**American Portugues Podengo MedioGrande Club (APPMGC)**

**REGISTRATION
REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES**

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**Purpose:  To enter into the APPMGC Registry, those dogs born in the United States, their ancestors regardless of country of origin or residence and those animals that have been deemed as significant to the historical background of the breed.**

**Definitions:**

Pedigree = A written record of ancestry.

Registration number = An individual, unique number which is assigned to a specific dog by a recognized dog registering body in the country of origin and/or the APPMGC.

Pedigree form = formal printout of a dog's pedigree (with reg. numbers, sizes, coats & colors where available) and relevant information such as the dog's registration number; gender; size, coat type and color at the time of registration; name; date and location of birth and breeder's name and contact information.

Registry = A database of records collected and held by a club such as the APPMGC which includes dogs' unique registration number ID and other information found on a pedigree form.

Hunt stock = A dog which is in the U.S., alive at the time of registration and out of a sire & dam known to be podengos but whose ancestry is not recorded/registered anywhere. A hunt stock dog's get are eligible for MGC registration *and* AKC registration. A hunt stock dog MAY gain breeding status according to protocol established by the Global Podengo Community.

Initial Registration (RI) = At this time the ONLY process exists in the country of origin (Portugal) and those dogs, designated as RI, passing that rigorous evaluation process using Portuguese judges are eligible in all FCI events and Registry and should be included fully as part of the data base and eligible to participate in all events open to Podengos. We accept animals with RI designation as fully registered members of the APPMGC Registry. *In addition dogs with no formal registration in Portugal who are nominated by Podengo breeders and examined by AKC Hound Group judges (2) to meet the breed standard may be included in the APPMGC REGISTRY AND THE AKC STUD BOOK and their get subsequently included in AKC documentation as eligible to compete.*

To be eligible for the APPMGC Registry, Podengo must have:

* A pedigree from a registration entity (Kennel Club Country of Origin).
* All dogs in the pedigree must have a legitimate registration number appropriate for the country of origin and be from an FCI recognized registration body.
* Since the Portuguese have a process in place to assign Registration Incomplete (RI) numbers to animals evaluated under a stringent process that has been in use for many years. We will honor that evaluation and those animals are also eligible for full registration.
* *For imported dogs without registration documents they must be: nominated by Podengo breeders and examined by AKC Hound Group judges (2) to meet the breed standard to be included.*
* Hunt Stock – There is a long documented history of Portuguese immigrants bringing or importing their hunting dogs with them. While their breeding history is known, they have never been recorded. The placement of the letter H after the registration number indicates the status of that dog. They and their get are ~~NOT~~ eligible for full participation in Conformation and companion activities unless they have completed the recognition *process available in the US*.

**Eligibility of Podengos in Registry**

* All\* animals that have been issued a Registration number with the APPMGC, are eligible for:
* Entrance into the breed Studbook and all the rights and responsibilities that entails
* Full registration of get.
* Full participation in Conformation, and Companion activities.

 **Proof of Registration Paperwork:**

1. Copy of Registration Paperwork (AKC FSS or CPC or other recognized country of origin)
2. Appearance of the named Podengo in the official CPC registration database (most recent edition)
3. *Certificate of Acceptance from the APPMGC – following process as noted above.*