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Stud Book order European Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Association e.V.

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§ 1 Purpose of the Stud Book Order (ZBO)

- (1) The ZBO regulates the orderly execution of Breeding of all Breed horses registered with the EMFTHA according to the requirements of the European Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Association (EMFTHA). The ZBO is part of the charter of the EMFTHA.
- (2) The regional field of activity of the ZBO (Breed Area) is shown in section A § 4.1 of the EMFTHA Charter (Statutory Provisions). The factual field of activity of the ZBO (Breed Population) extends to the Gait Horse breed Missouri Fox Trotter.
- (3) All members of the Association are subject to the ZBO. Everybody making use of the service of the EMFTHA has to become a member first.
- (4) All conflicts resulting from and in the context of the ZBO will be decided by the Board established by limitation and charter of the EMFTHA and the Breed Committee by majority under the chairmanship of the President of the EMFTHA.
- (5) The EMFTHA e.V. is a member of the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association (MFTHBA) in Ava, Missouri. In the regional and factual field of activity of this ZBO the EMFTHA is representing its members also in all executive institutions of the MFTHBA.
- (6) The MFTHBA is worldwide in charge of all Registrations for the Breed of the Missouri Foxtrotter Horse. The EMFTHA is in charge for Europe of the Original Stud Book of the Breed of the Missouri Foxtrotter Horse. All Resolutions of the MFTHBA will be recognized by the EMFTHA and will be taken into consideration for the establishment of the fundamentals for the Breeding of the Missouri Fox Trotter.
- (7) The United States of America are named by the MFTHBA and in the EMFTHA ZBO as Country of Origin for the Breed of the Missouri Fox Trotter.
- (8) All used abbreviations/definitions in this Stud Book order are defined in Attachment 2.

§ 2 Breeding Program

- (1) The Breed program of the EMFTHA contains all procedures suitable to preserve the Breed of the Missouri Fox Trotter and to obtain a Breeding progress with regard to the Breeding Goal. This includes especially:
 - the Breed Goal (ZBO § 4)
 - the Breed Methods (ZBO § 5)



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- the management of the Stud Books with a main section, which is subdivided in classes and a special section (ZBO § 6 and § 7)
- The selection procedure (ZBO § 8)
- The performance test (ZBO § 9)

(2) It is the intention to implement Genetic Assessments as soon as there are enough data is available.

§ 3 Extend of the Breed Population

As per January 31, 2017 there are 395 registered brood mares and 24 registered breeding stallions in the objective area of activity of the EMFTHA.

§ 4 The Breed Goals

In the year 1983 (revised 2009) the MFTHBA set a breed standard (Attachment 4 and 5 of this ZBO) for the characteristics of the conformation of the Missouri Fox Trotter, which is considered in the following Breed Goal Specification.

The Breed Goal of the Missouri Fox Trotters

The Missouri Fox Trotter is bred for performance and practical value. The conformation must fit the requested performance. Eponymous and identifying the Breed is the Fox Trot. Horses of this Breed have a natural talent for the broken gait (four beat).

The Fox Trotting Horse is not a high stepping horse, but an extremely sure-footed one, and because of the sliding action of the rear feet rather than the hard step of other Breeds the rider experiences little jarring action and is quite comfortable in the saddle for long periods of time.

The goal is to breed within the Breed Area a conforming to type, easy to ride, sure footed and enduring trail horse for leisure riding. Its character as ranch horse should be preserved and supported.

The head and tail are slightly elevated, giving the horse a graceful carriage, and the rhythmic beat of the hooves along with the nodding action of the head present an appearance of relaxation and pose. The gait should be flawless and consistent with no noticeable up and down motion over long distances. The coat should be shiny with a healthy luster.

A Fox Trotter should inspire not only through performance and versatility but also through grace, character and conformation.



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Breed Description

Breed	Missouri Fox Trotter
Height	14 – 16 hands
Weight	900 – 1200 pounds
Hair Coat	Coat should be shiny with a healthy luster
Colors	all colors are acceptable
Head	symmetrically shaped and of moderate length (equal or shorter than 1/3 of body length); distance from outside of one eye to outside of the opposite eye should be equal to one-half the length of the head; the eyes should be large, wide set and soft, conveying a tractable demeanor, jawbones should be prominent with adequate with between jawbones where they join at the throat; head should taper to a refined muzzle
Neck	sufficiently long, approximately 1/3 of the body length
Body	balanced format; long, sloping shoulder with an angle of 45 – 50 degrees; a short (to moderate length) back, reaching into the withers; adequate length croup with a slight downward tilt; wide deep chest; moderate, not too long legs and moderate muscling
Foundation	correctly formed limbs with adequate size joints; hooves adequate for the size of the horse, well-shaped and hard; the toe direction of the hind legs may be slightly pointed outward (as long as the outward turn comes from the hips and not the hocks or below)
Movement	pure rhythm, harmony, flat, with an active stride; every movement is meant to cover ground; the forehand is to reach out far forward and the hindquarters reach under to at least cap the front hoofprints; any knee action is undesirable

- A. *FOX TROT* is a diagonal 4-beat gait. The Fox Trot is a stylish gait; the horse walks in an elegant manner with the front legs and trots with the hind legs. This rhythmic motion travels through the whole body from nose to tail. The front legs should not show any high knee action. The hind legs should perform a sliding movement, during which the hind hoof steps into or over the track of the front hoof. The head should be slightly elevated and convey the rhythmic motion of the hind legs. The tail is to



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be carried in a naturally elevated manner and should also move in rhythm with the gait. The gait should be flat, in good rhythm and must be consistent over distance.

- B. *FLAT FOOT WALK* is a 4-beat gait in lateral step sequence. The track of the hind hoof should over stride the track of the front hoof. When executed correctly, one can hear the steady equal four beat cadence of the hooves. The up and down motion of the head in the walk is stronger than during a Fox Trot. The gait should be flat consistent over distance.
- C. *CANTER/LOPE* is a slightly collected three-beat gait. The Lope shows a rhythmic, easy rolling, three-beat movement. The Lope is not a fast pace and the horse should have a relaxed appearance while being ridden with light contact on the reins. Excessive collection, failure to maintain forward motion, four-beat gallop, excessive speed or excessive pumping in the movement with the reins are not allowed. Every horse should be able to demonstrate a correct lope
- D. *SHOW CANTER* (required during Performance Classes) is a collected three-beat gait. The Show Canter should be a rhythmic, easy rolling, three-beat movement with more elevation in the front end than the Lope. The Show Canter is not a fast pace and the horse should have a relaxed appearance while being ridden with contact on the reins. Excessive collection or rein contact, failure to maintain forward motion, four beat cadence, excessive speed or excessive pumping in the movement with the reins are not allowed.

Spec. Characteristics good-natured, especially friendly nature; comfortable temperament; with strong nerves and intelligence; hardy constitution and easy maintenance, are the criteria for health and fertility

§ 5 Breed Methods

- (1) The Stud Book of the Missouri Fox Trotter is closed. Breed method is Pure Breed.
- (2) MFT can be registered for the main section of the EMFTHA Stud Book, if their parents are registered in an accepted Stud Book of the Missouri Fox Trotter and the Certificate of Registration as ownership certificate is on hand. The same is true for horses from any other Branch Breed Book.
- (3) In case of disagreement about the Breed Certificate of a horse the board will refer to the directory of the Stud Book of the horse and the MFTHBA. The decision of the MFTHBA is binding for the EMFTHA, insofar as it is not contrary to the European law.
- (4) For reasons of animal protection, animals with the dominant gene defect PSSM in homozygous or heterozygous form should not be bred. Carriers of the PSSM gene



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defect remain in the foal book for stallions or mares and cannot be entered into a higher class of the Stud Book for MFT. They get a special marking in their Equine Passport. Homozygous carriers are excluded from breeding. Mares which show a positive heterozygous PSSM test may not participate in any premium or Breeding Program (premiere mare, elite mare). They may only be mated with stallions who are not PSSM carriers. The dominant genetic defect is registered in the Equine Passport and published in the mares' distribution plan. All offspring of carriers are required to submit a PSSM test before registration. If the offspring are PSSM free, they can be registered for the class of the Stud Book for MFT, whose registration conditions they fulfill. If there is a negative PSSM test from both parents, no PSSM test is required to be submitted for the offspring.

§ 6 Subdivision of the Stud Book

The EMFTHA is in charge of the Original Stud Book for Missouri Fox Trotter in Europe. The Stud Book is closed. No refining breeds are allowed. The Stud Book is managed separately according to stallions and mares.

The Stud Book for stallions consist of a main section with the following classes: Stallion Book I, Stallion Book II, Appendix for stallions, a foal book for stallions and a special section the Pre-book for stallions.

The Stud Book for mares consist of a main section with the following classes: Mare Book I, Mare Book II, Appendix for mares, a foal book for mares and a special section the Pre-book for mares.

§ 7 Provisions for entry in the EMFTHA Stud Book

For the registration of the stallions and mares in classes of the EMFTHA Stud Book, all requirements as shown below need to be fulfilled by the breeding horse.

(1) Stallion Book I (main section)

Minimum age for registration is three years

- their parents are registered in the highest main section of a Stud Book for the Breed (e.g. EMFTHA Stud Book and/or in the Stud Book of an other accepted Breeders Association)
- who have a Certificate of Registration
- whose owners are members in the EMFTHA
- which are identified according to § 18 ZBO
- with proven descent over 3 generations



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- with positive conformation score according to §7 (15) ZBO
- with positive ZTU (Breeding Suitability Test) and a negative PSSM test
- which received for conformation at least a total score of 7.0 at a Breed Show, in which the minimum score being awarded for all partial scores according to §7 (15) ZBO
- with a performance test riding according to §9 (8) ZBO

Stallions from the Breeding of stallions /mares, which are registered in the appendix of the Mare Book I and Stallion Book I, can be registered if they fulfill the conditions of the registration.

In the EMFTHA approved 3-year-old stallions and stallions with a rank for breeding, which have not yet passed a performance test riding, are registered in the Stallion Book II. They can be registered for the Stallion Book I only after the successful completion of a HLP till the 6th year of age. Older licensed stallions without the performance test riding can be registered in the Stallion Book I upon request, as soon as they have successfully completed the performance test.

(2) Stallion Book II (main section)

Minimum age for registration is three years

- their parents are registered in the highest main section of a Stud Book for the Breed (e.g. EMFTHA Stud Book and/or in the Stud Book of any other recognized Breeders Association)
- which have a Certificate of Registration
- whose owners are members in the EMFTHA
- which cannot be registered in the Stallion Book I
- which are identified according to §18 et seqq. ZBO
- with a positive judging in conformation according to §7 (17) ZBO
- with positive Breeding Suitability Test (attachment 3 ZTU for stallion) and a negative PSSM test

Stallions from the breeding of stallions /mares, which are registered in the appendix of the Mare Book I and Stallions of the Stallion Book I can be registered if they fulfill the above-mentioned conditions of the registration.



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(3) Appendix for Stallions (Main Section)

Stallions are registered:

- of the Breed of Missouri Fox Trotter, which are registered by the MFTHBA
- whose owners are members in the EMFTHA
- which are identified according to § 18 et seqq. ZBO and by their DNA
- which have a negative PSSM test

(4) Foal Book for Stallions

In this section are all stud colts of the MFT Breed registered, from any respective Breed Association, on the basis of their date of birth papers when,

- their parents are registered in the Stud Book of a respective Breed Association and/or in the Stud Book of any other recognized Breeders Association

(5) Pre-Stud Book for Stallions

Stallions are registered:

- MFT stallions, which are registered by the MFTHBA
- Which are born in Europe itself and a parent was born in Europe
- stallions which are typical of the Breed
- stallions, which were not crossed with any other Breed
- which were identified according to ZBO § 18ff.
- which have no assured descent, according to the Original Stud Book, by means of DNA
- which received at least a total score of 6.0 for conformation, whereby there was no value score below 6.0 in any registration feature.
- With a positive Breeding Suitability Test (Attachment 3a ZTU for stallions) and a negative PSSM Test.

Rule for Promotion: Offspring from the breeding of Pre-Stud Book Stallions with Mares from the Mare Stud Book I can be entered in to the classes of the main book whose entry conditions correspond to them.

(6) Mare Book I (main section)

Minimum age for registration is three years and older

- their parents are registered in the highest main section of a Stud Book for the Breed (e.g. EMFTHA Stud Book and/or in the Stud Book of an other accepted Breeders Association) of the main Breeding Book Class
- who have a Certificate of Registration
- whose owners are members in the EMFTHA



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- which are identified according to § 18 et seqq. ZBO
- with proven descent over 3 generations
- with positive conformation score according to §7 (15) ZBO
- with positive Breeding Suitability Test (attachment 3 ZTU for mares) and a negative PSSM test
- which received at least a total score of 6.0 on a conformation Performance Test, in which the minimum score being awarded for all partial scores according to §7 (15) ZBO
- with a performance test in riding according to §9 (8) ZBO

Mares from the breeding of stallions /mares, which are registered in the appendix of the Mare Book I and Stallion Book I, can be registered if they fulfill the above mentioned conditions of the registration.

(7) Mare Book II (Main Section)

Mares will be registered when they are at least three years old and

- their parents are registered in the highest main section of a Stud Book for the Breed (e.g. EMFTHA Stud Book and/or in the Stud Book of an other accepted Breeders Association)
- which have a Certificate of Registration
- whose owners are members in the EMFTHA
- which cannot be registered in the Mare Book I
- which are identified according to §18 et seqq. ZBO
- with a positive conformation score according to §7 (17) ZBO
- with positive Breeding Suitability Test (attachment 3 ZTU for stallion) and a negative PSSM test

Mares from the breeding of stallions /mares, which are registered in the appendix of the Mare Book I and Stallion Book I, can be registered if they fulfill the above mentioned conditions of the registration.

(8) Appendix for Mares (main section)

Mares are registered:

- The breed of Missouri Fox Trotter, which are registered in the Stud Book of the MFTHBA
- whose owners are members in the EMFTHA
- which are identified according to § 18 et seqq. ZBO and by their DNA
- with a negative PSSM test



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(9) Foal Book for Mares

In this section are all mares of the MFT breed, registered by the EMFTHA on the basis of their birth certificate when,

- their parents are registered in the EMFTHA Stud Book and/or in the Stud Book of an other recognized Breeders Association

(10) Pre-book for Mares (special section of the Stud Book)

Mares are registered:

- MFT mares, which are registered by the MFTHBA, and a parent was born in Europe
- Mares which are typical of the Breed
- Mares, which were not crossed with any other breed
- Which were identified according to §18 et seqq. ZBO
- Which have, according to the original Stud Book by means of DNA, no assured descent
- which received at least a total score of 6.0 on a conformation performance test, whereby the value score did not fall below 6.0 in any registration feature.
- with positive Breeding Suitability Test (attachment 3b ZTU for mares) and a negative PSSM test

Ascent control: Offspring from the breeding of pre-book mares with stallions from the Stallion Book I may be entered in to the classes of the Main Book Departments whose entry conditions correspond to them.

(11) The registration of a breed horse into the appropriate section of the EMFTHA Stud Book results from an application of an EMFTHA member, who is either owner or manager of the horse, consideration of the breed guidelines and after the identity of horse has been proven according to the criteria outlined in § 18 of the EMFTHA ZBO as well as other requirements of the ZBO having been fulfilled. Breeding suitability certificates of stallions or mares for the registration in the Stud Book before 2017 according to EMFTHA standard are recognized and do not need to be redone. The registration of breed horses into a section of the EMFTHA Stud Book and the EMFTHA award results will be recorded into the Equiden pass including Breed Certificate.

(12) Horses from other Stud Books of recognized Breed Associations, will be registered by the EMFTHA under their current names into the sections of their criterions as long as they are admitted into the respective breed. A breed stallion must be registered into the EMFTHA Stallion Book or/and into the Stallion Book of another recognized Breed Organization before his first breeding.



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(13) The registration of a mare in the EMFTHA Mare Book must be completed latest when the first offspring is reported to the EMFTHA for identification and registration. In case a mare deceased before the date at which she was supposed to be presented for registration, a retroactive registration of the mare is possible. This possibility serves only for issuing of an Equiden Passport including breed certification for the last born foal. There must be a proof, that the deceased mare was the dam of the foal.

(14) All Equiden passes including Breed Certificats will be reviewed in writing by the issuing organization. (Export certificated as per 5.3 of the EMFTHA ZBO) In case of a re-entry of a horse into the Stud Book of the EMFTHA all previous results will be transferred.

Minimum Requirements for the Stud Book sections (Stallion Book I, Mare Book I)

(15) For registration of a horse into the Stallion Book I/Mare Book I the following minimum scores and the minimum medium score/total scores must be achieved for the conformation evaluation:

	Stallion	Mare
Breed- and sex type	6,00	6,00
Head, neck	6,00	6,00
Body	6,00	6,00
Foundation/legs	6,00	6,00
Gaits	7,00	6,00
Minimum medium score/total scores	7,00	6,00

(16) Mares below the total scores of 6,0 can be registered into the mare Stud Book II.

(17) Stallions below the total scores of 7,0 can be registered into the Stallion stud Book II.

§ 8 Selection Procedure – Stallion License and Brood Mares Breed Value Evaluation
Stallion licensing

(1) The licensing is a decision of the EMFTHA regarding the use of a stallion within a breed program.



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- (2) For EMFTHA licensing 3-year-old stallions or older are permitted to enter. The recommended target group for licensing stallions is 5 years and older. Especially the characteristics of conformation are part of the licensing decision.
- (3) The licensing decision exists of:
- identification and presentation of the stallion by hand according ZBO §18
 - investigation of the body measurements according to MFTHBA evaluation guideline conformation (§ 4 ZBO)
 - performance test in Walk, Flat Foot Walk, Fox Trot according § 9 (1)
 - presentation of a ZTU (breed suitability test, Attachment 3a for Stallions) and a negative PSSM test
- (4) For a stallion to be permitted for licensing the following requirements must be fulfilled:
- the Equiden pass must be presented as well as the MFTHBA Certificate of Registration
 - the identity of the stallion must be reviewed directly ahead of the licensing by the Stud Book manager of the Association or a person commissioned by the Stud Book manager by means of color and insignia description and the transponder identification
 - the breed suitability test (ZTU) issued by a veterinarian licensed by the EMFTHA must be presented and must fulfill the requirements of ZBO (ZBO Attachment 3a for stallions)
 - the applicant must present a written statement, which explains all surgeries done for body corrections, to his best knowledge, including arthroscopies
 - presentation of a negative PSSM test

The Decision of Licensing reads

- (5) Licensed (maybe with requirements and related deadlines), if the stallion fulfills the requirements of this ZBO concerning an evaluation guideline conformation (total score 7,0 or more as well as the minimum score of each sub criteria (§ 7 (15)).
- (6) Not licensed, if the stallion does not fulfill the requirements of this ZBO concerning an evaluation guideline conformation (less than total score 7,0 or shortfall of the minimum score of one of the sub criteria (§ 7 (15)).
- (7) The license decision has to be submitted to the owner in writing. The decision “licensed” has to be registered in the Equiden Passport and in the Breed Certificate.
- (8) The license has to be revoked if a requirement for licensing has not been fulfilled. The License has to be revoked if a requirement ceased to exist retroactively. The



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license can be revoked if it was connected with a requirement, which the owner did not fulfill within the deadline.

- (9) Breed stallions of the Missouri Fox Trotter breed, which are licensed outside of the EMFTHA will be acknowledged by the EMFTHA for at least 4 years old and older if the licensing was done by a recognized association or the stallion was already unrestricted licensed for breeding in the country of origin USA and was registered into the Stallion Book of the country of origin. Those stallions must be presented before registration into the EMFTHA Stallion Book I, to the EMFTHA evaluation commission for acceptance of the license; in addition they must also fulfill the additional requirements of this ZBO (especial the successful performance test-riding and minimum age) for an unlimited registration into the EMFTHA Stallion Book I. Stallions with an acknowledgment of license, which have not yet done the performance test-riding, can be registered temporarily into the Stallion Book I under the condition that they perform successfully this test until the year end of their 6th year of birth. Afterwards all licensed stallions without performance test-riding will be registered into the Stallion Book II. They can promote into the Stallion Book I as soon as they performed successfully the test. Older licensed stallions without a performance test in riding can be entered in the Stallion Book I with an application, after they have performed the Performance Test in Riding successfully. Breeding Stallions from other recognized Breed Associations, who had an entry in Stallion Book I before 2017, are grandfathered and the EMFTHA will accept them for Stallion Book I.
- (10) The EMFTHA acknowledgment of licensing compasses:
- Identification of the horse according to ZBO §18
 - the determination of the body dimensions according to the MFTHBA evaluation guideline (Attachment 4 and 5)
 - verification of the breed suitability test (ZTU) including a statement about misc. surgeries
 - verification of the presented licensing documents ZBO§)
- (11) The EMFTHA will not recognize a licensing by another association if stallions are presented with an inadequate ZTU and a negative PSSM test.
- (12) EMFTHA Premium Classes will not be issued for horses with a license from simplifying foreign associations. For a registration into an EMFTHA Premium Class the horse must be presented and evaluated upon request of an owner or manager at an EMFTHA licensing. With an EMFTHA license the breed horse will be registered into the section of



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the EMFTHA breed book conforming to the evaluation criterion.

Brood Mares Evaluation

- (13) To be registered into the EMFTHA Mare Book I the mares will be evaluated. The registration compasses:
- identification according to ZBO § 17 ff.
 - determination of the body dimensions according to the MFTHBA evaluation guideline conformation (Attachment 4 and 5)
 - conformation check (§ 9)
 - performance test in the gaits Walk, Flat Foot Walk, Fox Trot
 - presentation of a Breeding Suitability Test (Attachment 3b for mares) and a negative PSSM test

§ 9 Performance Tests

(1) The EMFTHA conducts Conformation Tests for mares and stallions to evaluate the breed value conformation (exterior appearance) with special consideration of the horse's motion sequence and performance test-riding; this serves the evaluation of the breed value riding for stallions, mares and geldings with special regard to riding and the behavior of the horse. The performance test MFT is performed as a field test according to the determination of the regulation of performance tests and the breed value evaluation of horses. The requirements are set out in the guidelines of EMFTHA performance test – riding. For stallions for breeding the successful performance test-riding is a requirement for an unrestricted registration into the EMFTHA Stallion Book I/main section for Missouri Fox Trotter. The guidelines for conducting the performance tests are published on the EMFTHA e.V. homepage (www.emftha.com).

The Evaluation Commission

- (1) Responsible for the evaluation of the horses are evaluation committees; their decisions are based on expertise, independence and neutrality. The members of the evaluation committee may not have been owners, trainers or agents of the tested horse during the preceding 6 months. Furthermore no member of the committee may be a breeder of the tested horse. The personal formation of the committee will be appointed jointly by members of the EMFTHA board and the EMFTHA breed committee for each EMFTHA performance test.

A minimum of two breed judges named by the EMFTHA and the breed manager must be members of the evaluation committee for the conformation evaluation/performance text-conformation. In case the breed manager is prevented another breed judge must be named. If the breeding manager is prevented, another



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recognized breeding manager for the breed MFT is to be used as a substitute. At least one of breed judges named by the EMFTHA must at the same time be a registered MFTHBA breed judge. According to the MFTHBA specification a minimum of two MFTHBA registered breed judges must be part of the evaluation committee during an EMFTHA stallion licensing (performance test-conformation). The EMFTHA is seeking the participation of an MFTHBA registered breed judge from the country of origin USA for the stallion licensing.

A minimum of one breed judge named by the EMFTHA and the breed manager must be members of the evaluation committee performance test-riding. In case the breed manager is prevented another breed judge must be named additionally.

The list of EMFTHA and MFTHBA registered breed judges and the EMFTHA breed judge apprentices will be published on the EMFTHA website or can be received by mail upon request by the EMFTHA office. The list of the MFTHBA registered breed judges from the country of origin USA can also be requested from the EMFTHA office.

Performance Test Conformation

- (2) The evaluation of the horses is done in separate judging procedures during events (licensing, breed book registration) in order to facilitate evaluation under comparable conditions according to the requirements of the animal protection act. Only in justified exceptions the performance text-conformation can be performed outside from such events (so called "Hoftermine"). The EMFTHA board decides in each case upon request of a breed member together with the EMFTHA breed committee. The corresponding costs according to current regulations are payable by the applicant.
- (3) The evaluation for mares and stallions by the evaluation committee is done according to the following sub criterias of the requirement to the conformation of the EMFTHA (Attachment 4, 5, 12): Buildings and overall impression (vertical balance, horizontal balance, shoulder, croup, chest, front legs, hind legs, muscularity, health) and the breed specific gaits Walk, Flat Foot Walk, Foxtrot.
- (4) To pass the performance test all 12 sub criteria must be executed and evaluated. For each of these sub criterias the judges must assign a score 0 – 10. Full or half scores from 1 – 10 are acceptable. To compute the middle scores for the sub criteria the sum of the single scores from each judge will be divided by the number of judges and rounded to the second digit behind the decimal point. This results in an average score for sub criteria. To compute the sum of the not rounded average of all criterions will be divided by 13 and the result rounded to the second digit behind the decimal point. The computation of the scores is done with the assistance of a chart calculation program. The registered dates will be published on the internet site of the EMFTHA and upon request can also be mailed from the EMFTHA office. The number



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zero (0) will be given for a not executed/not evaluated sub criteria in which case no overall score will be given, the performance test was not passed.

- (5) According to the EMFTHA, single scores from 0 – 10 will be given. The scores have the following rating:

Score 10	excellent
Score 9	very good
Score 8	good
Score 7	quite good
Score 6	satisfactory
Score 5	sufficient
Score 4	inadequate
Score 3	quite bad
Score 2	bad
Score 1	very bad
Score 0	not executed

- (6) After the result of the conformation evaluation and on request of the owner the mares and stallions will be classified into 3 Premium Classes named by the Association one, two and three:

Score 7.00 – 7.49	premium class 3
Score 7.50 – 7.99	premium class 2
Score 8.00 – 10	premium class 1

- (7) Brood mares and breeding stallions registered in the EMFTHA Stud Book can be again presented to the EMFTHA evaluation committee. This committee decides about a higher evaluation. The application for a re-assessment must be in writing at least 4 weeks ahead of an EMFTHA breed show. The current examination results from all examinations passed are valid. The EMFTHA board will decide about the acceptance together with the breed committee.

Performance Test Riding

The EMFTHA executes performance tests-riding in field tests for stallions, mares and geldings according to the animal rights law. The horse's disposition for the breed specific gaits Walk, Flat Foot Walk, Fox Trot and Canter will be tested and evaluated. Riding characteristics with special consideration given to the character attributes and temperament, overall performance possibility, performance willingness and tractability. Decisive for the evaluation is the qualification of the horses concerning an improvement of the riding quality of the Missouri Fox Trotter breed. The passing of the test will be confirmed



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by the EMFTHA in a test certificate. EMFTHA registered mares will receive at the same time the breed book grade EMFTHA performance mare, licensed stallions the unlimited registration into the EMFTHA Stallion Book I (main section). Analog to the performance test-conformation single scores from 0 (not executed) to 10 (excellent) will be issued for the evaluation of the horses. Only full or half scores are acceptable. To pass the test all sub criteria must be executed and evaluated with scores from 1 – 10. (§ 9.3.4.) The final score is the average of the individual scores for the five assessment characteristics. If sub score 0 is assigned in at least one assessment characteristic, no overall score is determined. The performance test riding is considered to be failed.

- (8) The test lasts one day. Location and date will be set and announced by the EMFTHA Board and the Breed Committee.

Admission Rules and Fees:

- (9) Eligible are:

- Stallions 4 years old and older
- Mares 4 years old and older
- Geldings 4 years old and older
- whereupon the target group is 5-year-old horses owned by EMFTHA members with an Equiden Passport including the MFTHBA Certificate of Registration.

- (10) The EMFTHA Board can in addition accept also horses from non-members.

- (11) All participating horses must fulfill the latest EMFTHA participation conditions (vaccination, liability insurance). Test fees according to the valid fee schedule will be charged and are due with the application.

- (12) The Anti Doping and Medication Control regulations (ADMR) according to the applicable EU regulations in its current edition and supplements is binding for all participants. The EMFTHA is publishing the latest edition of the ADMR on its website. Horses, which had a medical treatment against sickness or injuries during the preceding 4 weeks before the test must present until 3 days before the test a veterinarian certificate about the medication used. Upon request of the judge committee the EMFTHA has the right to order a blood or urine test according to ADMR at the expense of the horse's owner. Positive tested horses will be excluded retroactively with a public disclosure on the EMFTHA website.

Test Sections



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- (13) The EMFTHA performance test-riding is composed of the following sections (ZBO Attachments 6 to 14)

- Section 1:** evaluation of interior features during the test day for all participating horses
- Section 2:** test of the gaits under saddle in the dressage arena for all participating horses
- Section 3:** horsemanship pattern
- Section 4:** EMFTHA Composing test under saddle for all participating horses

Section 1: Revision-interior features

The evaluation committee will execute the revision interior. The evaluation (Attachment 11) must bring a total result of minimum “6.0 satisfactory” otherwise the total EMFTHA performance test-riding is not passed. The check is performed in the background during the entire test day.

Section 2: performance test in the dressage square (Attachment 10)

A minimum of 3 horses must be on the track. If only one horse has to be evaluated the group can be filled with other horses, which run without evaluation. Stallions and Mares will be tested separate. Single scores from 0 – 10 will be given for the evaluation features:

Flat Foot Walk, Fox Trot, Gallop, Rideability, Total Impression. The evaluation is done in separate judging by the evaluation committee for the performance test-riding. Full or half scores from 0 (not executed) to 10 (excellent) are acceptable. The total score is the arithmetic mean of the single scores for the five assessment characteristics.

All 5 evaluation criteria must always be executed and evaluated with scores from 0 – 10. The number zero (0) is for not executed/not evaluated in which case no overall score will be given, the test did not pass. The test has no competitive nature, a one time mistake in riding does not lead to a test exclusion.

Repetition of the Performance Test riding

The Members of the Evaluation Committee can decide that single tasks of the performance test-riding can be repeated. All partial tests must always be completed. The current examination results from all the examinations passed is valid.



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To finish Section 2 successfully the partial tests in Flat Foot Walk, Foxtrot have to get at least the score 5 (sufficient) and in Riding Ability and total impression the score 6 (satisfactory). The judging will also include the feature temperament, performance and motivation.

The partial test in Performance Riding, Section 2, is passed when the score in total is 6 (satisfactory). For mares the score for Fox Trot has to be at least 6.0 and for stallions 7.0, otherwise the test did not pass.

Section 3:

In this section horses have to demonstrate surefootedness and riding ability in daily handling. Composed, alert and willing with hardly visible assistance (Attachment 6 and 9). The pattern will be published.

Equitation and Tack:

Equitation and Tack have to be according the rules of the EMFTHA, especially the use of allowed bits together with rules about one handed or two handed reins.

Section 4:

Ridden composure test (GHP) for all participating horses: The GHP is testing the willingness, courage, confidence, composure and obedience of the horses (Attachment 7+8). The obstacles and tasks are in accordance with the guidelines of the EMFTHA.

Evaluation

- (14) The horse should pass all obstacles in the arena alert, composed and tranquil with easy rein and without much hardly visible help.
- (15) In case the horse refuses/or is one task not sufficiently completed (Attachment 7) only one repeat is allowed for each task. This will be announced by the evaluation committee with: "Task not sufficiently completed, one repeat allowed". If the repeat fails the evaluation committee announces: "No repeat of this task allowed".
- (16) Reasons for exclusions to the test:
 - a. three not sufficiently completed tasks despite repeat
 - b. imminent danger, no sufficient reaction to assistance from rider, visible danger for the leader of the horse or to a third party
 - c. horse is erratic, panic, rearing up repeatedly
 - d. exceeding the predetermined time of 8 minutes



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- (17) The evaluation is done by the EMFTHA Evaluation Committee, performance riding in a joint evaluation procedure. In addition, further “professional riders” can be consulted (According to ZBO § 9(2)).
For each participating horse an evaluation protocol will be kept (Attachment 8)
- 8) with remarks from the evaluation committee for all single scores during the time of the test.
- (18) For the EMFTHA Composure Test the scores “passed” or “not passed” will be awarded as follows: the test is passed if the horse shows in maximum 8 minutes the overall score over 6.0 satisfactory. The test is not passed if the horse gets an overall score below 6.0 from the EMFTHA Evaluation Committee:
- horse is constantly disobedient, tense and insubordinate
 - three tasks are not executed despite a repeat
 - participant is excluded during the test (see also reasons for exclusion)
- (19) If the EMFTHA GHP is not passed, the total performance test riding is not passed.

Test tasks

see EMFTHA ZBO Attachment 6 and 7. For tests during an EMFTHA Tournament the pattern of the tournament can also be used for the test.

Announcement of the test results EMFTHA Performance Test Riding

- (20) The EMFTHA maintains a protocol with location, test committee, single records of all participants with part scores result and allover result. The protocol must be signed by the judges of the test.
- (21) After termination of all test sections a verbal public announcement of the test results is made. The result is preliminary and will be recomputed for controlling purpose. The binding, official allover result is exclusively the test certificate issued by the EMFTHA for each horse according to the last score sheet (ZBO Attachment 13).
- (22) The allover result of all participating horses will be published at the homepage of the EMFTHA. Other Breed Associations, who have registered a horse in their Breed Book, will receive a copy of the tests.
- (23) The owner of each horse receives a certificate of the allover result,



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reading:

- the result of the review of the behavior characteristic with passed/not passed
- the result of the performance in the dressage square and the oval arena with passed/not passed including the single evaluations and the overall score of the tested horse as well as the average performance of the tested group and the deviation from the group's mean.
- the result of the EMFTHA Composure Test with passed/not passed

The EMFTHA Performance Test Riding is passed when all partial tests are passed. All partial tests for the Performance Test Riding must be carried out in one test respectively during the same tournament.

EMFTHA Rating and EMFTHA Breed Book Registration

- (24) Mares which are registered in the EMFTHA Mare Book and have passed the EMFTHA Performance Test Riding will be rated "EMFTHA Performance Mare". The rating will be registered into the EMFTHA Breed Book and the mare's Equiden Passport including Breed Registration. When the EMFTHA issues an Equiden passport including a Breed Certificate for the offspring of the mare the rating "EMFTHA Performance Mare" will be listed.
- (25) Upon request licensed Breed Stallions ,after passing the performance test, will receive an unrestricted registration into the Stallion Book I. The passing of the test will be registered and confirmed into the EMFTHA Breed Book and the Equiden Passport including the Breed Certificate. The results of the own contribution of offspring from (Gelding, Stallion, Mare) registered EMFTHA Breed Horses will be additionally listed in the Breed Book of the parent horses.

Repetition of the performance test riding

- (26) The EMFTHA performance test-riding can be repeated. A request for higher evaluation is to be submitted in writing with the application. All partial tests must always be completed. The last current result applies.



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Recognition of Tournament Tests

- (27) The Performance Test Riding for breed stallions, brood mares and geldings is recognized as being successful if the horses can prove the following minimum results during tournaments organized or approved by the EMFTHA:
- minimum two placings in the top half of entries in the 2-Gait Performance Class 1
 - in addition, one placing in the top half of entries in the Horsemanship Class 1
 - in addition, one placing in the top half of entries in the Composure Test
- or
- minimum one placing in the top third of entries in the 3-Gait Performance Class 1
 - in addition, minimum one placing in top half of entries in Horsemanship Class 1
 - in addition, one placing in the top half of entries in the Composure Test.

Recognition of Performance Tests from other Breeder Associations

(28)The EMFTHA Board and the EMFTHA Breed Committee decide in each single case, after checking the presented documents especially regarding the test task and test conditions, about a request to recognize a Performance Test Riding for unrestricted registration into an EMFTHA Stallion Book I, organized by another recognized association or assigned organization for breed stallions of the Missouri Fox Trotter.

§ 10 Regulation of Contradictions

- (1) Within 4 weeks after announcement, a horse owner can make a protest in writing at the branch office of the EMFTHA e.V. against all registrations and evaluations of a presented horse. The protest has to be substantiated. The EMFTHA Board together with the Breed Committee will examine the circumstances; if necessary mandate a new presentation of the horse to a new Evaluation Committee in which all members have to be appointed newly except the Breed Manager; after that a final decision will be made. No financial compensation can be requested due to the negotiation time. Until the decision of the Breed Committee the horse remains into a closed status.



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§ 11 Breeding with a stallion not registered in the EMFTHA Stud Book

- (1) To issue an Equiden Pasports including a Breed Certificate for an offspring from an EMFTHA registered brood mare with a none EMFTHA registered breed stallion, the EMFTHA is asking for an additional fee according to the EMFTHA Fee Schedule. The proof of the registration of the breeding stallion in another recognized breed book for Missouri Fox Trotter, including the presentation of an DNA test of the breeding stallion to verify the descent of the foal and date of foaling, must occur with the request to issue an Equiden Passport, including the application for registration in the Stud Book of the EMFTHA for the foal.

§ 12 Management of the Stud Book

Breed Book Registrations

- (1) The Breed Book management is carried out by the Breed Manager, responsible for the breed work. The management works with the Breed Manager and as far as necessary with the support of data processing system as well with the support of the breeders.
- (2) The Breed Director is responsible for the correctness of the Breed Book Registrations and for the issuing of Equiden Passports including the Breed Certificates, which must correspond with the Breed Book Registrations.
- (3) The owner is responsible for the correctness of the data on the breeding certificate, the breeding report, the date of foaling and the stable/ranch book. He checks all registration documents sent to him by the association for correctness. He must report immediately all mistakes or necessary changes, especially the sale or death of a horse.
- (4) All changes such as breeding dates, a change by death or sale, results from performance tests must be submitted immediately to the EMFTHA by the owner. Change in color and markings must be declared by a representative. Corrections of the Equiden Passport, including the Breed Certificate and corrections in the registration documents will only be done by the EMFTHA. Any correction by the breeder himself is not allowed.

Minimum Information in the EMFTHA Breed Book

- (5) The Breed Book is managed in a card index and/or with an electronic devise. The association must order a cancellation in the Breed Book if retroactive gets knowledge



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that the requirements for a registration did not exist or later ceased to exist. Each change must be made visible.

- The EMFTHA Breed Books contain at least the following information:
- name and address of the breeder as well as owner
- name and website of the breed association
- date of last breeding of the dam
- date of birth, place of birth, code of the country of place of birth,
- gender of the breeding animal
- markings of the breeding animal (name, UELN life number, DNA-Genotype, Stud Book class/department in Stud Book, color, breed, transponder identification, emblem diagram drawn and described)
- name of Stud Book
- marks of the breeding animal's parents, as far as known name, breed and as far as available life number, color, transponder identification, DNA-Genotype, breed book section,
- marks of grandparents in case of purebred breeding animals (name, breed and as far as available: life numbers, color, transponder identification, DNA-Genotype)
- in the EMFTHA Breed Area, starting from year of birth 2007, the DNA type with the result of the check of descent of sire and dam for all offspring
- as far as available minimum 3 ancestor's generations
- existing genetic tests of the horse and genetic defects
- assigned status of the animal as not intended for slaughter or slaughter for human consumption
- for breeding horses, whose semen will be used for artificial insemination, the test result of the genetic descent control for identification
- for breed horses, which result from embryo transfer, additional information must be included:
 - o the identification of the genetic parent, the recipient and the embryo to verify identity and descent
 - o the time of insemination
 - o date of the embryo being taken and transferred, and the person responsible for the recording
- information on twin births
- evaluation of the horse,
- results of genetic determination
- show- and award success by the
- association owned awards
- all to the association known results of performance tests
- all by the owner published success at exhibitions and awards
- offspring: for stallions registered sons and daughters with life numbers; for mares the total offspring with life numbers



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- the breeding horse's date of death as far as known and the cause
- the date of the issued Breeding Certificate
- information and date about a duplicate or replacement of a document

§ 13 Breeder's Responsibility

- (1) The owner or manager of a registered breed horse is responsible for the correctness of the information in the breeding certificate, the breeding report, the date of foaling, the stable/ranch book as well as for all other certificates, which he has to fill out, send in or to file. He has to check for correctness all Breed Book documents, form sheets and registration documents including the Equiden Passports and the Breed Certificate, sent to him from the association. He will report any errors immediately to the EMFTHA. Reported changes in color or markings must be confirmed by a representative from the EMFTHA, seeing the horse in person.
- (2) Each member must follow the deadlines from the ZBO for marking the horses, dates of foaling registration, breeding report and breeding certificates. The Breeder's Association must register all failures to keep a deadline as per §2 (1) TierZOV from 4/29/2009. If deadlines are exceeded by more than 30 days, subject to fee is due according to fee list by the Breeder's Association.
- (3) All changes in breeding data as well as loss by death or sale, change in ownership, castration of a stallion, results from performance tests must be reported to the EMFTHA immediately.

§ 14 Recording of Breeding Stables/ Ranches

Stable Book

- (1) According to the rules of TierZVO from 4/29/2009 each breeder, owner or manager of a breed horse must maintain recordings (stable book) in which he files all essential data such as name, life number, markings and descent of each breed horse and if applicable owner, breeding dates, foaling dates registration, birth date and all Breed Book copies and certificates for performance tests.
- (2) Each member is obliged to present on demand the recordings (stable books) to the Breed Manager of the EMFTHA or his agent. The stable book does not release the horse manager from the duties imposed by law, for keeping of animals, for instance animal traffic regulations or animal epidemic regulation (stock records).



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- (3) For breeding horses out of an embryo transfer the following additional recordings are mandatory:
- identification of the genetic parents, the recipient animal and the embryo
 - date of the insemination
 - date of the extraction and transfer of the embryo
 - name and address of the embryo transfer facility including the official registration number of the permit

Breeding Report

- (4) The stallion managers are obliged to maintain a breeding report for each stallion and calendar year. The breeding report must contain the following data:
- year
 - name of stable/stallion manager
 - insignias of the breeding stallion (name, life number, color, breed, date of birth, sire, dam)
 - name and address of the stallion owner
 - insignia of the mares bred (name, life number, color, breed)
 - name and address of owner of the mares bred
 - all breeding dates, in case of pasture breeding the period of breeding at the pasture
 - signature of the stallion manager or his representative in charge

The Breeding Report must be signed by the stallion manager and sent to the EMFTHA for each registered stallion by Jan 15 of each calendar year. The Breeding Report must also be signed and send in, in case no mare has been bred. Exceeding the time limit will be recorded by the EMFTHA according to TierZVO from 4/29/2009 §2 (6). Exceeding the time limit by more than 30 days the stallion manager/owner has to pay the dues according to the fee schedule of the EMFTHA. Without a correct application for the offspring there cannot be issued neither an Equiden Passport nor a Breeding Certificate. The Breeding Report does not release the horse manager from the duties imposed by law, when keeping breeding stallions, for filing and recording of all documents according animal traffic regulations or animal epidemic regulation (stock records).

Breeding Certificat

- (5) Upon request the breeder/stallion manager can receive breeding certificates from the EMFTHA office. The breeding certificate has to be completed and signed by the stallion manager or his representative. The owner of the mare bred will receive a copy of the breeding certificate from the stallion owner. The breeding reports have to be mailed until January 15 of each year to the EMFTHA and MFTHBA. If the



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deadline is exceeded there will be a fee due according to the fee schedule of the EMFTHA.

The breeding certificate must contain the following minimum information:

- Name and address of the mare owner
- Insignias of the mare (name, life number, color, breed, birth date, sire, dam)
- all breeding dates, in case of pasture breeding the period of breeding at the pasture
- breeding AI all information about the handler according to the law of breeding and epidemic disease

Foal registration

- (6) The foal registration must be reported to the EMFTHA by the owner of the mare within one month (28 days) after date of birth; preferable an EMFTHA form should be used. In case a mare does not give birth, foal is borne dead or dies shortly after birth the mare owner must report a respective form to the Breeders Association. Exceeding the time limit by more than 28 days the person who has to report will receive a fee according to the fee schedule of the Association. In addition the EMFTHA will order a chargeable parentage verification (§19 ZBO) The costs are born by the breeder.

The foal registration must contain:

- name of breeder
- name of owner of the mare
- insignia of mare (name, life number)
- insignia of breeding stallion (name, life number)
- date of birth of foal, gender, color, breed,
- if applicable information about the unfertile course of pregnancy, dead born or death of foal
- signature of mare owner

§ 15 Artificial Insemination, Embryo Transfer and Cloning

Artificial insemination

- (1) With the current artificial insemination regulations of the MFTHBA (attachment 14) from June 23, 2007 the EMFTHA accepts breeding stallions of the Missouri Fox Trotter for artificial insemination. (AI transfer with fresh, cool or deep frozen semen). The appropriate guidelines (attachment 14 and 15) of the MFTHBA are published on the EMFTHA website.



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- (2) The EMFTHA allows deep frozen semen from deceased or gelded breeding stallions as long as the conditions of the EMFTHA ZBO for the recognition of breeding stallions have been fulfilled at the time of insemination.
- (3) Registered breeding stallions used for artificial insemination have to be reported to the EMFTHA at the beginning and at the end of offering artificial insemination.
- (4) The report to the EMFTHA does not release the owner or manager of a breeding stallion from the duties imposed by law for production, sale and use of semen.

Embryo transfer

- (5) Embryo transfer is allowed by the MFTHBA and EMFTHA for the Missouri Fox Trotter Breed.

Cloning

- (6) Cloning is not allowed by the MFTHBA and EMFTHA.

§ 16 Equiden Passport incl. Breed Certification and Owner's Deed

General provisions

- (1) Only for horses, which can be registered into the EMFTHA Breed Book, can upon request, an Equiden Passport including breed certificate be issued, according to regulation DVO (EU) 2015/262 der KOM and the legal provisions according to Animal Traffic Regulations. The breed certificate must be integrated to the Equiden pass.
- (2) The identification and marking of the foal is a requirement; it must be carried out as requested by law before sale or give away from inventory, latest however six months after birth of the foal and always before Dec 31 of the year of birth. In addition, the horse manager must comply with the instructions of the animal traffic regulations concerning the Equiden Passport.
- (3) The EMFTHA issues an Equiden Passport including breed certificate in the sense of animal husbandry for:
 - A. Foals from parents, registered in the EMFTHA Breed Book: The dam is registered in a main department of the EMFTHA Mare Book or will be registered latest in the year the foal was born into a class of the main



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department, the sire is registered in a class of the main department of the EMFTHA Stallion Book in the year of breeding.

- B. Foals from imported pregnant mares out of the country of origin (USA) will receive an Equiden Passport including a breed certificate if the dam will be registered into a class of the main department in the Mare Book of the EMFTHA latest in the year the foal is born. The sire must be registered or me marked as eligible in one of the Stallion Books recognized by the EMFTHA.

(4) The Equiden Passport tied to the breed certificate contains, the following minimum information for the horse:

- breed
- identification of the horse
- life number/international life number(UELN 15-digits) of the horse
- owner or authorized person with address
- name
- gender
- color and markings on hand with the dam
- active identification: microchip number (transponder according to VO(EG)504/2008) alternatively the successor regulation DVO (EU) 2015/262 in conjunction with § 44 ViehVerkV
- completed diagram of markings
- date of birth and place of birth
- name and address of breeder
- sire's name of horse
- dam's name of the horse
- last date of breeding of the mare
- name and address of issuing Breeder's Association
- date of issue, place of issue
- signature of issuer – breeding manager alternatively his deputy
- medication treatment
- identity controls
- vaccinations
- health controls by laboratories
- DNA Result with date of the laboratory in charge
- booking number of genetic type1 descent with 3 generations
- as far as available incl. name, breed, UELN, Breed Book section of ancestors
- Breed Book registrations
- breed information/performance test results
- competition registrations
- medication control
- status of the horse as not assigned for slaughter or human consumption



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- registration of the genetic tests
- (5) The Equiden Passport will be issued in landscape format DIN A5. To issue an Equiden Passport including breed certificate the association can appoint not intern associate employees.
- (6) The EMFTHA or an appointed representative is transmitting to a central data bank or another mandated office, information about Equiden Passport, incl. transponder allocation, official license number of manager and horse owner information as mandated by the law of animal traffic regulation DVO (EU) 2015/262 der KOM within the territory of the Breeder's Association.
- (7) EMFTHA Equiden Passports, including breeding certificates, will be invalid in the event of slaughter, death or loss of a horse under the DVO (EU) 2015/262, the KOM and the ViehVerkV. In Germany, an Equiden Passport including the breeding certificate issued by the EMFTHA is immediately to be returned to EMFTHA after the slaughter, death or loss of a horse.
- (8) The American Certificate of Registration of the MFTHBA is accepted as title deed. For receiving an Equiden Passport and the entry into the Stud Book into the main section, the original Certificate of Registration of the MFTHBA must be submitted to EMFTHA.
This MFTHBA document get a stamp and the signature of the respective Breed Manager and will become an ownership certificate. The UELN and the code of the transponder will be registered on the back of the Certificate of Registration according to the implementing provision (EU) 2015/262. The ownership certificate belongs to the owner of the horse according to the BGB. In case of change in ownership, the ownership certificate needs to be delivered to the new owner. Leasing horses do not need a circumscription. In this case the MFTHBA lease agreement document should be submitted to the EMFTHA.
The ownership certificate belongs to the horse and when selling a horse it has to be given to the buyer.

§ 17 Equiden Passport incl. Breed Certificate for imported horses from third countries

- (1) In case the import papers for imported horses of the Missouri Fox Trotter breed out of third countries are not conform with the required specifications for an Equiden Passport according to DVO (EU) 2015/262 der KOM it will be proceeded as per capital II, article 8 of the DVO (EU) 2015/262 der KOM.



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- (2) The EMFTHA can issue a horse passport including breed certificate for imported horses after their identification, presentation of export certificate, presentation of Breed Certificate and the import papers, which will satisfy the requirement of DVO (EU) 2015/262 der KOM After this occurrence the EMFTHA will convert and mark the original breed certificate from the country of origin into an owner's certificate.
- (3) According to DVO (EU) 2015/262 der KOM the owner of a horse may have only one valid Equiden Passport including breed certificate for each horse.
- (4) According to DVO (EU) 2015/262 der KOM the request to issue an Equiden Passport including breed certificate and registration of the horse must be presented to the EMFTHA e.V. within the first 30 days after completion of custom's procedure.

§ 18 Identification and Marking of the horses

- (1) The identification of foals is carried out with the following methods:
 - Identification of a foal on hand with the dam
 - Check of the breeding certificate of the dam
 - Gender
 - Description of color and markings, drawing of a marking's diagram
 - Identification by inserting a transponder, left side of the neck
 - Issuing of an UELN number
 - Taking of a sample for genetic typing, generally hair root of the horse
 - DNA typing of the horse with the standard of the International Society for Animal Genetics (ISAG standard) by roots of horse hair or blood.
- (2) Identification of mares and stallions for registration into the Breed Book is carried out with the following methods:
 - Controlling the Equiden Passport including breed certificate
 - Controlling the markings and description of horse
 - Reading the transponder if available
 - DNA typing of the horse, genetic typing according to ISAG standard with taking sample, if not yet available

Place and Representative for Identification

- (3) The EMFTHA Breed Management can delegate the identification, sample taking and description of the foals to expert members of the EMFTHA and/or upon request of a breeder also veterinarians. The transponder marking is only done by veterinarians. In Germany the veterinarian in charge must have an official registration number.



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- (4) The identification of breeding stallions and brood mares for registration into a Stud Book is done by the EMFTHA during an EMFTHA breed show or in application as a yard appointment. the EMFTHA Breed Management can delegate to expert EMFTHA members the identification of mares for registration into a breed book.
- (5) The Association can delegate identification duties also to other organizations.

§ 19 Determination of Descent

- (1) For each foal to be registered the EMFTHA demands on account of the applicant a DNA typing and a descent examination on sire and dam. The descent examination occurs with the determination of gnomonic features based on the results of the DNA micro satellite typing (ISAG standard). As a requirement from the MFTHBA the tests must be done in a member laboratory approved by the ISAG.
- (2) An Equiden Passport including breed certificate will only be issued if no variations are determined during the examination of descent for the foal to be registered. The horse owner will be immediately informed in case of any variation of descent. A variation during the examination of descent will be recorded by the EMFTHA as per TierZVO from 4/29/2009 §2. The recording will be kept for at least 10 years after the date of recording.
- (3) If not available at the time of registration for the EMFTHA Breed Book registration a DNA typing (ISAG standard) is required for each breeding horse for assurance of identity on account of the applicant with a central saving of data. For registered breeding horses the EMFTHA can demand at any time a repeat of the descent test or a descent examination on sire and dam.
- (4) The EMFTHA members agree without limitation to a central DNA data saving (DNA micro satellite sample ISAG standard) in the EMFTHA office for at least 10 years (TierZVO from 4/29/2009 §2 (6)) as well as transmitting them for administrative cooperation to other recognized breed organizations and also without limitation to the MFTHBA Registry.

§ 20 Naming

- (1) Name requests for foals, born in the breed territory of the EMFTHA will be checked by the MFTHBA and approved if suitable.



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§ 21 International Life Number (UELN)

- (1) The EMFTHA issues for each foal by registration an international life number (UELN). The life number has 15 digits. The first 3 digits refer to the place of business (country) of the Breeders Association in which the horse was registered and has received an UELN for the first time (for Germany DE or 276). The next digit tells whether the horse is born before the year 2000 (3) or after the beginning of 2000 (4). The next 2 digits refer to the Breeders Association, where the horse was registered for the first time. The next 7 digits belong to the registration number from the EMFTHA or MFTHBA, which are in charge for the Certificate of Registration for the breed of the Missouri Fox Trotter. The last 2 digits refer to the horse's year of birth. By means of a number comparison, the Association ensures that no duplicate numbers are given. Association in charge, if the horse has not yet received an UELN, or if it is not The international life number UELN does not change and remains the same even when the horse is transferred into another breeding territory. International life numbers for horses, born in foreign countries will be adopted by registration. An UELN will be issued by the Breed registered in the Original EMFTHA Stud Book.
- (2) The international life number UELN does not change and remains the same even when the horse is transferred into another breeding territory. International life numbers for horses, born in foreign countries will be adopted by registration. An UELN will be issued by the EMFTHA if there is no UELN existing also not in the MFTHBA Stud Book.

§ 22 Signing off from the Stud Book

- (1) Signing off a breeding horse from the EMFTHA breed book is done upon request. It can only be done in writing effective Dec 31 of each calendar year with a 4-week notice.
- (2) With termination of an EMFTHA membership, all registered breeding horses of the leaving member will be signed off as active from the EMFTHA Breed Book. The termination of the EMFTHA membership or an exclusion is regulated in §6of the charter A.
- (3) The death of a breeding horse must be reported immediately to the EMFTHA. Breed Book fees will not be refunded for the current year.



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§ 23 Renewal into the Stud Book

- (1) A signed off horse can upon request by an EMFTHA member, who is owner or manager of the horse, at any time be received again into the EMFTHA Breed Book by paying the due fee.

§ 24 EMFTHA Competitions and Championships

- (1) The Breeder Association is organizing within its territory also association owned or licensed competitions and championships in an irregular sequence, mostly 2 or 3 yearly events. These events take place according to the actual Rule Book of the EMFTHA, which can always be seen at the EMFTHA website.

§ 25 EMFTHA Elite stallion and Elite mare

- (1) Upon request of the owner, breeding horses registered in the EMFTHA Stallion Book I or in the EMFTHA Mare Book I, by decision of the Board can receive the award Elite Stallion/Elite Mare on account of own outstanding performances and/or performances from offspring of the breeding horse. The award can also be given to deceased and not delivered breeding horses as long as the request comes from an EMFTHA member.
- (2) The title award is done only once a year. The application therefore has to be submitted to the Breed Book management latest by June 30 of each year with presentation of the individual performances. When the EMFTHA issues Equiden Passports including Breed Certificates for offspring of the awarded horses, the title "EMFTHA Elite Stallion" or "EMFTHA Elite Mare" will be documented.
- (3) The following minimum requirements have to be fulfilled for an award "EMFTHA Elite Stallion":
 - the stallion is registered unlimited into an EMFTHA Stallion Book I with an overall score of 8.00 from the EMFTHA conformation evaluation
 - the stallion has at least 8 offspring from at least 3 different mares
 - the stallion has at least one licensed son and a daughter, which are registered unlimited with an overall score of 7.50 into a recognized Stallion Book I/Mare Book I or at least an EMFTHA Award Class 2 into an EMFTHA Stallion Book I/Mare Book I

or alternative:



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- the stallion has at least 3 daughters, with a total score of 7.5 in a recognized Mare Book I or registered in Award Class 2 of the EMFTHA Mare Book I
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- or the following requirements must be fulfilled:

- the stallion is registered unlimited into an EMFTHA Stallion Book I with an overall score of 8.00 for conformation evaluation
- the stallion has passed the EMFTHA Performance Test Riding and received an overall score of 8.00 in the sections 2a and 2b whereat no single score must be under 7.00

alternatively

- the stallion has proved for competition performance according to the requirement of § 9(29)
- the stallion has at least 4 offspring
- the stallion has at least 1 licensed son, which is registered unlimited with an overall score of minimum 7.50 into an recognized Stallion Book I or with an EMFTHA Award Class 2 registered in Stallion Book I

alternatively

- the stallion has at least 2 daughters registered with a minimum overall score of 7.50 into a recognized Mare Book I or with EMFTHA Award Class 2 registered in Mare Book I

(4) The following minimum requirements have to be fulfilled for an award “EMFTHA Elite Mare”:

- the mare is registered into EMFTHA Mare Book I with an overall score of minimum 7.50 from the EMFTHA conformation evaluation
- the mare has at least 4 offspring
- the mare has at least 2 offspring registered unlimited in an recognized Stallion Book I/Mare Book I with an overall score of 7.50 or with EMFTHA Award Class 2 registered in Stallion Book I/Mare Book I

or the following requirements must be fulfilled for an award:

- the mare is registered in an EMFTHA Mare Book I with an overall score of minimum 7.50 from the EMFTHA conformation evaluation
- the mare has passed the EMFTHA Performance Test Riding
- the mare has at least 2 offspring



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- the mare has at least 1 offspring, registered unlimited into a recognized Mare Book I/Stallion Book I with an overall score of 7.50 or minimum with EMFTHA Award Class 2 registered in Mare Book I/Stallion Book I

§ 26 State Awards

- (1) State rewards are directed by guidelines issued by the State of residence of the horse owner.

§ 27 Amendment Order

- (1) In case some requirements of this Breed Book order are ineffective or infeasible or become so after a resolution of the member assembly the effectiveness of the ZBO remains intact. Ineffective or infeasible requirements are to be replaced by regulations closest to the economic and legal goals.
- (2) The board is entitled to make changes to this Breed Book Order in case of directives from court, controlling or tax authorities or changed laws. These changes in the ZBO will then be submitted to the next the member assembly .

The articles of incorporation of the EMFTHA e.V. entered into force on December 19, 2016, Amendments were adopted by the Annual General Meeting on June 15, 2017 in Graben-Neudorf and come into force on the day of approval by the recognition authority.

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§ 28 EMFTHA ZBO attachments

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