



PERFORMANCE HORSE BREEDERS

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HUNTERS, JUMPERS & EQUITATION

# BREEDING CONTRACT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_,  
by and between Keystone Farms (hereinafter referred to as “Stallion Manager”)

And \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as “Mare Owner”).

## STALLION

**Registered Name:** Ebony MSF      **Breed:** KWPN      **Date of Birth:** June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Breed Registration No:** 528003200912167      **Sire:** Warrant      **Dam Sire:** Jasper

## MARE

Mare Owner certifies that they are the legal and registered owner and/or Lessee and have the right to enter into this Agreement to breed the following described mare (hereinafter referred to as “Mare”) to Ebony.

Mare’s Registered Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed Registration No: \_\_\_\_\_

Sire: \_\_\_\_\_ Dam Sire: \_\_\_\_\_

Last year the mare produced a live foal: \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden

*Please send a copy of the Mare’s Registration papers with this agreement.*

## MARE OWNER

Mare Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ FedEx Acct #: \_\_\_\_\_

## FEES

- A. The total Breeding Fee for Ebony is \$2000.00 CAD which includes first collection but does not include shipping.
  - i. The Breeding Fee of \$2000CAD is due to Keystone Farms upon signing this contract. Keystone Farms will send an invoice via email.
  - ii. \$300CAD is due to Keystone Farms per collection, prior to shipment.
  - iii. A non-refundable Booking fee of \$500CAD is included in the Stud Fee.
  - iv. A re-booking fee of \$150CAD is due at the start of the second breeding season to book your mare if she did not catch and produce a live foal as a result of the first breeding season of this contract.
  - v. Shipping to the USA is \$565CAD per shipment
  - vi. Shipping within Ontario is \$250CAD per shipment
  - vii. Shipping outside of Ontario but within Canada is \$270CAD
  - viii. If Mare owner wishes to have shipping fees billed directly to their FedEx account, they must include it above.
  - ix. If mare owner wishes to have a disposable shipping container used, there will be an additional \$55 fee per shipment
  - x. Any requests made after the cut off time will be charged \$150/shipment if the request can be fulfilled.
  - xi. All fees (breeding fee, shipping and collection) are subject to 13% HST

## PAYMENT

Fees can be paid by credit card or E-Transfer. E-Transfer payments are only accepted from Canadian residents. Payments made by credit card are subject to a 4% fee per transaction. All contracts must have a completed and signed credit card authorization on file which will be used for unpaid invoices.

## PAYMENT METHOD

Mare owner wishes to pay via the following method:

Credit Card  E-Transfer\*Canadians only\* ([amanda@keystonefarms.ca](mailto:amanda@keystonefarms.ca))  PayPal

## TERMS

### 2 Year Live Foal Guarantee

- A. 2 year "Live Foal Guarantee"; a live foal by definition, will stand and nurse within 48 hours after birth. This contract is only valid for the year that this contract is dated and the following year and will not be extended into a third year. The LFG does not extend to accidents which result in the death of the foal, such as aggression from the mare or paddock accidents.
- B. A maximum of 3 semen shipments will be provided per year to fulfill this contract.
- C. After the first collection, additional semen will only be provided if the Mare Owner has provided a completed Breeding passport confirming the mare is not in foal. This must be signed by the Mare Owners veterinarian.

- D. The “Breeding Season” is defined as commencing **April 1 and concluding on the 1st of October** of each calendar year.
- E. The breeding fee covers only one (1) live foal.
- F. The semen provided under this Agreement shall only be used to inseminate the Mare identified herein, and for no other purpose whatsoever. Mare Owner shall not use, retain, or sell any unused Stallion semen for any purpose whatsoever without written and signed consent by Stallion Manager.
- G. Contract can be transferred to another mare of the same Mare Owner with written consent from Stallion Manager. The contract period is not extended.
- H. Contract is transferable to new owner or Buyer of mare, should contract mare be sold in foal. The contract period is not extended.
- I. Embryo Transfer and ICSI is allowed; however under these specific conditions:
  - i. Mare Owner must notify Stallion Manager if Mare is to be bred for Embryo Transfer/ICSI.
  - ii. Contract only allows for one live foal. If additional foals or vitrified embryos are produced, 50% of the stud fee is due within 14 days of birth or vitrification.
  - iii. No LFG is offered on embryos that are vitrified before transferring to recipient or vitrified embryos intended to be implanted in the future.
- N. A clean uterine culture and cytology is required on the mare by a licensed veterinarian if a mare fails to conceive after 2 cycles before a third collection will be shipped. Proof must be provided to the Stallion Manager.**
- O. If by the end of the breeding season for the first year of this contract the Mare has not settled, or has failed to maintain a pregnancy, Mare Owner agrees to provide written confirmation that the mare is barren, that the mare has a clean uterine culture & cytology, & that the mare has been properly cared for signed by a Veterinarian within 30 days of the end of the aforementioned Breeding Season. The Agreement may then be carried forward to the following year. This contract may not be extended for a third year.
- P. If the Mare gives birth but fails to produce a “live foal” as previously defined, Mare Owner must notify Stallion Manager within 48 hours of the foal’s death and provide written certification from a Veterinarian within 5 days. This certification must include verification of the death of the foal, an explanation for the foal’s death, and confirmation that the mare has been properly cared for & monitored during all stages of her pregnancy & foaling. Once this confirmation has been received, the Mare may be rebred to the Stallion, or Mare Owner may substitute a different mare after approval from Stallion Manager.
- Q. Mare owner must notify the Stallion Manager by April 1<sup>st</sup> if they plan to breed the mare during the second season. Mare owners must pay the rebooking fee to reserve their spot. Failure to do this by April 1<sup>st</sup> may result in the Stallions book being full for that year.**
- R. If the stallion dies or is no longer available during the contract period, one dose of frozen from the same stallion will be made available for each mare if available. Alternatively, the mare owner will be refunded the stud fee minus the booking fee.
- S. Keystone Farms assumes absolutely no responsibility for any loss or damage to the mare. The Mare Owner shall assume all responsibility for the condition of the Mare and shall bear all risk of loss or damage to the Mare whether by death, disease, injury, infection, or otherwise.

## REQUESTS AND SHIPPING

- A. All semen is shipped via an Equitainer using the fastest option available. If the Mare Owner wishes to have semen shipped in a disposable container, these requests must be made at the time that this contract is signed. There is an additional fee of \$100CND per shipment if you request a disposable shipper. **CHECK HERE FOR DISPOSABLE CONTAINER**
- B. All transportation costs for the semen and container shall be the responsibility of the Mare Owner.
- C. Absolutely no semen will be shipped if there is an outstanding balance owed by the Mare Owner or if the required breeding passport has not been completed.
- D. Collection schedule is M-W-F, however the Stallion Manager will do their best to accommodate the Mare Owner with enough notice.
- E. **The Mare Owner must notify the Stallion Manager before 7pm EST the night before they require shipment of the semen. Ex: If mare is to be bred Tuesday, semen must be ordered by 7pm on Sunday. Any requests made after the cut off time will be charged \$150/shipment if the request can be fulfilled.**
- F. **All requests must be sent via email to [stallions@keystonefarms.ca](mailto:stallions@keystonefarms.ca) or by text to Amanda at 905-429-0494**
- G. If Mare Owner cancels their request for semen after 7am EST on the day of collection, then Mare Owner is still required to pay the collection fee.
- H. Keystone Farms holds no responsibility for shipping errors, routing errors, or mistreatment of shipper by shipping company, which might result in damages to fresh cooled semen.
- I. Mare owner **MUST** advise the Stallion Manager if there are any changes to the shipping address at the time the order is placed. Shipping addresses cannot be changed once the shipment has been scheduled.

## MARE OWNER'S DUTIES

Mare Owner acknowledges & agrees to the following conditions:

- A. Stallion Manager's sole responsibility under this Agreement is to provide semen from the Stallion to Mare Owner in good faith so as to allow for the conception of (1) foal. This Agreement does not guarantee that Mare will become pregnant during the contract period nor does it guarantee that Mare will provide Mare Owner with a live foal at the end of this contract period. Stallion Manager agrees to provide fresh semen from the named Stallion and Mare Owner agrees to do all due diligence with their Veterinarian to give Mare the best chance of conceiving and carrying a foal to term.
- B. Mare shall be in healthy and sound breeding condition and free from infection or disease. All necessary veterinary examinations and treatments will be carried out by Mare Owner in order for the mare to conceive, maintain her pregnancy, and deliver a live foal.

- C. Mare Owner will complete the Breeding Passport and notify Stallion Manager of mare's pregnancy status after each insemination or all guarantees are null and void.
- D. Registration of the resulting foal is strongly encouraged during its first year of life and is the sole responsibility of Mare Owner. If Mare Owner chooses to use a registry with whom Stallion is not currently activated or directly approved, Mare Owner is responsible for any "Outside Stallion Fees" that may apply.

**EQUITAINER LIABILITY**

If Keystone Farm's equitainer is not returned within 7 working days from Mare Owner's receipt of said equitainer, Mare Owner's credit card account will be charged a \$10.00CND per day late fee. If the equitainer is damaged or not returned to Keystone Farms within a three (3) week period, Client's credit card will be charged \$500.00CND to cover the replacement of the equitainer in addition to the late fees that have been incurred. We recommend insuring the shipper when sending it back to Keystone Farms. Mare Owner must include a credit card number, expiration date, 3 digit code and card holder name in this contract.

**By signing below, the Mare Owner & Stallion Manager agree to all terms and fees as outlined above.**



\_\_\_\_\_  
STALLION MANAGER SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
MARE OWNER SIGNATURE

<p><b>Discounts</b></p> <p>Performance Mare ( 3'6+ hunter or 1.20m+ jumper results) – 15% off Breeding fee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Proven Producer ( Offspring with 3'+ hunter or 1.10+ jumper results) – 10% off Breeding Fee</p> <p>*Results are considered when the horse has won 3 or more classes at the specified level*</p>
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## SHIPPING INFORMATION

Semen Requester Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Requesters Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Shipping will not be available on the following days- Pick up only**

- Apr 18<sup>th</sup> (Easter)
- May 16<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> ( Victoria Day)
- May 26<sup>th</sup> (Memorial Day)
- June 30<sup>th</sup> (Canada Day)
- August 4<sup>th</sup> (Civic Holiday)
- September 1st (Labour Day)

Farm/Clinic Name for Shipments: \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Special Instructions for shipping: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**\*CHANGES TO THIS SHIPPING ADDRESS MUST BE MADE AT THE TIME OF ORDER AND CANNOT BE CHANGED ONCE SCHEDULED. PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK FOR ACCURACY\***

## CONFIRMATION OF UNDERSTANDING

Please initial each line to confirm your understanding.

**I understand that:**

1. Semen requests must be made before 7pm EST the day before collection \_\_\_\_\_
2. Unless indicated on my agreement, semen will be shipped in an equitainer \_\_\_\_\_
3. Changes to shipping address must be made when I request a collection \_\_\_\_\_
4. A clean culture/cytology may be required before a 3<sup>rd</sup> shipment is sent \_\_\_\_\_
5. I must notify Keystone Farms by April 1<sup>st</sup> to book my mare in for a second breeding season if she  
failed to produce a live foal during the first year of a LFG contract \_\_\_\_\_
6. All fees must be paid prior to collection being booked \_\_\_\_\_
7. Equitainers must be sent back to Keystone Farms within 7 days \_\_\_\_\_
8. I understand that it is my responsibility to inform my vet and/or breeding manager of cut off  
times for collection requests \_\_\_\_\_

## BREEDING TO EBONY

1. Send your mare's information to us at [stallions@keystonefarms.ca](mailto:stallions@keystonefarms.ca) for approval. Include a conformation photo, sire x damsire, age, birth registry & any approvals. Please also include a description of any show record & previous offspring information. Once approved, we will forward you a breeding contract.
2. Complete breeding contract & send payment. Sign & remit your contract via email. We will send you an invoice via email. No semen will be shipped until payment is received in full, non-negotiable.
3. Request collection. Keystone Farms collects on a Monday/Wednesday/Friday schedule, but with notice can we try to make semen available 7 days a week if our schedule allows. Please make your request for collection directly to Amanda by 7pm EST the day BEFORE collection/shipment is needed. Requests must be sent via email or text to Amanda ([stallions@keystonefarms.ca](mailto:stallions@keystonefarms.ca), 905-429-0494). Semen can be picked up at the farm or shipped overnight via Fed-Ex. If you have an existing fed-ex account, you can provide us with your account number to be billed directly for shipping costs. Please remember that semen will arrive the day AFTER it is shipped and same day shipping(counter to counter) is not an option. Requests for semen will be honored in the order received in the event that there are more requests for a particular day than Ebony can "service."
4. Please keep holidays in mind when planning your inseminations as Fed-Ex will be closed. Semen requested on holidays may not be able to be shipped, or risks delays. These dates are noted in your contract. Semen needs to be picked up at the farm on these days.
5. Once your mare has been inseminated, you must ship the Equitainer that the semen came in back to Keystone Farms via Fedex within 7 days. Please close the container with the zip tie provided. Please provide the tracking number to us. We recommend insuring the shipper for \$500 CND. Please make sure all coolant cans and semen container are included.
6. Report the results of your breeding. Please complete the "breeding passport" that was attached to your contract and submit it to us at each ultrasound to report her status. Additional semen will not be provided if this breeding passport is not completed and sent to us as required.
7. Report birth of foal. Tell us all about your new Ebony foal! Send photos, especially ones we can share on social media!