

Stallion preselection 2026

Three- and four-year-old stallions

Since 2021, three- and four-year-old stallions can also be accepted for the main licensing. These stallions can be presented at the selection dates in Verden. In addition to the presentations of the two-and-a-half-year-old stallions, they must also be shown under the rider in the basic gaits. Jumping stallions must also complete an age-appropriate jump under the rider.

Late-born stallions

In light of the discussion about the start of training for young horses, stallions born after July 2024 will not be accepted for stallion pre-selection and licensing this year either. Stallions born in June 2024 require a certificate from a contract veterinarian of the Hannoveraner Verband or a specialist veterinarian stating that they meet the developmental requirements for this at the start of preparation. This certificate must be issued before the start of preparation and submitted to the Verband when the stallion is registered.

Pedigree requirements

The sire and the sires of the dams must be registered for 6 generations in Stallion Book 1/Stallion Book 1b or a class corresponding to Stallion Book 1 in a studbook of an approved breed. In addition, the dam and granddam must be registered in the main studbook.

Veterinary examination

As in the previous year, the clinical examination after admission of a young stallion will be carried out on site in Verden. Radiographs of a stallion can be submitted to Dr. Felicia Wehrenpfennig (vet@hannoveraner.com) until October 08, 2026 if the radiographs for the stallions were taken from September 01, 2026. The final decision on admission to licensing will be made by the team of the X-ray commission following the stallion pre-selection. The X-ray commission consists of a predetermined group of veterinarians. Furthermore, WFFS laboratory test results can be submitted to the Verband (fkoch@hannoveraner.com) by October 08, 2026.

Register stallions!

Any stallion of a breed approved for the Hannoveraner breeding program and born between 2022 and 2024 that meets the pedigree requirements for Stallion Book 1 for Hannoveraner stallions can be registered for the stallion pre-selection for the licensing of dressage stallions from 19 to 21 November and the licensing of show jumping stallions from 26 to 28 November.

Applications for the stallion preselection should be submitted to the Hannoveraner Verband online via MeinHannoveraner, using the online form on the website www.hannoveraner.com by September 13, 2026. For registrations that are not received by the Verband's office by the deadline, a late registration fee of €150 per stallion will be charged in addition to the registration fee of €100.

The registration must state the selection date on which the stallion is to be presented. An allocation by time will be made after the registration deadline and will be communicated to each exhibitor in writing by email before the selection trip.

Further information on stallion preselection can be found on our website www.hannoveraner.com under the heading Pferdezücht/Hengstvorauswahl.

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