

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION REGULATIONS

In interpretation and application of these regulations, decisions of the New Zealand Hereford Association's Council shall be final and binding on all persons associated with the practice of Artificial Insemination of registered Hereford Cattle.

The New Zealand Hereford Association shall not be responsible for any contracts or agreements made between breeders and/or Insemination Organisations and/or Semen Marketing Organisations. These regulations are to protect and safeguard the accuracy of the pedigrees recorded in the New Zealand Hereford Association animal database.

Section A:

Owner and/or owners of a Sire breeding artificially within their own herd and/or herds.

- a. There will not be more than eight New Zealand owners in any one Donor Sire all of whom must be Association Members. In the event of an animal being leased for any period, a Transfer must be effected on the leased animal in the approved manner, both at the commencement and termination of the lease. NOTE: Approval is non transferable.
- b. The collection of semen to be carried out by Artificial Breeding Centers or other suitably qualified persons.
- c. There is no limit to the number of calves eligible for registration.
- d. When an owner sells a bull or his share in a bull and retains semen for use 'within herd' the use of such semen for the purpose of breeding registered animals shall be governed by the rules set out in Section A clause (e) hereof - the progeny must be registered with the vendors prefix with the exception of complete dispersals.
- e. An owner may give away up to ten (10) registrations from any bull approved for 'AI use within his own Herd'. Dispensation from the Council must be obtained if this number is to be exceeded. In the event of dispensation not being granted, or the number (10) is exceeded without any application being received by the Council, the owner of the bull will be required to meet all conditions of Section B (owner of a sire from which it is intended to market semen) before any registration will be accepted irrespective of source.
- f. Semen donated for auction for the Hereford Ambassador programme is intended for the use of the purchaser within his/her herd only. For further on-sale of this semen, if any, permission is to be applied for in writing by the first purchaser to the original donator to transfer the semen. All costs of obtaining the donated semen from the Hereford Ambassador auction shall be met by the purchaser including transfers and dispatch from point of origin. The sire from which semen is offered at the Hereford Ambassador auction, must be registered as an AI sire and had a DNA profile lodged with the Association, be tested free of hypotrichosis and be correctly sire verified. For more information on AI sires, view the list on the NZHA website.

Section B:

Owner and/or owners of a Sire from which it is intended to market semen to other member breeders for the purpose of breeding registerable calves.

- a. All requirements as set out in Section A above must be complied with along with the following additional requirements and/or amendments.

- b. The owner of the Sire must have obtained from the Association written permission to market semen from that Sire. Before permission is granted the Sire must have been DNA profiled, be tested free of hypotrichosis, be correctly sire verified and a certificate of same lodged with the Association. Approval ceases if the Sire is sold with a transfer.
- c. NOTE: Approval is non transferable.
- d. A pedigree must be submitted with the application extended to six generations counting the Sire and Dam of the subject animal as generation one.
- e. An application fee of \$100.00 is payable.

Section C:

Owner and/or owners of a Sire domiciled outside New Zealand must comply with all requirements of Sections A and B above before any application to market semen in New Zealand will be considered.

- a. In addition a report is required from the Hereford Society in the exporting country giving details of any known genetic defects in any generation of the animal's ancestry together with details of any known producer or genetic defects in any generation of the animal's ancestry.
- b. Documentation of the DNA profile of the subject animal, parentage verification (via DNA profiling) and genetic defect test results documentation must be lodged with the Association.

Registration of Calves:

The following rules apply to members who wish to exercise the privilege of registering calves resulting from AI.

- a. Only calves conceived after approval has been granted by the Council to artificially breed the Sire, will be eligible for registration.
- b. When applying for registration the insemination date must be noted on the calf entry form.
- c. Registration of calves begot from gifted semen (as per Section A clause e must be accompanied by a written authorisation from the registered owner of the bull confirming that the semen was a gift and giving the Donor Bull's particulars viz:- Registered Name, Private Number and Herd Book Number.
- d. There is no time limit on the sale of semen after the death of a Donor Bull.
- e. The transfer details for leased or loaned bulls (including donated semen) and/or cows grazing at another breeders' farm for the mating season, by mutual consent, shall be recorded on the certificate of service forms available from the NZHA office. These certificates of service forms will accompany the calf entry forms to registry.

Note 1: These rules are subject to review and amendment at the discretion of the Council.

Note 2: The Council reserves the right to withdraw approval at any time by forwarding notice in writing to the recorded owner/owners.

Note 3: The Association may at any time require a DNA certificate of both the Sire and Dam of any calf born as a result of AI in addition to a DNA profile of the calf.