

# **Julius 486 Sport Elite AAA**

## **Breeding Contract for 2026**

### ***Friesian Connection Stallion Station Inc.***

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This contract covers breeding to the KFPS/FHANA Friesian stallion Julius 486 Sport Elite AAA, owned by Jack VanderKooy of Kettle Creek Friesians, for the 2026 season only. The mare owner and the Friesian Connection Stallion Station agree to the following terms:

- 1) **BREEDING:** The Friesian Connection Stallion Station offers breeding services with the Friesian stallion Julius 486. Semen provided is intended exclusively for use on the mare named in this agreement, and ownership of the agreement cannot be transferred or sold by the mare owner. If the mare is sold or changes hands, the right to breed to the stallion does not transfer. Freezing embryos and performing ICSI are prohibited under this contract, although a separate agreement for such procedures may be requested. Breeding rights come with a two-year Return Service Privilege.
- 2) **BREEDING FEE AND BOOKING FEE:** The breeding fee for Julius 486 is \$1,000 USD. A non-refundable booking fee of \$500 is required with this agreement to reserve a 2026 breeding in the stallion's book for the mare. This booking fee will be applied toward the total breeding fee. The Mare Owner agrees to remit the remaining balance, along with any additional fees due, before any semen shipments will be processed.
- 3) **BREEDING SEASON:** The Friesian Connection Stallion Station's 2026 breeding season for Julius 486 runs from March 2 to August 31, 2026. Cooled semen is distributed based on contract receipt order, with KFPS registered Friesian mares receiving priority. Advanced bookings secure priority for shipped semen; other requests are fulfilled first-come, first-served.
- 4) **COOLED SEMEN ORDERS:**
  - Order by 2:00 PM ET the day before insemination for US shipments; for Canada, order by 8:00 AM ET. Canadian orders require a USDA seal, CFIA compliance, and a current import permit on file.
  - Request semen from stallion managers via text, voicemail, or email; messages are checked frequently. Orders are confirmed by email or text.
  - Please avoid calls between 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM ET. **Closed Sundays.**
  - Provide reasonable notice of collection/shipment dates. Inform the stallion manager at the start of your mare's cycle and again on the desired shipping day. Shipments cannot be guaranteed without this info.
  - Semen for Julius 486 ships Monday through Friday.

The mare owner is responsible for all collection-related expenses. Cancellations made after stallion collection will incur full billing. Friesian Connection Stallion Station does not accept liability for semen loss or reduced viability caused by the carrier (FedEx). Shipments will not be made on Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, or the day preceding a holiday.

For optimal pregnancy rates when using cooled transported semen, it is advisable to inseminate the mare on her anticipated ovulation date. Therefore, semen should be ordered, collected, and shipped the day before expected ovulation, allowing for approximately 24 hours between collection and insemination. Each shipment will contain one dose of semen. A second dose will only be included if all other orders have been fulfilled and surplus doses remain, with priority determined by the order in which contracts are received. To secure a higher priority, we recommend submitting your contract and payment as early as possible.

Fees for shipped semen are detailed in our 2026 Price List (Page 4 of this contract).

5) FOR ON-SITE BREEDINGS: The Friesian Connection Stallion Station provides comprehensive on-site reproductive services. If you wish to arrange on-site breeding for your mare, please request and complete our 2026 board and mare care agreement.

6) RETURN SERVICE PRIVILEGE: In the event that the Mare fails to conceive, aborts, dies, or does not produce a "Live Foal" (defined as a foal that stands and nurses unassisted for at least 24 hours post-birth), the Friesian Connection Stallion Station guarantees that the Mare Owner or Leaser (the party remitting the stud fee) retains the right to rebreed or substitute a mare—subject to approval by the Friesian Connection Stallion Station—within the current (2026) or immediately following (2027) breeding season only.

To qualify for rebreeding, the Mare Owner must notify the Friesian Connection Stallion Station within sixty days after the Breeding Season if the Mare did not conceive. Additionally, notification to the Friesian Connection Stallion Station must be made within thirty days in the event of the Mare's abortion. Should the Mare not produce a "Live Foal," the Mare Owner must furnish the Friesian Connection Stallion Station with a veterinarian's certificate indicating the time and date of birth, time and date of death, and cause of death within seven calendar days of such loss. In the unfortunate event of the Mare's death, the Mare Owner must provide a veterinarian's certificate stating the cause of death to the Friesian Connection Stallion Station.

Return Service Privilege is expressly contingent upon the Mare Owner ensuring the Mare receives Rhinopneumonitis vaccinations during the 5th, 7th, and 9th months of pregnancy. A certificate verifying such vaccinations must be submitted to the Friesian Connection Stallion Station at the time any request for rebreeding is made pursuant to this section.

This Return Service Privilege will lapse, and the Friesian Connection Stallion Station/Owner will have no further obligation under this provision if:

- The Mare Owner fails to rebreed the Mare within the designated return breeding periods (current or subsequent breeding season);

- The Mare Owner fails to submit the required Rhinopneumonitis vaccination certificate;
- The Mare is bred by another stallion without prior written consent from Friesian Connection Stallion Station;
- A substitute mare is introduced without written consent from Friesian Connection Stallion Station;
- The Mare fails to conceive, aborts, or dies and the Mare Owner neglects to provide timely notification to the Friesian Connection Stallion Station as specified;
- The foal's death results from lack of supervision or inadequate facilities during parturition;
- The foal's death results from negligent actions by the Mare Owner.

If the Mare does not become pregnant within two breeding seasons, all rights to rebreed to this stallion will be forfeited by the Mare Owner, and all fees paid to the Friesian Connection Stallion Station will be relinquished.

Please note that the Return Service Privilege does not apply to pregnancies resulting from embryo transfers, ICSI, frozen embryos, or other analogous medical procedures.

The Return Service Privilege under this contract is non-transferable and non-assignable. If the Mare is sold or otherwise transferred prior to foaling, the return service privilege will be rendered void. **If the stallion passes away after servicing the mare, the return service privilege is invalidated.**

7) The mare owner is advised to have the mare examined for pregnancy approximately 15 days post-ovulation. This timing facilitates the identification and management of potential twin embryos and enables both the mare owner and Friesian Connection Stallion Station to adequately prepare for another breeding cycle should the mare not conceive.

8) Birth announcements for 2027 KFPS foals are to be recorded online via the KFPS website using your KFPS log in and Password.

9) This contract is governed by the laws of the State of Michigan, and all payments must be made in U.S. dollars.

10) The mare owner confirms their complete acceptance of this breeding contract by signing and returning it to the Friesian Connection Stallion Station. Signed copies submitted via mail or email are considered acceptable and legally binding.

Kindly complete all mare and owner details on page 5, then send this contract back to the Friesian Connection Stallion Station. Remember to keep a copy for your own records. Be sure to include payment information.

**Friesian Connection Stallion Station Inc.**  
**2026 Price List**

Item	Description	Cost (USD)
Shipped Semen (within the USA)	Semen collection, evaluation and packaging for shipment. Price quoted is PER SHIPMENT/PER MARE shipped to. A single collection which is processed for multiple mares will be billed at the stated rate for each mare. Stallions are collected Monday – Friday (except holidays and the day before a holiday) in the late afternoon with delivery the following day. <b>No same day shipments.</b> Semen typically arrives within 16-20 hours of collection depending on delivery location. All shipments shipped via FedEx Priority Overnight shipping.	\$410 weekday delivery \$435 Saturday delivery (Includes FedEx shipping fees)  First overnight available for an additional fee.
Shipped Semen (Canada)	Same as above plus fulfilling all CFIA regulations to ship semen into Canada. Stallion Station must have a copy of mare owner's import permit on file. Requests for semen must be made by 8:00 A.M. ET the day before delivery date. Semen cannot be shipped into Canada without a seal from the USDA Federal Veterinary.	\$675 weekday delivery \$700 Saturday delivery (includes USDA fees to meet CFIA regulation and FedEx shipping fees)
Mare Care - Pasture	24 hour pasture board. Add an additional \$3/day for mare that arrives in poor condition.	\$18/day - dry mare \$20/day – wet mare
Mare Care - stabled	Full care board with box stall, daily turnout (day or night as requested by mare owner) and regular grooming including mane braiding. Supplemental feeds to be provided by the mare owner. Price of wet mare includes individual attention to the foal daily. Add an additional \$3/day for mare that arrives in poor condition.	\$25/day – dry mare \$28/day – wet mare
Mare Cycle Management for on-site reproductive services	This fee will cover management as well as ultrasounds, semen collections and inseminations in a single normal cycle and will include ultrasound check for pregnancy. The fee does not include administration of hormones/drugs commonly used in reproductive management, nor does it cover any reproductive procedures beyond the above mentioned. Any additional veterinary services will be billed separately at cost. Should the mare require management/breeding beyond the first cycle, subsequent cycles will be billed at the quoted discounted rate. Foal heat mares will not be bred unless foal is at least 10 days old. Frozen semen use is limited to mares age 4-12 years of age that have had at least one successful pregnancy and have no obvious reproductive problems.	Fresh or cooled semen: \$400 – first cycle, \$350 – subsequent cycle(s)  Frozen semen \$500 – first cycle \$450 –subsequent cycles(s)
Veterinary services, farrier, deworming	As needed It is recommended you have your horse up to date for farrier and deworming prior to arrival. Limited farrier services done on our farm can run from \$60-\$90 for trims & about \$300+ for shoes. Hind shoes are not permitted.	At cost
Exercise	Sessions in our European style Equine Exerciser and/or Equine Treadmill. This optional program allows the mare owner to choose the number of sessions per week.	\$10/session
Training	Limited dressage training available	Private treaty
Keuring Preparation	Physical conditioning program in preparation to be shown at the keuring – limited spaces available	\$150/week + board
Equine Spa	Full body bath, clipping and polish.	\$50/session
Stud fees		Set by the stallion owner

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Mare \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mare owner/leaser: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Additional phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ship semen to:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Shipping Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Is shipping number a cell that can accept text messages? Yes or No\_ Please check if FedEx delivery is available to the above address.

Payment may be made by cash, check, or credit card. Please note that all credit card transactions are subject to a 3.5% surcharge to offset processing costs. For payments made by check: Please make checks payable to Friesian Connection Stallion Station Inc. in U.S. funds. The payment should cover the stud fee and at least one collection fee. If additional collections are required, kindly be prepared to submit a check for the corresponding fees or provide credit card information as needed.

**Check #** \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial deposit of \$500 is required. Remaining balance of stud fee plus collection fee due prior to shipment of any semen. Full payment of stud fee/collection fee can be included at time of contract submission. No semen will be shipped if we have not received full payment of stud fee and collection fee.)

Or

**Credit Card Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Visa, Master Card and Discover card only)

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security code \_\_\_\_\_ **Credit card payments will have a 4% surcharge added**

Name on Card (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address where CC bill mailed: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**Card Holder's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

To ensure compliance with current PCI DSS (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard) guidelines and safeguard your credit information, we are unable to accept credit card details via e-mail. If you prefer to submit the completed contract by e-mail, please leave the credit card information section blank and contact Janice VerMerris at 616-430-6373 to provide your credit card details securely.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and agree in full to the terms and conditions set forth in the 2026 Breeding Contract for Julius 486 Sport Elite AAA.

**Signature of mare owner:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_