

Whole Herd Total Performance Records (TPR™) reminders

It's that time of year again. Spring cow herd inventories will be generated within the next month, and members should check their mail or *MyHerd.org* account for their spring 2015 inventory. If you were previously non-compliant in the TPR program, contact the American Hereford Association (AHA) to make sure an inventory is generated for your herd.

Remember an updated inventory should reflect the females expected to calve in spring 2015. The inventory will automatically include breeding age females from the previous spring inventory and all reported additions to the herd. Replacement heifers will not appear on the inventory until they are at least 18 months of age. In order to process a calf's registration and weaning performance data in the Whole Herd TPR program, the dam must be listed on the most current cow herd inventory.

Spring 2015 cow herd inventory discount deadline

Turn in your spring herd inventory by Jan. 15 to receive a 25 cents per-head discount on every female maintained on the spring inventory.

New record service — electronic registration certificate storage

MyHerd offers the convenience of electronic storage for registration certificates. It eliminates the paper shuffle and possible mailing errors, while increasing the ease and efficiency of registrations and transfers. Registration certificates are only stored for animals registered or transferred after enrolling your herd in the electronic registration certificate storage program.

Hard copy registration certificates may be released from storage at any time, as long as the registration

and transfer fees are paid. Email your member number to records@hereford.org to enroll your herd in electronic registration certificate storage.

Electronic certificate storage FAQ

Q: How does electronic certificate storage work?

A: When a calf is registered and the registration fees are paid, the certificate is stored electronically instead of being printed and mailed.

Q: What happens when an animal is transferred to me?

A: If the seller requests "Cert to Buyer," the certificate will be placed into the participating member's electronic certificate storage.

Q: Do we still need a hard copy registration certificate for shows?

A: AHA national shows still require an original certificate. *MyHerd* makes it easy to release your show string's certificates; they can be released at any time and will mail the next business day.

MyHerd help

Q: When I log into my *MyHerd.org* account, my owned animal lists and Whole Herd TPR to-do lists are empty. What do I need to do?

A: When you log into *MyHerd.org* and don't have owned animals listed or data in your to-do lists, it's because your Internet browser is not compatible. Please follow the browser recommendations below based on what type of computer you are using:

1. **PC (Windows)** — Please use Internet Explorer or Google Chrome

a) **Internet Explorer** — apply a compatibility setting by following steps 1-4 below:

1) Open your Internet Explorer browser.

2) Click the "Tools" icon in the top right hand corner. It looks like a gear.

3) Click "Compatibility View Settings."

4) Enter *MyHerd.org* and click "Add" to add *MyHerd.org* to the compatibility list.

b) **Google Chrome** — Please download and install Google Chrome and then log into *MyHerd.org*

2. **Mac (Apple)** — Please download and install Google Chrome and then log into *MyHerd.org*

Q: I received an email about an artificial insemination (AI) certificate. How do I update my pending animals on *MyHerd*?

1. Log into *MyHerd.org*.
2. Click on the tab "Herd Details" and select the menu item "Pending Animals."
3. Double click on the pending animal that needs an AI certificate.
4. Click "Update" on the record calf details screen. The system will pull the available AI certificate and place it on the animal's record.
5. When the system pulls in the AI certificate, a warning message will post that the AI certificate will be used for out-of-herd use. Click "Override" to use the certificate and complete the registration. **HW**