

# DONKEY & MULE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND (INC)



## REGISTER OF DONKEYS & MULES

### RULES

1. There will be a Register as determined by the Donkey & Mule Society of New Zealand (Inc).
2. All records of registration for the General Register shall be maintained by the Registrar. Application forms for registration may be obtained from the General registrar or the Society's web page. Forms for the Miniature Register may be obtained from the Miniature Registrar or the society's web page.
3. The Registry Sub Committee reserves the right to refuse any application for entry to the Register and the right to amend the Rules as and when it considers necessary.
- 3a. The Registry Sub Committee reserves the right to freeze the use of any registered Stud Name (prefix and suffix) in the event that the Committee of the Donkey & Mule Society decide that the owner of

the said Stud Name has behaved in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Society. Any Stud Name belonging to a member expelled from the Society is automatically frozen from further use.

- 3b. The owner of a Stud Name which has been frozen may on payment of a fee of \$50 appeal the decision and the Committee shall consider any such appeal and advise the Registry Committee of its decision.
4. Donkeys shall be entered in one of the following Registries according to their gender, size and meeting Approved criteria.

The Register will be divided as follows: -

- **General Register**
  - Jennies Section
  - Jacks and geldings Section
  - The Accredited Section
  - Mules and Hinnies Section
  - Eng/Irish Section A & B
  - Australian Teamster
  - Ponui
  - American Mammoth Section A & B
  - American Mammoth Jackstock
  
- **The Miniature Register**
  - The Mediterranean Miniature Section**
    - Temporary register
    - Permanent register
  - Miniature Section**
    - Temporary
    - Permanent

### **1. THE MALE SECTION**

1. It will contain all registered Jacks and Geldings.

### **2. THE JENNY SECTION:**

1. It will contain all registered Jennies.

### **3. THE ACCREDITED SECTION**

1. It will contain all donkeys which have been approved for accreditation. Before entry to the Accredited Register all donkeys must be branded and/or micro chipped and pass an Accredited Donkey & Mule Society of New Zealand veterinary check for soundness. Jacks and jennies must be 3 years of age before being accepted for registration.
2. A member wishing to apply for their donkey to be entered in the Accredited Register should apply to the General Registrar for the registration and veterinary soundness forms which will need completion and return.
3. At the inspection the Veterinary Surgeon will be required to examine the donkey for freedom of hereditary disease, faults and defects and complete the Donkey & Mule Society of New Zealand Certificate of Soundness and send the certificate by post to the Registrar.

6. Any donkey in the Accredited Register showing breeding or hereditary defects may be refused registration or de-registered.
7. Registration in the Accredited section must be accompanied by a side photograph of the donkey and without any show ribbons.

#### **4. MULES AND HINNIES**

1. The Donkey & Mule Society of New Zealand shall maintain a record of all registered Mules and Hinnies in New Zealand.

#### **5. THE MINIATURE SECTION**

Please refer to the Miniature Register Rules.

#### **6. TO REGISTER DONKEYS:**

1. Any donkey owner may apply for registration of their donkeys.
2. A donkey may not be registered by anyone other than its lawful owner.
3. All stock registered must have a unique name. No donkey or mule can be registered with the same name of a donkey or mule already registered with the society. (passed AGM 1998 Thomson/Keating)
3. An application for registration must be made on an official application form. These are available from the Registrar free of charge and may be downloaded from the Society website.
4. Donkeys in the Accredited Register must bear a distinguishing brand and/or micro chip approved by the Registrar.
5. Application for the registration of an Accredited jack or jennys must be accompanied by a completed, Donkey & Mule Society of New Zealand (Inc) Veterinary Examination Report.
6. It is the responsibility of the owner to indicate that a donkey has been imported.
7. The General Registrar will send the owner a registration certificate showing the registered number of the donkey.
8. The number given to a registered donkey cannot be changed.
9. Questionable applications shall be referred by the Registrar to the Registry Sub Committee.

#### **7. PREFIXES AND SUFFIX**

1. A prefix may only be used for donkeys bred by the owner of that Prefix. The Breeder of a donkey is the registered owner, or lessee, of the jenny at the time of foaling.
2. A suffix may only be attached to the registered name of a donkey if it is being registered for the first time and the breeder is unknown or does not have a prefix. A stud may only use its own stud name as a suffix.

3. The registered name of a donkey cannot be added to or changed unless it can be shown to cause confusion, or that an officer of the Society made a mistake. Such changes require special permission. Thus no Prefix or Suffix can be added to the name of a donkey once it has been entered in an overseas or New Zealand Register
4. No Prefix or Suffix may be used until they are registered with the Registrar. Prefixes and Suffixes are to be registered with the Registrar on payment of a \$5.00 fee.
5. The prefix shall be distinctive and not so resemble the prefix of any other donkey breeder, as to be, in the opinion of the Registrar, misleading. Which is the same as (or so similar as could cause confusion with) a name already entered in the register
6. The purchaser of a stud shall have no right to the previous owners prefix, except with the written sanction of the previous owner. Notification shall be given to the Registrar.
7. No donkey will be accepted for entry in the Registers with a name:
  - Which includes a prefix *and* a Suffix
  - Which is longer than thirty five letters (including prefix or Suffix and spaces)
  - Which in the opinion of the Committee likely to prove misleading undesirable or offensive in English or another language.
8. A Prefix or a Suffix may only be registered in the name of an individual but may be used by a family member or partner provided that written consent is given to the registrar.
9. A Prefix or Suffix once registered cannot be used again within seventy-five years by another person without previous consent of its registered owner.
10. A registered Prefix or Suffix may be bequeathed by the will of its owner, or by Deed of Gift, to another person and it will be transferred by the Registrar upon being provided with suitable proof of the gift.

## **8. BRANDS**

1. All donkeys in the Accredited Register, English/Irish Section A, American Mammoth Section A, Australian Teamster and Miniature Register are required to carry individual identification, being a brand and/or micro chip.
2. The brand must be registered with the Registrar. There is no fee for this.
3. The brand must be distinctive and not so resemble the brand of any other breeder to be in the opinion of the Registrar, misleading.
4. The purchaser of any stud shall have no right to the previous owner's brand, except with the written sanction of the previous owner. Notification shall be given to the Registrar.

## **9. NOTIFICATION**

1. The Registrar must be notified by the owner of a donkey as soon as practicable of any of the following: -

2. Any change of ownership by the completion of a Certificate of Transfer. If a donkey is owned by two or more people they must all sign the Certificate.
3. The Lease of a donkey by giving the name and address of the lessees and stating the period of the lease. The lessees will be responsible for the completion of any necessary documentation in relation to the registration of any progeny.
4. The branding or microchipping of a donkey for identification purposes
5. The death of a donkey by giving date of death and, if possible its cause.
6. The gelding of a donkey by providing a certificate or letter of confirmation of the date of castration.

## **10. VETERINARY CERTIFICATES**

1. An application for registration of an Accredited jack or jenny shall be accompanied by a Donkey & Mule Society of New Zealand Veterinary Examination Report stating that the donkey is free from breeding and hereditary defects.
2. The certificate must be signed by a veterinary surgeon.

## **11. SERVICE CERTIFICATES**

1. Financial members of the Donkey & Mule Society standing registered jacks to outside jennies may obtain Service certificates from either Registrar or downloaded from the Society's website.
2. Only the registered owner or lessees of a registered Jack can sign and issue service certificates for that jack.
3. Service certificates **must** be sent to the registrar for Accredited Jacks if the foals are to be credited to the Accredited Jack.
4. The certificate is in triplicate. The top copy is given to the owner of the jenny that has been served. This must be forwarded to the Registrar when the resulting foal is registered. The second copy is sent to the Registrar by the end of the stud season. The third copy is retained by the jack owner.
5. When a jenny is in foal to an Accredited jack the service certificate must be given to the new owner.

## **12. ARTIFICIAL REPRODUCTION**

1. No discrimination will be made against donkeys produced by artificial reproductive methods.

## **13. TRANSFERS**

1. A donkey may not be transferred by anyone other than its lawful owner.
2. Applications for transferring donkeys must be made on official transfer forms available from the Registrar free of charge or copied from the Society's web page..

4. An application for transfer must be accompanied by the fee and the Registration Certificate. The vendor pays the transfer fee.
5. The Registrar will send the registration Certificate to the new owner, whether they are members of the Donkey Society of New Zealand or not.
6. If a member purchases a Registered donkey from a person who will not effect a transfer, they may apply to become the registered owner providing they can prove legal ownership.
7. The seller of a donkey must send the transfer application to the Registrar within six months of the sale.

#### **14. LEASES**

1. Where a donkey is leased from one person to another a lease form signed by both the owner and the person leasing the donkey should be submitted to the registrar together with the fee.
2. The date of termination of the lease must be stated on the lease form. If the lease is for the purpose of showing then the period of the lease must be for no less than six months.
3. Subject to compliance with the above requirements during the period of the lease the lessee may:
  - if the donkey is a jack, sign a certificate of service for the owner of a jenny
  - if the donkey is a jenny, register any offspring as bred by them.

#### **15. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

1. The age of a donkey shall be taken from its actual date of birth. However, for showing purposes the age of a donkey shall be taken from the 1 August to permit fairness in competition.
2. There may be a Registration Sub-Committee consisting of about four members who may be given authority to advise the Registrar on registration problems.
3. The Sub-Committee may not interfere with normal registration between members and the Registrar, but will provide advice and work with the Registrar on special projects such as maintaining the Accredited Register or setting up a Stud book.

## 16. FEES:

Jack registration	\$10.00
Jenny registration	\$10.00
Gelding Registration	\$10.00
Accredited jack /jenny registration	\$10.00
Miniature Registration	\$10.00 non members \$20.00
Mature update	\$10.00
Mediterranean Miniature Registration	\$10.00 non members \$20.00
Mature update	\$10.00
Transfer	
General Register	\$10.00 (\$15 to overseas address)
Miniature Mediterranean & Miniature	\$10.00 non members \$20.00
Prefix Registration	\$5.00
Suffix Registration	\$5.00
Brand registration	\$5.00
Replacement of registration certificate	\$10.00 (lost certificate)
Photo Certificate (General Register)	\$10.00 (animal over 3 years)
Lease	\$10.00
Notification of gelding	no charge
Notification of Death	no charge
Mammoth retrospective transfer to Breed Register	\$50.00
Appeal to reinstate frozen Stud Name	\$50.00
Register on Compact Disk	\$20

## 17. COLOUR DESCRIPTIONS

Grey-Dun – the most usual donkey colour; invariably has a cross and stripe

Dark Grey – Dun –

Pale Grey – Dun - tending to oatmeal colour

Black – completely black apart from white stomach

Brown/Black – not quite black

Dark Chestnut – usually no stripe and cross

Light Chestnut – tending towards apricot

Sorrel/Red ??

Light brown – tending towards fawn

Silver Grey

Cream

White

Black Roan – intermingled black and white hairs with black predominant

Blue Roan- intermingled black and white hairs with white predominant

Grey-Dun Roan – grey-dun with white hairs intermingled

Dark red Roan- intermingled brown and white hairs with brown predominant

Red-Roan – intermingled brown and white hairs in approximately equal amounts

Pink Roan – intermingled brown and white hairs, with white predominant

Broken Coloured – brown, black and white in solid patches

Piebald – black and white in solid patches

Skewbald – brown and white in solid patches

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