

AMERICAN BASHKIR CURLY REGISTRY RULES AND REGULATION

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MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Membership:

Membership in the Registry is a privilege, not a right, application for which shall be made on forms and by fees and procedures prescribed from time to time by the Board of Trustees. Membership or application therefore, may be terminated or rejected by the Board of Trustees for cause detrimental to the interest of the Registry, its programs, policies, objectives, and harmonious relationship of its members, as determined by the Board. Termination or application reject proceedings under this paragraph shall be conducted under the Registry's disciplinary procedures for notice, hearing, and temporary suspension; the effect of termination or rejection may be denial of the privileges of the Registry as set forth in the Registry's disciplinary procedures.

SECTION 2.

The applicant for membership should indicate clearly the name in which the membership is to be recorded. Any registrations recorded on behalf of a member shall be recorded in the same name as that appearing on the membership card.

SECTION 3.

Members will be divided into the following nine districts:

- 1. District 1- CA, NV, HI, UT, AZ**
- 2. District 2- WA, OR, ID, MT, WY, CO**
- 3. District 3- NM, TX, AR, LA, OK**
- 4. District 4- ND, SD, NE, KS, MN, IA, MO**
- 5. District 5- WI, MI, IL, IN, OH**
- 6. District 6- CT, DE, ME, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT**
- 7. District 7- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV**
- 8. District 8- AK, CANADA**
- 9. District 9- EUROPE, AUSTRALIA & REMAINING CONTINENTS**

SECTION 4. Licensed Breeder:

The goal of the licensed breeder is preservation breeding of American Bashkir Curly Horses, keeping the traits, characters, and hereditary factors of our defined breed. Thereby preserving genes for the future and providing identity in their own right. To qualify for a breeder's license, a current member must own/lease a DNA typed registered ABC stallion and/or a DNA typed registered ABC mare for breeding.

Requirement of Licensed Breeders:

- a. are required to pay the annual breeder's license fee.
- b. Breeders License must be held in the year the horses are bred.
- c. Breeder's fee must be paid, in order to be recognized as a Licensed Breeder in the Curly Cues Newsletter.
- d. Stallion owners are required to submit a Stallion Breeding Report(s) for each Year (Jan. 1st – Dec. 31st breeding year), due on or before March 31st of the following year. The current late fee will be assessed if the stallion report(s) is received after the March 31st deadline. If a stallion is sold/leased during the current breeding year both the former and current stallion owners/lessee are required to file a Stallion Breeding Report for that breeding year.
- e. Mare owners are required to submit a Mare Breeding Report, if the owner of the ABC registered stallion is not a license breeder. Mare Breeding Reports for each year (Jan 1st – Dec. 31st breeding season), due on or before March 31st of the following year. The current late fee will be assessed if the mare breeding report is received after the March 31st deadline.
- f. Mare owner at the time of foaling is the legal owner of the foal and therefore is responsible for registering the foal.
- g. Failure to comply with the Rules could result in disciplinary proceedings.

FRAUDULENT PRACTICES

- a. No person shall represent any horse owned or managed by him/her to be ABCR registered unless said horse is officially registered with ABCR.
- b. No person shall make a false or fraudulent statement with regard to the age, sex, markings, pedigree, ownership or transfer of a horse.
- c. All information furnished to the ABCR for any transaction shall be true and correct.
- d. No alteration or change of a registration certificate shall be made except by ABCR.
- e. No person shall represent as a registered American Bashkir Curly horse any horse other than the American Bashkir Curly horse for which said certificate was issued.
- f. No person shall attempt to hide, alter, or change in any way the natural markings of an American Bashkir Curly, by surgery, dye, or any other manner.
- g. No person shall knowingly misrepresent any material fact pertaining to an ABCR horse or document.
- h. No person shall bribe, or attempt to bribe an ABCR Trustee, Officer, Breeder or Member.

VIOLATIONS

A violation is any prejudicial to the best interest of ABCR including, but not limited to the following:

- a. A member shall not intentionally violate the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations of ABCR.
- b. A member shall not conspire with another member to intentionally violate the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations of ABCR.
- c. A member shall not knowingly aid/abet with another member to violate the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations of ABCR.
- d. Any member who is in arrears of any fees owed to ABCR.
- e. A member who violates the rules relating to the eligibility for registration of horses by ABCR.
- f. A member who violates the rules relating to the individual identification of horses. A member who provides signatures on any official ABCR registration applications, breeding reports, transfers, bill of sale, or other official ABCR documents that are not the genuine signatures of the owners/lessee as recorded in ABCR, or that of an attorney-in-fact pursuant to a duty executed power of attorney on file with ABCR.

REGISTRATION

SECTION 1.

Eligible American Bashkir Curly Horses: Full curly stallions, full curly mares, full curly geldings and all blood percentage offspring. Said horse must show a curly coat, curly mane and/or tail as described in the I.D. standards. As the nature of the curly coat is to shed out somewhat in the summer, the curly coat is at its best during the fall and winter seasons. All pictures are required to be taken when the horse is in fully body curl. Qualified horse(s) must have curly coat, the disposition and noted qualities of the breed, as set forth in the ID standards.

SECTION 2.

Owner or lessee of the dam at the time of foaling is the legal owner of the foal and therefore is responsible for registering the foal. A copy of the lease agreement must be sent to the ABC Registry, in order for the foal to be eligible for registration. In addition, if an individual is leasing a stallion, a copy of the lease agreement must be sent to the ABC Registry in order for the foal to be eligible for registration.

THE REGISTRIES

SECTION 1. ABC FULL CURLY REGISTRY:

Consists of any Curly, which has an old ABC permanent or tentative certificate and Curly foals born from two (2) Full registered parents. Curly coated foals from one full curly and one full straight parent also eligible.

SECTION 2. ABC CURLY BLOOD PERCENTAGE REGISTRY:

Consists of any curly foal whose blood percentage is less than full and no less than 1/2, and who has one full registered parent and one blood percentage registered parent. Breeding examples: • Full parent + 31/32 parent = full registry offspring • Full parent + 15/16 parent = 31/32 blood percentage registry offspring • Full parent + 7/8 parent = 15/16 blood percentage registry offspring • Full parent + 3/4 parent = 7/8 blood percentage registry offspring • Full parent + 1/2 parent = 3/4 blood percentage registry offspring

SECTION 3 STRAIGHT DIVISION:

- a. Straight foals from two (2) ABC Full registered parents or Straight foals from Full ABC parent and Straight or Percentage blood parent will be registered in the straight division. Each division Full, Percentage blood, Outcross and Mustang will have a straight division in their respective books with the registration number indicating "S" for straight coated along with the number.
- b. The breeding of two straights in or between any divisions is prohibited and offspring will not be eligible for registration. In ALL divisions at least one parent MUST exhibit a Curly coat.
- c. The offspring that are curly from registered Straight ABC parent and registered Full ABC parent are eligible for registration in the Full curly registry.
- d. Should the owner not agree with the decision of the Registrar, the owner has the option to file an appeal with the Breed/I.D. Standards Committee. See Appeals SECTION 4. GRANDFATHER CLAUSE: Any curly horse born prior to 2002 with a veterinarian report showing proof of age and DNA testing and parent verification, with one ABC registered parent will be eligible for registration in the Blood Percentage Registry.

SECTION 5. OUTCROSS REGISTRY:

- a. Consists of any foal that is the result of a breeding between a Full curly and a registered horse of another breed. ICHO horses that are not registered with ABC would be considered another breed.
- b. Consists of any foal that is the result of a breeding between two horses from the % blood division as long as the result is a foal of at least 1/2. (In order to stay in % blood registry one parent must be Full).
- c. This Registry also has a straight division for those straight haired offspring of above breeding which will be designated with an "S" in their registration number.

SECTION 6. BLM CURLY MUSTANG REGISTRY:

- a. Consists of any Curly haired Mustang which was adopted from the BLM. Must have proof of adoption and bear freeze brand.
- b. Any foals from the breeding of two BLM Curly Mustangs are eligible for this book.
- c. Any foals resulting from the breeding of horses in this division with a horse in another division will be eligible for the Outcross Division.
- d. Foals resulting from horses in this division being bred to horses of another breed are not eligible. Must be bred to horses in the Full or Percentage blood divisions.
- e. This Registry will have a straight division with horses being designated as straight with an "S" in their number.

SECTION 7. CURLY COAT DIVISION:

- a. Consists of any Curly coated horse with no verifiable registered Curly parents. These horses and any curly coated offspring would not move out of this book.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

SECTION 1.

APPLICATION: The ABC Pre-Registration application must be filled out completely and submitted to the Registry with the posted registration fee. This fee includes the cost of the DNA. If there are questions in completing the application form please call the ABC Registry. An incomplete application will delay registration.

SECTION 2.

COLORS & MARKINGS: The color of the horse will be submitted by the owner. Identifying marks, white or other will be drawn on the diagram provided on the pre-registration form. The diagram must match the markings on the photos. The Registrar has the authority to question the color and or the markings submitted by the owner.

SECTION 3.

PICTURES: a. Four (4) clear color photographs of the horse must accompany the application. The photos must include the left and right sides and front and rear that include all four feet. Additional photos showing close up views of face and leg markings may also be submitted. Photographs must be on photo quality paper and not larger than 4 inches x 6 inches. Acceptance of electronic photos received via email or scanned photos will be at the discretion of the Registrar.

b. Additional photographs close-up views of the inside of the ears and the fetlocks may be requested by the Registrar before a registration certificate is issued. All photos will be kept in the ABC Registry files and will not be returned.

c. If the Registrar is uncertain as to whether or not the horse is curly, hair samples may also be requested.

SECTION 4.

REGISTRATION PROCESSING: If there are no questions regarding the application, fees, photos, or DNA requirements the registration process should be complete in (60) sixty days following submission of the application. The ABC Registry will contact those persons whose applications require additional information.

SECTION 5

DNA:

a. In order for a foal/horse to be eligible for registration, they must meet the requirements of registration as prescribed in SECTION 1 of "Registration". The applicant must complete the DNA Data Collection Form and return it to the ABC Registry with the current fee. The information will be processed and hair collection kit will be sent to the owner/applicant to collect the hair samples. The hair samples are then mailed to UC Davis Laboratories for DNA typing. The DNA and parent verification will be sent to the ABC Registry and a copy will be furnished to the owner.

b. Both sire and dam must be DNA typed prior to registration of the foal/horse. Registration of the foal/horse will be delayed until both sire and dam has been DNA typed with the results received by the ABC Registry.

c. If one or both ABC parents, are dead the ABC Registry must receive written notice to that effect. This will waive the parent verification requirement, however that does not relinquish the DNA requirement for registration of foal/horse.

d. If the ABC parent(s) cannot be located either through the previous owner(s) or the transfer of ownership records, the ABC Registry must receive written notice to that effect. This will waive the parent verification requirement, however that does not relinquish the DNA requirement for registration of the foal/horse.

e. If parent verification is not proven (i.e. stallion or mare) an additional test is required, the owner will be responsible for the entire fee for second test.

f. In the event that future DNA typing proves that the said sire or dam that is recorded on the registration certificates not the actual parent of the horse that is currently registered, that registration certificate and any successive certificate(s) that have been issued will be corrected with the proper parentage or unknown and a new certificate showing proper parentage will be issued at the Owner's expense. Should these instances affect horses listed in past studbooks, that volume of the studbook would not be reprinted. However a supplement to the studbook will be printed and available from the ABC Registry.

g. In the event that DNA typing proves that the said sire or dam as recorded on the registration application, is not the actual parent of the horse being registered and the actual sire or dam cannot be found the horse will not be registered in the full division.

SECTION 6.

APPENDIX or Temporary CERTIFICATES

a. At the time of registration the Registrar will determine if the foal/horse, that is being registered is curly. If there is any doubt that the foal/horse is curly an appendix certificate will be issued.

b. The appendix certificate will have an expiration date of March 31 and will be valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of issuance of the appendix certificate. The appendix certificate must be sent into the ABC Registry on/or before the expiration date along with four (4) current pictures 7 of both sides, front and back of the horse, with body curl. No fee is required if the appendix certificate is returned on/or before the expiration date. If the appendix certificate is received after the expiration date the current late fee will be assessed.

c. When the appendix certificate is returned and the horse is not curly or has lost its curl, yet has two (2) full ABC registered parents, that horse will be registered in the Straight Division.

d. If the Registrar has a question about the color or markings of the horse, that is curly, an appendix certificate with a full or blood percentage registration number will be issued.

e. If there is an error on a certificate and upon investigation the application was sent to the ABC Registry incorrectly, the current fee will be assessed to issue a new certificate. If the ABC Registry made the error a new certificate will be issued free of charge.

f. The Registrar will register the horse in the designated division. Should the owner not agree with the decision of the Registrar, the owner has the option to file an appeal with the Breed/I.D. Standards Committee. See appeals.

SECTION 7.

REGISTRATION APPEALS:

a. The owner shall send in writing a request for an appeal on the registration of a horse to ABCR within 60 days of registration along with 4 additional pictures.

b. The Registrar will forward to the Breed/I.D. Standards Chairperson the written request for appeal, application of the horse in question and all pictures.

- c. The Chairperson will select two Board Members who are also Licensed Breeders to serve on this committee.
- d. The Chairperson will complete the appeals form regarding the horse in question and return it to the ABCR office.
- e. The pictures and appeals form will be forwarded to the next committee member.
- f. Each committee member will complete the appeals form, return it to the ABCR office and forward the appeals form and pictures to the next member.
- g. After the Registrar receives all three committee reports, the decision will be sent to the owner.
- h. All decisions of the Appeal Committee are final.

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION TRANSPORTED SEMEN

Fresh, Fresh Cooled or Frozen Semen

SECTION 1.

The American Bashkir Curly Registry allows the use of artificial insemination using fresh, fresh cooled and frozen transported semen to produce foals for registration if the following requirements are met.

- a. Both the mare and stallion must be registered with the ABC Registry.
- b. At least one owner must be a license breeder to participate in AI using fresh, fresh cooled and frozen semen and must be in good standing with the ABC Registry.
- c. Prior to AI, DNA Hair Typing of the stallion and mare(s) must be completed and filed with the Registry.
- d. Proper note of the use and type of insemination must be noted on the annual stallion report.
- e. Stallion owners are allowed an unlimited number of AI breedings per breeding year.
- f. Failure to comply with all of these rules and regulations shall be grounds for denial of registration for the resulting foal(s).
- g. Each and every recorded owner/lessee and agent releases and indemnifies the American Bashkir Curly Registry, its officers, trustees, employees and members of the American Bashkir Curly Registry Board, of and from any liability of responsibility whatsoever in regards to fresh, fresh cooled, or frozen semen insemination procedures.

EMBRYO TRANSFER

SECTION 1.

The American Bashkir Curly Registry allows the registration of foals produced by mares that are not the genetic dam, but are transferred to the recipient mare from the donor mare that shall provide the genetic DNA by the technique or Embryo Transfer with the following procedures and restrictions.

- a. Both the donor mare and stallion must be registered with the ABC Registry.
- b. At least one owner must be a license breeder to participate in Embryo Transfer and must be in good standing with the ABC Registry.
- c. Prior to Embryo Transfer, DNA Hair Typing of the stallion and donor mare(s) must be completed and filed with the Registry.
- d. No freezing or long-term storage of embryos is allowed.
- e. Prior to the intended embryo transfer procedure, the recorded owner or lessee has notified the ABC Registry in writing of its intention to attempt an embryo transfer and apply for Embryo Transfer Application. An Embryo Transfer Application is required for each donor mare and is non-transferable. The Embryo Transfer Application is only valid for the breeding year in which it is issued.
- f. An embryo may be transported from the premises where the donor mare was located at the time of its removal from her, for use in a recipient mare at another location, but implantation of such embryo must occur within 24 hours of its removal from the donor mare. To be eligible for such transportation,

notice of intention to transport the embryo shall be given to the ABCR in conjunction with the advanced notice of intended embryo transfer procedure.

g. An Embryo Implantation Form must be completed by the attending veterinarian performing the procedure and must be on file with ABCR within ten (10) days following the procedure.

h. If a donor mare is enrolled with ABCR for embryo transfer, but the procedure is not attempted regarding the donor mare in the designated breeding year, ABCR must be notified in writing by December 31 in the designated breeding year that the owner has elected not to attempt the embryo transfer. i. Recorded owner/lessee of the donor mare is the owner of the foal produced by embryo transfer

i. Recorded owner/lessee of the donor mare is the owner of the foal produced by embryo transfer and is responsible for registration.

j. If the recorded owner sells the donor mare that is enrolled in the Embryo Transfer Program prior to the birth of the foal produced from the Embryo Transfer, the recorded owner shall maintain ownership of said foal and is responsible for registration.

k. There shall be no limit to the number of foals produced per year by Embryo Transfer from a single donor mare, but each shall be considered as a separate breeding even when produced from a single procedure and therefore individually subject to application for registration and compliance with these rules.

l. Failure to comply with all of these regulations shall be grounds for Denial of Registration of the resulting foal(s).

m. Each and every recorded owner/lessee and agent releases and indemnifies the American Bashkir Curly Registry, its officers, trustees, employees and members of the American Bashkir Curly Registry Board, of and from any liability or responsibility whatsoever in regards to embryo transfer procedures protocol.

FROZEN STORED SEMEN SECTION 1.

The American Bashkir Curly Registry allows for the long-term storage of frozen semen for use in artificial insemination to produce foals for registration if the following requirements are met.

a. A stallion owner who elects to collect and maintain frozen stored semen must maintain Licensed Breeder status pursuant to the Rules and Regulations, Section 4, Licensed Breeder, and must be in good standing with the ABC Registry.

b. Prior to collection and storage of semen, DNA Hair Typing of the stallion must be completed and filed with the Registry.

c. Prior to the collection of frozen stored semen the stallion owner must apply for and complete a Frozen Stored Semen Certificate. The original Frozen Stored Semen Certificate must be returned to the Registry. The ABC Registry will issue an identification code for use on the Frozen Stored Semen Certificate and send a copy of said certificate to stallion owner.

d. Each and every straw/vial of frozen stored semen shall bear the identification code recorded on the Frozen Stored Semen Certificate.

e. The identification code shall be indicated on the Stallion Breeding Report when frozen stored semen is used for AI.

f. Frozen stored semen shall be permitted for use for ten (10) calendar years following the actual date of semen collection, death of the stallion (or gelding whose semen has been frozen prior to gelding). At the end of ten (10) calendar years a Semen Disposal Report must be filed with the ABC Registry.

g. Retention of frozen stored semen in connection to the sale of a stallion shall be considered the same as retained breeding rights and shall be disclosed to the purchaser.

- h. Owners of frozen stored semen are allowed an unlimited number of AI breedings per breeding year until frozen stored semen is depleted.
- i. Failure to comply with all rules and regulations shall be grounds for denial of registration for the resulting foal(s).
- j. Each and every recorded owner/lessee and agent releases and indemnifies the American Bashkir Curly Registry, its officers, trustees, employees and members of the American Bashkir Curly Registry Board, of and from any liability or responsibility whatsoever in regards to frozen stored semen insemination procedures.

NAMING YOUR HORSE

SECTION 1.

The name of the horse is limited to twenty-five (25) letters including spaces and punctuation. Multiple names should be submitted and identified as first, second and third choice in the event a name has already been registered.

CHANGING THE NAME OF YOUR HORSE

SECTION 1.

The name of an ABC registered horse may not be changed.

SURRENDER OF CERTIFICATE

SECTION 1.

- a. If a registered animal dies or is disposed of without papers, the owner of said animal shall notify the ABC office of the fact and surrender the Certificate of Registration for proper notification. If requested, the canceled certificate will be returned to the owner.
- b. When an ABC registered stallion is gelded, the registration certificate must be returned to the ABC Registry along with a signed statement and date of castration and current fee to upgrade certificate. The current certificate will be changed to indicate that the stallion was gelded and will be recorded on the records at the ABC Registry. The certificate will be returned to the current owner.

OWNERSHIP TRANSFERS

SECTION 1.

Ownership of a registered animal may be transferred as follows:

- a. SELLER, at time of sale, shall forward registration certificate of animal along with Transfer of Ownership/Bill of Sale form to the ABC Registry for transfer by the Registrar.
- b. SELLER must sign the Transfer of Ownership/Bill of Sale form. Seller's name must be listed as the legal owner of said animal being sold, as recorded at the ABC Registry or a power of attorney showing authorization to sell the horse for the owner must be filed with the ABC Registry.
- c. Transfer of an ABC registered horse will be duly recorded by the ABC Registrar, who will then forward the certificate directly to the new owner.

d. Either the buyer or seller may pay transfer fees. Fees must accompany the Transfer of Ownership/Bill of Sale form, and registration certificate before the transfer can be processed and completed.

e. Each time an ABC registered horse is sold, a Transfer of Ownership/Bill of Sale along with the associated fee must be sent to the ABC Registry.

f. In the event an ABC registered horse is sold multiple times without the appropriate transfers, the Registrar will proceed with the following procedures:

- 1) New owner requesting transfer of ownership must be a current member
- 2) New owner must submit original ABCR certificate, if any
- 3) New owner must submit Bill of Sale or transfer of ownership from current owner to new owner.
- 4) New owner must submit four current pictures; front, back and both sides of the ABC registered horse being transferred.
- 5) New owner must submit notarized letter stating they have the ABC registered horse in their possession, that they have the original certificate, if any, four pictures to be sent in, and would like the ABC registered horse transferred into their name.
- 6) Two current transfer fees shall be paid:
 - a) One for registered owner as recorded with ABCR to current owner and 11
 - b) One for current owner to new owner If there is not an original certificate the new owner must provide the complete name and/or registration number of the ABC registered horse along with the four (4) pictures and current fees for a duplicate certificate to the Registry before a new certificate will be issued.

DEFACING A CERTIFICATE

SECTION 1.

A registration certificate is immediately voided if it is written upon, cut or mutilated in any way. When a certificate becomes void the current fees for issuing a duplicate certificate will be charged. LOST OR

DESTROYED CERTIFICATES

SECTION 1.

If a registration certificate is lost or destroyed, a statement from the registered owner to that effect must be sent immediately to the ABC Registry and the current fee will be accessed for a new certificate.

NATIONAL AWARDS

ABC Breed Promotion:

Annual award presented to a current ABC Adult(s) in good standing with the ABC Registry and who has participated in exhibits, demonstrations and promotions of ABC horses, in the best interest of the ABC Registry who has accumulated the most points for the current year, January 1st through December 31st.

ABC Breed Promotion Junior:

Annual award presented to a current ABC youth seventeen (17) and under in good standing with the ABC Registry and who has participated in exhibits, demonstrations and promotions of ABC horses, in the best interest of the ABC Registry who has accumulated the most points for the current year, January 1st through December 31st.

Youth Rider:

Champion and Reserve Champion. Annual award presented to the youth seventeen (17) and under that is a current ABC junior member in good standing and who has accumulated the most points for the current year, January 1st through December 31st. The points must be accumulated on an ABC Registered horse in open competition against all breeds or in ABC breed events.

Performance Horse: Champion and Reserve Champion.

Annual award presented to the Registered ABC Horse accumulating the most points for the current year, January 1st through December 31st. The points must be accumulated in open competition against all breeds, in ABC breed events, or in horse show performance classes as per listing of the American Horse Show Association and ABC classes.

Versatility Horse: Champion and Reserve Champion.

Annual award presented to the Registered ABC Horse accumulating the most points for the current year, January 1st through December 31st. Must complete one horse show, have miles on the trail, and do at least 4 other events: parade, trail, roping demonstration/clinic, team penning. Present to the horse only, not rider.

Frequent Rider Program: Champion and Reserve Champion.

Annual award presented to a current ABC member in good standing with the ABC Registry who has ridden the most miles in the current year, January 1st through December 31st. Gymkhana/Speed Program: Champion and Reserve Champion. Annual award presented to the Registered ABC Horse accumulating the most points for the current year, January 1st through December 31st. The points must be accumulated in open competition against all breeds or in ABC breed events.

In-Hand Program: Champion and Reserve Champion.

Annual award presented to the Registered ABC Horse accumulating the most points for the current year, January 1st through December 31st. The points must be accumulated in open competition against all breeds or in ABC breed events. Horse must be 4 years of age or younger as of January 1st of the current year.

STANDING COMMITTEES**Breed Standards & I.D. Committee:**

The committee shall research current registered ABC horses in an effort to document the most common traits and characteristics exhibited by the Breed. This committee shall review the Breeders Handbook and provide the Board of Trustees with any proposed changes to keep the Breeders Handbook up-to-date with current changes.

In addition the committee shall conduct historical research into the Curly horse. The Committee Chair shall present a committee report at the annual meeting of the members, as well as provide a committee report to the Board of Trustees within six (6) months following the annual meeting.

Ways and Means Committee:

The committee shall look into fundraising ideas and possible corporate sponsors that will benefit the ABC Registry as a whole. All proposals shall be evaluated for financial, legal, public relations, membership, regional impact, practicality and creativity. The Committee Chair shall present a committee report at the annual meeting of the members, as well as provide a committee report to the Board of Trustees within six (6) months following the annual meeting.

Marketing & Communication Committee:

The committee shall review all Registry marketing materials and forms. The committee shall provide a proposal to the Board of Trustees for any changes to these documents in order to maintain consistency of information requested. The committee shall also research news media (magazines, newspapers, trade journals, etc.) to determine which publications the ABC Registry should target for both press releases and advertising. The Committee Chair shall present a committee report at the annual meeting of the members, as well as provide a committee report to the Board of Trustees within six (6) months following the annual meeting.

Grievance Committee:

The committee becomes active only when a formal grievance against an ABC member is sent to the ABC Registry. The committee shall investigate any and all allegations presented to the committee. The committee shall review both sides of the complaint. The Grievance Committee Chairman will provide a report to the Board of Trustees at the regular and/or special meeting of the Board. The vicepresident shall preside as Chair of this committee.

By-Laws/Rules & Regulations Committee:

The committee shall review the current official documents, evaluate alternatives and recommend to the Board of Trustees any changes or up-dates that will eventually be made available to the membership for approval.

Convention Committee:

The committee shall be responsible for all aspects of the annual convention. This shall include but not be limited to; booking a convention center, obtaining sponsorship money, planning three days of various fun/educational activities, providing adequate rooms for various meetings (including the general membership, breeders and board) and scheduling an official banquet dinner. Secretary shall preside as Chair for this committee.

Horse Show Committee:

This committee shall define the official ABC Registry Horse Show Rules and Regulations. Including: show approval, show officials and duties, equipment and attire, awards, points and class lists. Changes to the Horse Show Rules and Regulations must be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees.

Technology Committee:

The committee shall recommend ways to use technology that will benefit the Registry office, breeders, members, advertisers and prospective members.

Finance Committee:

The committee shall receive a report from the treasurer quarterly. They shall oversee the finances of the registry and advise Board of Trustees if there seems to be any problem.

BREED I.D. STANDARDS

As a licensed breeder you should strive to maintain the unique qualities of the breed. Confirmation, disposition, and soundness are important to maintain quality within the breed. All licensed breeders should be diligent in watching for defects that are suspected of having a genetic link. These defects may be passed onto future offspring. Examples of these are parrot mouth, crypt orchid and clubfoot.

BODY CONFIRMATION

A medium size head with well-defined jaw and throatlatch. Wide set eyes with eyelashes that curl up. Ears that are short to medium in length with curls inside. The ears do not totally shed out in the summer. A medium length neck, deep at the base of the neck where it joins the base of the shoulder. Noticeably short back, deep through the girth. An appearance of a long underline and belly cut high in the flank. They have heavy boned legs and short cannon bones as compared to the forearm. Forequarters and hindquarters should be supple yet well-muscled. They should have medium withers. The croup should be flat or with a shallow slope to the base of the tail. They should travel easily and smoothly.

CURL CHARACTERISTICS

BODY:

(Fine, soft hair) • Ringlet (can be several inches long) • Marcel Wave (deep soft wave in the body coat) • Crusted velvet (soft dense pile of curls in body coat)

MANE:

(Extra fine hair) • Kinky- preferable • Wavy • should shed all or partial in summer • Split mane (hangs on both sides of neck) TAIL: • Ringlets • Wavy • should shed partial at the head of the tail in the summer. Some may shed tail completely.

FETLOCKS:

Curly- preferable • Wavy • should shed in summer but still retain some long hairs

HOOVES:

Almost perfectly round in shape • Very hard and dense • Proportioned to the size of the horse

SIZE AND WEIGHT:

Range from 13.3 to 16 hands with an average of 15 hands • Average weight- 800 to 1000 lbs. Some Curlys may weigh up to 1200 lbs.

UNIQUE CHARACTERISTICS:

Even-tempered disposition • Quick pulse and respiration recovery • Very dense bone in the legs • Curly coat can be hypoallergenic. The hairs are round instead of flat. They are barbed or feathered underneath a microscope; they can be spun and woven. Testing proved the hair to be closely related to mohair, instead of horse hair. • Can completely shed the mane and tail in the summer, only to grow back in the fall with the winter coat. • Noticeably short, strong back, indicating five lumbar vertebrae Due to the years of out crossing, you will find Curlys with different confirmation, size and weight. This influence will probably continue for the next five to ten generations of Curly-to-Curly breeding. However, these horses will be registered as long as they meet ABCR criteria.

DESCRIPTIONS OF COLORS

For color classification always consider the points of the horse first. The points are the mane, tail, ear rims, and lower legs. All horse colors are divided into two groups based on the color of the points. The two groups are horse colors with black points and horse colors non-black points. Please note that variation can occur in any color. For any color variation not listed, the book "Horse Color, A Complete Guide to Horse Coat Colors" will be used to determine the correct color.

HORSE COLORS

WITH BLACK POINTS BLACK:

Black points and black body with no obvious hairs of other colors, other than white face and leg markings. BROWN: Black points with body color that is brown with no red mixed in.

BAY:

Black points with body colors that contain some shade of red.

BUCKSKIN:

Black points with body color in various shades of yellow. Some buckskin may have the primitive marks on the backside of the knees and the hocks. Darker shade of dun with black dorsal stripe, black mane & tail, and black on the lower legs.

GRULLO:

Black points with mouse colored body hairs or smoky color body hairs. Grullo horses almost always have primitive marks on the withers, dorsal strip and stripes over the knees and hocks.

DUN:

Please note that the Dun can be classified in the black points group as well as the non-black points group. Dun colors noted in black points group would have yellow colored bodies with darker points. Dun colors having non-black points would be the following:

RED DUN: Washed out colors of red or yellowish red bodies with brown, red or flaxen points and usually have primitive markings.

YELLOW DUN: Brown points with yellow body. Resemble buckskins or zebra duns, except they have brown points.

Other colors in the Dun category are: Muddy Dun, Orange Dun, Apricot Dun, Lilac Dun, and Claybank Dun. All these dun colors will range from red to yellow in color with brown points with the exception of the Lilac Dun, which will have chocolate brown points and brown skin with a dove colored body.

HORSE COLORS WITH NON-BLACK POINTS**CHESTNUT:**

Red points with reddish brown, dark red or medium red body. Color variations in the chestnut category would be: Liver Chestnut that is the darkest red body colors with red points. Chocolate Chestnut is a rare color and has a uniform chocolate body color and brown points.

SORRELL:

Flaxen points with clear, light red body. The body can also be light sandy red or blonde. They can have light areas around the muzzle, over the eyes, on the flanks and on the insides of the legs.

PALOMINO:

White or cream points, with body shades in yellow or gold.

CREMELLO/PERLINO:

Nearly white or cream points, body color are off-white with blue eyes.

WHITE:

Body color is white with white mane and tail.

GREY:

White hairs interspersed with colored body and point hairs. May have light or dark mane and tail. There are various shades of gray, such as steel, iron gray, dappled or flea-bitten gray.

ROAN:

Refers to any mixture of colored and white hairs within the body coat. The various colors of roan are as follows:

SABINO: Flaxen points, with red and white body hairs. **RED ROAN:** Red points, with red and white body hairs.

BLUE ROAN: Dark points, which may be brown, black, or red. The body hair is a mixture of black, bay, or red with white hair.

STRAWBERRY ROAN: Red points, with sorrel or pale red colors mixed with white body hair.

PINTO:

Asymmetric patters of solid white body hair combined with any other colors or brown, black, bay, chestnut, sorrel, etc. Points are any basic color already stated.

TOBIANO:

Patter of white areas that usually have distinct, sharp edge to them.

OVERO:

Patter of white areas display more ragged edges.

APPALOOSA:

Points are any basic colors. Spots can be leopard-spotting, snowflake in pattern, of a blanket of white from the back and extend over the croup with various patterns of spots.

RANCH NAME REGISTRY

Registering a ranch name for the purpose(s) of easier registering of horses' names. Provides consistency in stallion, ranch, and sales promotion. Certificate given to show proof of registration of ranch name. If a ranch owner wishes to register their ranch with ABCR, they may do so under the following guidelines:

- 1) Starting with implementation of program, through June 1, 2004, submit ranch name and 2 choices, along with initials used in naming. Also, submit onetime fee.
- 2) After June 1, 2004, fee must be sent to ABCR along with a request for current listing of names and initials.
- 3) Be sure both name and initials of your choice are not duplicated.
- 4) Submit ranch name and initials with onetime fee.
- 5) All names of horses from a ranch to have the initials and/or name used in naming the horse is exclusively for that ranch.
- 6) Initials limited to 4 spaces and name, to be included in the spacing allotment for naming.
- 7) A particular name will be allowed to one person, partnership, or limited company only, except with the consent of the breeder who has the name registered.
- 8) The breeder in whose name it is registered can transfer the registered name to another breeder on application to the Registry. A new fee to be submitted upon transfer of name.
- 9) The ABCR reserves the right to refuse any herd name that may be misleading as to the origin or relationship of the horse.
- 10) The ABCR reserves the right to refuse any herd name that is obscene.
- 11) After 10 years a registered name will be forfeited if the registered owner has not used it in registering or recording a horse.

CURLY CUES MAGAZINE

- a. The Curly Cues magazine will be published at least four (4) times per year.
- b. Licensed Breeders will be listed in at least three (3) issues of the Curly Cues.

REFUNDS

- a. If a horse is unable to be registered with ABCR no funds will be refunded.
- b. There will be no refund for the DNA test that has been completed and the horse cannot be registered. The results of the DNA test will be sent to the horse owner.

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

SECTION 1

Any violation(s) of the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations of the American Bashkir Curly Registry by a member/breeder/trustee/officer is subject to disciplinary proceedings conducted by the Board of Trustees.

- a. Any and all disciplinary proceeding(s) shall be scheduled, noticed and conducted in closed session. Each case will be decided on its own merits. Proceedings before the Board of Trustees shall be informal, and rules of evidence, both at common law or provided by Nevada rules of civil or criminal evidence, need not be strictly observed.
- b. To proceed with any disciplinary hearing a member must first contact the Grievance Committee in writing and show cause for said disciplinary action. (See Grievances for procedures).
- c. The Board of Trustees shall review the written report and evidence presented to them by the grievance committee regarding a member's request for disciplinary action against another member/breeder/trustee/officer.
- d. The Board of Trustees may also initiate disciplinary proceedings against a member on its own initiative by agreeing to a statement of charges against a member, and referring them to the Grievances Committee.
- e. A special meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be called by the President or Vice-President acting under the President's directive.
- f. The Secretary shall send written notice to all parties involved of a time and place of the disciplinary hearing no less than 30 days prior to said hearing. Such notice shall contain a statement of the purpose and scope of the hearing. The written notice shall further advise such member(s) that they may appear in person or be represented by counsel, produce witnesses, affidavits, documents or other evidence on said member(s) behalf.
 - 1) Should either complainant or respondent find that travel to the disciplinary hearing would involve undue hardship they shall notify the ABCR Secretary in writing 15 days from the date the notice of hearing is given.
 - 2) The Board of Trustees may give leave to file a videotaped statement, a written notarized response from either party, or may conduct the disciplinary hearing by telephone.
- g. Should the Board of Trustees establish any violation(s) of the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations by a member/breeder/trustee/officer by way of disciplinary hearing, the following action(s) may ensue:
 - 1) Temporary or permanent suspension or termination of membership.
 - 2) Temporary or permanent suspension or termination of breeder's license.
- h. Following the completion of a disciplinary suspension the applicant may petition for reinstatement of membership and/or breeders license.
- i. The decision of the Board of Trustees is final.

GRIEVANCES

SECTION 1.

Initiation of a grievance by an ABCR member(s) against another ABCR member(s) in which the complainant alleges that by By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations have been violated may file a written complaint with the ABCR. All written grievances must comply with the following procedures. The Secretary shall review all complaints to verify that the complaint is in compliance with the sections a through g. All complaints that comply shall be forwarded to the Grievance Committee for review within seven (7) business days of receipt at ABCR. Any complaints that are incomplete shall be returned to the complainant.

- a. The complaint must contain the full name and address of the member or members the complaint is being filed against.
- b. The complaint must set forth the particular facts and events, which the complaining party believes, constitute violations of the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations and the place and date of the alleged infractions.
- c. The complaint must state the specific section(s) of the ABCR By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations alleged to have been violated.
- d. The complaint shall name witnesses to said actions then known to the complainant.
- e. The complaint must include supporting documentation /evidence then in the possession of the complainant.
- f. The complaint must be signed by the complainant(s) and include the complainant's address and phone number.
 - g. The complaint must include a statement whether, to the best of the complainant's knowledge, the conduct that is the basis of the complaint has been or will be the basis for claims in any court of law or arbitration.

SECTION 2.

It shall be the duty of the Grievance Committee to conduct an investigation of the written complaint and to determine:

- a. There has not been a violation of the ABCR By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations by the member(s);
or
- b. There is reasonable cause to believe there may have been a violation of the ABCR By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations by the member(s). The Grievance Committee shall not hear or present to the Board of Trustees any grievances, which involve:
 - 1) Private and/or contractual disputes between two or more members that should be properly settled by a court of law, and that do not otherwise violate the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations of ABCR.
 - 2) Disputes that have been submitted to a court of law or arbitration that do not otherwise violate the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations of ABCR.
 - 3) Alleged violations of the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations of ABCR, which occurred more than 12 months before the grievances were filed.
- c. In the event that the Grievance Committee finds that a violation of the By-laws and/or Rules and Regulations has occurred the Grievance Committee Chairman shall forward a copy of the complaint to the member(s) named in the complaint, and request the member(s) submit a written response to the complaint within 30 days from the date the notice is given. The written response to a complaint shall:
 - 1) Specify each portion of the complaint that is admitted or denied.
 - 2) Include all documentation/evidence then in the possession of the respondent that supports the response

3) Identify all witnesses with relevant knowledge then known to the respondent. d. The Grievance Committee shall have 90 days to complete their investigation and file a written report to the Board of Trustees along with any evidence presented to them at the regular and/or special meeting of the Board.

ABC REGISTRY SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship(s) shall be offered annually if funding is available. The amount and number of scholarships shall be at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. Winners will be chosen on their merit. Applicants for scholarship must meet published requirements and deadlines. Applications will be submitted to the ABC Registry office and forwarded to the Review committee appointed by the President. Winners shall be announced at the Annual Membership meeting and published in the Curly Cues. Applicants may be asked for the following Information;

- GPA and SAT scores. Official sealed transcripts.
- Number of years an ABCR member.
- ABC activities, committee member, and program involvement.
- Any public exhibition of Curlies.
- High school graduating from, or college/ university attending. If graduating, college/ university planning on attending.
- Any honors or awards.
- Field of study planned on.
- Leadership positions.
- School activities.
- Extracurricular activities. 21
- Community service and involvement.
- References: 2 from a teacher, 2 personal.