

# McCurdy Plantation Horse Registry

## Rules of Foundation Registration

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1. Candidate horses shall be accepted as McCurdy foundation horses if they meet one of the following criteria and others as listed in these Rules of Registration:

- They must be traced back to McCurdy's Doctor or McCurdy foundation mares or
- Back to horses that are publicly known to be McCurdy's or
- meet the breed standards relative to physical conformity, temperament, natural gait, and color.

An outline of lineage, together with a completed application form and payment of registration fee (refundable if horse is not approved) is to be submitted at time of evaluation.

2. Each director has veto power and anyone that objects will deny the acceptance of the horse as a foundation animal.

3. In the event a stud or mare meets all other requirements but is known to carry a percentage of other genes (such as Tennessee Walking Horse), the pedigree should show such even to the extent of ancestors' names and registration numbers.

4. Only studs, mares and geldings shall be accepted as foundation horses. The letter F shall precede the number assigned foundation studs and mares. The letter G shall precede the number assigned foundation geldings.

5. Any horse registered or eligible for registration in the Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders and Exhibitors Association Registry, or any other gaited horse registry, must have proven genetic lineage to the McCurdy foundation in their registration documents in addition to meeting the McCurdy breed standards of physical conformity, temperament, natural gaited ability, and color.

6. To be registered as a foundation horse, the horse must meet one of the following criteria A or B or C and Criteria D, E, and F as applicable:

- A) A mare, stud or gelding of known McCurdy ancestry; or
- B) A mare, stud or gelding with proven McCurdy lineage (documented through existing Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders and Exhibitors Association Registry) on either the dam or sire side.
- C) A mare, stud or gelding must meet the breed standards relative to physical conformity, temperament, natural gait, and color.

AND

- D) Temperament and Training: The candidate must exhibit a calm, even, manageable disposition under saddle and reflect those qualities of temperament for which the McCurdy-bred horse was noted historically. The candidate must be well-trained and conditioned under saddle and be exhibited in a running walk and “single foot” or rack gait and reflect a “set” or steady way of going within the gait.... Considered a four-beat gait.

In addition to the above, all stud candidates must be well-conditioned at time of inspection and demonstrate good stamina and toughness.

- E) Color: Mare, stud and gelding candidates must be either grey or primarily of a solid color historically characteristic of McCurdy bred horses, e.g., black, bay, chestnut, sorrel or roan (bay, red, blue, or black) with no exceptions.

- F) Inspection: For studs, mares, or geldings, all directors must either personally see the horse perform under saddle or on video thereof. Each candidate must demonstrate the characteristics outlined such as temperament, disposition, conformation, stamina, and gaits. Any one director has veto power and anyone that objects will deny the acceptance of the candidate as a foundation McCurdy. All candidates must be evaluated while either barefoot or shod with keg shoes only.

7. All horses, both studs, mares and geldings must be at least two years of age and well-trained before being considered for registration as foundation horses.
8. Color photographs showing front and both side views of horse must be attached to application.