Naming Your Foal

Oldenburg Verband

Naming Conventions When naming your Oldenburg foal, you must choose a name that follows the rules of the Oldenburg Horse Breeding Society - German Oldenburg Verband. Those rules state that if the foal is a filly that is intended for breeding the name must start with the first letter of the Dam's name. If the filly is not intended for breeding then the name can start either with the first letter of the Dam's name or with the first letter of the Sire's name, but cannot start with any other letter. If the foal is a colt the name must start with the first letter of the Sire's name.

Hanoverian

Registration Name – Mares which are entered into the AHS studbook as well as stallions which are entered in the Stallion Book must be named. However, a horse may also be 14 of 16 named earlier, i.e. at the time of foal registration. This name is to begin with the same letter as the name of the sire, except in the case of certain stallions descending from the F-W line. The name allocated at the time of foal registration may be changed provided the horse has not been inspected and entered into the breeding program. A name once given to an Approved Stallion may not be given again to any horse other than a full brother (with the appropriate suffix, II etc.). Name choices are restricted to twenty (20) spaces, including letters, punctuation marks and numerals.

RPSI

For naming – the general rule is the first letter of the name follows the first letter of the sire's name. However, we also allow mare-line naming to continue a tradition, so fillies may be named after the first letter of their dam's name if so desired.

KWPN

Names: Names have to coincide with the year of birth. Names are limited to 20 characters/spaces. The KWPN naming system using designated letters each year has been in place for many years. By using letters for each year it is easier to identify when the horse was born. The letters Q, X & Y are not used. Each foal born in a given year must have a name not to exceed 20 characters or spaces and beginning with the designated letter for that year. The KWPN does not have a unique naming requirement except in the case of Approved stallions. Approved stallions must have a unique name and in some cases must be renamed. (ex. 2012 = H, 2013 = I, 2014 = J, 2015 = K, 2016 = L)

Westphalian

Offspring must use the first letter of the sire.