



Request to Renew Incentive Program to Attract New Mares to Indiana

In December of 2019, the Thoroughbred Breed Development Advisory Committee implemented an incentive program to attract new mares to the state of Indiana for foaling purposes. This program provided a cash incentive to any owner who purchased a mare in foal at a public auction, registered the mare and subsequent foal in the Thoroughbred Breed Development Program. An additional incentive may be earned if that mare was bred back to a registered Indiana stallion after foaling, and produces an IHRC registered foal the following year.

Since December, applications for six mares (owned by five separate owners) have been submitted.

We are requesting approval to continue this program for the 2021 foaling season. The cost to the Thoroughbred Breed Development Program will vary based on the number of participants, but we estimate that it will not exceed \$50,000. The proposed program guidelines are as follows:

New Mare Incentive Program Guidelines for 2021 Foaling Season

The Indiana Thoroughbred Breed Development Program is offering up to \$2,000 in incentives for new mares foaling in the state starting in 2021.

For Mares In Foal Purchased at Public Auction:

To be eligible for the \$1,000 incentive, the buyer must:

- Purchase a mare in foal at a public auction between the dates of October 1, 2020, and March 1, 2021, at a minimum purchase price of \$2,500.
- Submit documentation of purchase with Indiana registration.
- Verify that the mare has not been previously registered in the Indiana Thoroughbred Breed Development Program as a foaling mare.
- Submit a 2021 mare registration with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission prior to foaling.

- The mare must foal in Indiana, and reside in the state for thirty days after foaling, if applicable.
- Fulfill breed back requirements, if applicable.
- Register foal with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission.

Incentive payment will be issued once the 2021 foal has been registered with the program and eligibility is verified.

For an additional \$1,000 incentive, the owner must:

- Breed the purchased mare back to an Indiana Sire registered with the IHRC for the 2021 breeding season.
- Submit a 2022 mare application with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission prior to foaling.
- Return the mare to Indiana to foal in 2022.
- Comply with all requirements of registration.
- Register foal with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission.

Incentives payments will be issued once the 2022 foal is registered with the program and eligibility is verified.

For Open Mares Purchased at Public Auction:

To be eligible for the \$1,000 incentive, the buyer must:

- Purchase an open mare at a public auction between the dates of October 1, 2020 and March 1, 2021, at a minimum purchase price of \$2,500.
- Submit documentation of purchase with Indiana registration.
- Verify that the mare has not been previously registered in the Indiana Thoroughbred Breed Development Program as a foaling mare.
- Breed the purchased mare to an Indiana Sire registered with the IHRC for the 2021 breeding season.
- Submit a 2022 mare application with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission prior to foaling.
- Return the mare to Indiana to foal in 2022.
- Comply with all requirements of registration.
- Register foal with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission.

Incentive payment will be issued once the 2022 foal has been registered with the program and eligibility is verified.

For an additional \$1,000 incentive, the owner must:

- Breed the purchased mare back to an Indiana Sire registered with the IHRC for the 2022 breeding season.
- Submit a 2023 mare application with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission prior to foaling.
- Return the mare to Indiana to foal in 2023.
- Comply with all requirements of registration.
- Register foal with the Indiana Horse Racing Commission.

Incentives payments will be issued once the 2023 foal is registered with the program and eligibility is verified.