

# FROM THE FRENCH RULES OF RACING

## ARTICLE. 86

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR RACES RESERVED TO HORSES BORN AND RAISED IN FRANCE**

#### **I. Horses considered as born and raised in France**

"Horses considered to be born and raised in France are those which were foaled in France and did not leave the country before 1st June of the year following their foaling, apart from temporary exportation for a period of less than one month; furthermore their dam cannot be exported for more than 180 days during the year of foaling, except under exceptional circumstances approved by France Galop stewards.

#### **II. Horses assimilated to horses born and raised in France**

With regards to the rights and obligations figuring in the present rules and regulations or in the general and particular conditions of each race, are assimilated to horses born and raised in France:

##### **A. Those born in France and that accompany their dam who is visiting a stallion outside of France, provided that:**

- 1° the dam is registered in the French Stud Book for her breed;
- 2° the outcome of the covering has been declared to the « Institut Français du Cheval et de l'Equitation (IFCE) » (the institute of French horses and riding) and that all identification formalities have been carried out on the foal by a person qualified to identify horses, these formalities must be carried out before their departure from France;
- 3° the temporary exportation formalities for the mare and foal have been fulfilled before the departure of the mare, and in any case, within 30 days of her departure, it being specified that the mare cannot leave France for more than 180 days between the birth of the foal and the 15th July of the year of its birth;
- 4° that they are reimported to France, with their dam, before the 15th July of their year of birth, except in the event of force majeure notified to France Galop stewards before this date and duly approved by them (decision that will be taken only after the foal has returned to France);
- 5° that they are then raised in France and do not leave the country before the 1st June of the year following their birth, except temporary exportation for less than one month;
- 6° that the transport documentation for the mare and foal, together with a boarding certificate from the stud(s) where the foal was raised, are forwarded at the latest on 31st December of the year following the birth.

##### **B. Those born during the temporary exportation of their dam who is visiting a stallion outside of France, the departure of the mare can nevertheless not occur before 15th December of the year previous to the birth, provided that:**

- 1° the dam is registered in the French Stud Book for her breed;
- 2° the temporary exportation formalities for the mare and foal have been fulfilled before the departure of the mare, and in any case, within 30 days of her departure, it being specified that the mare cannot leave France for more than 180 days between the 15th December and the 15th July of the year of birth of the concerned foal;

3° that they are imported to France, with their dam, before the 15th July of their year of birth, except in the event of force majeure notified to France Galop stewards before this date and duly approved by them (decision that will be taken only after the foal has returned to France);

4° that they have been subsequently raised in France and have not left the country before 1st June of the year following foaling except for temporary exportation for a period of less than one month.

5° that they have fulfilled the formalities set out in Article 68, 69 and 70 of these Rules for horses born outside France.

6° that the transport documentation for the mare and foal, together with a boarding certificate from the stud(s) where the foal was raised, are forwarded at the latest on 31st December of the year following its birth.

### **III. Special cases**

- If the horse leaves France prior to 1st June of the year following its birth, without fulfilling the conditions previously exposed, it will only be qualified for taking part in races open to horses born outside of France. To be admitted to take part in these races, it must, fulfill all formalities indicated in articles 67, 68 and 69 pertaining to horses born outside France.

- In the event that the horse leaves France before having raced, after the 1st June of the year following its birth, it will remain qualified in races open to horses born and raised in France; to be admitted, the formalities indicated in Article 67 must be fulfilled.

### **IV. Count of the period of 180 days**

- For the application of the above provisions, the day that the horse leaves the French territory and the day of his return will be counted as days spent outside France.