



To all
Lipizzaner State Studs
and
Lipizzaner Breeding Associations

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Ref: Amendment of Stud Book on the Origins of the Lipizzaner Breed

Dear Friends of the Lipizzaners!

According to the 92/353/EWG regulation the Federal Stud Piber is the recognized breeding organisation which keeps the Studbook on the origins of the Lipizzaner breed.

Due to various new EU regulations with regard to stock breeding it became necessary to adapt this stud book. These adjustments were made in coordination with the breeding department of the Ministry of Agriculture in Vienna.

No doubt the principal amendment is the necessity of registering all purebred Lipizzaners in the stud book. The subdivision of the stud book into various categories remains the responsibility of each national breeding association.

Should, as a result, specific questions arise we are of course available at all times to answer these and ask you to contact us.

May we request that you inform us in writing whether your stud or association breeds Lipizzaners according to these amended regulations.

Yours sincerely,

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Studbook on the Origins of the Lipizzaner Breed

Regulations and principles for breeding organisations within the European Union based on the ruling of the European Commission (92/353/EWG) of June 11th, 1992 including criteria for the admission and recognition of breeding organisations and associations which keep records or collect data on registered Lipizzan equines.

Introduction

According to the 92/353/EWG regulation the Federal Stud Piber, A-8580 Köflach (Austria) is the recognized breeding organisation which keeps the Studbook on the origins of the Lipizzaner breed.

In line with item 3b of the attachment of the 92/353/EWG regulation the Federal Stud Piber draws up the following guidelines:

1) Records on Origin

The records on lineage must include the following:

- a) Name
The horses are named according to the traditional customs, namely
 - 1.) according to the system of the former court stud Lippiza or
 - 2.) according to the system of the former Austro-Hungarian State and Military studs.
 - Ad 1) The stallions' names are made up of the name of the sire and the dam (e.g. Pluto Presciana); the mares' names are chosen from the traditional names from the applicable mare family.
 - Ad 2) The foals' names are similar to their sire's names, despite gender, with an added foal number as a distinction
- b) Gender
- c) Coat colour, markings and brands (in case of alternative identification)
- d) In the case of electronic identification the applicable code is to be registered; the breeding organisation or breeders association must keep a manageable register on the use of chips for electronic identification
- e) Stick measure, chest width, size of cannon bone and date of measurement of the horse.
- f) DNA-Microsatellite Analysis.
- g) The records on lineage must include at least 5 generations
- h) Country, place and date of birth
- i) Furthermore, the following information on the parents' generation is to be recorded:
 - Name of applicable mare family;
 - Place of birth, year of birth of all ancestors
- j) The records on the origins must include the name and address of the breeding organisation or breeders association
- k) Date of registration and release

2) Definition of essential breeding objectives

The aim is to preserve the purebred Lipizzaner according to the traditional breeding regulations in the type of the baroque parade horse. Lipizzaners are typically bred as parade and dressage horses, for the High School of Classical Horsemanship and as traditional carriage horses.

3) Definition of Breeding Characteristics

With regard to selection, tradition and culture, the Lipizzaner breed is one of Europe's oldest horse breeds.

The phenotype of the Lipizzaner breed is directed for general use and has proven to be especially suited for classical horsemanship (High School – Haute École) and for carriage driving.

- a) The Lipizzaner is very expressive, he has a noble posture, the overall conformation is harmonious, the frame more rectangular than square. Ideally, the adult horse should measure between 153 cm and 158 cm. The head is expressive with large, black eyes, a wide, slightly curved forehead, finely modelled lower jaw, strong cheeks with sufficient freedom, straight or slightly convex nose line.
- b) In keeping with the requirements of the Baroque, the strong and highly set neck has an arched main line and erect posture.
- c) The main line flows with moderately high and long withers. The shoulders are strong and sufficiently long and should be set at an angle between 50° and 65° to the proportionately long upper arm. The chest should be deep and wide.
- d) The back is wide, muscular and compact, the haunches are strong.
- e) The croup should be round, strong and have a harmonious tail root.
- f) The horse should have relatively short, strong, dry legs with clear tendons, strong joints and hard, correctly formed hooves.
- g) The high knee action is typical and important and contributes towards the elegance, harmony and beauty of the parade step. The walk is energetic and bouncy, with a long stride. The hind leg bears the weight and is therefore a prerequisite for the good collection of the Lipizzaner breed.

The traditional grey factor is dominant. All colours are accepted.

The Lipizzaner is characterized by his hardiness, stamina, temperament, frugality, willingness to learn, obedience, and good nature.

4) Identification

All methods of identification which are in line with the regulation (EG) no. 504/2008 are possible.

5) The Studbook

Every purebred Lipizzaner must be registered in the studbook.

A classification of the studbook is only possible within the performance criteria of the horse itself. This classification is the responsibility of the individual Lipizzaner breeding organisation.

6) Principles for the recognition of genealogy

- a) According to tradition stallions can only be attributed to the stallion bloodlines (Annex I) if their ancestry can be traced back without interruption to the founding sire and dam.
- b) According to tradition mares can only be attributed to a mare family (Annex I) if their ancestry can be traced back without interruption to the founding sire and mare.
- c) Should the name and / or the registration number of a horse be altered, this alteration must be recorded in the studbook in such a manner as to ensure the origin of the horse can be reconstructed.
- d) The recognized stallion bloodlines and mare families are listed in Annex I.

Additional stallion bloodlines or mare families are no longer recognized.

Appendix 1

The recognized stallion bloodlines and mare families of the Lipizzaner breed

Next to the Pepiniere stallions and the already extinct bloodlines used at the Karst Court Stud of Lippiza (1580 – 1915) only the following stallion bloodlines and mare families are accepted within the Lipizzaner breed.

Stallion Bloodlines

8 Stallion Bloodlines:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Origin of Progenitor</u>
PLUTO	(Court Stud Frederiksborg, 1765)
CONVERSANO	(Neapolitaner, 1767)
MAESTOSO	(Court Stud Kladrub, 1773)
FAVORY	(Court Stud Kladrub, 1779)
NEAPOLITANO	(Neapolitaner, 1790)
TULIPAN	(Stud Terezovač – Jankovič, around 1800)
INCITATO	(State Stud Mezöhegyes, 1802)
SIGLAVY	(Arabian, Syria 1810)