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**Reason for change:** The top priority of the MFTHBA is to maintain accurate registration records. In recent years there have been a few registration issues that would have been avoided if the horse had been DNA tested at the time of registration. Any occurrence of this is not acceptable and the MFTHBA should do everything in its power to ensure that registration papers issued by the association are accurate. This change will do that.

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**Current Rule:** D. DNA Required: Any producing mare and all breeding stallions must be DNA tested before their offspring are eligible for registration.

**Change to:** D. DNA Required: **All foals registered after 12 months of age must be DNA tested and parent verified before registration.** Any producing mare and all breeding stallions must be DNA tested before their offspring are eligible for registration.

**Reason for change:** The top priority of the MFTHBA is to maintain accurate registration records. In recent years there have been a few registration issues that would have been avoided if the horse had been DNA tested at the time of registration. The longer an individual waits to register a foal the more chances mistakes can occur. This rule change would require any foal older than 12 months to be DNA tested and parent verified. Foals younger would not have to be DNA tested.

**\*\*NOTE: Two options for potential changes to Page 34 200 Section 2 D are being presented for feedback. One or none may be approved but not both.**