

Rules for Frozen Semen

Canadian Belgian Horse Association (CBHA) Rules Pertaining to the use of Frozen Semen

- (a) All other requirements as set by the constitution and rules for the dam and sire shall apply to foals conceived by frozen semen.
- (b) All foals conceived by way of frozen semen shall be subject to all normal registration rules provided for in this Article.
- (c) The CBHA may, where frozen semen is used, at any time and at the expense of the mare owner, require parentage verification of foal to be recorded.
- (d) Rules and requirements of frozen semen are effective January 1, 2020 and shall apply to all semen frozen on or after that date.
- (e) The CBHA shall furnish a Retained Frozen Semen Report and it shall be completed and submitted to the CBHA by January of the following year, unless semen is being sold earlier at which time the Retained Frozen Semen Report will have to be filed then. The fee for filing the Frozen Semen Report shall be listed on the fee schedule..
- (f) The CBHA shall furnish a Frozen Semen Certificate which would be utilized per breeding and not per straw and will be required for each breeding of an out of herd horse. These certificates will be purchased by stallion owner. The utilization of a Frozen Semen Certificate shall not be required by the stallion owner if the frozen semen is utilized within the stallion owner's own herd (meaning mares are registered in stallion owner's name), unless the stallion is sold, or deceased, or semen is sold or transferred to another owner.
- (g) Frozen Semen Certificate(s) can be transferred by properly completing the Frozen Semen Certificate Transfer and paying the transfer fee as set by the CBHA fee schedule.
- (h) If a stallion is sold and semen is retained by the prior owner, then Frozen Semen Certificate(s) must be purchased previous to the date of the sale of the stallion.
- (i) If a stallion dies, the stallion owner at the time of death, will have 6 months to purchase Frozen Semen Certificate(s). In the instance that the owner dies within 6 months of the death of the stallion, his/her estate will have one year to purchase the Frozen Semen Certificate(s).
- (j) If the owner of the Frozen Semen Certificate(s) dies, his or her estate will have up to one year to make a transfer of the Frozen Semen Certificate(s) to the new owner by properly filing that transfer with the CBHA per the identified CBHA fee schedule. However, in the event of a death of a lifetime member that has a joint membership with a spouse or family member and the Frozen Semen Certificate(s) is registered in the same manner, the Frozen Semen Certificate(s) will transfer to the surviving member at no cost.
- (k) Fees for the Frozen Semen Certificate Transfer will be subject to the fee schedule determined by the Board of Directors and incorporated into the fee schedule which is periodically amended and provided to members and non-members at their request.

Above rules are effective as of January 1, 2020.

As of Jan 1, 2020 anyone who has collected and has frozen semen that they own or have sold is required to have a frozen semen report on file at the CBHA office by Jan 1, 2020 (May 12, 2021) in order for the offspring from that frozen semen to be eligible to be registered.

Check List procedure using Frozen Semen

(A) Registered Belgian Stallion owner(s) are required to:

1. forward a filled in Retained Frozen Semen Annual Report
2. upon selling frozen semen, apply for a frozen semen certificate
3. transfer the frozen semen certificate to the ownership of the mare owner.

(B) Registered Belgian mare owner that purchased and used Frozen Semen:

1. required to forward the Frozen Semen Certificate transferred into their name with the application for registration of the offspring.

If the owner of the stallion or the stallion is deceased check with the rules for Frozen Semen.

Note that CBHA rules are in effect in Canada, however if you are shipping frozen semen to a US owner or selling a mare in foal via frozen semen, prior to Jan 1, 2020 you will be required to have a frozen semen certificate transferred to the mare owner to register the offspring in the US registry.