

All studbooks are asked kindly to keep the following instructions in mind each time when going through the excel file:

- Provide at least the UELN, SIRE, SIRE_UELN, DAM, DAM_UELN, DAM's SIRE, DAMS SIRE_UELN, BIRTH_NAME, STUBBOOKCODE, BREED and NATIONAL_ID (studbook registration_number) of the horse. If you have other information like BIRTH_DATE, COLOUR, BREEDER, etc., this is welcome as well.
- NEVER EVER update the FEI-NR, COMPLETE NAME, DISCIPLINE, OWNER NAME, OWNER NATIONALITY of the horse, these columns are only provided to help you in finding the right horse.
- Don't delete or add columns in the excel file; if you want to make a remark use the last column "REMARK" for this.
- If you make changes in the excel file, only change them in RED. If you don't make the changes in RED, the FEI will ignore the changes and will not update the horse in their system!
- Always make changes in the excel file and don't send information in other text files or just in emails, also if you only have to update a few horses.
- When communicating with the promotion department about a horse, please use the FEI-NR to identify the horse and not only a name or other descriptive words of the horse. When using the FEI_NR only, we are sure we are talking about the same horse.
- Use only the correct abbreviations for studbook code and breed provided by WBFSH. (Appendix 1) If you don't use the correct abbreviation the FEI will not accept the changes.
- Use only the correct UELN number appointed to your database provided by WBFSH. (appendix 2) If you don't use the correct UELN in combination with the breed/studbook database, the FEI will not accept the changes.
- ONLY update horses registered at birth in your studbook. Don't update horses from other studbooks, even if you try to be helpful, this is appreciated, but will make it more difficult.

Furthermore, it is important for the persons involved in the work with the rankings that the studbooks acknowledge that the work of each studbook will be easier in maybe 5 years' time, and until that it will unfortunately remain a very time-consuming, but important work to fill in the pedigree information each year!

Using the UELN

The UELN code is the address of the database which registers and delivers the passport of the horse for the first time.

UELN is composed by a UELN code :

- 6 first digits numbers : **ISO code of the country** (3 digits number) + **code of the database in the country**

And

- **9 alpha-numeric digits numbers**: horse number in the database system; according to your organisation

Example :

1230010098765A

à UELN of the horse 1 number for all of its life 15 characters (no blank, no dot... only numbers and letters)

How to put a UELN on a 'new horse' register:

- 1st case : first registration for a horse born in your country :

- Create UELN with UELN code of your database

- 2nd case : first registration for a horse born in another country but registered at birth in your database :

- Create UELN with UELN code of your database
- NB: the ISO code of the country of birth would be in the microchip number

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- 3rd case: registration of a horse coming from another database of your country :
 - keep the UELN of this horse in your database
- 4th case : registration of an imported horse with UELN :
 - keep the UELN of this horse in your database
- 5th case : registration of an imported horse without UELN printed on the passport :
 - DO NOT ADD an UELN for this horse
 - ask the database or studbook of birth for the UELN of the horse

Remarks:

for 'old' horses when they do not have an UELN in the passport :

If you do not know the UELN or do not have the possibility to find it, you can put 999999 for the UELN code then the 9 characters of the horse number.

It will only mean that you do not know the UELN of the horse, and you did not add one à because this UELN could be wrong in the pedigree of the progeny.

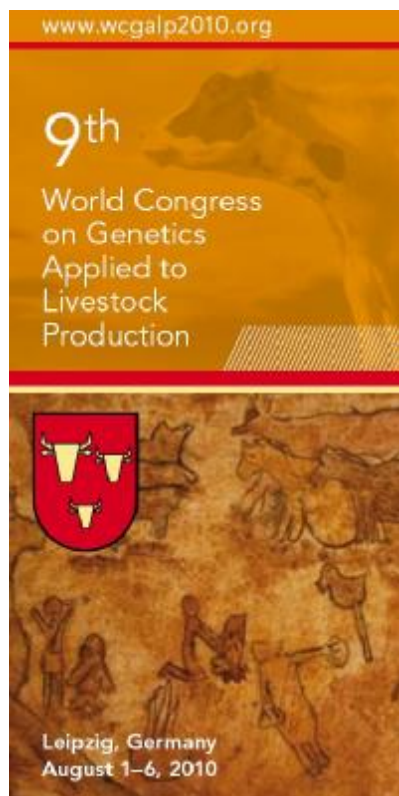
Please do not hesitate to visit the UELN website www.ueln.net at any time to find information, or contact : UELN Project Manager, Miss Berengere LACROIX: contact@ueln.net

Studbook reference list is attached

The excel file of studbook references attached contains already a lot of information on studbooks, country, UELN, etc.

Please check if the studbook code and breed code of your society is correct. We would like to urge our member studbooks to come up with your correct studbook abbreviation, if you don't agree with the proposed one in the excel list as soon as possible! Correction of studbook code is written by email to arts@kwvpn.nl at the latest on March 1st 2010.

When the list is complete we can send it to the FEI as well and ask them to update their system with the right codes.



9th World Congress on Genetics applied to Livestock 2010

Also attached please find an information flyer on the approaching 9th World Congress on Genetics applied to Livestock 2010. The flyer and the invitation in the mere hope that all breeders and genetics colleagues from the horse breeding organisations would join this meeting, were sent to us by Prof. Dr. Ernst Kalm on behalf of the organisation committee.

The time table includes the days from August 1st to 7th 2010 and it takes place in Leipzig, Germany. For further information please visit <http://www.wcgalp2010.org>

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Our news manager Thomas Bach Jensen is happy to receive your relevant sport-and-breeding news for our common website. For instance it could be your news items from your stallion selections, Breeder of the Year, results from your national young horse championships and performance test etc. Please send it to Thomas Bach Jensen on news@wbfs.org – always in English. You are welcome to also include a photo or more with relevant text.

Fill in the calendar for 2010!

Send the calendar items for your studbook's biggest events, like stallion selection, elite mare or -foal shows, young horse championships, and performance tests etc. – in English and listed like this, please:

Date	Name of event	Place/city and country	Arranger (Studbook/NF etc)
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- to news@wbfs.org – soonest possible, so that our common calendar will continue to be a site worthwhile to check out when breeders and horse dealers plan their trips around the world.

Yours sincerely,
Karina Christiansen
Secretary of WBFSD