



# Canadian Society for the Andalusian Horse

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## BREEDER BEST PRACTICES...

Two important factors breeders should consider before breeding are to ensure they are breeding quality over quantity and to be prepared to possibly take care of the resulting offspring again someday.

Breeders can help eliminate unwanted, neglected and abused horses by implementing the following practices in their breeding programs:

- Add a "first right of refusal" clause in your purchase agreements/bills of sales.

Here is a sample clause:

*"Seller retains first right of refusal for Horse should Buyer decide to transfer ownership of Horse at any time within the life of the Horse. Before Buyer may transfer ownership of the Horse to a third party, Buyer shall first offer the Horse to Seller on the same terms and conditions as are offered by the third party. Seller shall have 30 days during which to accept said offer. If Seller does not accept said offer within said time period, Buyer shall be free to accept the third-party offer. If Buyer does not enter into an agreement with the third party on said terms and conditions and then close the transaction within 60 days, Buyer's right to sell the Horse to the third party shall expire and the procedure described in this clause shall again be applicable.*

*Buyer may give Horse back to Seller at any time, for any reason, in Horse's lifetime. If Horse is returned to seller and has outstanding medical bills or other debt owed, that debt remains the obligation of Buyer.*

*Buyer agrees that Horse will never be sold at auction, through a sales barn, or to slaughter."*

- Ask for references from potential buyers and then check them. Make sure your stock is going to a good, knowledgeable home.
- Buy and breed only quality breeding stock (free from genetic disease and inheritable defects).
- Take advantage of the breeding stock evaluations offered by [APSL](#), [ANCCE](#), and [PRE Mundial](#). If your horse is not eligible for any of these registries, have an unbiased breed professional evaluate your stock using the respective registry's evaluation criteria.

PRE Mundial Revision Score Sheet:

[http://www.prehorse.org/assets/pre\\_mundial\\_registry/forms/ficha\\_de\\_valoracion10.22.10.pdf](http://www.prehorse.org/assets/pre_mundial_registry/forms/ficha_de_valoracion10.22.10.pdf)

IgANCCE Revision Score Sheet:

[http://www.igancece.com/web2/sites/default/files/pages\\_related\\_documents/Ficha%20Valoraci%C3%B3n%20Aptitud%20B%C3%A1sica%20espa%C3%B1ol\\_marzo%202013.pdf](http://www.igancece.com/web2/sites/default/files/pages_related_documents/Ficha%20Valoraci%C3%B3n%20Aptitud%20B%C3%A1sica%20espa%C3%B1ol_marzo%202013.pdf)

- Implement your own 'Full Circle' program for the stock you've bred – keep track of where your stock is living throughout their lives so that, if they need assistance at some point, you are able to step in and provide for them.

- If you stand a stallion at stud to the public, only accept mares you approve – be particular about the quality of offspring you produce and the number of them. Your stallion represents your program - ensure his babies are wanted.
- Don't let your foals leave your property unregistered. By completing their registration, you increase the chances of that horse never being sent to an auction by 100 fold. Even if the new owners choose not to transfer ownership to their name, the registry can contact you and you will be able to step in if that horse is found in need at any point in his/her life.