

HORSE REGISTRATION OVERVIEW 2026

Please read this guide to help you with our registration processes

The TGCA is the officially recognized Breed Society for the Traditional Gypsy Cob.

ONLY the TGCA can issue Breed Passports with recognized verified breeding where applicable.

There are 2 types of horse registrations

- 1) **NEW EQUINE PASSPORT** horses who do not hold a current passport can apply for a new passport
- 2) **OVER STAMP** horses who already have a passport and want to register with TGCA for showing purposes

Before applying for any horse registration, please email clear pictures of each side of the horse, its head and from the back to tgcaheadoffice@gmail.com to confirm your horse meets our breed standards. Include the horses registered name in the subject line of your email

BREEDING BOOK STRUCTURE & PASSPORT APPLICATIONS

MAIN SB1 MAIN Stud Book 1 (Red Book) For horses who are entitled to registered passports and zootechnic certificates. DNA is required for verification of parentage, parentage will be added if meeting stud book guidelines which requires both parents to be TGCA registered. This stud book will register 6 Sets or more of verified DNA parentage including parents, both sets of grandparents and further proven lineage.

MAIN 1(MSB1)

- Section A – 13 hands and under
- Section B – exceeding 13 hands
- Section C – with a non-TGCA graded sire

MAIN SB2 MAIN Stud Book 2 (Red Book)– For horses who are entitled to registered passports and zootechnic certificates. DNA is required for verification of parentage. Parentage will be added if meeting stud book guidelines which require both parents to be TGCA registered. This stud book will register up to 4 Sets of verified DNA including parents, 2 grandparents and 2 others from either side. Equines can be moved up to Main SB1 if applicable – (Stud Book Upgrade)

MAIN 1 (MSB2)

- Section A – 13 hands and under
- Section B – exceeding 13 hands
- Section C – with a non-TGCA graded sire

Elite Black Book for equines

BIR Breed Identity (Blue Book) passport – for all equines meeting Breed standard – no breeding or parentage can be added to these documents. Equines can be upgraded at a later stage if meeting the MSB1 or MSB2 guidelines.

ID Inc. Part-Bred Identity only passports to include part bred for all equines, and part bred equines that meet our Part Bred Breed sections and fall into the showing categories listed below. Section V will be NOT be completed and noted as VOID please send pictures in to allow us to assess.

Pony, Native, Sport, Show Hogged Cob & Drum

- Ponies (148cm and under): 50% TGC, 50% individual breed
- Natives: 50% TGC, 50% native pony breed
- Ponies: (148cm and under) 50% TGC, 50% recognized breeding Sport horse (exceeding 148cm): 50% TGC, 50% recognized sport or performance breeding
- Show cob: 50% TGC, 50% any breeding which can be termed as show cob type, to be shown hogged and trimmed (no height limit)
- Drum (158cm upwards): ideally 50% TGC, 50% Shire, Clydesdale, or other recognized heavy horse breed, or as decided by the TGCA.

FOR ALL PASSPORT APPLICATIONS SEND COMPLETED FORMS TO –

PO BOX 1120 Canterbury CT1 9LU – OR EMAIL TO TGCAHEADOFFICE@GMAIL.COM Please email pictures using the Equine's name as reference

Over stamps

FOR TRADITIONAL GYPSY COBS AND PART BRED GYPSY COBS

Horses who already have a passport issued with another passport issuing office (PIO) .

The reasons for requesting an over stamp could be because you want to compete under TGCA rules and/or your horse meets the application requirements

HOW TO OVERSTAMP

The horse must be registered in your name prior to application

Please use either the general over stamp form or the part bred over stamp form, if you are unsure email pictures in prior to application so your equine can be assessed

STEP 1 Complete the over stamp application-available as a download
Submit 4 clear pictures of your equine – each side, head and from the back standing on level ground

Take a picture of your current Equine passport – Please ensure the picture is showing the UELN and the Microchip number.

STEP 2

Email the form and pictures in one email with the registered name of the horse in the subject line to tgcaheadoffice@gmail.com

STEP 3 Using the above email address – pay on line via PayPal – PLEASE ENSURE YOU ENTER YOUR HORSES REGISTERED NAME AS REFERENCE

Alternatively, you can send all your application forms to Head office with your current equine passport and payments to PO BOX 1120 Canterbury CT1 9LU - either send or email pictures using your registered horses name in the subject line