

Early bird fall inventory deadline — July 15

Members participating in the Whole Herd Total Performance Record (TPR™) system can turn in their 2015 fall herd inventory by July 15 and receive a 25-cent per head discount on every female maintained on their fall inventory.

Remember, the herd inventory should reflect females expected to calve in the calving season fall 2015. The fall herd inventory is not a list of the entire herd, just cows bred to calve from July 1 to Dec. 31, 2015. Replacement heifers will not appear on the inventory until they're at least 18 months of age.

It's important to update the herd inventory prior to each calving season because in order to record a calf with performance data in the Whole Herd TPR system, the dam must be enrolled on the most current herd inventory.

What is a Herd ID?

A Herd ID is a short individual identification comprised of a maximum of six letters, numbers or

both. Herd IDs are used to speed up and ease the reporting process versus long registration numbers for performance registry members.

Sept. 1 final fall inventory deadline

Fall inventories turned in after Sept. 1 will incur an additional \$2 per head surcharge on each female maintained on inventory.

MyHerd.org inventory help

Follow the steps below to update and submit your herd inventory using *MyHerd.org*.

How to submit herd inventory on MyHerd.org:

- 1) Log into *MyHerd.org* and click on "to-do list" task labeled Fall 2015 Herd Inventory Update.
- 2) Review the cow herd inventory. If the list is up-to-date (cows don't need to be added, disposed of, moved to the next season, etc.), then click the "Submit job now to bill inventory?" button.
- 3) Once the button is clicked, the inventory is submitted to the

American Hereford Association (AHA) and the inventory charges are billed.

Note: If your inventory has already been submitted and billed, the button "Submit job now to bill inventory?" won't be displayed on the fall 2015 cow inventory page.

Whole Herd TPR FAQs

Q: I sold a cow and she keeps showing up on my inventory. Why didn't she automatically come off when I transferred her?

A: If a female or male is listed on your inventory and no longer in your possession, then a proper disposal code and date must be reported to remove the animal from your inventory.

When a female or male is sold with papers, AHA staff do not automatically remove the animal from your herd inventory, because we are not certain if you plan to register future offspring (possible embryo transfer [ET] calves). If you would like to remove the animal, use the disposal code T- sold with papers, to remove the animal from your inventory.

Q: I have fall ET calves to register and I do not own the donor dam. Do I need to add the donor dam to my fall inventory?

A: No, you do not have to add the donor dam to your inventory. However, a recipient cow inventory fee for each ET calf will be billed if the calf is recorded with birth performance information (birth weight). If birth performance information isn't reported, a recipient inventory fee won't be billed.

Q: Can a multi-owned dam be on my inventory and another current owner's inventory in the same season?

A: Yes. Multi-owned females should be kept on inventory if an owner plans to register calves out of them. **HW**

How to update your fall 2015 inventory

- Mark females as NS (Next Season) if you need to move them to the spring 2016 inventory.
- Mark young females as NE (Non-Exposed) if they haven't been exposed to breeding conditions.
- Report a disposal code and date for animals that are no longer active within your herd.
- Add new or additional animals to the inventory, provide the animal's registration number and assign a herd ID.
- Review each animal's herd ID and make corrections. Each animal must have a unique ID, and it cannot be repeated within the herd.

Inventory Codes

NS Next Season

NE Non-Exposed

Disposal Codes

T Sold with papers

1 Sold as a breeding animal without papers

2 Sold as a feeder calf

3 Died, illness

4 Died, injury

5 Died, calving difficulty

6 Died, old age

7 Died, other

8 Culled, inferior production

9 Culled, open

10 Culled, illness

11 Culled, injury

12 Culled, poor temperament

13 Culled or died, genetic defect

14 Culled, bad feet

15 Culled, poor udder

16 Culled, prolapse

17 Culled, cancer eye

18 Culled, structurally unsound

19 Culled, old age

20 Culled, other

Whole Herd TPR Inventory Fees:

Mature female \$5.50

First-calf heifer \$3.00

Bull (optional) \$1.50 **HW**