

Immediate rule change – Rule 126 to now read...

**126. PREFIX OR STUD NAME:**

Letters are permissible providing that there are no less than two letters. One prefix and its abbreviation where possible, only is allowed per membership.

An initial fee is imposed on registered a prefix (see schedule of Fees). The name registered may be used as a stud prefix but is essentially a prefix to the name of the horse. However, it is not compulsory that it be used as a horse name prefix.

Any member with a recognised stallion's name as a prefix, if not already used, is permissible.

**All prefixes and stud names are registered with the original registering member for life. If the member becomes un-financial, that prefix or stud name will not be re-issued to another member in any circumstance.**

Individual memberships or constituent members on agreement can use the same prefix. The Association's office must receive in writing an authorisation signed by the nominee of each membership.

The Registration Committee can refuse to accept names or prefixes which are likely to be confused with other horses or prefixes, or are misleading to their sex.

Members can apply for the use of a prefix in the naming of horses (this should not be confused with the necessity to register the business name of the stud name with the Department of Fair Trading or other relevant department). Only one horse prefix per membership shall be allowed.

The application for a prefix shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee as set out. The Association reserves the right to approve or reject absolutely any prefix it deems unacceptable and no prefix shall be used until notification of approval has been received in writing from the Association.

A prefix may only be used when the person registering the horse is also the breeder of the horse or when written permission is given by the owner of the prefix to the breeder of the said horse.