

Broodmare Requirements

For mares to be eligible for the Iowa Horse Breeders' Fund Program and their foals to be eligible to enter races limited to Iowa-foaled horses, 21 Iowa Administrative Code (IAC) chapter 62 requires, that the following must be submitted to IDALS **prior to foaling**:

1. A Broodmare Registration Application (Form M-4), including the \$30 registration fee.
2. The Mare Status Report (Form M-5)

Broodmares must establish residency in Iowa for their foal to qualify for Iowa Foaled Status. Residency is outlined in [Iowa Administrative Rules Chapter 62](#). There are several ways for a mare to establish residency. A summary is provided below:

1. A Thoroughbred mare must arrive in Iowa on or before December 15th of the year prior to foaling and have continuous residency until the foal is inspected by IDALS. A Quarter horse or Standardbred mare must arrive in Iowa on or before January 31st prior to foaling and have continuous residency until the foal is inspected by IDALS.
 - A. *To clarify: If a mare arrives in Iowa after the breed specific deadline listed above, then one of the following is required:*
 - a. Be bred to an Iowa registered stallion
 - b. Be bred back to an Iowa Registered Stallion
2. Have 30 days residency in Iowa and be bred to an Iowa Registered Stallion
3. Have 30 days residency in Iowa and be bred back to an Iowa Registered Stallion

All mares are required to have a pre-foal inspection prior to foaling. All foals must have a post-foal inspection prior to leaving the state of Iowa. For mares not in Iowa prior to the breed specific deadline, there must be at least 30 days between the pre-foal and the post-foal inspection. *Call your inspector as soon as possible to schedule these inspections.* If you cannot reach your inspector, please call the Horse Breeding Program at 515-281-4103.

A mare status report must be submitted every year to IDALS in a timely manner regardless of if the mare is bred or open.

Do not hesitate to reach out to the Horse Breeding Program at 515-281-4103 or Michelle.Dillon@IowaAgriculture.gov with any questions.