

## **2017 JUNE GRADING CRITERIA -**

**BAPSH is awaiting the 2017 LGPRE Grading Assessment Form Update, so the Information below has been based on the 2016 Grading Criteria amended with a Synopsis of the 2017 Updates taken from the New PRE Breed Standard.**

The first part of this document gives the various combinations of Serious & Very Serious Faults that will result in a Pass or a Fail in the Basic Grading. The document then goes on to list all the different conformation and type faults and how serious they are considered to be. It is easier to understand what the document is referring to if you have a copy of the 'Basic Grading Step By Step Photographic Record' at hand.

Naturally we all hope that our horses will have No Faults, but the perfect PRE doesn't exist so it is important to realise that a good PRE with one or two Very Serious Defects can still be approved for Breeding.

### **NEW FAULTS ADDED TO TO THE DISQUALIFYING FAULTS & THE VERY SERIOUS/SERIOUS FAULTS LISTS**

**APRIL 2017** - A NEW PRE BREED STANDARD HAS BEEN PUBLISHED by the Spanish Government. It has increased the seriousness of many faults, and added some new ones. Currently there is no access to the new 2017 Grading Assessment document so we have amended this Grading Criteria with the new information available from the new PRE Breed Standard, but the information below must be taken as a Guideline and not Definitive.

### **Melanomas in the perineum have been added as a SERIOUS FAULT**

In **April 2016** **EIGHT NEW VERY SERIOUS DEFECTS** and **FOUR NEW SERIOUS DEFECTS** were added to the Basic Grading assessment parameters. These defects are all related to loss of pigmentation and can be found highlighted in **BOLD TYPE** further down this page - the 2017 Regulations appear to have changed the Very Serious Defects into Disqualifying Faults. The Indication of an Incipient Fallen Crest has also been increased in the severity in which it is viewed, and these changes have also been put into **BOLD**.

**WHITE MARKINGS & BLUE EYES** - Breeders, and Buyers of youngstock intended for Breeding, please TAKE NOTE that the majority of these New Faults relate to the longer WHITE Leg Markings found on some PREs (see details below) which are currently being marketed by some Spanish Studs as highly desirable, **but a PRE with 4 long White Stockings will FAIL the Basic Grading under the new criteria.**

### **WHITE MARKINGS MUST NOT INVADE THE HOCK & KNEE JOINTS.**

**ANY** size **WHITE PATCHES** on the body, or **WHITE** spreading over ONE or Both Eyes or covering the whole **FACE** are NOW classed as **DISQUALIFYING** Faults.

**BLUE EYES** that are NOT associated with a Cream Dilution will now be classed as A **DISQUALIFYING FAULT**, also **EYES** of two Different Colours.

### **HORSES WILL BE DECLARED APPROVED FOR BREEDING (APTO)**

**If they have:-**

NO SERIOUS DEFECTS + NO VERY SERIOUS DEFECTS

NO SERIOUS DEFECTS + 1 or 2 VERY SERIOUS DEFECTS

1 SERIOUS DEFECT + 1 or 2 VERY SERIOUS DEFECTS

2 SERIOUS DEFECTS + 1 VERY SERIOUS DEFECT

3 SERIOUS DEFECTS + 0 VERY SERIOUS DEFECTS

4 SERIOUS DEFECTS + 0 VERY SERIOUS DEFECTS

## **HORSES WILL BE DECLARED NOT-APPROVED FOR BREEDING (NON-APTO)**

### **If they have:-**

- 1 DISQUALIFYING FAULT
- 3 OR MORE VERY SERIOUS FAULTS
- 5 OR MORE SERIOUS FAULTS
- 4 SERIOUS DEFECTS + 1 or MORE VERY SERIOUS FAULTS
- 3 SERIOUS DEFECTS + 1 or MORE VERY SERIOUS FAULTS
- 2 SERIOUS DEFECTS + 2 or MORE VERY SERIOUS FAULTS
- 1 SERIOUS DEFECTS + 3 or MORE VERY SERIOUS FAULTS

### **DISQUALIFYING FAULTS**

#### 1. Height at Withers

LESS than 152cm (59.85inches or a fraction under 15.0hh) Females,

LESS than 154cm (60.63inches or a ¼" under 15.1hh) Males

2. Too Long in body in proportion to height at wither – i.e., a Proportionality Index of less than 95 or more than 105
3. Fallen Crest – class 6 & class 7 – Crest Falling, 8 – More than Falling, 9 – Crest Fallen
4. Ewe Neck - class 7 – Inverted neck, 8 – more than Inverted, 9 – Very Inverted
5. Head Front Profile - class 1-Ultra Concave, 2- more than Concave, 9-Ultra-Convex
6. Poor Fidelity to Breed Type – Awarded Less than 3points
7. Monorchid – not accidental (Only One Testicle descended)
8. Cryptorchid – not accidental (NO Testicles descended)

**See next category for further possible Disqualifying Faults**

### **VERY SERIOUS DEFECTS**

1. Fallen Crest – class 5 – **Incipient**
2. Ewe Neck – class 6 – Between Slightly Inverted and Inverted
3. Head Front Profile – class 3 - Concave
4. Poor Fidelity to Breed type – Awarded only 3 points
5. Angle of Knee Side View – class 9 – Back at the Knee
6. Angle of Knee Front View – class 9 – Knock Kneed
7. Angle of Hock Side View – class 9 – Very Open, & class 8 – More than Open
8. Angle of Hock Rear View – class 9 – Very Divergent, & class 8 – More than Divergent
9. Dorsal-Lumbar line (backline) – class 1 – Convex (arched) , & class 9 – Very Concave (hollow)
10. Direction of Front Hoof/s – class 9 – Very Turned In, & class 8 – worse than Turned In
11. Direction of Rear Hoof/s – class 9 – Very Turned In, & class 8 – worse than Turned In

**NOTE: THESE April 2016 Additions MAY BE DISQUALIFYING FAULTS since APRIL-2017**

#### **FAULTS ADDED April-2016 .**

12. White marking on Front Right Leg - class 5 - To the Knee through to class 9 - up to the elbow
13. White marking on Front Left Leg - class 5 - To the Knee through to class 9 - up to the elbow
14. White marking on Hind Right Leg - class 5 - To the Hock through to class 9 - up to the flankfold
15. White marking on Hind Left Leg - class 5 - To the Hock through to class 9 - up to the flankfold
16. Blue Eyes not appropriate to the genetic coat colour
17. Eyes of Different colours
18. White Marks on the Body (not accidental)
19. White Marks that Invade the Orbital arcade (arch) or cover the Face

### **SERIOUS DEFECTS**

0. Height at Withers Greater than 170cm (67inches or 16.3hh) Females, 172cm (67.7inches or 17hh) Males
1. Fallen Crest – class 4 – **between 'Not Straight' and 'Incipient' (about to fall)**
2. Ewe Neck – class 5 – Slightly Inverted
3. Head Front Profile – class 4 – Between Straight and Concave
4. Poor Fidelity to Breed type – Awarded only 4 points

5. Poor Overall Harmony – Awarded Less than 5 points
6. Angle of Knee Side View – class 8–Somewhat Back at the Knee, 7–Slightly Back, 1–Over at Knee, 2–Somewhat Over.
7. Angle of Knee Front view – class 8 –Somewhat Knock Kneed, 7–Slightly Knock Kneed, 1–Bench Kneed, 2–Somewhat Bench Kneed.
8. Angle of Hock Side View – class 7 – Open, 1 – Very Closed, 2 - More than Closed
9. Angle of Hock Rear View – class 7 – Divergent, 1 – Very Convergent (cowhocked), 2 - More than Convergent
10. Dorsal-Lumbar line (backline) – class 8 – More than Concave (hollow), 7 – Concave.
11. Direction of Front Hoof/s – class 1 – Very Turned Out, & class 2 – worse than Turned Out
12. Direction of Rear Hoof/s – class 1 – Very Turned Out, & class 2 – worse than Turned Out
13. Quality of Walk – Less than 5 points (out of 10)
14. Quality of Trot – Less than 5 points (out of 10)
15. Quality of Canter – Less than 5 points (out of 10)
16. Height of Croup – croup more than 5cm higher than the wither
17. Melanomas – class 9 – A Large Number present.

### **FAULTS ADDED April-2016**

18. White marking on Front Right Leg - class 4 - from half way up the cannon bone to just below the Knee
19. White marking on Front Left Leg - class 4 - from half way up the cannon bone to just below the Knee
20. White marking on Hind Right Leg - class 4 - from half way up the cannon bone to just below the Hock
21. White marking on Hind Left Leg - class 4 - from half way up the cannon bone to just below the Hock

### **FAULTS ADDED April 2017**

Rounded and protruding nostrils,  
 Thick upper lip,  
 Chunky upper lip with limited mobility,  
 Over-shot and under-shot jaw,  
 Head-neck union is chunky, hardly differentiated and very deep  
 Lack of harmony and a disproportion between body areas and dimensions  
 Higher at the point of the croup than at the withers  
 Presence of melanomas in the perineum  
 Movement with poor elevation  
 Movement - irregular  
 Movement with poor extension  
 Movement - dishing  
 Movement - ambling.

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