

December 28, 2010

Dear NWA DQP APPLICANT,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Designated Qualified Person for the National Walking Horse Association. The National Walking Horse Association is 100% compliant to the Horse Protection Act and has a zero tolerance to the scar rule. We are the largest, soundest, all flat shod horse industry organization in the world and we welcome your interest in helping to further our mission.

DQP applicants are required to complete a two day training session and successfully demonstrate knowledge of both NWA's rules and the Horse Protection Act on a certification examination. After successful completion of DQP training, DQP applicants enter an apprenticeship period where they must apprentice under the supervision of a licensed NWA DQP for a minimum of two NWA affiliated horse shows.

NWA's Designated Qualified Person Training and Recertification clinic will be held at Courtyard Marriott in Goodlettsville, Tennessee on February 20, 2010 and at Montgomery Farms in Goodlettsville, Tennessee on February 21, 2010. The training will begin at 8:00 am on February 20<sup>th</sup> in the Courtyard Marriott Hotel Conference Room. Room reservations should be made early to ensure the best possible rate. Please mention that you are with NWA when making your reservation. The contact information for the **Courtyard Marriott Goodlettsville is as follows:**

865 Conference Drive  
Goodlettsville, Tennessee 37072 USA  
Phone: 1-615-851-3000

Please complete and mail the enclosed application and \$25.00 applicant fee to be postmarked to the address below no later than February 1, 2010.

Thank you for your interest. If you have questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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