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News Release

Remember to Enrol Your Mare as a 2009 Ontario Resident Mare

Mare owners of 2009 Ontario-born foals **sired by either an Ontario sire or non-Ontario sire**, are reminded that in order to be eligible for the new Ontario Bred Rewards Program, the mare enrolment **form must be received at Standardbred Canada by September 1, 2009.**

To qualify as an *Ontario Resident Mare*, a mare must be resident in the province of Ontario for 180 consecutive days surrounding date of foaling in Ontario. Offspring of *Ontario Resident Mares* will be eligible to be registered as *Ontario Bred* horses, and will then be eligible for incentives attached to their Ontario Bred status.

Ontario Bred Rewards consist of:

Rewards for **Ontario Sired** foals of 2009 out of an Ontario Resident Mare:

- 15% of the horse's total OSS earnings
- 15% of the horse's earnings in selected "Open" stakes races in Ontario.

Rewards for **non Ontario sired** foals of 2009 out of an Ontario Resident Mare:

- 15% of the horse's earnings in selected "Open" stakes races in Ontario

Program eligibility criteria and enrolment forms are available for viewing and downloading from the Standardbred Improvement Program page on the ORC website at:

www.ontarioracingcommission.ca

On behalf of the ORC, Standardbred Canada provides administrative services in support of the Ontario Resident Mare Program and can be contacted for more information at:

Standardbred Canada

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The Standardbred Improvement Program adds real value to the investment in Ontario Bred and Ontario Sired horses. We encourage your investment in Ontario, and your participation in the Program.

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