

3 FORMS

OF AGE VERIFICATION ACCEPTED BY



Confused by age verification? Don't know which format of verification your horse is eligible for? Here is a simple breakdown of the three forms of horse identification that qualify as age verification documents according to the USEF rules.

Only have vet records that prove birth date
but no parentage?
There's an easy option for you too!

BREED REGISTRATION PAPERS/PASSPORT

This option is appropriate for horses produced by a sire and dam that were approved for breeding by the registry. Often requires inspection by breed organization. Some breed registries now offer a distance option allowing owners to register horses via email and online for competition identification purposes without inspection. The breed registry does not have to be a member of the WBFSH.

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HORSE IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT

Technically considered a type of breed registration. Appropriate for horses with undocumented pedigree or parentage but have vet records that document birth date. Many breed registries are willing to provide these documents for horses that are not of their "breed" to help support the USEF Age Verification rules. Most often, no inspection is necessary and is handled via email or online.

CERTIFICATE OF PEDIGREE

Appropriate for horses where you are able to document pedigree but the horse is not eligible for full registration papers or passport from a breed registry because the parents were not the same breed as the registry or eligible for producing horses for that breed. Some registries require inspection, but some also offer a distance option allowing registration via email and online forms without inspection.