



## RMHA CERTIFICATION BY DVD/VIDEO

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Turn phone or tablet to the side and video from landscape mode or use a tripod to steady a video camera.
- Exercise and warm horse before videoing.
- Find an area that does not have objects that will block the view of the horse. Use an area where the footing is even. Preferably hard packed. Avoid using areas of long grass or mud.
- Make sure that the horse is clean and able to view all markings.

**NEW:** It is now **optional** to have a veterinary signed document for certification. You may choose to either have the veterinarian measure the horse and sign a form **OR** Measure the horse on the video using the following instructions.

IF, opting to show video of measuring the horse instead of getting a veterinary form, **YOU MUST USE ACTUAL EQUINE MEASURING STICK**, marked with “hands” measurement. No tapes, No Yardsticks, No Tape measures, etc. **You must show the entire horse while measuring, the entire stick must be with view, you must not stop filming while measuring, and it must be on a solid flat surface.**

Start by showing the entire horse, with the stick placed at the highest point of the withers and leveled down for measurement, zoom in to show the measurement, announce the height, and zoom back out. If you measure incorrectly on the video, you will be asked to make the video again. RMHA reserves the right to question measurement if it seems misinterpreted or misrepresented.

### HALTERED VIEWS

1. Film each side of the horse without tack: front, back, and each side. Lifting mane and forelock if needed. Please allow enough time before walking around the horse so that the viewer can note markings and conformation of the horse.
2. Announce the registered name of the horse.
3. Measure the horse with approved measuring stick\* (See above rules regarding measuring)
4. Zoom in to display the gender of the horse.
5. Zoom in on each hoof, showing barefoot or shod.
6. Walk the horse away from and back toward the camera for about eight (8) strides each way.

**NOTE:** It is **NOT NECESSARY** to film the entire process of tacking, mounting, and riding from start to finish without stopping the film. There may be a break between haltered views and riding views. **HOWEVER**, the entire video must be filmed on the same day and the gait work should be a continuous filming of approximately 60 seconds each way for gaiting. Gaiting in a circle is not required. Use of a road or driveway is acceptable to view the gait from the side. It is also acceptable to ride the horse for exhibition of gait prior to showing haltered views.

## DEMONSTRATION UNDER SADDLE

1. A horse may be exhibited under saddle in a bit-less bridle but not in a halter.
2. Before mounting, film the horse without a rider to display the horse in tacked up form. Zoom in for a close up of the bit and the bridle and pan around the horse to show the whole horse.
3. Mount the horse.
4. Exhibit the horse in gait for approximately one minute in each direction.
5. Stop the horse and announce the registered name one last time

\*If your horse is inconsistent, please feel free to use more time on the video for gait work. The more time working on the gait that is submitted, the more opportunity provided for the video examiner to witness the proper gait.

The horse must meet certification requirements for gait and tack as written in the rules of Registry/Show rules. Please review rules on shoeing, and tack requirements before submitting your horse and video for certification.

## SUBMITTING VIDEO AND PAPERWORK FOR CERTIFICATION:

### *Submission of Video:*

Videos can be emailed via YouTube link to the RMHA office for viewing along with Paperwork and Photos. Please email videos to registrar@rmhorse.com.

### *Submission of Paperwork and Photos:*

The registration papers and four (4) color photos (Front, Back, Left Side, Right Side) must be submitted to the RMHA office along with payment or credit card information.

### PLEASE SUBMIT ASSEMBLED PAPERWORK, PAYMENT, AND VIDEO (OR DIRECTIONS FOR VIDEO LINK) TO:

Check payable to RMHA in US Dollars only

VISA     MasterCard     Discover

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: RMHA / 4561 Iron Works Pike, Ste 156 / Lexington, KY 40511 / or Email to: RMHA Registrar at registrar@rmhorse.com**

There will be a convenience fee for any paperwork submitted without payment  
There is a 4% fee for credit card payments