

NEW ZEALAND HEREFORD ASSOCIATION

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY, REGULATIONS AND BY-LAWS

1. All entries for the Herd Book (registration) will be received subject to the decision of the Council's Executive Committee, as to their eligibility or otherwise for insertion.
2. At the first meeting of the Council in each year, the Council shall appoint an Executive Committee, to hold office until its successors are appointed and to exercise the powers and authorities hereby created. Such Executive Committee shall be of such size and comprise such members as the Council may from time to time determine, and shall meet as and when required. Two members of the Executive shall form a quorum.
3. Entry fees for registration in the Herd Book:- The Female Fee is an annual fee and is to be an amount as determined by Council from time to time and will be charged for each female in the herd that has been pre-listed, i.e. rising 3-year-olds and all two-year-olds.
The Female Fee charged for the year in which the female leaves the Herd is non-refundable.
Females removed from the Herd Inventory listing may be reinstated upon application by the owner subject to payment of a reinstatement fee. The amount of the reinstatement fee will be determined by Council from time to time.
Application to register entries in the Herd Book will not be finalised until all entry fees payable shall be paid or until all arrears (if any) owing by the applicant have been paid.
4. Bulls, cows and heifers, to be eligible for entry in the Association's Herd Book, must be the progeny of cattle already entered in the previous Volumes of the New Zealand Hereford Herd Book, the English Hereford Herd Book, or some other Herd Book recognised by the World Hereford Council, and must be the property of a member of the Association. Registration and recording of Miniature Herefords shall at all times be marked with an asterisk (*).
5. Progeny of those cows and heifers registered in the Herd Book must be by bulls entered in a Volume of the Association's Herd Book or some other Herd Book recognised by the World Hereford Council, and must be the property of a member of the Association. Sires of those progeny to be registered must also have been DNA profiled with a copy of the profile lodged with the NZHA registry. From 1 September 2013, all bulls (of any age, including calves) sold for transfer must be correctly sire verified, in conjunction with having a DNA profile and being hypotrichosis tested and declared.
- 5a. To register progeny by sires which have no DNA profile on file and for which a DNA sample is unobtainable, it is necessary to DNA profile several progeny of this sire. All or eight (whichever the greater number) 'retained for breeding purposes' progeny are to be DNA profiled before registration of these animals can occur. A copy of those profiles must be supplied to the NZHA office to be kept file. It is considered best practice to take a DNA sample of a sire prior to the time of joining with the females.
6. A prefix and a herd number approved by the Executive Committee for each registered fixer, for both male and female animals used by members of the Association at the time of adoption of these rules shall be deemed to be registered, subject to the right of the Executive Committee to review such prefixes and herd numbers or any of them and to direct the variation amendment or disuse thereof. No member shall alter or vary his prefix or herd number or permit the use of such prefix or herd number by any other member of the Association without the prior written consent of the Executive Committee.
- 6a. A miniature Hereford herd and a regular sized Hereford herd cannot operate under one stud prefix and herd number.
7. All animals eligible for registration in the herd book must be individually identified by a method approved by the Animal Health Board, NAIT and the NZHA Council. Every animal must be tagged with a NAIT EID tag and a visual tag (no AHB requirement as of 1st July 2012) distinguishing private animal ID number and year code (NZHA herd number is not required on tags). Tattooing is optional.
Full animal identification (NZHA herdbook number) must be entered on animal transfer certificates.

8. Every application for registration or transfer of any animal shall include such details of pedigree and other information as the Executive Committee may from time to time require.
9. **Transfer Fees** On the sale of any registered Hereford for stud purposes the Vendor shall hand or send to the Association Secretary within 30 days of the date of sale or, in the case of calves, within 30 days of the registration confirmation becoming available, the transfer certificate applicable to the animal concerned completed in all respects and dated and signed by the Vendor. No transfer will be accepted or registration made without the completed transfer certificate. Transfer forms can be downloaded from the NZHA website. A charge, payable by the Purchaser, of \$20.00 as a transfer fee for each bull and charge of \$20.00 as a transfer fee for each female transferred will be made if the transfer certificate is lodged with the Secretary within 30 days from the date of sale.
Late Transfers: Should the Vendor fail to have the necessary transfer certificates in the hands of the Secretary within the stated time frames then the late fees payable by the Vendor will be applied:
30-60 days late \$10.00 penalty for transfer
61-90 days late \$20.00 penalty for transfer
If the transfer certificates are not received from the Vendor within 90 days of the date of sale the transfer registration will be at the discretion of the Council and in addition to the normal transfer fees payable by the Purchaser there will be an additional penal payment, payable by the Vendor, of such an amount as may be decided upon by the Council.
Held Transfers: Should the Vendor wish to have a transfer 'held' pending finalising negotiations then this may be advised to the Association Office and the documentation will not be forwarded to the Purchaser until released under instructions from the Vendor. Penalties will be avoided providing this procedure is followed.
10. The Executive Committee may in its absolute discretion refuse the transfer of an animal where the pedigree of the animal concerned discloses the existence of a blood line which has been ruled by the Council in the interests of the breed to be unacceptable for transfer. This includes the progeny resulting from a Hereford and Miniature Hereford cross (polled or horned) – effective from June 2004.
- 10a Miniature Herefords participating in a Poll Grading Up programme must be approved by the Executive committee of the NZMHBG. The regulations for the programme must be approved by the NZHA.
11. At any time upon application being made to the Executive Committee or upon its own initiatives the Executive Committee shall have power to order the cancellation of the registration in the Herd Book of any animal or animals. Before ordering the cancellation of registration of any animal or animals the Executive Committee shall give the owner or owners of the animal or animals thirty (30) days' notice of the Executive Committee's intention to consider the cancellation of the registration of the animal concerned and the reasons therefore. The owner shall be entitled to appear before the Executive Committee at a time and place to be determined by the Executive Committee when such is considered and to call evidence and make submissions to the Executive Committee.
12. The decision of the Executive Committee on any application for the registration or transfer of any animals or on the cancellation of the registration of any animal shall be communicated to the applicant or owner by registered letter addressed to the applicant or owner at the address shown on the application or the Association's records. Such decision so communicated shall be deemed to have been received by the applicant or owner at the time when the registered letter would in the ordinary course of post be delivered.
- 12a **NZHA Parent Verification and Genetic Disease rules**
From 1 January 2014, ALL NZHA registered bulls (of any age, including calves) **sold for transfer** must be correctly sire verified in conjunction with having a DNA profile and be Hypotrichosis, Diluter and Idiopathic Epilepsy tested and declared free.

From 1 Jan 2016, ALL females **sold for transfer** must be sire verified. (dispensation granted for females 3 years and older).

From 1 Jan 2016, ALL females **sold for transfer** must be tested for hypotrichosis, diluter and idiopathic epilepsy, with results declared.

Best practice tip - At the time of sire joining, submit a hair sample for DNA profiling, and sire verification for all sires. (transferred sires must also be tested and free of genetic diseases).

Beef Expo – testing of animals.

1. It is compulsory for all Hereford Beef Expo entries (male and female) to be tested for all three defects; Hypotrichosis, Diluter and Idiopathic Epilepsy and be declared free. (applicable from 1 Jan, 2013).
2. All Hereford entries, both male and female require full parent verification. (applicable from 1 Jan, 2017).

The genetic defect status of all ACTIVE animals can be searched via an animal search on www.herefords and located on Animal Registration Certificates.

Note - Hypotrichosis/ Dilutor/ Epilepsy genetic defect testing

All hair samples that are tested for hypotrichosis are automatically tested for dilutor and epilepsy at the same time. When tested in the one process, no additional charges are incurred.

13. All imported Hereford genetics must be tested for Hypotrichosis, Diluter and Idiopathic Epilepsy and be declared free.
 - 13a. Effective 1st October 2012: Before any imported animal can be entered in the Association's Herd Book, a certificate certifying that the animal (and in the case of embryos – the parents) is clear of any genetic abnormality (this includes Hypotrichosis, Idiopathic Epilepsy and Diluter Gene) together with the pedigree of such animal, signed by the breeder and also by the Secretary of the Association in whose Herd Book the animal has been entered or accepted for entry, must accompany the application for entry. All animals, embryos and semen imported to New Zealand after 1 January 2005 are to be DNA profiled and correctly parent verified (including sire and dam DNA profiles) with the documents lodged with the NZ Hereford Association office prior to entry to New Zealand. (Blood typing is acceptable for genetic material imported prior to 2005).

Entry fees: bull \$150.00, cows \$150.00, embryos \$150.00. Extra registry processing will incur an hourly charge of \$42.00 per hour.
14. The private (individual) number of each cow and her progeny respectively shall be stated on all entries accepted for registration in the Herd Book.
15. Following the date of the last AI service or the withdrawal of a Natural Service Bull a period of 17 days must elapse before a different sire (Natural or AI) is joined. Progeny born with a gestation that falls within this 17 day period mentioned above, must be parentage verified, i.e. DNA sire and dam parent verified; as well as the resulting calf being DNA tested prior to registration.
16. The owner of a registered herd who is exporting a portion of his registered herd or has a portion of his registered herd for export may personally or by his agent apply to the Council for an export certificate. Every export certificate granted shall be signed by the owner. The fee for granting the foregoing export certificates shall be \$150.00 for each animal and \$150.00 for each embryo, and shall be payable by the Vendor whether or not the animal or embryo be exported. Extra registry processing will incur an hourly charge of \$42.00 per hour. Inspection fees are also payable by the Vendor at such rates as from time to time decided upon by the Council.
17. The Council shall from time to time determine the fees payable for the registration and/or transfer and/or inspection of any animal and the hearing of any application or appeal by the Executive Committee or the Council.
18. The Executive Committee shall prescribe such forms for registration transfer and incidental matters.

INSPECTION OF HERDS

19. Whenever they think fit the Council may appoint Inspectors to inspect and count herds, and examine owner's records whenever instructed by the Council. Should any three Inspectors consider any Herd not up to a standard acceptable to the Council, the Council may expunge the said Herd from the Herd Book and thereupon the owner of such Herd shall for the purposes of rule 11, be deemed to be guilty of conduct prejudicial to the interests of the Association and may be expelled from the Association accordingly.

INSPECTION OF CATTLE

20. (a) On receipt of a request from a registered Herd owner or from an organisation, approved by the Council, controlling any registered Hereford Cattle Sale, the Council may appoint one or more of the Association's Inspectors for the purpose of inspecting Hereford Cattle prior to their sale, either by public auction or by private treaty or Hereford Cattle to be used by the owner thereof as pedigree breeding stock.
- (b) All cattle inspected for export in accordance with this regulation and whether passed or not shall be individually reported upon in writing by the respective Inspectors concerned.
- (c) Any animal inspected in accordance with this regulation and not passed as aforesaid, shall not be sold or otherwise disposed of as a pedigree Hereford and shall not thereafter be used for breeding purposes in any registered Herd, nor shall the animal be registered singly in the Herd Book if not already so registered.
- (d) The cost of such inspections when applied for by a registered Herd owner shall be paid by such registered Herd owner. The Council in its absolute discretion shall determine who shall pay the cost of inspections when applied for by organisations conducting registered Hereford Cattle Sales.
- (e) The Council may in its absolute discretion, and subject to such terms and conditions as the Council may determine, appoint and authorise inspectors for the purpose of inspecting Hereford Cattle to be sold or used as run Cattle.
- (f) The Council shall not appoint an Inspector to inspect Pedigree Hereford Cattle or to inspect run Hereford Cattle to be sold at a Cattle Fair unless the organisation controlling such Cattle Fair and/or some person or corporation approved by the Council shall first undertake in writing to fully indemnify the Association in respect of all claims, demands, actions, losses, costs and expenses whatsoever, which may be made instituted or incurred in consequence of any such inspection, or in respect of any act or default of any Inspector appointed by the Council and every such organisation shall include in its conditions of sale, such special conditions as the Council may require.