



# PREFIX APPLICATION

## Instructions:

1. Print in ink or type only.
2. A \$500 member fee or \$595 non-member fee must accompany this form.
3. Review the prefix rules listed below before filing this application.
4. Retain a copy of this form for future reference.

## Registry Rules & Regulations

### RULE 4: REGISTERED PREFIXES

A registered prefix is a name, word, letter, or combinations of these, preceding a name, recorded with the Registry and used exclusively by the owners of Morgan horses for the purpose of distinguishing Morgans bred by them from those of other Morgan breeders.

A. A prefix may be recorded with the Registry providing:

1. The word(s) selected as a proposed prefix cannot be the complete name of a registered Morgan horse that has lived in the last fifty years.
2. The word(s) selected as a proposed prefix cannot be the complete name of a registered Morgan horse that has registered offspring.
3. The prefix applicant shall not have another registered prefix on record with the Registry.
4. The prefix application has been correctly completed and submitted with the appropriate fee.
5. The Registry does not deem the prefix to be confusingly similar to a name or prefix previously recorded or otherwise unsuitable.

B. A name, word, letter, or combination of these, preceding a name, not recorded as a prefix with the Registry, may be used by other breeders, until registered for the exclusive use of one breeder.

C. A registered prefix can only be used by the recorded owner of that prefix. The registered owner of a prefix may grant permission, in writing and on file with the Registry, to designated person(s) to allow use of that prefix.

D. A registered prefix that has never been used to register a horse within 10 years after its registration may be registered to a new applicant upon proof that 30 days' written notice has been provided to the prior registrant and the prior registrant has made no objection to use by the new applicant.

*NOTE: Your prefix must be used exactly as recorded. Remember, the horse's name cannot exceed a maximum total of 25 spaces, including your prefix.*

## IMPORTANT CHANGE!

**Prefixes registered as of January 1, 2024, will not necessarily be reserved for life.**

- Prefixes submitted on January 1, 2024 or later will be held on reserve for a period of up to **FIVE YEARS**.
- If the prefix is utilized (used for the registration of a horse), then the prefix is permanently registered with no further action or fees required.
- If the registered prefix (received on or after January 1, 2024) is not utilized by the end of the five-year reservation period, **then the prefix is no longer reserved and must be renewed for another five years for an additional \$500.**

## ~ Fees Must Accompany All Applications ~

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Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Effective Jan 1, 2025, a 3% processing fee will be added to all AMHA credit/debit card transactions.

No processing fee is required for payments made by cash, check, or ACH.