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Breeding Newsletter



Welcome to the HSI Breeding Newsletter

This month, we are focusing on stallion inspections across our studbooks, with key events taking place nationwide. The 2026 Horse Sport Ireland Stallion Selections were held on the 26th and 27th of March in Cavan Equestrian Centre, supported by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine Equine Technical Support Fund.

Looking ahead, the Irish Cob and Irish Cob Part Bred Inspections will take place at CoilÓg Equestrian Centre, Co. Kildare, on Tuesday, 21st April.



Stallion Inspections 2026



Stallions in Focus

Across the two days of inspections, 45 stallions were presented, including Irish Sport Horse, Irish Draught, Thoroughbred, pony, and other studbook stallions. Of the 25 Irish Draught stallions eligible for Class 1 or 2, 12 achieved Class 1 status. In the Irish Sport Horse Studbook, three high-performance stallions met all veterinary and performance requirements and were Approved following linear profiling. Of the 13 stallions assessed at Stage 1, five passed, while one returning stallion completed Stage 2 having previously passed Stage 1 in 2024 and earned Preliminary Approved status.

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Irish Cob Horse Stallion Book



Stallions in Focus

The Irish Cob and Irish Cob Part Bred Inspections will take place at CoilÓg Equestrian Centre, Co. Kildare, on Tuesday, 21st April, where a selection of stallions and mares will be assessed for studbook classification. Breeders and owners are encouraged to attend as this annual inspection provides an important opportunity to evaluate breeding stock and support the continued development of the breed. The Irish Cob Horse Stallion Book has also been released and is now available to download, offering full details on approved stallions and breeding information for the season.

[Irish Cob Horse Stallion Book](#)

