

DNA FAQ's

Q: What classes will require DNA testing?

A: All Half-Arabian Halter Futurity, Performance Futurity/ Maturity/Derby, AEPA, AWPA and AHPA classes at U.S. and Canadian Nationals.

Q: How do I get my horses DNA tested?

A: Contact the Registry Services Department at 303-696-4500, Option #2. You can also email Registry Services at info@arabianhorses.org.

Q: Do Canadian registered Half-Arabians need to be DNA tested?

A: Yes. DNA testing must be done through AHA. To DNA test CPAR horses through AHA, please contact Tanya McCoy, Special Services Representative at tanya.mccoy@arabianhorses.org.

Q: How long does DNA testing take?

A: It takes approximately two weeks for an owner to receive a DNA kit in the mail once requested. Once the DNA reaches the lab, the approximate time before return of results is ten days.

Q: How much does DNA testing cost?

A: \$65 USD for a member or \$115 USD for a non-member, assuming the Purebred Arabian Parent has DNA results on file.

Q: Do Anglo-Arabians need to be DNA tested?

A: At this time, AHA is not requiring Anglo-Arabians to be DNA tested.

Q: When does the DNA testing need to be completed by?

A: DNA testing and the parentage qualification must be on permanent record with AHA in order for the horse to compete in the class.



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Q: Can I DNA test my Half-Arabian even if they aren't showing in a Futurity/Maturity/Derby Class?

A: Yes. Please call AHA Registry Services at 303-696-4500, Option #2.

Q: What is the DNA testing verifying?

A: The DNA test verifies that the subject horse qualifies as an offspring of the specified Purebred Arabian parent.

Q: Will I be subject to further DNA testing at U.S. or Canadian Nationals?

A: AHA reserves the right to randomly test any horse at U.S. or Canadian Nationals.

Q: If my horse was previously tested, do I need to retest to show?

A: No, if your horse has been tested in the past, the DNA will already be on file with AHA. Contact Registry Services at 303-696-4500, Option #2 to verify.

Q: Why were these specific classes chosen to require DNA testing for Half-Arabians?

A: The Halter Futurity, Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby, AEPA, AWPA and AHPA classes were chosen because they offer substantial amounts of prize money. The only horses that are allowed to compete in these classes are those that have previously enrolled in the appropriate programs. AHA still reserves the right to randomly DNA test any horse in any class at any National Show.

