

OHIO THOROUGHBRED RACE FUND – Registration Questions and Answers
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What is an Ohio Thoroughbred? Applicable language in the current administrative rule is reproduced below.

1. An "**ACCREDITED OHIO THOROUGHBRED HORSE**" means a horse conceived in this state and born in this state which is both: (a) Born of a mare that is domiciled in this state at time of the horse's conception, that remains continuously in the state through the date on which the horse is born, and that is registered as required by the rules of the State Racing Commission; registered with the State Racing Commission, (b) By a stallion that stands for breeding purposes only, in this state in the year in which the horse is conceived and that is registered as required by the rules of the State Racing Commission.

2. An "**Ohio-Foaled Horse**" means a horse registered as required by the rules of the commission which is either of the following:

(a) A horse born of a mare that **enters** this state before foaling & remains continuously in this state until the horse is born; **for purposes of this paragraph (#2), the term "enters" shall mean physical arrival in this state on or before August 15th of the year in which a foal is conceived.**

(b) A thoroughbred foal produced within the state by any broodmare shipped into the state to foal and be bred to a registered Ohio stallion. To qualify this foal as an Ohio Foaled Horse, the Broodmare must remain in Ohio one year continuously after foaling or continuously through foaling to the cover of Ohio Stallion, whichever is sooner.

Question: *If I buy a mare in foal at a sale in another jurisdiction, when does the mare have to be in the state of Ohio?*

Answer: **Before foaling, and she must be registered prior to foaling.**

Question: *What is the cost to register the mare?*

Answer: **The cost to register is \$100.**

Question: *What is the cost of registration for a mare brought into Ohio after August 15th?*

Answer: **The cost to register is \$100.**

Question: *What if mare brought in after August 15th is a maiden mare?*

Answer: **The cost to register is \$100.**

Question: *If I register a mare when I bring her to Ohio, do I need to renew her by August 15th of the same year?*

Answer: **There is no cost, but you are still required to submit the annual renewal form.**

Question: *Do I have to register my mare every year?*

Answer: **No, you do not if your mare has had a registered foal within five years of registration.**

Question: *If my mare is registered and has not left Ohio, do I need to renew her registration annually?*

Answer: **Yes, by the annual renewal deadline on August 15.**

Question: *What happens if my mare foals before I have registered the mare?*

Answer: **You can register the mare up to two years after the foal arrives by paying a late fee of \$500 in addition to the \$100 registration cost.**

Question: *Could you provide further information on Section 2a of the Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund rule?*

Answer: **If an in-foal mare is brought to Ohio before August 15 and registered, the mare may leave after foaling. If you want another Ohio-foaled horse, the mare must return to the state by August 15 and stay until foaling in order for her next offspring to be an Ohio-foaled horse.**

Question: *Could you provide further information on Section 2b of the Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund rule?*

Answer: **Answer: The difference between 2a & 2b of this rule is: If the mare is brought into the state after August 15, she must be registered and stay until foaling. The mare must then be bred back to an Ohio stallion and remain in the state until foaling.**

Question: *Where can I get registration forms? Where do I send the forms?*

Answer: **Answer: Forms are available at the commission website and at the Ohio Thoroughbred Breeders & Owners website (otbo.com). Paper copies are available at commercial racetracks. Mail them to the OSRC**

Question: *Do I have to be a member of the Ohio Thoroughbred Breeders & Owners in order to register my horses?*

Answer: **No, but it would supply you with further information.**

Question: *What happens if I don't send in my Stallion renewal & Broodmare renewal?*

Answer: **Any foal resulting from a breeding to a stallion is ineligible the following year for the Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund program; the broodmare's foal the year following conception is also ineligible.**

Question: *What happens to awards when the Breeder or Stallion owner dies?*

Answer: **No awards shall be made after the death of a breeder or a stallion owner unless there is a surviving co-breeder or stallion co-owner listed.**

Question: *If I have a registered an Ohio-bred filly /mare, do I have to re-register her as an Ohio broodmare?*

Answer: **Yes. She must be registered as a broodmare in order to participate in the Ohio program**

Question: *How do I receive my broodmare & stallion awards?*

Answer: **You must fill out & send in the Breeder License Application (and \$10 fee) to the racing commission. This must be done annually. Awards are not paid retroactively.**