

3. RULES RELATING TO THE SELECTION OF STALLIONS & PERFORMANCE TESTING

3.1 Definitions and Preamble

- 3.1.1** For the purpose of this rule, 'grading' means the selection of a stallion for the purpose of breeding within the Trakehner breed, and the entry of the progeny into the relevant stud book or register, according to the rules of the TBF, and entirely in accordance with the Contract with the Trakehner Verband, and the Memorandum and Articles of the TBF.
- 3.1.2** The definitions of Trakehner, Arab, Anglo-Arab and Thoroughbred in Rule 2, apply.
- 3.1.3** The age of a horse in the Trakehner breed shall be calculated from its birth.
- 3.1.4** NaStA means the National Stallion Association
- 3.1.5** 'Other approved Performance Test' includes any test carried out under German Law and approved by the Trakehner Verband.

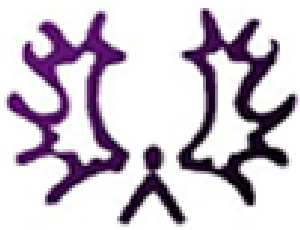
3.2 Eligibility

- 3.2.1** The following horses may be presented for selection:

-Trakehner colt of at least two years of age, branded with an approved Trakehner brand, and registered in the Main Stud Book. A colt must achieve at least 49 marks out of 70 to be considered by the Grading Commission for entry into the Breeding Section of the Main Stud Book.

-Thoroughbred, Arab or Anglo Arab colt of at least two years of age which satisfies the Committee in accordance with the following conditions:

- a) Any stallion approved should consolidate and develop the characteristics of the Trakehner herd.
- b) If four or more years old the potential stallion must pass the Performance test at Class II before being able to be presented for grading.



3.3 Performance Testing

3.3.1 A stallion selected for breeding at the grading must be presented for the NaStA or other Approved Performance Test within two years of being graded. If the stallion is not presented for the Performance Test within two years its approval for breeding will be withdrawn and all members of the TBF will be notified. If the stallion fails at the Performance Test its approval for breeding will

automatically be withdrawn and members of the TBF notified accordingly.

3.3.2 If for reason of ill health or injury a stallion is unable to be presented for the Performance Test, full details must be provided to the TBF Committee as soon as practicable. Any failure to present such a case within a reasonable time before the due date of the Performance Test will automatically invoke rule 3.3.1.

3.3.3 On receipt of an injury or ill health report the TBF Committee may take such Veterinary advice it deems appropriate, and call for further examinations at the owner's expense. It may then:

- a) issue a delayed Performance Test Approval, with or without conditions
- b) in exceptional circumstances issue an exemption certificate
- c) revoke the stallion approval.