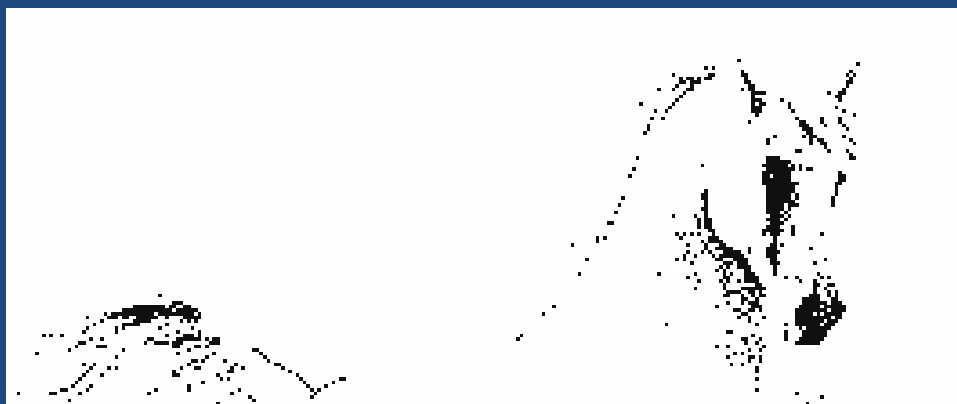
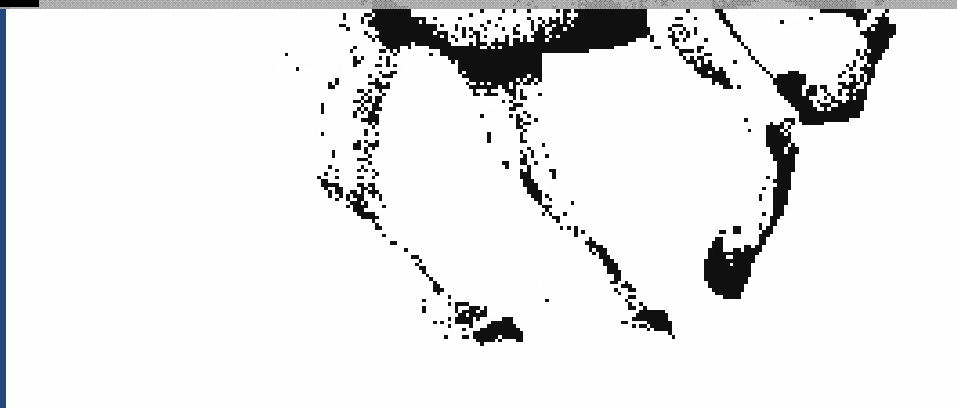


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NASS Shagya-Arabian Breed Standard

The Purebred Shagya-Arabian is an exceptional riding horse of distinct Arabian type. Average height is 15 to 16.1 hands, with occasional individuals over and under. Purebred Shagyas can have up to 9 Purebred Arabian ancestors out of the 16 ancestors in the fourth generation of their pedigrees. This is known as the "9/16 rule". Purebred Shagya-Arabians must have pedigrees which can be traced on both their sire and dam's sides to the studbooks of Babolna, Radautz, Topolcianky, Mangalia, Kabijuk, Kolarovgard, Janow Podlaski, Borike, Karadjordjevo, and to Purebred Arabians, and must have been bred according to the system of Babolna. Many Purebred Shagya-Arabians are registered in the ISG-member studbooks in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Italy, Venezuela, Holland, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Columbia, Czech Republic, Slovakia, and Luxembourg.

NASS is a member of the International Shagya-Arabian Society (or "ISG") and the NASS Registry, called the "Shagya-Arabian Registry of North America", or "SHARONA", is recognized by ISG as the only North American registry for Shagya-Arabians.

All horses registered as Purebred Shagya-Arabians by an ISG-member society's registry are eligible for registration by SHARONA. In any questionable cases, the NASS Breeding Committee will have the final registration authority after consultation with ISG. SHARONA-registered Purebred Shagya-Arabians meet or exceed ISG standards for Purebred Shagya-Arabians.

SHARONA Registration Categories:

The following table gives a simplified overview of these categories.

Studbook Categories

Stallion Book I (Main Stallion Book)

Registered as Purebred Shagya-Arabian per NASS definition
Meets 9/16 rule
Meets minimum scores (average 7 or above, 7 or above for type, no score under 5)
For permanent status must pass performance test

Appendix to Stallion Book I (Appendix to Main Stallion Book)

Does not meet 9/16 rule (fewer than 7 Shagyas in 4th generation)
Registered Purebred Arabian or a Part-Shagya-Arabian Book I (sire is in Book I and dam is in Mare Book I or Appendix I) and has met stallion performance test requirements
Meets minimum scores (average 8 or above, 8 or above for type, no score under 5)
Negative SCID test

Stallion Book II (Stallion Book)	Registered as Purebred Shagya-Arabian per NASS definition Meets 9/16 rule Does not meet minimum scores, or does not pass performance test OR Registered as Shagya-Arabian Book II, must be inspected
Appendix Stallion Book II (Appendix to Stallion Book)	Does not meet 9/16 rule (fewer than 7 Shagyas in 4 th generation) Does not meet minimum scores as listed in Appendix to Stallion Book I and/or does not pass stallion performance test OR Registered as Part-Shagya-Arabian Book II, must be inspected
Mare Book I (Main Mare Book)	Registered as Purebred Shagya-Arabian Meets 9/16 rule Sire and Grandsire in Stallion Book I Meets minimum scores (average 6, no score under 5)
Appendix to Mare Book I (Appendix to Main Mare Book)	Does not meet 9/16 rule (fewer than 7 Shagyas in 4 th generation) Registered as Purebred Arabian or Part-Shagya-Arabian Book I (sire in Book I), and meets minimum average score of 7 and no score under 5, OR Registered as Shagya-Arabian Book II, if sire is in Book I Meets minimum average score of 6 and no score under 5
Mare Book II (Mare Book)	Registered as Purebred Shagya Arabian Book I, meets 9/16 rule, Scores below minimum score of 6, OR Registered as Shagya-Arabian Book II (sire and/or dam in Book II) Meets 9/16 rule
Appendix to Mare Book II	Registered as Purebred Arabian, sire not in Book I, must be inspected, (Appendix to Mare Book II) scores average of 7, no score under 5, OR Registered as Part-Shagya-Arabian Book I, does not meet 9/16 rule, does not score minimum average of 7 with no score under 5, OR Registered as Part-Shagya-Arabian Book II, does not meet 9/16 rule

Purebred Shagya-Arabians:

A horse which meets all requirements of the SHARONA definition of a Purebred Shagya-Arabian. The horse's registration number begins with "ShA".

NASS PUREBRED SHAGYA-ARABIAN REGISTRY (BOOK I)

Requirements:

A horse whose parents are NASS registered Shagya-Arabians which have been approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding by NASS and whose pedigree contains no more than of 9 out of 16 Purebred Arabians in the 4th generation is eligible for registration as a Purebred Shagya-Arabian, providing the registry application rules are followed by the owner of the horse.

All applications for registry of imported Shagya-Arabian horses must be accompanied by original registration papers from the ISG-member registry in the country of original registration with an English translation, and any other relevant documents as requested by the NASS Registrar and NASS Breeding Committee. Date of importation, ownership transfers, bills of sale, and other documentation establishing a complete chain of ownership must be provided and will be retained as part of the registration documentation.

Requirements for Approval for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Breeding for Purebred Shagya-Arabians (Book I):

Purebred Shagya-Arabian stallions which are presented for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding approval must receive an average score of "7", and must receive at least the mark of "7" for type. No mark in any category may be lower than "5". Exceptions can be made to these regulations at the discretion of the judging committee at the time of the inspection. All approved stallions are required to have a DNA hair sample on file with U of K prior to finalization of their breeding approval.

Furthermore, beginning with Inspection Year 2009, stallions must pass the NASS Performance Requirements to maintain their status as Book I stallions. Stallions which do not pass the Performance Requirements in the allotted time will be placed in Book II.

Purebred Shagya-Arabian mares which are presented for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding approval must receive an average score of "6" to be approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Breeding and her offspring by Approved Book I stallions will be eligible for registration as Purebred Shagya-Arabians (Book I) and their respective appendixes.

If a mare receives an average score below "6", she will be placed in Mare Book II, and her offspring by approved stallions will be registered as Shagya-Arabians Book II. Their offspring of stallions in Book I are eligible for breeding approval into the Appendix to Book I if they can achieve the same marks as is required of Part-Shagya-Arabians in Book I (average score of 7 or above, no score under 5). Otherwise, they will be approved for Book II registration. Their offspring by stallions in Book II are eligible for registration into Book II only.

NASS PART-SHAGYA-ARABIAN REGISTRY

Part-Shagya-Arabians:

A horse with one registered purebred Shagya-Arabian parent or one Part-Shagya-Arabian parent and whose other parent's pedigree is composed entirely of Purebred Arabian or a mixture of Purebred Arabian and Shagya-Arabian. The horse's registration number begins with "P-ShA". The Part-Shagya-Arabian Registry is divided into two books, Book I and Book II.

Part-Shagya-Arabian Book I

In order for a Part-Shagya-Arabian to be registered in Book I, the sire must be NASS approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding in Book I or Book I appendix. The horse's registration number will be followed by "I".

Part-Shagya-Arabian Book II

A Part-Shagya-Arabian is registered in Book II if the sire or dam is in Book II. The horse's registration number will be followed by "II".

When applying for registration of a Part-Shagya-Arabian, the applicant is required to submit all registration papers from any other breed registry in which the non-Purebred Shagya-Arabian parent is registered. The NASS registration certificate will include the pedigree of the Purebred Arabian parent.

Requirements for Part-Shagya Arabians for Approval for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Breeding into Book I:

Part-Shagya-Arabian mares in Book I: (daughters of a purebred Arabian mare or a Part-Shagya-Arabian mare, and a stallion approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS), may be presented at the age of 2 years or older for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding.

If the mare's exterior is adequate (if she receives an average score of "7" or above), she will be approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I and she will be entered into the Appendix Registry for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Breeding Book I. Her foals by stallions approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS may receive Purebred Shagya-Arabian registration papers if the foal meets the "9/16ths" rule (if there are no more than 9 out of 16 Purebred Arabian ancestors in the 4th generation of the pedigree). If this foal does not meet the 9/16 rule it may be registered as a Part-Shagya-Arabian Book I.

Her foals by stallions approved for Shagya-Arabian Breeding Book II stallions may receive Shagya-Arabian Book II registration papers. If her foal does not meet the 9/16 rule it may be registered as a Part-Shagya-Arabian Book II. In either case, her offspring by a Book II approved stallion is eligible for breeding approval for Book II only.

If the mare's exterior is not considered adequate (if she receives an average score under "7" and/or any score under 5), her foals from stallions approved for Purebred Shagya breeding Book I by NASS shall be registered as Shagya-Arabians Book II, if they meet the 9/16 rule, or as Part-Shagya-Arabians Book II if they do not meet the 9/16 rule. These offspring are eligible at the age of 2 years or more to be presented for breeding approval following the same criteria as is required of Part-Shagya Arabians in Book I.

If the mare's exterior is not considered adequate (if she receives an average score under "7" and/or any score under 5), her foals from stallions approved for Purebred Shagya breeding Book II by NASS shall be registered as Shagya-Arabians Book II, if they meet the 9/16 rule, or as Part-Shagya-Arabians Book II, and they are eligible at the age of 2 years or more to be presented for Shagya-Arabian Book II breeding approval only.

Part-Shagya-Arabian Stallions in Book I:

Sons of a purebred Arabian mare or a Part-Shagya-Arabian mare, and a stallion approved into Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS may be presented at the age of 2 years or older for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding.

Part-Shagya Arabian stallions must exhibit superior type, conformation, movement, and impulsion, and appropriate size and disposition, as evidenced by a minimum average score of "8", with at least the mark of "8" for type and no mark in any category may be lower than "5". Part-Shagya Arabian stallions are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process.

All approved stallions are required to have a DNA hair sample on file with U of K prior to finalization of their breeding approval.

Furthermore, beginning with Inspection Year 2009, stallions must pass the NASS Performance Requirements to maintain their status as Book I stallions.

Stallions which do not pass the Performance Requirements in the allotted time will be placed in Book II.

Part-Shagya-Arabian Stallions in Book II

Sons of a purebred Arabian mare or a Part-Shagya-Arabian mare, and a stallion approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book II by NASS may be presented at the age of 2 years or older for breeding approval into Shagya-Arabian Book II.

Summary of Requirements for a Part-Shagya-Arabian to be Eligible to be Presented for Approval for Shagya-Arabian Breeding Book I and Book II:

- The horse must be registered with NASS as a Part-Shagya-Arabian in Book I or II.
- The horse's pedigree must consist entirely of Purebred Arabian and Purebred Shagya-Arabian or Part-Shagya-Arabian blood.

Any NASS registered Part-Shagya-Arabian whose sire or dam is approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding after the horse has been registered is eligible to have his or her papers changed to reflect the change in registration status. For example, a Part-Shagya-Arabian which has been registered in the Part-Shagya-Arabian Book II because its sire was not approved is eligible to be admitted into the Part-Shagya-Arabian Book I upon the approval of its sire into Studbook I. In every case the owner of the horse must request in writing to the NASS Registrar that this change be made and must include relevant documentation and the current fee required. (see fee schedule).

Part-Shagyas:

A horse with one NASS registered Shagya-Arabian, Part-Shagya-Arabian, or Part-Shagya parent and whose other parent's pedigree is composed of any other breed or breeds may be registered as a Part-Shagya with NASS. The horse's registration number begins with "P-Sh".

When applying for registration of a Part-Shagya-Arabian, the applicant is required to submit all registration papers from any other breed registry in which the non-Purebred Shagya-Arabian parent is registered.

When applying for registration of a Part-Shagya, if the SHARONA Registrar is supplied with a copy of the registration certificate for that parent from the relevant registry, the registration certificate will include the pedigree of the non-Shagya-Arabian, Part-Shagya-Arabian, or Part-Shagya parent.

NASS SHAGYA-ARABIAN REGISTRY BOOK II

The NASS Shagya-Arabian Registry Book II registers horses whose pedigrees meet the 9/16 rule but who have either a sire or a dam in Book II or in the Book II Appendix.

SHARONA APPENDIX to BOOK I and BOOK II

Purpose of the Appendix to Book I and Book II:

The SHARONA Appendix to Book I is the list of Purebred Arabians and NASS registered Part-Shagya-Arabians in Book I which have been approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS. Also foreign Purebred Shagya Arabian stallions and foreign Purebred Arabian stallions which have been approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS via frozen semen are listed in the Appendix to Book I. All approved stallion owners must be members in good standing of NASS at the time of conception and at the time of registration of any of their stallion's foals.

Similarly, The SHARONA Appendix to Book II is the list of Purebred Arabians and NASS registered Part-Shagya-Arabians in Book II which have been approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding Book II by NASS. Also foreign Purebred Shagya Arabian stallions and foreign Purebred Arabian stallions which have been approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book II by NASS via frozen semen are listed in the Appendix to Book II. All approved stallion owners must be members in good standing of NASS at the time of conception and at the time of registration of any of their stallion's foals.

As of 2005, NASS no longer approves horses for Part-Shagya breeding. However, any horse approved for Part-Shagya Breeding prior to 2005 retains that approval.

Mare Book I Appendix and Stallion Book I Appendix

Horses which are Eligible for Approval into Purebred Shagya-Arabian Book I Appendix:

1) Purebred Arabians:

Purebred Arabians approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding by NASS will be listed in the Appendix to Book I and will appear in all published studbooks.

The owner of the Purebred Arabian stallion must be a member of NASS at the time of breeding and at the time of registration of the resulting foal.

Purebred Arabian mares whose sire is in Book I and who are approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding will be listed in the Appendix to Book I.

All offspring of one Purebred Arabian approved by NASS for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding and listed in the Appendix to Book I of SHARONA Registry, and one purebred Shagya-Arabian approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS, whose pedigrees contain no more than 9 out of 16 purebred Arabians in the fourth generation ("the 9/16th Rule") are eligible for registration as Purebred Shagya-Arabians in the SHARONA Registry Book I.

Requirements for Purebred Arabians to be Approved for Purebred-Shagya-Arabian Breeding:

Purebred Arabian stallions may be accepted by the NASS for use in purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I upon their approval for Purebred Shagya Breeding and fulfillment of NASS stallion performance requirements.

Purebred Arabian stallions must exhibit superior type, conformation, movement, and impulsion, and appropriate size and disposition, as evidenced by a minimum average score of "8", with at least the mark of "8" for type and no mark in any category may be lower than "5". Purebred Arabians are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process. Purebred Arabian stallions must have DNA on file with U of K prior to the finalization of their breeding approval.

Purebred Arabian mares may be accepted by the NASS for use in Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding into Appendix to Book I upon their approval for Purebred Shagya Breeding if their sire is in Appendix to Book I, or they may be accepted for Shagya-Arabian breeding into Appendix to Book II if their sire is not in Appendix to Book I.

Purebred Arabian mares must exhibit appropriate type, conformation, movement, impulsion, size and disposition, as evidenced by a minimum average score of "7", with at least the mark of "7" for type and no mark in any category may be lower than "5". Purebred Arabians are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process.

2) Part-Shagya-Arabian Mares:

Part-Shagya-Arabian mares approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS will be listed in the Appendix and will appear in all published studbooks. Part-Shagya-Arabian mares registered in the NASS Part-Shagya-Arabian registry Book I (daughters of a purebred Arabian mare or a Part-Shagya-Arabian mare, and a stallion approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS) and Part-Shagya-Arabian mares registered in registry Book II whose sires are in Book I are eligible for approval into Appendix I.

If the Part-Shagya-Arabian mare's exterior is adequate (if she receives an average score of "7" or above, with no individual score under "5"), she will be approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I and she will be entered into the Appendix Registry for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Breeding Book I. Her foals by stallions approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding in Book I by NASS may receive Purebred Shagya-Arabian registration papers if the foal meets the "9/16ths" rule (if there are no more than 9 out of 16 Purebred Arabian ancestors in the 4th generation of the pedigree).

If the Part-Shagya-Arabian mare's exterior is not considered adequate (if she receives an average score under "7" or an individual score under "5"), her foals from Shagya-Arabian stallions approved for Shagya breeding by NASS shall be registered as either as Part-Shagya-Arabians Book II, or as Shagya-Arabians Book II if it meets the 9/16 rule.

3) Part-Shagya-Arabian Stallions in Book I

Sons of a purebred Arabian mare or a Part-Shagya-Arabian mare, and a stallion approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I by NASS) may be presented at the age of 2 years or older for entry into the Purebred Shagya-Arabian Book I Appendix.

Part-Shagya-Arabian stallions must exhibit superior type, conformation, movement, and impulsion, and appropriate size and disposition, as evidenced by a minimum average score of "8", with at least the mark of "8" for type and no mark in any category may be lower than "5". Part-Shagya-Arabian stallions are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process. An approved stallion must have his DNA on file with U of K prior to finalization of breeding approval.

Furthermore, beginning with Inspection Year 2009, stallions must pass the NASS Performance Requirements to maintain their status as Book I stallions.

Stallions which do not pass the Performance Requirements in the allotted time will be placed in Book II.

Summary of Requirements for a Part-Shagya-Arabian to be Eligible to be Presented for Approval for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Breeding Book I:

- The horse must be registered with NASS as a Part-Shagya-Arabian in Book I
- The horse's pedigree must consist entirely of Purebred Arabian and Purebred Shagya-Arabian blood.
- The horse's sire must be approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I or Book I Appendix.

Mare Book II Appendix and Stallion Book II Appendix

Horses which are Eligible for Approval for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Book II Appendix:

1) Purebred Arabians:

Purebred Arabian stallions and mares approved for Shagya-Arabian Book II Appendix by NASS will be listed in the Appendix to Book II and will appear in all published studbooks. The owner of the Purebred Arabian stallion must be a member of NASS at the time of breeding and at the time of registration of the resulting foal.

Purebred Arabian mares may be accepted for Shagya-Arabian breeding into Appendix to Book II if their sire is not in Appendix to Book I.

Purebred Arabian mares must exhibit appropriate type, conformation, movement, impulsion, size and disposition, as evidenced by a minimum average score of "7", with at least the mark of "7" for type and no mark in any category may be lower than "5". Purebred Arabians are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process.

All offspring of one Purebred Arabian approved by NASS for Shagya-Arabian breeding Book II and listed in the Appendix to Book II of SHARONA Registry, and one Shagya-Arabian approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding by NASS, whose pedigrees contain no more than 9 out of 16 purebred Arabians in the fourth generation ("the 9/16th Rule") are eligible for registration as Shagya-Arabians in the SHARONA Registry Book II.

Purebred Arabian stallions who are presented for breeding approval and who do not score a minimum average score of "8", with at least the mark of "8" for type, or who score a mark in any category lower than "5" and stallions who fail to pass the performance test will be eligible for entry into Studbook II Appendix.

Purebred Arabians are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process.

Purebred Arabian stallions must have DNA on file with U of K prior to the finalization of their breeding approval.

2) Part-Shagya-Arabian Mares in Book II:

Part-Shagya-Arabian mares registered in the NASS Part-Shagya-Arabian registry II (daughters of a purebred Arabian mare or a Part-Shagya-Arabian mare, and a stallion approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding Book II by NASS) which are approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding Book II by NASS will be listed in the Appendix to Book II and will appear in all published studbooks.

If the Part-Shagya-Arabian mare is presented for breeding approval and is judged to be free of genetic defects she will be placed into the Appendix to Book II. Her foals by stallions approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding in Book I by NASS may receive Shagya-Arabian Book II registration papers if the foal meets the "9/16ths" rule (if there are no more than 9 out of 16 Purebred Arabian ancestors in the 4th generation of the pedigree), and they are eligible for approval into the Appendix to Book I if they achieve the required scores of average of 7 and no score under 5.

Alternatively, her foals by stallions approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding in Book II by NASS may also receive Shagya-Arabian Book II registration papers if the foal meets the "9/16ths" rule (if there are no more than 9 out of 16 Purebred Arabian ancestors in the 4th generation of the pedigree). However, the offspring of a stallion in Book II are eligible only for approval into the Appendix to Book II when they are presented for breeding approval.

3) Part-Shagya-Arabian Stallions in Book II:

Sons of a purebred Arabian mare or a Part-Shagya-Arabian mare, and a stallion approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding Book II by NASS may be presented at the age of 2 years or older for approval into the Shagya-Arabian Book II Appendix. When they are presented for breeding approval, if they are judged to be free of genetic defects they can be placed into the Shagya-Arabian Book II Appendix.

Part-Shagya-Arabian stallions in Book II are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process. An approved stallion must have his DNA on file with U of K prior to finalization of breeding approval.

Summary of Requirements for a Part-Shagya-Arabian to be Eligible to be Presented for Approval for Shagya-Arabian Breeding Book II:

- The horse must be registered with NASS as a Part-Shagya-Arabian in Book II.
- The horse's pedigree must consist entirely of Purebred Arabian and Purebred Shagya-Arabian blood.
- The horse's sire must be approved for Shagya-Arabian breeding in either Book I or Book II and their respective appendices.

NASS APPROVAL for PUREBRED SHAGYA BREEDING BOOK I

At the age of 2 years or more, any NASS registered Purebred Shagya-Arabian or Part-Shagya-Arabian which meets NASS eligibility requirements may be presented to the NASS Breeding Committee for approval. Assessment for breeding potential will be made by a commission which is appointed by the NASS Breeding Committee with the advice and consent of the NASS Board of Directors. The commission will consist of a minimum of two ISG certified judges, a NASS Breeding Committee member, and a NASS consulting veterinarian. The commission will, upon inspection of the horse:

1. Approve the horse for breeding
2. Deny breeding approval, or
3. Recommend that the horse, while not approved at the time, may be presented for approval at a later date.

The horse will be presented in hand on the triangle standing, and at walk and trot. When possible, the horse will also be shown at liberty and walk, trot, and gallop. Free jumping down a jumping chute is optional. See the "NASS Protocol for Inspection Procedures and Judging" for more details on presentation.

Horses shall be assessed on a scale from 1 to 10 for: 1) type, 2) head, 3) neck, 4) body, 5) legs, 6) walk, 7) trot, and, when possible, 8) canter/gallop. Wither height, cannon bone and girth circumferences will also be measured and recorded.

Horses which are approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I will have a notation added by the Registrar to the SHARONA certificate of registration indicating "Approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I". Published NASS/SHARONA studbooks will also include such notations.

Any questions regarding eligibility of an individual animal for presentation for breeding approval should be directed to the NASS Breeding Committee. The Registrar is not authorized to make decisions regarding eligibility of a horse.

All fees owed to NASS must be paid in full, all applicable paperwork must be in good form and completed before a horse may be presented for Approval for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding.

The horse owner must be a NASS member in good standing in order to be eligible to present a horse for inspection /evaluation at a NASS inspection.

Stallions:

Purebred Shagya-Arabian stallions in Book I which are presented for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding approval Book I must receive an average score of "7", and must receive at least the mark of "7" for type. No mark in any category may be lower than "5". Exceptions can be made to these regulations at the discretion of the judging committee at the time of the inspection.

Purebred Arabian stallions and Part-Shagya-Arabian stallions which meet the appendix requirements listed above may be presented and accepted by the NASS for use in Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I. Purebred Arabian and qualifying Part-Shagya Arabian stallions must exhibit superior type, conformation, movement, and impulsion, and appropriate size and disposition, as evidenced by a minimum average score of "8", with at least the mark of "8" for type and no mark in any category may be lower than "5". Extenuating circumstances can result in exceptions being made to these regulations at the discretion of the judging committee at the time of the inspection. Furthermore, purebred Arabian stallions are required to pass the NASS performance requirements prior to being used for Shagya breeding.

An approved stallion must have his DNA on file with U of K prior to finalization of breeding approval.

Furthermore, beginning with Inspection Year 2009, Purebred Shagya stallions and Part-Shagya-Arabian stallions must pass the NASS Performance Requirements to maintain their status as Book I stallions.

Stallions which do not pass the Performance Requirements in the allotted time will be placed in Book II.

Purebred Arabian stallions are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process.

Mares:

Purebred Shagya-Arabian mares in Book I which are presented for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding approval must receive an average score of "6" and no individual score under "5" in order to be approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian Breeding.

A Part-Shagya-Arabian mare in Book I who meets the qualifications to be presented for breeding approval must receive an average score of "7" with no individual score under "5" to be approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding.

A Shagya-Arabian mare in Book II who meets the qualifications to be presented for breeding approval (she must have a sire in Book I) must receive an average score of "7", with no individual score under "5" to be approved for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding.

Purebred Arabian mares whose sires are in the Appendix to Book I may be accepted by NASS for purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding Book I upon their approval for Purebred Shagya breeding.

Purebred Arabian mares must exhibit appropriate type, conformation, movement, impulsion, size and disposition, as evidenced by a minimum average score of "7", with at least the mark of "7" for type and no mark in any category may be lower than "5". Purebred Arabians are also required to have a negative SCID test as part of the breeding approval process.

All fees owed to NASS must be paid in full, all applicable paperwork must be in good form and completed before a horse may be presented for Approval for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding.

NASS EVALUATION:

All SHARONA registered Purebred Shagya-Arabian geldings, mares, and stallions, as well as all Part-Shagya-Arabians and all Part-Shagyas of any age are eligible for an evaluation (which is not for the purpose of breeding approval) during an official inspection tour.

Horses shall be evaluated on a scale from 1 to 10 for: 1) type, 2) head, 3) neck, 4) body, 5) legs, 6) walk, 7) trot, and, when possible, 8) canter. Free jumping down a jumping chute is optional. Withers height, cannon bone and girth circumferences will also be measured and recorded. Evaluations are for informational purposes only and are not applicable towards approval for Purebred Shagya-Arabian breeding. Exceptions can be made to the regulations at the discretion of the NASS Breeding Committee.

Any questions regarding eligibility of an individual animal for evaluation or for presentation for breeding approval should be directed to the NASS Breeding Committee. The Registrar is not authorized to make decisions regarding eligibility of a horse.

All fees owed to NASS must be paid in full, all applicable paperwork must be in good form and completed before a horse may participate in any evaluation process. The horse owner must be a NASS member in good standing in order to be eligible to present a horse for inspection/evaluation at a NASS inspection.

NASS REGISTRATION PROCEDURES:

The value of any registry is in the accuracy, integrity, and completeness of records; any documentation required is with that objective in mind.

Correct fees must accompany all registration applications and transfers. All outstanding fees owed to NASS must be paid in full before registration work will be commenced. Any documents that are incomplete will be returned at submitter's expense.

The entire registration will be processed only after the Registrar has received all required fees and documentation.

The Registrar or Breeding Committee may require further documentation in addition to that listed below order to register a horse in the SHARONA Registry.

NASS Registers Shagya Bred Horses in SHARONA in Four Divisions:

1. The Purebred Shagya-Arabian Registry Book I (reg. numbers begin with "ShA").
2. The Part-Shagya-Arabian Registry (reg. numbers begin with "P-ShA"). The Part-Shagya-Arabian Registry is divided into Books I and II and their registration number ends with either a "I" or a "II."
3. The Shagya-Arabian Registry Book II. (reg. numbers begin with "ShA" and end with "Book II")
4. The Part-Shagya Registry (reg. numbers begin with "P-Sh").

Once you have ascertained that your horse is eligible for registry in SHARONA as a Purebred Shagya-Arabian Book I, a Part-Shagya-Arabian, a Shagya-Arabian Book II, or a Part-Shagya, you can request the appropriate application form from the NASS Registrar or Assistant Registrar, or you can download the appropriate form from the NASS website.

The Registrar or Breeding Committee may require further documentation in addition to that listed below order to register a horse in the SHARONA Registry.

Registration application forms should be submitted as soon as possible after the birth of a foal or the importation of a horse to North America.

Registering an Imported Horse Previously Registered in Another Country:

To register a Shagya-bred horse previously registered in another country, you may request an application for Registration for imported horses from the NASS Registrar, Assistant Registrar, or download it from the website. The application clearly states at the top what documentation is required, including: copy of certificate of registration and official pedigree, record of transfer to current owner, date of importation, translation into English of any documentation in a foreign language, and a standard foal application for a foal imported in utero.

Registering a Foal or Older Horse Born in North America:

Applications for foals should be submitted before December 31 of their birth year in order to avoid a late fee. Older horses are also eligible for registration but the cost is higher (see fee schedule).

Beginning with all foals born after January 1, 2007, it is required that the parentage of all purebred Shagya-Arabian and Part-Shagya-Arabian foals be verified by DNA typing the sire, the dam, and the foal. In order to DNA type a horse a small amount of mane or tail hair is pulled out by the roots and sent to the NASS Registrar along with the appropriate fee and the application. (The application is available from the Registrar or Assistant Registrar or can be downloaded from the NASS website. See fee schedule for fees). Please make sure that the sire, the dam, and the foal have been DNA typed prior to submitting the registration application. If you are in doubt as to whether or not the stallion and/or mare have already been DNA typed, check with the NASS Registrars or NASS Breeding Committee, which keeps a master file of DNA typed horses in the SHARONA Registry and Appendix.

Filling out the Registration Application:

Be certain that all parts of the application are complete typed or clearly printed in ink. The name of the horse, color, foaling date, and markings must be clearly described and drawn on the diagrams. Do the drawings with the horse in front of you so there will be no error. It is recommended to draw in the markings in pencil first, double check them while looking at the horse, then ink them in. Drawings and written description must match. Fill in each marking category. For example, if the horse has no face markings, write "None", if the horse has a black hoof, write in "black", etc.

Remember to fill in section verifying date of castration and practitioner if performed before submitting the registration application.

Breeder's Certificate:

The "breeder" of the horse to be registered is the owner or lessee of the dam of the horse to be registered at the time that the foal was conceived. The signature of the owner or the lessee of the dam at the time of conception is required as evidence to confirm the facts of the breeding. If the dam is leased, please attach a copy of the lease agreement signed by both the lessor and the lessee. In addition the NASS Breeder designation form must be signed by the lessor and the lessee and submitted along with the registration application.

Service Certificate:

The service certificate must be signed by the owner of the stallion at the time the mare was bred. If the stallion used is a stallion approved for breeding by NASS, the stallion owner must maintain membership in NASS for every breeding year in which the stallion is used in the breed. If the stallion owner does not maintain membership in NASS, any resulting foals, either Purebred Shagya-Arabian, Part-Shagya-Arabian, or Part-Shagya, from that breeding year cannot be registered until the stallion owner's membership in NASS has been brought up to date.

The stallion owner also must have an annual stallion report on file with the NASS registrar for the relevant breeding year. Stallion report forms are available from the NASS Registrar or Assistant Registrar. Stallions reports should include a list of any frozen semen sold as well as mares bred by live cover or live cooled semen.

The stallion must have his DNA type on file with NASS for all foals born after January 2007. DNA forms and instructions are available from the NASS Registrar or Assistant Registrar or can be downloaded from the NASS website.

Owner's Certificate:

If the owner of the foal (or older horse being registered for the first time) is different from the breeder or mare lessee, a copy of a bill of sale for the dam of the foal or horse or completed sales contract must be attach to the application.

If the horse to be registered has been previously recorded with any other registry, foreign or domestic, a copy of the complete valid registration must accompany the NASS application.

If the sire or dam of a horse to be registered in the Part-Shagya-Arabian or Part-Shagya registry is not registered with NASS or listed in the NASS Appendix, the NASS Registrar will include pedigree information on said sire or dam if a copy of its complete registration certificate from the relevant breed registry accompanies the application.

Transported Semen Procedures:

NASS allows foals to be registered which are conceived using either fresh or frozen transported semen. It is required that the parentage of all foals be verified by DNA typing the sire, the dam, and the foal.

Retention of frozen semen in connection to the sale of a stallion is the same as retaining breeding rights and it is recommended that this information be disclosed to the purchaser of the stallion. The current recorded owner of the stallion is required to sign the breeding certificate for each new foal registration application. Alternatively, the owner of the frozen semen at the time of insemination becomes eligible to sign the breeding certificate by including positive proof of ownership of the specific identified vial of frozen semen used to obtain the pregnancy. This documentation must indicate a clear chain of title from the owner of the stallion at the time the semen was collected and frozen to the owner of the frozen semen at the time of insemination.

Make sure to include the signature of the veterinarian or technician who performs the insemination under the "service certificate" section of the application.

Embryo Transfer:

NASS allows foals to be registered in which embryo transfer was used. Each mare is allowed one foal per year to be registered (or in the case of twins developing from a single pregnancy, two). Registration of an embryo transfer foal requires the addition of the NASS Embryo Transfer form to be submitted. The NASS Embryo transfer form is available from the NASS Registrar or Assistant Registrar or can be downloaded from the NASS website.

THE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE:

NASS Certificates of Registration are designed to be a permanent lifetime record of the registered horse, as they include ownership information, pedigree information, breeder information, etc. Please give these documents the care they deserve. Keep them in a file away from dampness or strong light to protect the hand lettering. We recommend you make photo copies for study or display purposes. Handle the certificate as you would care for other documents such as a birth certificates, titles, and deeds. When you sell a horse, be sure that the new owner is aware of the importance of recording the transfer promptly and informing the Registrar of other details as described below.

After the registration certificate is issued, it is the owner's responsibility to see that this complete record of each horse is kept up to date. The owner, or subsequent owner, is responsible for the following:

TRANSFER:

If you sell or transfer a horse in the SHARONA registry, the owner of record must sign the transfer record on the back of the certificate and fill in the date of sale and name and address of the new owner. **PLEASE USE ONLY ONE SPACE IN THE TRANSFER SECTION.**

If a horse is sold "on contract" the "date of sale" is regarded as the date provided by the owner of record. The seller should retain the certificate until the terms of the sale have been satisfied. The new owner should send the signed certificate, with the appropriate transfer fee to the Registrar. When the transfer is recorded the certificate will be returned to the new owner. Failure to record each transfer as it takes place can result in problems for the future owner, both in verifying ownership and in registration of foals. Ownership records are according to information supplied on the registration application and will not be changed unless the certificate with sale date, signature of owner, name and address of new owner, and the fee are sent. The original hand-lettered certificate must be sent to the Registrar. We suggest the owner retain a photo copy, and always use certified mail when mailing an original certificate.

BRANDING:

The brand should be drawn and attested in the appropriate space by an authorized NASS agent at the time of branding. Again, the certificate should be sent to the Registrar for entry into our records, or a photocopy of the back page with the branding noted can be sent.

BREEDING APPROVALS:

When a NASS registered horse is approved for breeding the breeding evaluation form is sent to the Registrar by the Inspection Committee. The measurements, breeding approval, and signature of the judges can be noted on the certificate if the certificate is available at the inspection site. The owner can then mail a photocopy of the back page or the original to the NASS registrar for recording. If the certificate is not available on the inspection day, the certificate can be mailed later to the Registrar, who will record the inspection results on the certificate and will return the certificate to the owner.

CASTRATION OF A STALLION:

The requested information should be entered in the appropriate spaces and the original certificate sent to the Registrar for entry into the records, or a photocopy of the back page can be sent. In the case of a horse which might have been used at stud before castration, a Stallion Report list of all mares bred to him), with dates prior to the date of castration, should be furnished to the Registrar so that foals resulting from those breedings may be registered. Castration should be recorded as soon as possible after the surgery is completed.

DEATH OF A HORSE:

The date of death, with cause if known and signature of attending veterinarian, if applicable, should be entered. The original certificate should be sent to the Registrar for recording and cancellation as soon as possible after horse's death. The certificate will be returned to the recorded owner as a keepsake, if requested. In the case of the death of a breeding stallion, a Stallion Report with the names of all mares bred by him and the breeding dates should be furnished to the Registrar so that the resulting foals may be registered.

Damaged or Lost Certificates:

In the event that a certificate is damaged, you should return it to the Registrar, with the appropriate replacement fee, to be re-written. There should be only one valid certificate in circulation for each horse. If a certificate should be lost or destroyed, the owner of record should notify the Registrar as soon as possible after the loss or destruction and send the date of such loss or destruction along with the replacement fee. A new certificate will be issued, with the statement that the original certificate was lost or destroyed, with the date. No certificate other than the current one will be honored by NASS for any transaction. Duplicate certificates are not official unless they are embossed with the NASS seal. All copies from the registry should be clearly stamped in red "copy" to avoid any tampering with the official copies.

Official Copies of Registration Certificates:

Any owner of a NASS registered horse who wants to submit a copy of the horses' papers to any horse organization must request an official copy of the horses' papers from the NASS Registrar along with the required fee. An official copy will be made, imprinted with the NASS seal.

BRANDING POLICY

The horse owner must be a NASS member in good standing in order to have a NASS registered horse branded.

Brand Design:

The brand for purebred Shagyas is an internationally- patented brand, patented by the ISG in 1990. The design is a sunburst with a stylized "Sh" inside. There are two sizes of brands available; mature horses are branded with the larger size, and the horses under the age of one year old are branded with the smaller size.

Brand Placement:

The brand is placed in the middle of the horse's left hip.

Brand Type:

The brand is applied using a hot iron technique.

Branding Agent:

All current NASS Board of Directors, Officers, Breeding Committee members and individuals appointed by the Breeding Committee, with the proper training are eligible to become Branding Agents. The Breeding Committee is responsible for their training and technical instruction. A current list of qualified Branding Agents will be compiled by the Chairman of the Breeding Committee and sent to the Registrar and Assistant Registrar. This list may be subject to change from time to time. Branding Agents may be allowed to brand their own horses, provided that the proper procedures as set forth regarding the application and fee have been taken.

Eligibility:

Purebred Shagya-Arabians and Shagya-Arabians Book II registered with the Shagya Arabian Registry of North America (SHARONA) are eligible to be branded provided the owner of record submits a completed application and pays the appropriate fee (see fee schedule). The owner of record of horses that have been sold on contract must give their consent to the buyer in order to have the horse branded prior to the completion of the sale contract. A fee is charged for each horse being branded. The fee must accompany the completed branding application.

Application Process:

A branding application must be completed for each horse that is to be branded. The application can be obtained from the Assistant Registrar or downloaded from the NASS website, and the completed application is returned to the Assistant Registrar, along with the fee. Upon receiving the completed application, the Assistant Registrar logs each form and forwards the branding fee to the Treasurer. If for any reason the forms are incomplete, the Assistant will return all papers to the originating party, along with reasons they cannot be accepted. In case of any question regarding a horse's eligibility for branding, the Assistant will consult the Registrar and Chairperson of the Breeding Committee.

Each year, the Assistant will report to the Board of Directors, Chairperson of the Breeding Committee and Registrar the names of horses branded, and the names of the ones where the branding application has been received, but the horse has yet to be branded.

The Assistant will then send the brands and forms to the nearest qualified Branding Agent, who will then contact the origination party and make arrangements for a time and place to brand the horse(s). The Agent may coordinate at his or her discretion the branding dates with more than one originating party in the same region in order to use their time and NASS money efficiently. The Agent will be instructed to schedule a date no more than three months after the application is received from the Assistant.

After the branding had been performed, the Agent will sign and date the Registration Paper, and apply the Shagya Sun logo, either hand-drawn, or by NASS sticker. It is the owner's responsibility to photocopy this section of the Registration Paper and send it to the Registrar.

Both the Branding Agent and the originating party will sign and date the branding application.

The Agent will make three copies of each branded horse's application. A copy will be distributed to each of the following:

1. The originating party
2. The Assistant Registrar, who will note in the log that the horse has been branded
3. Chairperson of the Breeding Committee

Registrar's Procedures:

The agent will mail the original completed application to the Registrar who, upon receiving them, will see whether the brand has been noted on the horse's papers by the Agent. If this has occurred, the application will be filed in the horse's permanent records.

NASS Regulations for Foreign Stallions Using Frozen Semen

Purebred Shagya-Arabian Stallions living outside of the North American Continent can be approved for Purebred Shagya Breeding by NASS using United States Department of Agriculture approved frozen semen. (The stallion must be tested CEM free). Each stallion will be approved on a case-by-case basis, in order to insure that the stallion's Breeding Approval was conducted using standards which are at least as rigorous as those used by the NASS on NASS Inspection Tours.

In order to be eligible for consideration by the NASS Breeding Committee for NASS Approval for Purebred Shagya Breeding, the stallion owner must submit to the Chairman of the NASS Breeding Committee the following:

- A letter of application which contains the following listed information. All information which is written in a language other than English must also be accompanied by a translation into English.
- A copy of the Purebred Shagya Registration papers for the stallion.
- Complete information from the relevant Shagya Society regarding the stallion's approval for Shagya breeding in that country. Information should include a description of the approval which was conducted—i.e., dates of the approval, names of the judges, description of how the horse was shown (i.e. in hand, free lunged, ridden, etc.). Marks given by the judges for each criterion judged, official measurement taken, including wither height, girth circumference, and cannon bone circumference, and any official written description of the stallion which were made.
- Complete information regarding any Stallion Performance test in which the stallion participated, including a description of the test, names of judges, and marks given for the stallion.
- DNA typing report compatible/acceptable to the lab utilized by NASS for parentage verification
- A \$200.00 application fee.

If the stallion is approved for breeding by NASS, the stallion owner is required to follow the same regulations as owners of NASS registered stallions, i.e. maintain annual membership in NASS in order for foals to be registered, and to submit an annual stallion report.

If the NASS Breeding Committee determines that the stallion is approved for Shagya Breeding by NASS, the NASS will publish a summary of the relevant Breeding Approval information in a NASS publication, similar to that which is published about NASS inspected stallions following a NASS Inspection Tour.

The application and accompanying check should be submitted to NASS Breeding Committee Chairman.

If a foreign stallion is approved for breeding by NASS the stallion will be listed in the SHARONA Appendix Registry.