

Spring Inventory Deadline

It's that time again. Spring 2021 herd inventories were generated this month for Whole Herd Total Performance Records (TPR™) members. Check your mail or your *MyHerd.org* account for your herd inventory and remember to get it turned in by Jan. 15 to receive a \$0.25 per-head discount on every female maintained on the inventory.

Inventories turned in between Jan. 16 – March 1 will be charged the normal \$5.50 per cow, \$3 per first time heifer and \$1.50 per bull (optional). Any inventories turned in after March 1 will incur the \$2 per-head surcharge. Any dam whose offspring you intend to register and record weaning performance data on through the Whole Herd TPR program must be listed on the current inventory.

Inventory FAQs

Q: I sold a cow and transferred her to someone else's ownership. Why is she still on my inventory?

A: If an animal is listed on your inventory but you have sold the animal, then a proper disposal code and date must be reported in order to remove the animal from your inventory. If the animal was sold with papers, American Hereford Association staff does not automatically remove the animal from your inventory because they are not certain if you still have offspring from the animal to register. If you would like to remove the animal, use the disposal code "T sold with papers" and the appropriate disposal date.

Q: If I have embryo transfer calves out of a dam I do not own, do I have to add the donor dam to my inventory?

A: No, you do not have to add the donor dam to your inventory. However, a recipient cow inventory fee for each embryo transfer (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: If I jointly own a dam with someone else, but I don't have physical possession of the dam and won't be registering her calf, how do I need to mark her on my inventory?

A: If you multi-own a dam with someone else, you will want to make sure you keep the dam on your inventory. However, if you aren't the member who will be registering her calf, you will want to mark her as "CE12 Multi-owned, no calf."

Q: I have females that do not show on my inventory. Why?

A: Remember, females won't appear on the inventory until they have reached at least 18 months of age. Heifers should only be enrolled on the inventory if they're bred to calve in the season described. In this instance, Spring 2021.

Reproductive status codes

Keep in mind your reproductive status and disposal code options listed below:

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 treatment

13 Culled or died, genetic defect

14 Culled, bad feet

15 Culled, poor udder(s)

16 Culled, prolapse

17 Culled, cancer eye

18 Culled, structurally unsound

19 Culled, old age

20 Culled, other

Inventories can be submitted electronically through *MyHerd.org* or via mail or email. As always, if you are having problems navigating through MyHerd, you can view the MyHerd Help pages, view our 20-plus tutorials, or call Customer Service at 816-842-3757. **HW**

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