO FOALED because you did not apply for accreditation prior to the First-Day-Bred.

Q *What is the residency requirement on Recipient Mares of Embryo transplant? Do both the Donor Mare and Recipient Mare need to be registered in the Program?*



A For offspring to be recognized as ONTARIO BRED, the Donor Mare must be an ONTARIO ACCREDITED BROODMARE at the time of transfer and implantation, and the Recipient Mare must be resident in Ontario at the time of transfer and implantation. Both Donor Mare and Recipient Mare must remain in Ontario through foaling. See Page 10.

Q *I have a Thoroughbred mare, Can I get her accredited in The Program?*

A To apply for accreditation, Thoroughbred mares must have an AQHA registration number or have a number pending. A copy of U.S. Jockey Club or CTHS registration papers (front and back) must accompany the application form.

Q *I am an Ontario resident owner of a stallion that has been standing at stud in Ontario for years. How do I earn Stallion Awards and Stakes Bonuses?*

A You must apply for accreditation for your stallion with the *Program Registry* by January 15, and enroll yourself in *The Program* no later than March 1st to benefit from *Stallion Awards* and *Stakes Stallion Bonuses* for any of his offspring racing in the current year.

Q *What happens if I sell my Ontario Accredited Stallion during the breeding season?*

A *Stallion Awards* and *Stakes Stallion Bonus(es)* are payable to the Ontario Resident owner/lessee that recorded the Stallion with the *Program Registry* in the year in which the Awards/Bonus are earned. If you sell your stallion to another ONTARIO RESIDENT owner, and the stallion remains standing in Ontario for the entire NORTHERN HEMISPHERE BREEDING SEASON, you are still eligible for 2009 *Stallion Awards* as the owner (or lessee) that recorded the Stallion with the *Program Registry* at the beginning of the season.

If you sell your stallion and he remains in Ontario and does not breed another mare outside of Ontario during the current NORTHERN HEMISPHERE BREEDING SEASON, you are still eligible for *Stallion Awards* and/or *Stakes Stallion Bonus* earned in the current racing year.

If you sell (or lease) your stallion to a non-ONTARIO RESIDENT during the current breeding season, offspring resulting from matings after the sale (i.e. matings by the stallion while owned by a non- ONTARIO RESIDENT) will not be eligible for ONTARIO SIRE status.



Q *What happens if offspring racing in 2009 are from a retired or deceased Ontario stallion?*

A If horses racing in 2009 (and future years) were sired by an Ontario-resident stallion that is now deceased or retired from breeding, the last owner-of-record for the stallion can apply for ONTARIO ACCREDITED STALLION status (recorded as deceased or retired). The owner who records the stallion with the *Program Registry* is eligible for *Stallion Awards* (or *Stakes Stallion Bonuses*).

Q *How will I know which stallions are Ontario Accredited?*

A All ONTARIO ACCREDITED STALLIONS are listed on the Program website and this list is updated periodically. Visit www.ontarioracingcommission.ca

Q *What if I miss one of these many new deadlines?*

A It is the responsibility of the horse owner to be familiar with the *Ontario Quarter Horse Breeding Program* incentives and criteria in order to benefit from them. A list of important deadlines is published in this booklet. Exceptions and appeals can be made in writing to the *Program Registry*.

Q *I hate paperwork. I just want to run my horses like in the old days. What's wrong with that?*

A Absolutely nothing. If you do not wish to benefit from the *Ontario Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program*, you do not need to do anything. BUT be careful, there may be new stakes or races that require the status of your horse to be on file with the *Program Registry* for your horse to be able to participate. You should also be aware that your horses would not be eligible for the ONTARIO BRED/ONTARIO FOALED *Purse Bonuses* if their status has not been recorded with the *Program Registry*.