

Early bird fall inventory deadline — July 15

Members participating in the Whole Herd Total Performance Record (TPR™) system can turn in their 2016 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 2016 fall calving

season. The fall herd inventory is not a list of the entire herd, just cows bred to calve from July 1 to Dec. 31, 2016. 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.

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.

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 is 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 does not automatically remove the animal from your herd inventory because they are not certain if you plan to register future offspring.

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 2016 fall cow herd inventory on MyHerd

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

- 1) Log into *MyHerd.org* and click on "to-do list" task labeled "2016 Fall Cow Herd Inventory Update."
- 2) Review the cow herd inventory. Remember, the purpose of the cow herd inventory is to enroll the females in your herd expected to calve in the fall calving season.
 - Mark females as "NS (Next season)" if they're bred to calve in the spring 2017 calving season.
 - Mark young females as "NE (Non-exposed)" if they haven't been exposed to breeding conditions.
 - Report a disposal code and date for females no longer active within your herd.
 - Report a reproductive status for active females in the herd not expected to calve in the season.
 - Add new or additional females to the inventory; provide their registration number and assign a herd ID.
 - Review each herd ID, and make corrections. Each female must have a unique ID, and it cannot be repeated within the herd. A herd ID is a short individual identification comprised of a maximum of six letters, numbers or both. Herd IDs are used in place of long registration numbers to speed calf recording.
- 3) When the cow inventory list is up-to-date, click the "Submit job now to bill inventory?" button.
- 4) Once the button is clicked, the inventory is submitted to the American Hereford Association 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 2016 fall cow herd inventory page. **HW**

Reproductive Status Codes

- NS** Next season
- NE** Non-exposed
- CE6** Calf born dead or died shortly after
- CE7** Aborted/premature
- CE8** Open, missed out
- CE9** Died, calving difficulty
- CE10** ET donor dam
- CE11** ET recipient dam
- CE12** Multi-owned, no calf

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
- 18** Culled, old age
- 20** Culled, other

Whole Herd TPR Inventory Fees:

- Mature female \$5.50
- First-calf heifer \$3.00
- Bull (optional) \$1.50