

POSITIVE HORSE IDENTIFICATION

Microchip and Age Verification

Benefits of Positive Identification



- **Improves consumer confidence during horse sales**
- **Improves monitoring horse movement during times of disease outbreaks**
- **Supports horse welfare through identity verification in horse neglect, abuse or drugging cases, as well as in instances of theft or natural disaster**
- **Provides a means to verify the age of a horse competing in age-restricted classes**
- **Supports efforts to increase sport participation**

Associated Costs of Identification

- **Microchipping costs vary, beginning at \$20**
- **There are no costs to keep microchip info “current”**
- **Costs can be minimized by scheduling microchipping during a time when the vet is coming to draw blood for your horse’s annual Coggins or routine vaccinations**
- **Microchips can be purchased in bulk for \$5 to \$8 directly from microchip manufacturing companies**
- **Registration costs for age verification with breed organizations vary, beginning at \$99**



Positive ID Rules: Age and Microchipping



- Rules beginning to take effect for the 2018 competition year will require microchipping for horses seeking points and then for all horses competing in 2019 (HU 101, JP 100, EQ 103)
- New rules in effect for 2017 require age verification for Young Hunters and Jumpers (GR 313.6, GR 1131.3 and HU 103.1)

Positive ID Rules: Microchipping



PHASE I: Microchipping Required for Points

Beginning in competition year 2018 (December 1, 2017), all horses competing in USEF-licensed and/or USHJA-sanctioned competitions with Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Jumper and Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes not restricted by breed will be required to be microchipped to receive points.



PHASE II: Microchipping Required for Competition

Beginning in competition year 2019 (December 1, 2018), ALL horses competing in USEF-licensed and/or USHJA-sanctioned competitions with Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Jumper and Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes not restricted by breed will be required to be microchipped.

Microchipping Process

- **Microchipping Process (recommend this be conducted by a veterinarian):**
 1. **Horse should be properly identified and checked for an existing microchip with a reader**
 2. **If no chip is present, a microchip should be implanted in the nuchal ligament, halfway between the poll and the withers on the left side of the horse**
 3. **Check the chip with a reader to verify it is still readable**



Photo credit: Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital

Microchip Recording

- **Ways to Report Your Horse's Chip Number to USEF:**
 - Online by signing into your [My USEF My Way](#) account and updating your horse's record
 - Faxing to (859) 231-6662 or emailing to horseservices@usef.org the Microchip Reporting Form, which may be used to report chip numbers for multiple horses
 - Completing the microchip field on a USEF Horse Recording/ID Application
 - If your horse is not yet recorded with USEF or registered with the USHJA, you will need to complete a Horse Recording Form AND fill out the microchip number field on that form

USEF MICROCHIP REPORTING FORM
UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION

IF APPLICABLE:
COMPETITION NAME: _____
COMPETITION #: _____
COMPETITION LOCATION: _____

THIS FORM MAY BE USED FOR ANY MICROCHIP REPORTING INCLUDING HUNTER/JUMPER MICROCHIP REQUIREMENTS (M101), (P100, E0103).

NAME OF HORSE:	HORSE USEF ID#:	MICROCHIP # OR AFFIX STICKER HERE:
OWNER:	OWNER USEF ID#:	

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PRINT NAME: _____ DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ TITLE: OWNER VET TRAINER

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Positive ID Rules: Age Verification

For classes that require age verification, age can be verified only through the following identification documents:

- a. Registration papers or a passport issued by a World Breed Federation Sport Horse (WBFSH) recognized registry
- b. Registration papers or Certificate of Pedigree from a breed or sport horse registry

Sex	Name	Date of Birth	Sire	Dam
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Myths and Facts – Age Verification

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FACT

Age verification is a difficult process

Age verification requires only the horse's name, USEF/USHJA ID number, and one of the following: registration papers or a Certificate of Pedigree from a breed or sport horse registry, or registration papers or a passport from a World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses recognized registry

Age verification documentation can be submitted to a competition

Information must be submitted through your MY USEF My Way account online or by mailing or faxing a copy of the papers or passport, along with the horse's name and number, to USEF

Age verification is now required for all competition

Age verification only applies to age-restricted classes at USEF-rated competitions

It is expensive to register horses with breed organizations and requires inspection

Registration costs can be as low as \$99 and many organizations accept registration online or by mail

Submission of Age Verification

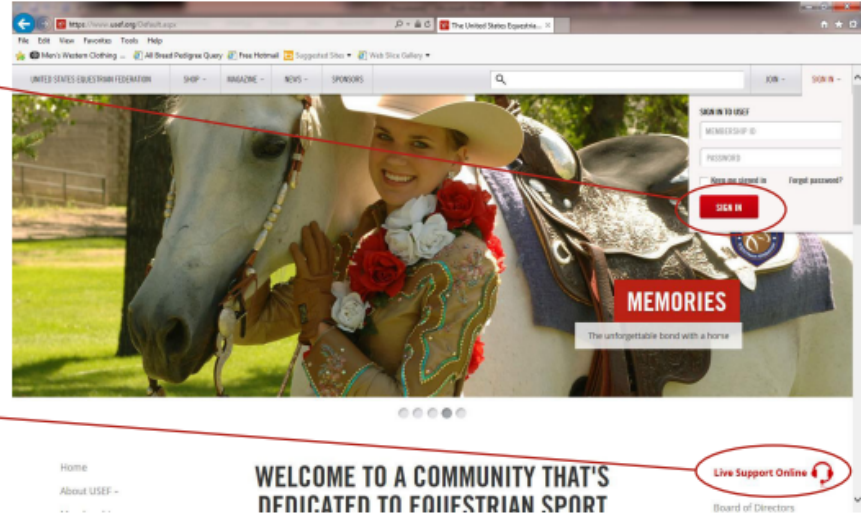
1. Obtain the horse's name and USEF/USHJA ID number
2. Obtain one of the following: registration papers or a Certificate of Pedigree from a breed or sport horse registry, or registration papers or a passport from a World Breeding Federation for Sport Horses recognized registry
3. Submit this information online through your MY WAY account on usef.org or send via email, fax, or mail

1 Please sign into your My USEF My Way account.

You can use the link below if you have forgotten your password or call/chat into the Customer Care Center at 859-258-2472 for assistance.

To chat, choose the Live Support Online.

Link to reset password:
https://www.usef.org/_AUAI-Frames/Login/SelectMembershipType.aspx



The screenshot shows the USEF website's login page. A red circle highlights the 'SIGN IN' button in the login form. Another red circle highlights the 'Live Support Online' button in the footer. A red line connects the text 'Live Support Online' in the text block to the button in the screenshot.

Access guidance on age verification submission at www.usef.org/ageverification.pdf

Submission of Age Verification

For each horse that has not already been age verified there will be a button. Click on this to upload your horse's breed papers.

UPLOAD A FILE TO VERIFY AGE

Please enter your horse's microchip number below. If the number is **green** it is a compliant chip. If the number is **red**, it is not compliant with the requirements. Please click [here](#) for a list of the requirements. You may enter a new chip number for those that are non-compliant.

HORSE ID HORSES:

(NOT ACTIVELY RECORDED - not currently eligible for point accumulation, FEI competitions, passports or dressage qualifying and championship classes.)

Our records indicate that the following horses are currently not recorded with USEF in your name. These horses are not eligible for USEF Awards & Championship Programs. For HID horse to become eligible, please indicate by choosing an annual or life membership. Please indicate if any of these horses are sold, retired or deceased.

For any horse where no action needs to be taken, simply select "no change."

[Click here if 'no change' applies to all horses in this section.](#)

	Sold	Retired	Deceased	No Change	Annual Recording - \$75	Life Recording - \$200	USHA Registration - \$75
SILVER (5103619)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BUMP (5365626)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Microchip:

Microchip: **981546789456123**

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LIFE RECORDED HORSES:

Our records indicate that the following horses are life recorded with USEF in your name. Please indicate if any of these horses are sold, retired or

Submission of Age Verification (cont'd)

USEF will issue a Horse Recording Certificate that indicates your horse is AGE VERIFIED to keep for your records. The normal processing time is about 5 to 10 business days. During the renewal season (January-May), it could possibly take longer. The certificate will show "AV" (Age Verified) after the Foal Date if USEF has verified the information.

If the horse is Age Verified and the Microchip is compliant, the recording certificate will have this emblem

HORSE INFORMATION		OWNER INFORMATION
NAME AND #:	KINGSLEY - 5185813	
FOAL DATE:	4/2/2007 - AV	
DATE RECORDED:	3/31/2011	
BREED:	TRAKEHNER	
SIRE:	DONAUZAUBER	
DAM:	KORA XII	
BREEDER:		
MICROCHIP:	985112000606538	
MARKINGS:	STAR, STRIPE, LF, RH PASTERNS; RF, LH FETLOCKS.	
REPORT OWNERSHIP TRANSFER - \$60 FEE Please see back for instructions.		
NEW OWNER NAME	USEF #	
ADDRESS	NEW OWNER SIGNATURE	
	FORMER OWNER SIGNATURE	

Thank you for your time

We welcome your questions and comments

