Registration Bulletin

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Sire Summary Deadlines

In order to guarantee inclusion in the 2009 Sire Summary, all work must be submitted by:

Paper - *must be postmarked by November 3, 2008*

Electronic - *must be received by November 10, 2008*

By submitting your information by these dates, we guarantee that we will enter your records so that they will be included in the data sent to the National Cattle Evaluation. However, if you are not ready to wean by the deadline then you can either choose to send just the birth information and submit weaning updates at a later date or you could wait to submit the information when you do wean the calves. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Registration Department.

Pre-listed weaning worksheets for Spring 2008 calf crop

Worksheets were mailed out the first week in August along with the July statement. These worksheets have been pre-printed to help members submit information from their Spring Herd Inventory for the 2008 calving season. We realize that for most members these are being sent out ahead of weaning time. Therefore, just because you have received the worksheets does not mean that you are required to return them immediately. If you are weaning at a much later date, then simply hold on to the worksheets and submit the information after you wean your calf crop.

Fall 2007 Calf Crop - No Progeny Reports

This report is sent to all members who have active Fall calving cows that have not reported a record for the 2007 calving season. The report was mailed around August 15th and must be returned to the National Office postmarked no later than September 15th to avoid inactivation of the dam. In order to fulfill the requirements for THR a calf record through weaning is required. If a female loses her calf at birth or the calf dies before weaning, the information regarding that calf is still very important.

If the female did not have a calf in Fall 2007 (July 1st - December 31st) then supply a reason code for the dam:

1 - Open, missed calving opportunity
2 - ET program/donor dam
3 - Moved to next calving season
(Spring to Fall or Fall to Spring)
4 - ET program/recipient cow
5 - Aborted/premature

Transfer Procedures

EFFECTIVE October 1, 2008, It is the duty of the seller or seller's agent to sign or send electronically the application for transfer and submit to the National Office for processing. The Seller will be responsible for paying the applicable transfer fees.

Tattooing Procedures

EFFECTIVE January 1, 2009, the calf's right ear may no longer carry the last digit of the calf's birth year. The calf's right ear must be tattooed with the first owner's Tattoo Code Letters as set up at the time of membership.

Reminders

If non-owner bull permits are not on file when data is processed then we do not go back and apply permits. It is up to you to let us know that a permit is available and should be applied to a particular animal. The non-owner bull permit inventory is available on the web site under Member Data - REDS, which will provide a list of calves on hold, permits available, and a list of calves which have had permits applied.

If you need data RUSHED, please indicate as the first thing in your comments box if submitting the information via the web site. If you are sending via mail or fax, please be sure to indicate RUSH where it can clearly be seen and not overlooked in the body of a letter. A $5.00 rush fee is billed per animal up to $50.00 flat fee for the group.

When an animal is purchased, be sure to collect the following information for reference: registration #, LE and RE tattoos, birth day and dam's registration # or tattoos. Therefore, if you have not received a registration paper you can follow up to check the status of the paperwork. Keep in mind even though we are able to look the animal up, we may not have all the necessary information to tell you the status of the transfer. We recommend contacting the seller directly or the sale manager for that information. They can then contact us, if needed, regarding the status of the transfer.

We will gladly recalculate workgroups to combine for ratio purposes. However, if you are submitting data that needs to be combined with data previously processed, please indicate a specific animal or management group for which the data is to be combined. If you simply state that the data is to be combined with the Spring or Fall born animals and are not specific, there is the possibility of error. Furthermore, if you are submitting data via the web site from more than one account, be sure to indicate in the comments section which are to be combined and how many accounts are being submitted. ■