Dear Thoroughbred Breeders and Owners, as some of you may have already read or heard, The Jockey Club will be switching from hard copies of Registration Certificates (as we know them today), to a digital version starting with the foal crop of 2018. This was announced in a news release by The Jockey Club back on November 29th, 2017. The idea of digital registration certificates was first introduced by The Jockey Club at the Round Table Conference back in 2016.

As we are nearing the period of registering our 2018 foals, the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society would like to let members know that we are in discussions with The Jockey Club regarding the move to Digital Registration Certificates. We will supply as much information as possible about the move to help our Canadian Breeders make the transition.

We know this will be a major adjustment that everyone will need to make, just like the microchips. We ask for your patience and understanding as our offices will be in the transition stage like the rest of you. We will assist you the best way we can.

There have already been many questions asked of our offices and we are making every effort to get answers and explanations to our members, breeders and owners alike.

Q: Will the Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society be moving to Digital Registration Certificates as well?
A: Yes, the Canadian Registration Certificate will be digital, and will appear along with the Jockey Club Certificate and any other provincial or state accreditation.

Q: How will we access the Digital Registration Certificates?
A: You need to have an Interactive Registration (IR) Account with The Jockey Club. If you have already been submitting your registration applications on-line, it is the same account. If you do not have an account, you may sign up for one at: www.registry.jockeyclub.com

Digital Certificates will be managed under the heading “Certificate Manager” and will appear there.

Q: What if we do not have good internet access to go on-line to manage the Digital Registration Certificates?
A: If you are unfamiliar with computers, do not have a computer or have poor internet access, you may assign authorized person(s) to be the “Certificate Manager” such as family member, friend, trainer, agent, CTHS Division, CTHS National Office or another person of your choice.

Q: How do we assign a Certificate Manager?
A: On the Registration Application in Section E “Digital Certificate Manager”, it asks who the “Certificate Manager” is. This is the person/the account that the Digital Certificate will be sent to. This is just like on the old form, the box that named the person and their address where the paper certificate was sent to, only now it is digital.

If someone other than yourself will be managing the Digital Certificate on your behalf, you will need their account number, name and other information. The Digital Certificate(s) will NOT BE ISSUED until a Certificate Manager is named.

As we continue with our understanding, discussions, and transition to digital registration certificates, we will make every effort to relay the information to Breeders and Owners as soon as possible.