2022 HEREFORD HANDBOOK A resource guide for American Hereford Association members



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The American Hereford Association (AHA) is a not-for-profit organization with more than 7,500 active adult and junior members. Along with its subsidiaries — Certified Hereford Beef LLC, Hereford Publications Inc. and the American Beef Records Association — the AHA provides programs and services for its members and its customers, while promoting the Hereford breed and supporting education, youth and research. The Association is supervised by a 12-member Board of Directors.



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Contact the Records Department for questions about registrations, transfers, membership, Whole Herd Total Performance Records (TPR[™]), expected progeny differences (EPDs), sire summaries, carcass data, DNA, account balances and online data submission (*MyHerd.org*).

Communications Department

Information for news releases, show photographs, promotional materials requests and state association resource requests, ask for Taylor Belle Matheny

Certified Hereford Beef LLC 816-842-3758

General questions about program specifications, contact the Certified Hereford Beef (CHB) office

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- For questions about listing feeder cattle on *HerefordMarketplace.com*, ask for Trey Befort

Hereford World/Creative Services 816-842-8878

For questions about *Hereford World (HW)* and Creative Services contact the Hereford Publications Inc. (HPI) office

- Advertisements, ask for Alison Marx
- To provide news articles or notes from the field, ask for Cindy Himmelberg
- To provide obituaries or to inquire about *HW* accounts or subscriptions, ask for Cindy Himmelberg, Caryn Vaught or Bailey Lewis
- Calendar listings, sale reports and show reports, ask for Cindy Himmelberg or Sydnee Shive
- Field staff, ask for Joe Rickabaugh or Alison Marx
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IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP DATES

August 31 Junior memberships expire Member service fees expire

September 1 Start of new fiscal year - Renew junior memberships - Member service fees are due

AHA FEES

AHA membership dues \$15 annually AHA member service fee

Adult \$100 Junior \$20

MEMBER REGISTRATON RATES

| Age of calf | Regular | Electronic |
|----------------|---------|------------|
| Up to 4 months | \$14.50 | \$12.50 |
| 4-8 months | \$20.50 | \$17.50 |
| 8-12 months | \$27.50 | \$22.50 |
| >12 months | \$52.50 | \$52.50 |
| | | |

Committed to Member Service

The American Hereford Association (AHA) staff is dedicated to meeting the needs of the membership. The records department and customer service team process registrations, transfers and performance records. Visiting the Hereford website, *Hereford.org*, breeders have access to

requirements are to have an active member

Real-time calf registration and

Electronic registration certificate

Customized Whole Herd Total

Performance Records (TPR[™])

Whole Herd TPR data entry

(Herd Inventory, BW, WW, YW, etc.)

View performance reports, packing

Make DNA requests and view DNA

slips and monthly statements

View available AI certificates

Release AI certificates

to your customers

status and results

account and a valid email address.

MvHerd features include:

animal transfer

storage (optional)

to-do lists

expected progeny differences (EPDs), registration forms, sire summaries and other Hereford information.

The AHA is the second largest beef registry in the U.S. with more than 7,500 active members.

MyHerd.org Empowers Members

Providing members with programs and tools to do business effectively and efficiently is a priority for the



Signing up for MyHerd does not mean members cannot use a herd management system;

AHA. During fiscal year 2019, the AHA updated *MyHerd.org* — a real-time online registry system that provides AHA members 24/7 access to the majority of record services. *MyHerd.org* allows Hereford members to take care of Hereford business in real time, any time day or night. *MyHerd.org* is a free service. The only

MyHerd help resources

The MyHerd team created resources to ensure you are using MyHerd to its full capabilities. Visit *Hereford.org* to view the step-by-step tutorials that walk you through every feature of MyHerd.

You can also utilize the MyHerd help pages by clicking on the blue "Help" text in the upper right-hand corner of MyHerd. Be on the lookout for upcoming webinars this fall and spring. Webinars are live demonstrations hosted by a MyHerd team member and are a great opportunity for you to ask questions.

Electronic storage

The AHA offers electronic storage of registration certificates to members using *MyHerd.org*. When a member registers an animal, the certificate is stored electronically until the member wants to release the certificate for print.

This allows members to be in control of when they receive registration certificates. Members can store a calf crop electronically and can wait to release the certificates until all performance data are recorded or after a genetic evaluation. There is no additional charge to store or to release registration certificates. Email MyHerd@hereford.org to sign up for electronic storage of certificates.

 View and download lists of owned animals and customers
 View and pay account balance with credit card or electronic check

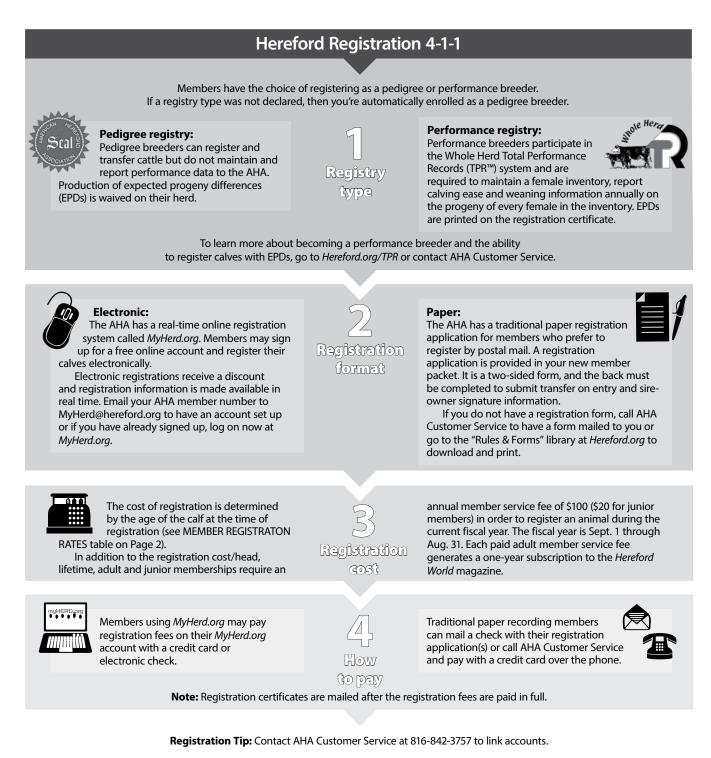
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Taking the Next Step as a New Member

Welcome, new member,

We look forward to having you as a member of the American Hereford Association (AHA). We hope this handbook answers some of your questions as you begin your membership. Each month new members receive "New Member Notes" by email during their first year of membership. It includes tips and resources to help members become more involved in the AHA plus additional information regarding AHA programs and activities. If you did not provide an email address with your membership application, send an email to records@hereford.org and request your email address to be added to your account. We are always here to serve you. If you have questions, do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely, AHA Customer Service





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WHOLE HERD DEADLINES:

July 1, 2022

Final date to submit all dam reproductive status and weaning information for the fall 2020 calf crop.

July 15, 2022

Completion and return of fall 2022 herd inventories by this date will provide a \$0.25 per head discount on every female maintained on the fall inventory.

Sept. 1, 2022

Completion and return of fall 2022 herd inventories after this date will incur an additional \$2 per head surcharge on every female maintained on the fall inventory.

Dec. 1, 2022

Final date to submit all dam reproductive status and weaning information for the spring 2021 calf crop.

Jan. 15, 2023

Completion and return of spring 2023 herd inventories by this date will provide a \$0.25 per head discount on every female maintained on the spring inventory.

March 1, 2023

Final date to nominate sires for spring 2023 breeding in the National Reference Sire Program.

March 1, 2023

Completion and return of spring 2023 herd inventories after this date will incur an additional \$2 per head surcharge on every female maintained on the spring inventory.

Whole Herd TPR[™] — Your Performance Partner

The basic concept of beef cattle performance records is to measure genetic differences between animals for traits of economic importance. The American Hereford Association (AHA) recognizes the importance of performance records in today's beef industry and, through Whole Herd Total Performance Records (TPR[™]), can provide a system flexible enough to meet the needs of the most sophisticated recordkeeping breeder or those who desire to keep only the basics.

Within-herd and contemporary-group records generated through Whole Herd TPR are measures for calving intervals, birth weights, weaning weights, yearling weights, scrotal circumference, hip height/ frame measures and ratios for most of these measures.

Good within-herd records include information obtained at birth, weaning, yearling and ultrasound carcass data. These within-herd and contemporarygroup records are adjusted for known environmental sources of variation in animal performance such as age of dam, age of calf, etc.

Competition for commercial industry purchasing power between and within breeds is keen, and those breeders who document their seedstock's performance for the commercial man's investment have a distinct advantage in today's beef industry as it moves toward "specification production" from conception to slaughter.

Whole Herd TPR is a system of registration and performance tracking whereby every participating breeder updates his/her cow herd inventory annually and is charged for performance data on a per cow basis as opposed to a per calf basis. The system is positively endorsed by the Beef Improvement Federation (BIF), a North American umbrella organization of beef breed associations, beef producers, researchers and the academic community. With this system, the AHA measures economically relevant beef production traits such as fertility, longevity and reproductive efficiency. Furthermore, the greater volume of data reported from each herd for measured growth and carcass traits enhances the accuracy of Hereford expected progeny differences (EPDs).

Participation in Whole Herd TPR is voluntary and breeders may choose to maintain pedigree records without recording performance information, so EPDs or other performance information is not printed on their registry certificates.

Call the AHA to get your herd enrolled in the performance registry program, set up a *MyHerd.org* account or if you are currently enrolled and have questions.

| Whole Herd TPR steps: | | | | | | |
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| Step 1 | Show an accurate inventory record of each female in your herd that is expected to calve in your selected season. | The AHA inv the breeder or her invent costs in acco with the nur and kind of a reported. | for his tory ordance nber | submis provid Produc Report | ing data ssion, the AHA es a Dam ction Summary c for each ed female. | The AHA returns Birth Information Worksheets (Form 1) to the breeder. |
| Step 2Once calving is completed, breeders are required to return a Birth Information Worksheet (Form 1) to the AHA with the birth information for every female enrolled in that season, including data on any that failed to calve, lost a calf, etc.The AHA returns the Birth Report/Weaning Worksheet (Form 2) to the breeder. | | | | | | |
| Step 3 | Weaning Worksheet (Form 2) reporting Weaning weight information or a disposal | | Veaning (earling V | returns the Report/ Vorksheet o the breeder. | Note: Yearling information is not mandatory. | |
| Step 4 | When the breeder returns Form 3 to the AHA, a yearling report (Form 4) and a calf crop EPD summary (Form 5) is provided. If ultrasound carcass data is collected, technician submits carcass data directly to an AHA-approved ultrasound lab that will process the data and forward results to the AHA for database inclusion. | | n AHA-approved he data and | | | |

Gold TPR Breeders



The Gold TPR Breeder recognition is presented to progressive Hereford breeders who have measured traits,

collected and promptly submitted performance data at all levels of production. Breeders must meet a specific set of requirements in order to be eligible for the program.

- Herd inventory submitted prior to inventory surcharge deadline.
- Complete reporting of calving ease and reproductive status for each dam on inventory.
- Complete reporting of birth, weaning and yearling weights for all live calves recorded in the calf crop.
- Complete reporting of scrotal measurements for each bull calf with a recorded yearling weight.
- Ultrasound data reported on 25% or more of the calf crop.

Platinum TPR Breeders



The Platinum TPR Breeder is the highest level of achievement when it comes to complete calf crop reporting. Breeders

must meet all the requirements of Gold TPR Breeder status, plus they must also genotype 85% of the calves with a weaning weight submitted.

The time requirement to do this will fall under the same two-year compliancy rule. The results of the genotype need to be completed by Jan. 1 of the recognition year.

More frequent genetic evaluations

In December 2017, the AHA implemented several updates to its genetic evaluation that include the implementation of a Single Step model for better incorporation of genomics, the ability to calculate, not estimate, EPD accuracies and allowing only animals to enter the evaluation that are born after the advent of Whole Herd TPR but also include three generations of pedigree. Along with this, key economically relevant traits (ERTs), as well as updated economic parameters, are included in the three revised selection indexes. The updates of all of these techniques have allowed the AHA to offer a very reliable and comprehensive genetic evaluation that embraces the most up-to-date technology.

Just as important, the AHA's genetic evaluation runs weekly and releases evaluations each Monday morning. To be included in the Monday update, data must be submitted by midnight two Saturdays prior. For example, for data to be reflected in the EPD release that will occur on Aug. 15, 2022, data will need to be submited by Aug. 6, 2022. Planning ahead is crucial to be sure all phenotypic data (weights and ultrasound information), as well as genotypes, are submitted well in advance to ensure appropriate data is reflected in the EPD.

Sharpen up on traits

Sustained Cow Fertility (SCF) – The AHA's SCF EPD is a prediction of a cow's ability to continue to calve from 3 years of age through 12 years of age, given she calved as a 2-year-old. The EPD is a deviation in the proportion of the 10 possible calvings to 12 years old expressed as a probability. For example, the daughters of a bull with a 30 SCF EPD would have the genetic potential to have one more calf by age 12 than the daughters from a bull with a 20 SCF EPD. In other words, the daughters from the 30 SCF EPD bull would have a 10% greater probability of having one more calf than the bull with a 20 SCF EPD. This is equivalent to saying that the daughters are 10% more likely to remain in the herd to age 12.



Dry Matter Intake (DMI) – The DMI EPD predicts the daily consumption of pounds of feed. For example, if sire A has a DMI EPD of 1.1 and sire B has a DMI EPD of 0.1, you would expect sire B's progeny, if comparably mated, to consume on average 1 pound less of feed per day.



Baldy Maternal Index (BMI\$) – The BMI\$ is a maternally focused index that is based on a production system that uses Hereford-Angus cross cows. Progeny of these cows are directed towards Certified Hereford Beef[®] (CHB). This index has significant weight on SCF, which predicts fertility and longevity of females. There is a slightly positive weight on Weaning Weight (WW), Mature Cow Weight (MCW) and Maternal Milk (MM), which accounts for enough growth but ensures females do not increase inputs. There is some negative emphasis on DMI, but a positive weighting on Carcass Weight, which is

anticipated to provide profitability from finishing of non-replacement females and castrated males. Marbling (MARB) and Ribeye Area (REA) are also positively weighted to keep the harvested progeny successful for CHB. This index is geared to identify Hereford bulls that will be profitable when used in a rotational cross with mature commercial Angus cows.

Brahman Influence Index (BII\$) – The BII\$ is a maternally focused index based on a production system that uses Brahman-Hereford cross cows. Progeny of these cows are directed toward a commodity beef market since Certified Hereford Beef does not accept Brahman-influenced cattle. This index has significant weight on SCF, which predicts fertility and longevity of females. There is a slightly positive weight on WW, MCW and MM, which accounts for enough growth but ensures females do not increase inputs. There is some negative emphasis on DMI, but a positive weighting on CW, which is anticipated to provide profitability in finishing non-replacement females and castrated males. MARB and REA are also positively weighted to keep harvested progeny successful for a variety of commodity based programs. This index targets producers who use Hereford bulls on Brahman-influenced cows.

Certified Hereford Beef Index (CHB\$) – CHB\$ is a terminal sire index built on a production system where Hereford bulls are mated to mature commercial Angus cows, and all progeny will be targeted for Certified Hereford Beef after the finishing phase. This index has significant weight on CW and MARB to ensure profit on the rail. Gain is weighted positively, while DMI is weighted negatively to ensure efficient pounds of growth in the finishing phase. In addition, there is a positive weighting for REA and the FAT is weighted negatively to maintain desirable yield grades. This is the only AHA index that places no emphasis on fertility. It assumes that no replacement heifers will be retained.

For additional trait information, visit the Genetics section of *Hereford.org*.

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Certified Hereford Beef LLC Drives Demand

Certified Hereford Beef LLC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the American Hereford Association with the goal of driving demand for Hereford and Hereford/ English crossbred cattle through a market alliance with cattle feeders, processors, distributors, retailers and foodservice providers. The Certified Hereford Beef[®] brand is quickly becoming one of the most recognized breed-specific brands in the U.S.

The Certified Hereford Beef logo represents a premium image and is recognized internationally as a symbol of high-quality beef. As the beef industry continues to evolve, the *Certified Hereford Beef* team is taking steps to ensure the program remains relevant in the market by continuing to focus on developing the program in a competitive marketplace.

Providing value to *Certified Hereford Beef's* customers through education and marketing resources, the program remains strong in the demand for Herefordinfluenced cattle.

Exceptional customer service is at the forefront of *Certified Hereford Beef's* initiative to increase awareness of the brand. Working together with industry partners to provide the tools and resources to enlist and engage in the sales and promotion of the program expands the opportunity for growth and performance. The creation of educational and promotional materials continues to evolve, allowing *Certified Hereford Beef* to properly promote the program and to utilize industry talent, further engaging

| Certified Hereford Beef specifications | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Choice Premium | | | |
| Quality grades: USDA Choice and higher Quality grades: Upper 2/3 USDA Choice and highe | | | |
| Hereford and Hereford/English crossbred steers and heifers | | | |
| Hot carcass weight of 1,050 lb. or less | | | |
| Ribeye area of 10 to 16 in. ² | | | |
| Fat thickness less than 1 in. | | | |
| For complete list of specifications visit: | | | |

Hereford.org/commercial/programs/certified-hereford-beef/

Certified Hereford Beef licensed packers

National Beef Packing Co. LLC (2003), Liberal, Kan. National Beef Packing Co. LLC (2003), Dodge City, Kan.

To learn more about premium opportunities and participation in the *Certified Hereford Beef* program, producers can contact Trey Befort, director of commercial programs, at tbefort@herefordbeef.org.



the marketplace. The *Certified Hereford Beef* website, *CertifiedHerefordBeef.com*, provides consumers information about the high-quality *Certified Hereford Beef* brand and houses an extensive recipe and meat cuts library to assist in making beefcentered meals in a snap.

This website is only a small piece in an overarching marketing mission to inform consumers about the highquality product *Certified Hereford Beef* has to offer. In addition to sharing new marketing materials and educational resources via *Certified Hereford Beef* outlets, the marketing team provides the opportunity for licensed partners to utilize those materials in their own marketing — further expanding the reach of the brand to consumers.

A targeted and focused approach is being implemented into each market to support existing customers. Customized marketing materials are available to retail and restaurant partners to tell the Hereford story and to connect consumers with their food. The *Certified Hereford Beef* brand offers a unique and differentiated marketing strategy for licensed partners to compete and excel in a competitive marketplace.

Social media has been a significant tool in driving awareness for the *Certified Hereford Beef* program. *Certified Hereford Beef* social media accounts have a targeted focus on consumers with a content emphasis on brand recognition, education, recipes and the Hereford story.

Connecting with consumers is one facet of growing the program, and the brand continues to form consumer relationships via social networking platforms.

Certified Hereford Beef is proud of the Hereford breed's rich heritage and the uncompromising dedication to quality from Hereford cattlemen. These fundamentals allow Certified Hereford Beef the time-honored tradition of providing great-tasting beef and bringing the highest-quality product to industry partners and consumers. They are the reason why Certified Hereford Beef is "Excellence Built by Tradition."

Certified Hereford Beef is available through retail and foodservice outlets across the country. Visit the "Where to Buy" section of *CertifiedHerefordBeef.com* for a complete listing of *Certified Hereford Beef* retail supermarkets and restaurants promoting the brand.

Commercial Programs

The American Hereford Association (AHA) is committed to growing demand for Hereford genetics and providing breeders tools backed by uncompromised data and sound research that drive profit. Developing tools to provide commercial cattlemen with information to advance their programs through heterosis is a major focus of the AHA.

The Hereford Advantage, Premium Red Baldy and Maternal Advantage programs are marketing resources developed to assist commercial cattlemen with incorporating Hereford genetics into their programs more successfully and adding value to their operations. For producers wanting to learn more about their genetics and collect valuable data, the Hereford Feedout Program is a great opportunity to do just that.

Hereford Advantage Program

Designed to identify superior Hereford-influenced feeder cattle, the Hereford Advantage program includes components geared to add value to feeder cattle, including genetic merit, health and management practice verification. This tagging program is offered in conjunction with IMI Global, an industry-leading source for thirdparty verification of food production practices in North America.

To enroll in the program, visit HerefordAdvantage.com to download and complete the enrollment form. The program costs \$3 per head (no minimum enrollment required), which includes verification and program electronic identification tag costs. During the enrollment process, an expected progeny difference (EPD) and profit index summary for the submitted bull battery will be developed and provided to producers, allowing them to track genetic merit for future selection decisions. Participating producers will also receive additional marketing support and exposure through this program and qualifying cattle will be listed on the AHA's "Feeder Cattle Listings" page at HerefordMarketplace.com.

Program Requirements:

- Source and age (required IMI base verification)
- Genetic merit
 - > Minimum of 50% Hereford genetics

- ➤ Bull battery ranking in top 50% of breed for Certified Hereford Beef Index (CHB\$)* profit index (bull battery average)
- > Bull ownership transferred (all bulls)
- Vaccination program two rounds of preweaning vaccinations (minimum)
- BQA certification
- * The CHB\$ is a terminal sire index that is built on a production system where Hereford bulls are used on British-cross cows with a focus on gain and end-product merit.

Premium Red Baldy Program

Premium Red Baldy is a tagging program designed to take advantage of hybrid vigor by maximizing the best traits of both Hereford and Red Angus breeds and providing commercial producers with premium replacement females. The program has the ideal balance of maternal and carcass traits, which will yield cattle poised to increase the profitability of the commercial producer. Premium Red Baldy uses genetics supported by the only two beef breed associations backed by whole herd reporting.

Producers interested in participating will be required to provide registration numbers for Hereford or Red Angus sires to enroll. Once verification is complete, program tags can be purchased for \$0.99 each. Enrolled groups of Premium Red Baldy females will receive added market exposure and will be listed on the "Commercial Female Listings" page at *HerefordMarketplace.com*. For more information and to contact your respective breed representative, visit *PremiumRedBaldy.org*.

Program Requirements:

- Female-only program No steers will be tagged in this non-PVP tagging program.
- Females must be sired by a bull battery ranking in the top 50% of the breed for Baldy Maternal Index (BMI\$) or Profitability and Sustainability Index (ProS – Red Angus). Registration must also be transferred to the participating producer.
- Breed type must be predominately

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Red Angus and Hereford genetics, with a small allowance for other breeds.

• Females must be red-bodied with either a bald or brockle face.

Maternal Advantage Program

This female-focused marketing tool is designed to take advantage of hybrid vigor by capitalizing on Hereford genetics. The program generates females with added longevity, more docility, increased fertility and more profit per year. Producers using Hereford bulls on British-based or Brahmanbased females in their breeding program can utilize this program and enrolled groups will be listed on the "Commercial Female Listings" page at *HerefordMarketplace.com* for added market exposure.

Hereford Feedout Program

The Hereford Feedout Program, held at HRC Feed Yards in Scott City, Kan., is an outstanding opportunity for producers to collect valuable carcass data and gain first-hand experience in the cattle feeding industry. Participants can enter five or more head in the program, which begins late fall, and those cattle will have an opportunity to be marketed as *Certified Hereford Beef* candidates through the U.S. Premium Beef program at National Beef. For more information visit the "Feedout Program" page in the "Commercial" section of *Hereford.org*.

| AHA commercial programs overview | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--|
| Program | Program logo | Index used | |
| Hereford Advantage | SCHB | CHB\$ | |
| Premium Red Baldy | REDBALDY | BMI\$ or ProS (Red Angus) | |
| Maternal Advantage | | BMI\$ or BII\$ | |

^{**} For all programs, bulls must have transferred ownership and rank in the top 50% of the breed for the respective index.

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Hereford Publications Inc. (HPI) staff coordinates publications and communication services to benefit American Hereford Association (AHA) members and customers.

Hereford World is the official voice of the AHA. Produced 11 times per year, seven glossy issues are mailed to 5,900 subscribers. A tabloid issue is produced in January, February, August and October and mailed to an additional 20,000 commercial cattlemen. The tabloid is an advertising vehicle to reach commercial producers interested in Hereford genetics.

Timely articles and editorial columns provide readers with information to help them make sound management and marketing decisions. From basic how-to articles to in-depth reports on cutting-edge technologies, *Hereford World* is a solid package of beef industry information. Past issues of *Hereford World* are available for viewing online at *Hereford.org*. The publication is also searchable for those seeking articles regarding specific topics.

Special advertising sections are printed several times per year, including the *Hereford AI Book* with the March issue and the *Hereford Register* in the July issue.

Seven field representatives represent the AHA and *Hereford World* throughout the U.S. and Canada.

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Creative Services

Creative Services offers a talented creative team for promotional projects. Experienced staff can take a sale book, directory, brochure, flyer or other project to the next level.

Projects on a bid basis include catalogs, directories, brochures, flyers, postcards, business cards and other projects (stickers, posters, etc.). All sale catalogs developed through Creative Services are available on *Hereford.org* and Herefords On Demand for viewing.

Offering customized mailing and online services

Creative Services' clients have access to radius search the five lists below to customize a mailing list for their use. As a complimentary service, clients can utilize any combination of the five lists:

Adult member list — adult members who registered at least one animal within two years or has a *Hereford World* subscription

Junior member list — junior members with current-year dues paid Tabloid list — commercial producers who have subscribed to *Hereford World* tabloid issues for three years

Bull buyer list — non-member accounts with at least one bull transferred to them within the last three years

Female buyer list — non-member accounts with at least one female transferred to them within the last three years

Data integrity

Creative Services uses a direct link to the AHA database to retrieve pedigree and expected progeny difference (EPD) information, ensuring current and accurate information is provided.

Services

To receive a bid or to ask questions regarding the information needed to create a bid for a project, please call Joe Rickabaugh, Caryn Vaught or Bailey Lewis at 816-842-3757.

AHA Member Advertising Information

Hereford Publications Inc., 816-842-3757

GLOSSY MAGAZINE ADVERTISING RATES

| Full page, four color\$1,26 | 5 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---|
| Half page, four color \$962.5 | 0 |
| Quarter page, four color \$48 | 4 |
| Full page, black and white\$797.5 | 0 |
| Half page, black and white\$49 | 5 |
| Quarter page, black and white \$27 | 5 |
| Seedstock directory (per inch, per year) \$38 | 5 |
| • Four-color ad includes one photo, each additional | |

- photo: \$20/photo
- Black and white ad rate includes one photo, each additional photo: \$10/photo
- Ad contracts and print and web packages available.

TABLOID ADVERTISING RATES

| Full page, four color\$1,320 |
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| Junior page, four color\$1,100 |
| Half page, four color \$990 |
| Quarter page, four color \$770 |
| Full page, black and white \$880 |
| Junior page, black and white\$660 |
| Half page, black and white \$550 |
| Quarter page, black and white \$330 |
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| Four-color ad includes one photo, each additional photo: \$20/photo. |

- Black and white ad rate includes one photo, each additional photo: \$10/photo.
- Ad contracts and print and web packages available.

DEADLINES

| lssue | Submission Deadline |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| September 2022 | July 25, 2022 |
| *October 2022 | Aug. 25, 2022 |
| November 2022 | Sept. 26, 2022 |
| December 2022 | Oct. 25, 2022 |
| *January 2023 | Nov. 28, 2022 |
| *February 2023 | Dec. 26, 2022 |
| March 2023 | Jan. 25, 2023 |
| April 2023 | Feb. 24, 2023 |
| May/June 2023 | March 24, 2023 |
| July 2023 | Early bird: April 28, 2023 |
| | Final deadline: May 26, 2023 |
| *August 2023 | June 26, 2023 |
| September 2023 | July 25, 2023 |
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*Indicates tabloid issue

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

| (Included with \$100 AHA member service fee) | | |
|----------------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 year \$35 | | |
| U.S., 1st class \$70 | | |
| Foreign, 2nd class \$60 | | |
| Foreign, 1st class \$110 | | |

Online Advertising Opportunities

The American Hereford Association (AHA) website provides visitors the latest updates and announcements affecting the Hereford breed. It also provides Hereford breeders the opportunity to advertise via banner ads, e-newsletters, online sale catalogs and more.

AHA website banner ads

Hereford breeders can advertise their operations via two-frame banner ads to showcase logos, contact details, brief breeding philosophies, sale dates, etc. Banner ads serve as direct links to the breeders' websites. Banner ads are also offered to corporate entities.

In an effort to offer affordable advertising rates, banner ads rotate from page to page. This rotational method allows for multiple banner ads to be shown in a specific place on a page for a set amount of time, giving the advertiser more exposure on more pages.

Pricing options:

1-month banner ad — \$500 ad appears in *Hereford Headlines* or *Sales Digest*

2-month banner ad — \$900 ad appears in *Hereford Headlines* or *Sales Digest* (a \$1,000 value)

1-year banner ad — \$1,500 ad appears in *Hereford Headlines* or *Sales Digest* (a \$6,000 value)

HPI contract — \$5,500 (a \$6,100 value)

- 4 full-page, four-color *Hereford World* ads in issues of your choice
- 1 banner ad on the AHA website for one year

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Online Advertising Opportunities continued

Creative Services contract

- 1 catalog per bid basis
- 1 banner ad for one month — \$400 (a savings of 20%)
- Ad appears in *Hereford Headlines* or *Sales Digest*

For more information about banner advertising options, contact Alison Marx at amarx@hereford. org or 816-842-3757.

E-newsletter banner ads

Sales Digest and *Hereford Headlines* provide affordable banner advertising opportunities. Contact Alison Marx at amarx@hereford.org or 816-842-3757 to reserve your ad.

Sales Digest

This weekly e-newsletter is delivered to more than 8,500 potential buyers around the world. It is a source of current information including, upcoming sales, shows and events, to aid in locating the right Hereford cattle to increase profitability in a herd. Seven positions for banner ads are available.

Hereford Headlines

Hereford Headlines is an e-newsletter distributed the first Friday of each month to AHA members and other subscribers and keeps readers up-to-date on Hereford and other beef industry news. Three banner ad positions are available.

Online sale catalogs

Hereford breeders can post production sale and private-treaty sale catalogs at *Hereford.org*. Catalogs can be posted in two formats — PDF and flip. Fees associated on a per need basis.

Catalogs designed through Creative Services are posted in the PDF and flip formats at no extra cost. Likewise, catalogs designed by a third party can be listed on the "Production Catalogs" page at a low cost. As an added benefit, the catalogs will also be listed in the *Sales Digest*.

Online catalog rates:

- PDF and flip version \$100 per week Customer will provide a low resolution PDF*.
- * Note if the PDF file is not optimized or if the flip generator determines errors, it is the customer's responsibility to fix the errors and to resubmit a new PDF. If the Creative Services team incurs additional hours due to technical issues, those hours will be billable at \$50/hour.

For more information and pricing details, contact Caryn Vaught at cvaught@hereford.org or Bailey Lewis at blewis@hereford.org or 816-842-3757.



Herefords On Demand

Another online sale catalog avenue offered through HPI is Herefords On Demand. This marketing tool is a feature for breeders to market their upcoming production sales, is practical for herds of all sizes and streamlines the efficiency of catalog production.

Herefords On Demand features live EPDs in the sale catalog that are refreshed weekly and search capabilities within a catalog and across all catalogs using this online feature. Users can start a new sale catalog and are able to save their progress and to return to inputting information later, as well.

For more information and pricing details, contact Bailey Lewis at blewis@hereford.org or 816-842-3757.

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Pillars of the Foundation

Since its inception in 2000, the Hereford Youth Foundation of America (HYFA) has experienced monumental milestones, but none more exciting than net assets surpassing the \$5 million mark at the end of the last fiscal year. As the foundation strives to pay it forward and create a legacy for future generations, HYFA's commitment to Hereford youth is only continuing to grow.

From classroom settings, to feedyards and different events both in and out of the showring, HYFA and its army of supporters are steadfast when it comes to supporting Hereford youth. We invite you to check out the foundation's new and improved website at *HerefordYouthFoundation.org* and learn how we are paving the way for the next \$5 million designated to give back to future generations.

When the foundation was established, net assets totaling \$218,000 from the two youth foundations, including the American Hereford Youth Foundation and the American Polled Hereford Youth Foundation, Inc., were blended together and HYFA was born. Prior to 2000, there was a host of individuals that were responsible for raising money over the years, including much work from the two women's groups. Twenty years later, the village of supporters grows and our donor network includes year-round breeder and corporate support and a host of fundraising efforts, including funding from the National Hereford Women.

At the third annual Harvest Gala in October of 2005, the \$5 million capital campaign was unveiled. This campaign would serve as the backbone of the HYFA Scholarship program and through its funding would support educational programs of the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA). That first HYFA board of directors had a vision. It has been inspirational to watch this vision come to fruition as net assets continue to grow, and we continue to give back more and more each year.

Scholarship

Each spring and fall, Hereford youth reap the benefits of the foundation, and this year was no exception as NJHA members were awarded more than \$181,000 in scholarships. To add to the excitement, this equates to close to \$1.5 million in scholarships since HYFA was founded. Each year the scholarship selection committees continue to be impressed by the high caliber of college-aged students who apply for scholarship funds, and there is nothing more rewarding than watching HYFA scholarship winners go on to be leaders in their fields and give back to the foundation.

Leadership

Many junior members additionally have benefited from the Faces of Leadership program that HYFA and the Coley-Malir Leadership Endowment have helped to fund over the last several years. This spring, thanks to the generous hospitality of GKB Cattle and Gary and Kathy Buchholz, the first annual BOLD Conference was held, giving junior members ages 18-22 a platform to build on their leadership development.

Education

Through the years, the foundation has expanded and helped fund a diverse and exciting line up of additional programs and opportunities for Hereford youth, one being the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE). To help with these unique programs and keep the tradition growing, HYFA started and maintains a legacy fund and a steering committee to ensure the sustainability of this flagship event.

The Fed Steer Shootout is another HYFA-funded program where our youth can compete. It offers participants a unique opportunity to follow their cattle through the feedlot and beyond, showcasing what their genetics are producing at the consumer level and expanding their knowledge beyond the showring.

Research

In addition to these junior competitions, learning and scholarship opportunities, HYFA also houses a research fund component, which the AHA utilizes to fund research projects benefiting the total membership of the Hereford breed. So, whether you are looking to support our juniors through scholarships, the showring or wanting your contributions to be used for research or other purposes, we welcome you to get in touch with us, and we can work together to identify the best fit.

A huge thank you to all of those who have supported HYFA's journey to better the next generation. We look forward to many more exciting opportunities as we embark on the next \$5 million.



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NJHA Builds Leaders

2021-22 National Junior Hereford Association Board of Directors



The 2021-22 NJHA board of directors pictured front row from left, Lauren McMillan, Illinois; Hannah Pearson, Nebraska; Bailey Morrell, California; Ralston Ripp, Nebraska; Lauren Jones, Wisconsin; and Libby Rushton, Tennessee. Back row from left, Wyatt Lawrence, Minnesota; JW Cox, Kentucky; Noah Benedict, Illinois; Tar Tut, Minnesota; Luke Daniels, Texas; and Wesley Denton, Kansas.

Mission Statement

The National Junior Hereford Association's (NJHA) mission is to create and promote enthusiasm for the Hereford breed while providing opportunities through leadership, education and teamwork, thus ensuring a brighter future for youth and the cattle industry.

The NJHA is one of the largest, strongest and most active junior programs in the country, not just the beef industry. The NJHA, through its extensive leadership programs, continues to lay the foundation for the next generation of beef industry producers and leaders. Watching the juniors grow from young participants and exhibitors through the programs laid out for them to flourish into strong adults and leaders is truly inspirational. Past junior directors and members now lead the beef industry in a variety of roles, using skills they developed through the association and the junior board.

The NJHA membership continues to grow from 3,545 active members in 2019 to a membership of more than 3,900 with 39 state associations.

Do you want to be a member of the NJHA? If you are under the age of 22 and love Hereford cattle, this is the place for you, and you are eligible. Simply fill out the online form found on the website, *JrHereford.org*. Then you're on your way to becoming a junior member in one of the largest beef breed organizations in the world.



Junior National Hereford Expo

One of the largest beef breed shows in the U.S., the Junior National

Hereford Expo (JNHE) continues to stay strong despite the tumultuous events of the past two years. This is the highlight of the NJHA's summer activities, providing a place for members across the country to connect through their love for the Hereford breed and develop as leaders during different educational contests.

The 2022 theme is "Banners in the Bluegrass," and junior members can't wait to hit the green chips, July 16-22, in Louisville, Ky. Make sure to mark your calendars as next year's JNHE will be in Madison, Wis., at the Alliant Energy Center.

Building on Leadership Development

Within the mission statement of NJHA, leadership is a key component of cultivating the young members of the Hereford breed. That means that showing the best livestock is not the only component of the NJHA, and the Faces of Leadership Conference and new BOLD Conference are perfect examples of that. Faces of Leadership travels to different locations across the country, touring universities, exploring industry-leading innovators and developing leadership skills.

The 2022 conference will be held in Billings, Mont., Aug. 3-6, where the sky is the limit to leadership. This conference is open to junior members between the ages of 14-21 and is made possible by the Coley-Malir Endowment Fund. We encourage all juniors to participate and grow as individuals.

Fed Steer Shootout

Celebrating the completion of its sixth year, the Fed Steer Shootout is a one-ofa-kind experience for NJHA members. This program focuses on the cattle feeding sector of the beef industry and is hosted by HRC Feed Yards in Scott City, Kan. Cattle competing in the 2022 contest arrived at the feedlot toward the end of 2021 weighing 500-800 pounds.

Throughout the months that the cattle are on feed, participants learn during a number of sessions taught by feedlot industry professionals, from feed yard employees to on-site veterinarians to pharmaceutical sales representatives and everyone in between. The goal is to offer them a well-rounded view of the sector of the beef industry that is so vital to feeding the world. These informational sessions come with quizzes, and scores on these quizzes are taken into account to provide awards and prizes at the end of the feeding phase.

In addition to these virtual lessons, NJHA hosted the second Fed Steer Shootout Field Day at HRC Feed Yards in April. This educational event brought juniors and their families together to see their steers on feed and to gain a better understanding about the cattle feeding industry and the path the steers took once they were delivered to the feed yard in December. Highlighting the field day this year was a series of workshops hosted by Cargill Protein North America, focusing on fabrication, processing, animal handling and grading, giving juniors an up-close look at the beef processing side of the industry.

Scholarship Opportunities

NJHA programs wouldn't be possible without donors and outside support, and that includes scholarships. Our organization is devoted to promoting education as well as supporting the juniors who seek advanced education.

NJHA important dates and deadlines April 1 HYFA spring scholarship applications due June 1 JNHE final online entry, ownership, showmanship and judging deadline Advisor of the Year Award nominations due NJHA board candidate applications due Contest deadline (Hybrid Extemporaneous Speech, Future Professionals, Hybrid Illustrated Speech, Individual Sales, Sales Academy and Photo) July 1 Early bird Faces of Leadership registration online at JrHereford.org July 15 Final Faces of Leadership registration deadline July 16-22 Junior National Hereford Expo, Louisville, Ky. Aug. 3-6 Faces of Leadership Conference, Billings, Mont. Sept. 1 HYFA fall scholarship applications due

July 7-14, 2023 Junior National Hereford Expo, Madison, Wis.

The cost of college, universities and trade schools can be daunting, and it is the goal of the NJHA and the Hereford Youth Foundation (HYFA) to lessen that burden.

Awarding close to \$200,000 each year, donors and fundraising continue to grow, providing more and more scholarship opportunities for higher education. Spring scholarships have a deadline of April 1, to be awarded at the JNHE, and fall scholarships are due Sept. 1, awarded at the American Hereford Association's Annual Meeting.

Leading Leaders

The NJHA focuses on leadership for all of its members, but an elected few are chosen to lead those leaders. Voted on by their peers and other members, each year four new young people are selected to serve a three-year term on the NJHA

NJHA board of directors regional representation

board of directors. Elected at the junior membership annual meeting held in conjunction with the JNHE, candidates campaign to be a leader for the coming years of the NJHA.

Traveling to various shows and activities across the country is one component of being a director, as well as the planning of different events for the rest of the junior membership. Serving on this board creates some of the most well-rounded leaders of their age and builds a strong foundation for the breed's future. NJHA board applications are due June 1 each year, and all guidelines, bylaws and requirements may be found at *JrHereford.org*.



Hereford Show Information

AHA Show Rules

- All cattle entered, including calves on the side of cow-calf pairs and senior yearlings, must be registered in the Herd Book of the American Hereford Association (AHA). Entries with registrations "pending" or illegible tattoos or improper tattoos as shown on the registration certificate at check-in time are ineligible for competition. Exhibitors are subject to the Association's special rule on class qualification. Entries in these classes are accepted with the understanding that the exhibitor agrees to abide by the rule in all respects.
- The exhibition of cattle displaying false hair will not be allowed.
- Any product administered internally or used externally to alter the conformation of an animal for exhibition is prohibited. This includes the use of graphite, hemp or other similar substances externally and steroids or growth stimulants internally.
- The act of artificially filling animals internally, which includes stomach pumping, drench tubes or any other method by mouth or esophagus, is prohibited.
- All animals shown in group classes must have been shown in their respective single-age class. No transfer from one (1) breed to another, after entry, will be permitted.
- Expected Progeny Difference (EPD) values will be provided to the judge and audience for all animals shown. Animals without EPD data are eligible to show but will have N/A (not available) in place of missing data.
- Any animal without a legible tattoo will not be eligible to show.
- All Hereford animals must be officially recorded (registered) 30 days prior to show date to be eligible to show at a National Hereford Show.
- An animal that is scurred (scurs are small, rudimentary horns that are loosely attached to the head, which are considered to be expressed only in animals that are

AHA Show Classifications

genetically heterozygous for the polled gene) will show in the polled division of Hereford shows. Once an animal is confirmed to be scurred by an AHA field representative, then this designation will be placed on the animal's registration papers. Once this determination has been made and reported to the AHA office, then the owner may remove the scurs. Animals with scurs removed will show in the polled division of Hereford shows. Once an animal is confirmed polled or scurred, it will retain this designation forever.

- The individual classes will be made up and divided after the cattle are checked in at the show. They will be judged from the youngest to the oldest animal within each class.
- It is recommended by the AHA Show Committee that classes with 10 or more head be considered to be split, depending on animals' birthdates in each particular class.
- If the number of classes in a division warrant, a division will be split into multiple divisions
- Calves on the side of cow-calf pairs and senior yearlings MUST BE the cow's natural calf and fully registered with the AHA.
- For cattle exhibited at the Cattlemen's Congress and National Western Stock Show:
 - > Exhibitors with senior bull calves and/or intermediate, yearling and senior bulls are required to provide a licensed veterinarian's statement indicating the bull has been semen checked and evaluated as fertile. Semen evaluation is to occur within 90 days of the show. This statement must be presented at check-in during the Cattlemen's Congress and National Western Stock Show.
 - > Exhibitors with females in the spring and junior yearling divisions must be confirmed pregnant within 45 days of show by a licensed veterinarian or by blood test or show with a calf at side.

The decision to have both a Hereford and polled Hereford show or to have a combined show will be left up to the discretion of the state breed associations and show management.

State and regional Hereford female show classifications

- 1. Cow-calf (Any female older than the below ages with a calf at side.)
 - Calf older than 240 days of age on the show date is not eligible to show in cow-calf class.
 - If the cow is horned and the calf polled, then the pair shows in the horned cow-calf class, and if the cow is polled and the calf is horned, then the pair shows in the polled cow-calf class.
 - Calf is eligible for individual classes but must be entered in the appropriate class.
- 2. Spring heifer calves calved March 1 to June 30.
- 3. Junior heifer calves calved Jan. 1 to Feb. 29.
- 4. Senior heifer calves calved Nov. 1 to Dec. 31.
- 5. Senior heifer calves calved Aug. 1 to Oct. 31.
- 6. Late summer yearling females calved June 1 to July 31.

- 7. Early summer yearling females calved May 1 to 31.
- 8. Spring yearling females calved March 1 to April 30.
- 9. Junior yearling females calved Jan. 1 to Feb. 29.
- 10. Senior yearling females calved Aug. 1 to Dec. 31.*
- * For shows occuring Jan. 1 to May 1, a senior yearling female class and division will be allowed. Females must show with a calf at side.
- * Cow-calf does not compete for overall champion female.

Female divisions

Junior Heifer Calves Class(es) 2 & 3 Senior Heifer Calves Class(es) 4 & 5 Intermediate Yearling Females. Class(es) 6 & 7 Spring Yearling Females Class 8 Junior Yearling Females Class 9 Senior Yearling Females Class 10

State and regional Hereford bull show classifications

- 1. Spring bull calves calved March 1 to June 30.
- 2. Junior bull calves calved Jan. 1 to Feb. 29.
- 3. Senior bull calves calved Nov. 1 to Dec. 31.
- 4. Senior bull calves calved Aug. 1 to Oct. 31.
- 5. Late summer yearling bulls calved June 1 to July 31.
- 6. Early summer yearling bulls calved May 1 to 31.
- 7. Spring yearling bulls calved March 1 to April 30.
- 8. Junior yearling bulls calved Jan. 1 to Feb. 29.
- 9. Senior yearling bulls calved Aug. 1 to Dec. 31.
- 10. Two-year-old bulls calved Jan. 1 to July 31.

Bull divisions

| Junior Bull Calves | Class(es) 1 & 2 |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Senior Bull Calves | Class(es) 3 & 4 |
| Intermediate Bulls | Class(es) 5 & 6 |
| Yearling Bulls | Class(es) 7 & 8 |
| Senior Bulls | Class(es) 9 & 10 |

National Hereford female show classifications

- 1. Cow-calf (Any female older than the below ages with a calf at side.)
 - Calf older than 240 days of age on the show date is not eligible to show in cow-calf class.
 - If the cow is horned and the calf polled, then the pair shows in the horned cow-calf class, and if the cow is polled and the calf is horned, then the pair shows in the polled cow-calf class.
 - Calf is eligible for individual classes but must be entered in the appropriate class.
 - Cow-calf does not compete for overall champion female.
- 2. Spring heifer calves calved after May 1 to June 30.
- 3. Spring heifer calves calved April 1 to 30.
- 4. Spring heifer calves calved March 1 to 31.
- 5. Junior heifer calves calved Feb. 1 to 29.
- 6. Junior heifer calves calved Jan. 1 to 31.
- 7. Senior heifer calves calved Nov. 1 to Dec. 31.
- 8. Senior heifer calves calved Oct. 1 to 31.
- 9. Senior heifer calves calved Aug. 1 to Sept. 30.
- 10. Late summer yearling females calved June 1 to July 31.
- 11. Early summer yearling females calved May 1 to 31.
- 12. Spring yearling females calved April 1 to 30.
- 13. Spring yearling females calved March 1 to 31.
- 14. Junior yearling females calved Feb. 1 to 29.
- 15. Junior yearling females calved Jan. 1 to 31.
- 16. Senior yearling females calved Aug 1 to Dec 31*
- * For shows occuring Jan. 1 to May 1, a senior yearling female class and division will be allowed. Females must show with a calf at side.

Female divisions

| Spring Heifer Calves | Class(es) 2, 3 & 4 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Junior Heifer Calves | Class(es) 5 & 6 |
| Senior Heifer Calves | Class(es) 7, 8 & 9 |
| Intermediate Yearling Females . | Class(es) 10 & 11 |
| Spring Yearling Females | Class 12 & 13 |
| Junior Yearling Females | Class 14 & 15 |
| Senior Yearling Females | Class 16 |

The AHA reserves the right to break classes so a 30-day age span may be maintained in the spring, junior and senior calf classes (Classes 2-9).

National Hereford bull show classifications

- 1. Spring bull calves calved after May 1 to June 30.
- 2. Spring bull calves calved April 1 to 30.
- 3. Spring bull calves calved March 1 to 31.
- 4. Junior bull calves calved Feb. 1 to 29.
- 5. Junior bull calves calved Jan. 1 to 31.
- 6. Senior bull calves calved Nov. 1 to Dec. 31.
- 7. Senior bull calves calved Oct. 1 to 31.
- 8. Senior bull calves calved Aug. 1 to Sept. 30.
- 9. Late summer yearling bull calved June 1 to July 31.
- 10. Early summer yearling bull calved May 1 to 31.
- 11. Spring yearling bull calved April 1 to 30.
- 12. Spring yearling bull calved March 1 to 31.
- 13. Junior yearling bull calved Feb. 1 to 29.
- 14. Junior yearling bull calved Jan. 1 to 31.
- 15. Senior yearling bulls calved Aug 1 to Dec 31.
- 16. Two-year-old bulls calved Jan. 1 to July 31.

Bull divisions

| Spring Bull Calves | Class(es) 1, 2 & 3 |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| Junior Bull Calves | Class(es) 4 & 5 |
| Senior Bull Calves | Class(es) 6, 7 & 8 |
| Intermediate Bulls | Class(es) 9 & 10 |
| Yearling Bulls | Class(es) 11, 12, 13 & 14 |
| Senior Bulls | |

The AHA reserves the right to break classes so a 30-day age span may be maintained in the spring, junior and senior calf classes (Classes 1-8).

Rules and classifications

Exhibitors in Hereford classes are subject to the Association's special rule on class qualification, and any animal without a legible tattoo will not be eligible for show. For state and regional shows, all Hereford animals must be officially recorded at show time to be eligible to show. For national shows all Hereford animals must be officially recorded (registered) 30 days prior to the show date to be eligible to show. Entries with registrations "Pending" or "Applied For" will be ineligible to show.

Group classes

Get-of-sire — Four animals shown in above single-entry classes with both sexes represented and all progeny of one sire. It is permissible to use either the cow or calf from a cow-calf pair for the get-of-sire. Get-of-sire may be comprised of animals from one or more owners and of both horned and polled animals.

Best six head — All animals must have been shown in their respective single-entry classes, and they must be owned by the exhibitor or by a member of his/her immediate family. A cowcalf will be considered as two head in the best six head class. Best six head may be comprised of both horned and polled animals.

Premier exhibitor, premier breeder

Awarded with the following point system: first place = 5 points, second place = 4 points, third place = 3 points, fourth place = 2 points and fifth place = 1 point. No points will be given for champions. Points will be awarded for the best six head for premier exhibitor. The same scoring system as above will be used for awarding points for the group classes. It is suggested that banners be given to the premier exhibitor and the premier breeder.

AHA Show Classifications continued

National junior show ownership rule

Cow-calf pairs, females and steers may be jointly owned by siblings provided all are individual members of the National Junior Hereford Association and are between the ages of 7 and 22 as of Jan. 1 of the current year. No animal is eligible to compete if recorded in joint ownership (other than the sibling rule) or ownership of farm or family name. Bred-and-owned bulls, however, may be owned by the exhibitor, a ranch/family name as long as the junior exhibitor is also the breeder.

National and regional show point system

| Placing | National Show | Regional Show |
|------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 10 | 5 |
| 2 | | 4 |
| 3 | | 3 |
| 4 | | 2 |
| 5 | | 1 |
| 6 | | 0 |
| 7 | | 0 |
| 8 | | 0 |
| 9 | | 0 |
| 10 | | 0 |
| Division Champion | 10 | 5 |
| Reserve Champion | | 3 |
| Grand Champion | 20 | 10 |
| Reserve Grand Champior | n 10 | 6 |

Points for national and regional show bull and show female of the year will be based on the Regional Show Point System. Animals do not have to show in a regional show in order to be eligible for show bull or female of the year in the respective four quadrants. An animal may only win show bull or female of the year for one quadrant per year. Ownership percentage followed by ownership succession (breeder, first owner, second owner, etc.) will determine from which quadrant the animal will be recognized.

AHA point shows and awards

- Official results from the show staff must be submitted within 30 days of completion of the show.
- Results must contain the following:
 - > Eight-digit AHA registration number
 - > Complete registration name as recorded in the AHA registration system
 - > Owner(s) as listed on the papers from the AHA registration system
- In order for results to be included in the calculation for show animals of the year, shows must have at least 25 head exhibited at the show.
- Shows that are listed as a national or regional point show as specified by the AHA show and sale committee will submit results to Bailey Clanton with the AHA at bclanton@hereford.org or mail them to American Hereford Association, Attn: Bailey Clanton, 11500 N. Ambassador Dr., Ste. 410, Kansas City, MO 64153.

At the AHA Annual Membership Meeting and Conference and National Hereford Show in Kansas City, Mo., the Association will recognize four national show animals of the year, 16 regional show animals of the year and recognize eight regional premier exhibitors of the year.

- National Show Bull and Female of the Year for horned and polled
- Regional Show Bull and Female of the Year for horned and polled
- Regional Premier Exhibitor for horned and polled

NATIONAL POINT SHOWS

American Royal, Kansas City, Mo.
Cattlemen's Congress, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Keystone International Livestock Exposition, Harrisburg, Pa.
National Western Stock Show, Denver, Colo.
North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, Ky.
Southwestern Livestock Exposition, Ft. Worth, Texas
Western States Hereford Show, Reno, Nev.

REGIONAL POINT SHOWS Southeast

Alabama National Fair, Montgomery, Ala. Appalachian District Fair, Gray, Tenn. Arkansas State Fair, Little Rock, Ark. Dixie National, Jackson, Miss. Florida State Fair, Tampa, Fla. Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, Ky. Louisiana State Fair, Shreveport, La. Mississippi State Fair, Jackson, Miss. North Carolina State Fair, Raleigh, N.C. South Carolina State Fair, Columbia, S.C. Tennessee State Fair, Nashville, Tenn. Tennessee State Hereford Show

Southwest

Arizona National Livestock Show, Phoenix California State Fair, Sacramento, Calif. Hereford Heritage, Abilene, Texas Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, Houston New Mexico State Fair, Albuquerque, N.M. San Antonio Livestock Show, San Antonio Sonoma County Fair, Santa Rosa, Calif. State Fair of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City State Fair of Texas, Dallas Utah State Fair, Salt Lake City West Texas Fair, Abilene, Texas

Northwest

Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, Kan. Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, Neb. Northern International Livestock Expo (NILE), Billings, Mont. Oregon State Fair, Salem, Ore. Red River Valley Fair, Fargo, N.D. South Dakota State Fair, Huron, S.D. Washington State Fair, Puyallup, Wash. Western Idaho Fair, Boise, Idaho Wyoming State Fair, Douglas, Wyo.

Northeast

Eastern States Expo, W. Springfield, Mass. Illinois State Fair, Springfield, III. Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, Iowa Maryland State Fair, Timonium, Md. Minnesota State Fair, St. Paul, Minn. Missouri State Fair, St. Paul, Minn. Missouri State Fair, Sedalia, Mo. New Jersey State Fair, Augusta, N.J. New York State Fair, Syracuse, N.Y. Ohio State Fair, Columbus, Ohio Ozark Empire Fair, Springfield, Mo. State Fair of West Virginia, Lewisburg, W.Va. Upper Peninsula State Fair, Detroit Wisconsin State Fair, W. Allis, Wis.

2022 State Fair and Fall Show Schedule

| Date | Hereford Open Show Information | (Entry Deadline) |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Aug. 5 | Indiana State Fair 1202 E. 38th St., Indianapolis, IN 46205 443-974-8155, https://www.indianastatefair.coi competitionscontests/open-livestock-entry-ini Entry contact: entry@indianastatefair.com | |
| Aug. 12-14 | Wisconsin State Fair 640 S. 84th St., West Allis, WI 53214 414-266-7052, <i>wistatefair.com</i> Entry contact: entryoffice@wistatefair.com | (6/22) |
| Aug. 13 | Illinois State Fair P.O. Box 19427, Springfield, IL, 62794-9427 847-814-7301, https://www2.illinois.gov/statefa premium-books/Pages/default.aspx Entry contact: Dr. Larry Wilson or Tony Eich, ik | |
| Aug. 13 | Montgomery County Agricultural Fair 16 Chestnut St., Gaithersburg, MD 20877 301-926-3100, mcagfair.com Entry contact: Cathy Shepard, cshepard@mca | (7/20 & 8/1) |
| Aug. 14 | Missouri State Fair 2503 W. 16th St., Sedalia, MO 65301 660-530-5615, mostatefair.com Entry contact: mostatefair@mda.mo.gov | (7/1 & 7/25) |
| Aug. 18 | Upper Peninsula State Fair 2401 12th Ave. N., Escanaba, MI 49829 906-241-5711, <i>upstatefair.org</i> Entry contact: Veronica Wallace, veronica.wall | (7/15) ace@hichealth.org |
| Aug. 18 | Wyoming State Fair & Rodeo P.O. Drawer 10, Douglas, WY 82633 307-358-2398, <i>wystatefair.com</i> Entry contact: info@wystatefair.com | (TBA) |
| Aug. 20 | Iowa State Fair P.O. Box 57130, Des Moines, IA 50317 515-262-3111, ext. 247, <i>iowastatefair.org</i> Entry contact: cattle@iowastatefair.org | (7/1 & 7/8) |
| Aug. 20 | State Fair of West Virginia 947 Maplewood Ave., Lewisburg, WV 24901 304-645-1090, <i>statefairofwv.com</i> Entry contact: Alexis Porterfield, entries@state | (7/7) efairofwv.com |
| Aug. 20 | Tennessee State Fair 945 E Baddour Parkway, Lebanon, TN 615-443-2626, <i>www.wilsoncountyfair.net</i> Entry contact: office@wilsoncountfair.net | 7/30 |
| Aug. 20 | Western Idaho Fair 5610 Glenwood, Boise, ID 83714 208-287-5663, <i>idahofair.com</i> Entry contact: Hans Bruijn, premiumoffice@id | (8/4 & 8/8) lahofair.com |
| Aug. 23-24 | Appalachian Fair Association Inc. P.O. Box 8218, Gray, TN 37615 423-477-3211, appalachianfair.com Mike Cunningham, mcunningham@meadetra | (7/31) actor.com |
| Aug. 23-27 | New York State Fair 581 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209 315-728-4473, https://nysfair.ny.gov/competitio Entry contact: Zachary Bakowski, zachary.bakow | |
| Aug. 26 | Kentucky State Fair 937 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY, 40209 502-367-5190, kystatefair.org Entry contact: Nancy Monroe, entry@kyvenue nancy.monroe@kyvenues.com | (7/1 & 7/10) es.com; |
| Aug. 28 | Maryland State Fair P.O. Box 188, 2200 York Rd., Timonium, MD 21 410-252-0200, marylandstatefair.com Entry contact: Rebecca Williams, rrensor@con | |
| Aug 29 | Oregon State Fair 2330 17th St. N.E., Salem, OR 97301 971-701-6570, oregonstatefair.org Entry contact: Jodi Rametes, agprograms@ore | 8/5 egonstatefair.org |
| Aug. 31-Sep | ot. 1 Nebraska State Fair 501 E. Fonner Park Rd., Ste. 200, Grand Island, 308-384-0624, <i>statefair.org</i> Entry contact: Amy Kelley, akelley@statefair.or | |

| Date | Hereford Open Show Information | (Entry Deadline) |
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| Aug. 31 | South Dakota State Fair 1060 3rd St. S.W., Huron, S.D. 57350 605-351-7772, sdstatefair.com | (8/1) |
| Sept. 2 | Entry contact: Cindy Christensen, cynthialouch West Texas Fair and Rodeo 1700 Hwy. 36, Abilene, TX 79602 | ristensen@gmail.com (8/1) |
| | 325-677-4376, taylorcountyexpocenter.com/ever fairrodeo/livestock-shows | |
| Sept. 3-6 | Entry contact: Aspen Dick & Katelyn Horner, asp Evergreen State Fair 13212 Woods Lake Rd., Monroe, WA 98272 | pend@expoctc.com (8/1) |
| | 360-793-1753, evergreenfair.org Entry contact: Cindy Rallison, crall54@aol.com | |
| Sept. 3 | Minnesota State Fair 1265 Snelling Ave. N, St. Paul, MN 55108 651-288-4417, <i>mnstatefair.org</i> Entry contact: Competition office, competition | (8/2 & 8/9) @mnstatefair.org |
| Sept. 4 | Du Quoin State Fair 622 Executive Dr., Du Quoin, IL 62832 618-542-1515, <i>duquoinstatefair.net</i> Entry contact: Danette Mohr, danette.mohr@ill | (8/12 & 8/18) inois.gov |
| Sept. 11 | Tennessee State Show 625 Smith Ave, Nashville, TN 37203 931-637-7081, | (TBA) |
| Sept. 11-13 | Entry contact: Vanessa Warf, vbwarf@bellsouth Utah State Fair | .net (8/19 & 9/2) |
| | 155 N. 1000 W., Salt Lake City, UT 84116 801-538-8400, <i>utahstatefair.com</i> Entry contact: Jenny Anderson, judy@utahstate info@utahstatefair.com | efair.com, |
| Sept. 13 | New Mexico State Fair P.O. Box 8546, Albuquerque, NM 87198 505-319-0251, nmsf.livestock@state.nm.us Livestock Manager: Brittni Cross | (TBA) |
| Sept. 16 | Tennessee Valley Fair P.O. Box 6066, Knoxville, TN 37914 865-215-1480, <i>tnvalleyfair.org</i> Entry contact: contests@tnvalleyfair.org | (8/27 & 9/3) |
| Sept. 17 | Kansas State Fair 2000 N. Poplar, Hutchinson, KS 67502 620-669-3623, <i>kansasstatefair.com</i> Entry contact: Jenn Galloway, jenn.galloway@k | (8/15 & 8/25) s.gov |
| Sept. 23-25; | Sept. 30-Oct. 2 Central Washington State F 1301 S. Fair Ave., Yakima, WA 98901 509-248-7160, fairfun.com | Fair (TBA) |
| Sept. 23 | World Beef Expo P.O. Box 1, Burnett, WI 53922 920-479-0658, <i>worldbeefexpo.com</i> Entry contact: Charlene Becker, info@worldbee | (TBA) |
| Sept. 24 | Oklahoma State Fair P.O. Box 74943, Oklahoma City, OK 73147 405-948-6735, <i>okstatefair.com</i> | (8/15) |
| Sept. 25 | Entry contact: Brooke Cecil, agmanager@oksta The Big E | (8/15 & 8/31) |
| | 1305 Memorial Ave., W. Springfield, MA 01089 413-205-5011, <i>thebige.com</i> Entry contact: Agriculture Department, aginfo@ | |
| Oct. 1 | East Texas State Fair 2112 W. Front St., Tyler, TX 75702 903-597-2501, etstatefair.com Entry contact: Denise Weaver, dweaver@etstat | (8/31 & 9/3) |
| Oct. 1 | Tulsa State Fair 4145 E. 21st St., Tulsa, OK 74114 918-744-1113, <i>tulsastatefair.com</i> Entry contact: Colton Kersey, ckersey@exposqu | (8/26) |
| Oct. 5 | Fryeburg Fair P.O. Box 78, Fryeburg, ME 04037 207-935-3268, <i>fryeburgfair.org</i> Entry contact: Barbara Gushee, info@fryeburgf | (8/15) air.org |

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| Oct. 7 | Carolina Classic Fair 421 W. 27th St., Winston-Salem, NC 27105 336-414-0553, <i>carolinaclassicfair.com</i> Online entries are preferred | (9/15) | Oct. 20-22 | South Carolina State Fair 1200 Rosewood, Columbia, SC 29201 803-851-4619, scstatefair.org Entry contact: Judy Heise, judyh@scstatefair.org | (9/1) |
| Oct. 10 | Entry contact: Josh Sell, josh@trustmorgan.con Alabama National Fair 1555 Federal Dr., Montgomery, AL 36107 334-272-6831, alnationalfair.org | n (TBA) | Oct. 21 | State Fair of Texas P.O. Box 150009, Dallas, TX 7531 214-565-2985, <i>bigtex.com</i> Entry contact: Emma Christensen, echristensen | (9/1 & 10/20) @bigtex.com |
| Oct. 13-14 | Entry contact: Stephanie Pittman, stephanie@a North Carolina State Fair 4285 Trinity Rd., Raleigh, NC 27607 919-821-7400, ncstatefair.org | Inationalfair.org (9/15) | Dec. 30-31 | Arizona National Livestock Show 1826 W. McDowell Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85007 602-258-8568, <i>anls.org</i> Entry contact: Kris Ham, kris@anls.org | (11/15) |
| Oct. 15-16 | Entry contact: Summer Senter, summer.senter@ Arkansas State Fair 2600 Howard St., Little Rock, AR 72206 501-372-8341, arkansasstatefair.com | @ncagr.gov (9/1 & 9/15) | ТВА | Washington State Fair 110 9th Ave. S.W., Puyallup, WA 98371 253-841-5074, <i>thefair.com</i> Entry contact: Jennifer Schelbert, jennifers@the | (TBA) fair.com |
| Oct. 20 | Entry contact: Tanya Stark, livestock@asfg.net Northern International Livestock Expo 308 6th Ave. N, Billings, MT 59101 406-256-2495, <i>thenile.org</i> Entry contact: Shelby Shaw, shelby@thenile.org | (9/1 & 9/10) | ТВА | State Fair of Louisiana 3701 Hudson St., Shreveport, LA 71109 318-635-1361, statefairoflouisiana.com Entry contact: Joseph Adams, joseph@statefairo | (TBA) oflouisiana.com |

Respective fairs and representatives share these calendar dates with Hereford World. Please check with the entry department of each fair to verify dates.

2022-2023 National Show Schedule and Judge Line-up

Keystone International Livestock Exposition

2300 N. Cameron St., Harrisburg, PA 17110 717-787-2905; *www.keystoneinternational.state.pa.us* Show Date: Oct. 7 Entry Deadline: Aug. 31 Open Judge: Danny Davis, Maple Hill, Kan.

American Royal

1701 American Royal Court, Kansas City, MO 64102 816-221-9800; *www.americanroyal.com* Show Date: Oct. 23 Entry deadline: Sept. 10 Open Judge: Kyle Perez, Nara Visa, N.M.

North American International Livestock Exposition

P.O. Box 36367, Louisville, KY 40233 502-595-3166; *www.livestockexpo.org* Show Date: TBD Entry Deadline: Oct. 1 Open Judge: Tyler Winegardner, Lima, OH

Western States Hereford Show

Sue Hoffman, 1405 Crown Dr., Reno, NV 89503 775-747-8917; 775-722-6116; *www.nuggethereford.com* Show Date: Dec. 2-3 Entry Deadline: Oct. 31 Open Judge: Troy Thomas, Harrold, S.D.

Cattlemen's Congress

3001 General Pershing Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73107 https://cattlemenscongress.com Show Dates: Jan. 4-7 Entry Deadline: Nov. 5 Open Judge: Jason Hoffman, Thedford, Neb. Pen Show Judges: Jeff Gooden, Oak Grove, Mo.; Sam Shaw, Caldwell, Idaho; and Bruce Thomas, Gold Creek, Mont.

National Western Stock Show

4655 Humboldt St., Denver, Co 80216
303-296-6977; www.nationalwestern.com
Show Dates: Jan 12-14
Entry Deadline: Nov. 20
Open Judge: Donnie Robertson, Yukon, Okla.
Pen/Carload Show Judges: Cody Chabot, Sundance, Wyo.;
David Burns, Pikeville, Tenn.; and Danny Fawcett, Ree
Heights, S.D.

Fort Worth Stock Show

P.O. Box 150, Ft. Worth, Texas 76101 817-877-2400; *www.fwssr.com* Show Date: Jan. 30 Entry Deadline: Nov. 15 Open Judge: Chad Wilson, Wawota, SK, Canada

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AHA Rules and Regulations

SECTION I: MEMBERSHIP

A. Membership Types

- 1. Life membership
- 2. Annual (recording) membership
- 3. Junior membership
- 4. Non-resident membership

B. Life membership

Life memberships that were purchased in the past will continue to be recognized by the Association. Life members only pay member service fees and do not pay dues. Life members may attend all meetings of the Association. They have voting rights at all official membership meetings as long as they are active members (have registered at least one animal in the previous calendar year). Life members receive member rate fees for registering and transferring Hereford cattle.

Life memberships can be transferred to immediate family members; however, the membership name must remain the same.

C. Annual (recording) membership

Recording memberships are annual memberships issued by the Association in the name of an individual, farm or ranch, partnerships or corporation. To remain active, the recording members must pay annual dues on the anniversary date of their joining as a recording member. Recording members may attend all meetings of the Association. They have voting rights at all official membership meetings as long as they are active members (have registered at least one animal in the previous calendar year). Recording members receive member rate fees for registering and transferring Hereford cattle.

D. Junior membership

Junior membership in the Association is available to anyone under 22 years of age. The fee for junior membership is \$15, assessed annually on Sept. 1. The junior membership is available until the holder reaches his or her 22nd birthday. At that time, he/she may acquire an adult (life or recording) membership. Junior members have all of the privileges of recording members (except voting) including member rate fees for registering and transferring Hereford cattle, as well as participating in junior activities and scholarships.

E. Non-resident membership

Non-resident members are non-voting members residing in another country that wish to take advantage of member services including registry, total performance recording, selling of semen to members, and transfer of ownership of animals to other members. Nonresident members are subject to the same rules and fees as U.S. resident members.

F. Annual member service fee

Lifetime, recording and junior memberships require an annual member service fee of \$100 (\$20 for junior members) in order to register an animal during the current fiscal year. The fiscal year is Sept. 1 through Aug. 31. Each paid member service fee will generate a one-year subscription to the *Hereford World* magazine (except in the case of a junior membership). This fee is used to offset the costs of several under-funded services offered to active registry accounts.

G. Membership herd designation

The Association has two different tiers or levels in which members can participate when registering and transferring Hereford cattle. The mechanisms for billing of services and services available are different between each of the tiers; therefore, each membership account must be designated as to which tier or level the member's herd will participate. Each membership can have only one participation level designation. The two tiers and a brief description of each are as follows: **Pedigree registry:** This participation level is designed for breeders who wish to register and transfer purebred Hereford cattle but are not interested in maintaining and reporting performance data to AHA. Pedigree registry breeders can submit registry and transfer applications on a per-head fee basis established by the Board of Directors. Pedigree breeders choose to waive performance recording on their animals and, therefore, waive the production of expected progeny differences (EPDs) on their herd.

Performance registry: This participation level is structured and oriented to simplify the billing and reporting of performance testing herds. Registry and transfer fees are assessed at the same rate as for pedigree breeders. Performance registry breeders are also required to maintain an accurate and up-to-date female inventory, listing all females currently in their breeding herd with AHA. Performance registry breeders are required to annually report calving ease and weaning weight information on the produce of every female in the inventory. Additional measures including birth and yearling weights, as well as carcass traits, can be reported but are not required. EPDs will be printed on the certificate.

EPDs will only be reported on registered animals. Non-registered animals or genetic material will not be provided EPDs.

SECTION II: AHA RECORDS, RULES AND POLICY

Application for registration of your calves is a part of the record keeping requirement of Hereford cattle. Extra careful attention to detail in submitting applications for registration will save time for you and your Association. Be sure all information is supplied and that information is accurate and legible. Applying for registry of your calves when they are still young (four months or younger) is important, SINCE IT REDUCES THE RISK OF ERROR AND SAVES YOU BOTH TIME AND MONEY.

There is one basic form used by the Association for registration application. Breeders participating at the pedigree registry level should disregard the fields of information used to submit birth performance data. Reports generated from the processing of registration applications will be appropriate for the breeder's level of participation.

Tattooing calves

Tattoos are a requirement for registry in the American Hereford Record. Hereford breeders were the first to adopt the ear tattoo as a requirement for registry.

A tattoo outfit consists of a pair of specially designed pliers with rows of digits numbered 0 to 9 and a bottle of India ink. Such equipment may be purchased from most livestock supply stores.

Select the desired number by rotating the digits in the ear marker. Before punching the animal's ear, assure yourself that everything is in order by punching a piece of cardboard.

Next, restrain the calf's head to prevent violent movement while applying the tattoo. Select a spot in the center of the ear and clean thoroughly with a cloth and rubbing alcohol. Avoid placing the tattoo over one of the ribs of the ear, but rather place the tattoo between the ribs of the ear. Place the ear between the jaws of the pliers with the numbers or letters on the inside of the ear. Close the pliers quickly and firmly, and then release. Use a finger or toothbrush to smear ink over the punctures made by the tattoo and rub thoroughly until ink is worked into each of the holes. Make a written record of the marks placed in the ear. It is strongly advised that breeders place the tattoo in both ears to enhance the chances that a complete tattoo identity can be established.

Herd Book of the American Hereford Association

Rule 1. OFFICIAL RECORD: The official record of the Association shall be the American Hereford Record. Such record shall be maintained in the AHA office.

Rule 2. HERD BOOK: Entries in the American Hereford Record shall contain the registration number, name, sex, tattoo, date of birth, name and registry number of the sire and dam and the name of the breeder.

SECTION III: REGISTRATIONS

Rule 1. PRIVILEGES OF REGISTRATION: Applications for entry will only be accepted from members. Non-members must become members in order to register an animal.

Rule 2. ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible for entry in the American Hereford Record, an animal must be the offspring of registered parents, both of which have been previously recorded in the American Hereford Record. Both horned and polled Herefords are eligible for entry into the record.

Herefords registered in other associations (members of the World Hereford Council) can be entered in the American Hereford Record, thereby making their offspring eligible for registration.

Rule 3. APPLICATION FOR ENTRY: Application for entry should be made on the official application form (FORM 1) or through an official AHA approved electronic software system.

Rule 4. AGE OF SIRE: There is no minimum or maximum age specified for a Hereford sire or his progeny to be eligible for entry. However, applications indicating the sire was less than nine months of age at time of service will be questioned for accuracy.

Rule 5. AGE OF DAM: There is no minimum or maximum age specified for a Hereford dam or her progeny to be eligible for entry. However, applications indicating that the dam was less than nine months of age at time of conception will be questioned for accuracy.

Rule 6. 283-DAY RULE: A calf born less than 283 days after the birth of its dam's previous calf will be questioned. The breeder must then provide an explanation for the early delivery and a ruling will be made as to whether the entry will be allowed.

Rule 7. 21-DAY RULE: Females exposed to one bull must not be exposed to another bull in less than 21 days after such exposure. Avoiding double or multiple exposures will help provide positive identification of the service sire. Exposure to a second bull in less than 21 days might mean the correct service sire cannot be positively identified, requiring DNA typing of both sires, the dam and the calf.

Rule 8. DNA TYPING:

- All Hereford bulls born after Jan. 1, 2011, are required to be DNA typed at the official AHA DNA laboratory before their progeny can be registered.
- Whenever the eligibility for registration of any animal is in doubt because of uncertain or unknown parentage, DNA typing by the Association shall be required.

Rule 9. MULTIPLE BIRTH: Twins or other multiple birth calves are eligible for registration. The application for registry, however, should specify such at birth.

Rule 10. TATTOO: Calves must be tattooed before application for registry is made. Each breeder may devise his own plan or system of tattoo identification using either numbers or letters or a combination of both. Any marks other than numbers or letters, however, are not permitted — meaning brand marks, symbols, etc. cannot be used. Duplication of tattoos within your herd is strongly discouraged as tattoos are frequently used by breeders as a primary form of identification. Duplication can lead to much confusion for breeder and the Association office alike.

The tattoo in one ear shall be limited to a maximum of eight characters. If the tattoo should become illegible, the same marking shall be placed in a different area of the ear. No attempt shall be made to alter or over-imprint the old tattoo. The Association must be notified when an animal is retattooed.

Rule 11. NAMING HEREFORDS: It is the responsibility of the owner to select names for his cattle. The name must not be

more than 30 spaces long, counting spaces between words. For example, PRINCE DOMINO ADVANCE JUNO 133 is exactly 30 spaces long. Brands, symbols and commas cannot be used. Avoid duplicating names as no two Herefords should be named the same. It is the breeder's responsibility to avoid using names and prefixes that are being used by other breeders. Names should be appropriate for the gender of the animal, and it is recommended that names reflect the line of breeding where possible. Embryo transfer calves will carry the designation embryo transfer (ET) at the end of their name, accounting for three spaces.

The Association reserves the right to change the name assigned to an animal on an application for registry if the name submitted is deemed to be inappropriate.

Rule 12. CHANGING NAMES: The name of a Hereford may be changed, provided the animal has no registered offspring. The name may be changed only once in the lifetime of an animal. All owners must agree to the name change in the case of a partnership-owned animal. Letters must be submitted from the first and all current owners requesting the change of name along with the certificate and required fee.

Rule 13. JOINT OWNERSHIP (**BREEDING INTEREST**): No application for registration or transfer of an animal which shows more than four owners shall be accepted for entry in the American Hereford Record.

Rule 14. DUPLICATE CERTIFICATES: If original certificates are lost or destroyed, the owner may secure duplicates from the Association by providing the sex, registry number and tattoo of each animal. If the registry number is not available, the registration number of the dam, name of the person who registered the animal, and the sex, age and tattoo of the animal in question must be provided.

The fee for duplicate certificates for members and non-members is available from the AHA Records Department.

Rule 15. CORRECTION OF CERTIFICATES: It is recognized that occasionally errors are committed in registering cattle, and these should be corrected. If an error is discovered, it should be reported to the Association immediately and the incorrect certificate returned with a letter of explanation.

Corrections are made without charge if done within six months of the issue date or if the Association made the error. The fee for making corrections after the six-month period is available from the AHA Records Department.

Rule 16. ARTIFICIAL SERVICE: Calves may be registered that were produced through artificial insemination (AI) provided they comply with the rules governing AI as discussed in SECTION V: ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION.

Rule 17. ELIGIBILITY FOR EMBRYO TRANSPLANT CALVES: Registration of offspring resulting from embryo transplant (ET) shall be made on an Application for Registration (Form 1). Certificates issued shall be designated by ET following the name of the calf. The name must be no longer than 30 characters long including the ET designation.

Registry of offspring resulting from ET may be implemented only after the following steps have been taken:

- DNA profile of sire and donor dam must be recorded with the Association. DNA profile kits are available from the Association. The names and registry numbers of the animals to be tissue sampled must be supplied.
- Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service must accompany the application for each calf when the sire is not in the same recorded ownership as the donor dam.

Rule 17A. NEW EMBRYO TRANSFER POLICY: For ET calves there will no longer be an ET certificate required for registration. The new requirement for registering an ET calf will be the reporting of the recovery date of the embryo at the time of registry. ET calves

will be charged an additional \$10 per head over and above the normal registry rate.

Rule 18. LEASING HEREFORDS: Herefords may be leased, provided a statement of lease is on file with the Association. If a lease statement is on file listing each animal being leased by name and registration number, the lessee can register calves sired by the bulls or produced by the cows as if he were the actual owner, provided there are no more than three owners already listed.

At the end of the lease period, unless extended, registration privileges revert back to the recorded owner.

In order to make this process more efficient and less confusing, the Association will adopt the following policies regarding leasing Hereford cattle:

- The required information needed by the Association for leasing animals will be communicated using one consistent and common lease form to be used by all members wishing to participate in this type of practice. The lease form will contain only the required information for the Association's needs and is to be used expressly for that intent. The lease form should not be construed as a binding agreement between the lessor and lessee. The Association shall in no way be involved in or assume liability for the lease, terms of the lease of registered Herefords, or the passage of legal rights thereto.
- All lease periods must include a beginning and ending date; no open-ended leases will be accepted.
- All animals involved in the lease shall be included on the lease form(s) by their registration number and name.
- The lease form must be submitted by the lessor with his/her signature.
- Should the lessor and lessee agree to extend the lease, documented notification will be required in the Association's office should the birth dates of any calves being registered out of sire or dams involved in the lease not coincide with the time period of the lease.
- If the lessor or lessee wishes to lease additional or different animals, then an additional lease form(s) should be completed with all required information and submitted by the lessor.

Rule 19. IMPORTED HEREFORDS: Herefords imported from another country must be recorded in the American Hereford Record if their calves are to be registered.

Registration of imported cattle must be accomplished within one year from the date of purchase of imported cattle. See section for the procedures for recording imported cattle or semen interests in bulls from another country.

Rule 20. REGISTRATION OF HEREFORDS OVER TWO

YEARS OF AGE: Application for registration of an animal received by the Association after two years from the date of birth shall be considered for registration only when accompanied by a written statement from the applicant setting forth the reason application was not submitted within the generally accepted registration period. These applications and required fees must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Rule 21. REGISTRATION FOR THE ESTATE OF A DECEASED PERSON: In the event of the death of one who normally would apply for registration of cattle, the Association requires there shall be filed in its office all documents necessary to prove the person

requesting registration is legally authorized to do so. **Rule 22. REGISTRATION BY AFFIDAVIT:** In case of neglect or refusal by the seller to register a calf sold at side of dam, registration may be approved by the Board of Directors on the basis of the facts furnished to substantiate the claim.

Each affidavit must be accompanied by proof of a sale and payment in full of the purchase price and evidence of whether the dam's breeding was natural or artificial.

Rule 23. REGISTRATION ACCURACY: Accurately kept private

records are essential, and in any case where an application is regarded as questionable, the burden of the proof with regard to same shall belong to the applicant, who must sustain his claims by a preponderance of evidence.

Whenever the accuracy of data contained in an application to register an animal is challenged, the matter may be referred to the Board of Directors for investigation.

Rule 24. MISREPRESENTATION OR FRAUD: If an animal's registration has been obtained through misrepresentation or fraud, or if the date of birth, tattoo number, sire, dam or service information or any other fact regarding the animal has been misrepresented, the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee of the Board may take such actions and impose such sanctions as it deems necessary.

SECTION IV: TRANSFER OF REGISTRATIONS

Rule 1. RESPONSIBILITY: It is the responsibility of the seller of registered Herefords to execute properly the official transfer of ownership to the buyer. Every change of ownership of an animal used for breeding purposes must be recorded by official transfer on the American Hereford Record.

No entry on the face of the certificate of registry shall be made except in the office of the Association and any unauthorized entry shall render a certificate null and void, subject to issuance of a replacement certificate at an additional fee.

Rule 2. IDENTIFICATION: It shall be the duty of the seller, before offering a registered Hereford for sale or applying for transfer, to verify that the animal carries legible tattoo marks matching those entered on its certificate.

Rule 3. APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER: Application for transfer shall be made either electronically through AHA's online service or in hard copy form on the reverse side of the registration certificate and signed by the seller or an authorized agent. The application should be legibly completed and must specify name and location of the buyer and date of delivery. For bred females, service information is also required.

Rule 4. COWS WITH CALF AT SIDE: When a cow is transferred with a calf at side, the calf must first be registered to the individual, partnership or corporation in whose name the cow was registered on the date of birth of the calf. A separate transfer of the calf is then required to the new owner. This is often referred to as a "transfer on entry." (See backside of registration application.)

Rule 5. CALF TRANSFERRED AT TIME OF REGISTRATION: As described above, a calf must first be registered in the membership name of the dam's owner at the time of birth. Then a separate transfer to the new owner is required.

Rule 6. TRANSFER BY AFFIDAVIT: In the event of neglect or refusal by the seller to apply for transfer of registration, transfer may be recorded if approved by a majority of the Board of Directors on the basis of the facts furnished to substantiate the claim. Each affidavit must be accompanied by proof of sale and payment in full of the purchase price of the animal.

Rule 7. TRANSFERS CONSIGNED TO PUBLIC SALE: Sale managers or their representatives may fill in the buyer's name on the application for transfer of animals consigned to public sales, and if authorized by the consignor, sign such transfers in his stead. Such applications must indicate the name of the sale manager or agent representing the consignor. Applications executed under this rule are subject to Rule 12 of this section.

Rule 8. TRANSFER FROM THE ESTATE OF A DECEASED PERSON: In the event of the death of the owner of Hereford cattle, the Association requires that there should be filed in its office, documents showing the person requesting transfer is legally authorized and entitled to request such transfer. Applications executed under this rule are also subject to Rule 13 of this section.

Rule 9. TRANSFER OF EXPORTED ANIMALS: Application for transfer of an animal exported to another country shall be made with a regular Transfer Application.

Rule 10. RESPONSIBILITY OF LEGAL TITLE: A transfer of registration on the records of the American Hereford Association is not to be construed as the conveyance of legal title by the Association. The Association shall in no way be involved in or assume liability for the purchase, sale or terms of the sale of registered Herefords or the passage of legal title thereto.

Rule 11. JOINTLY OWNED ANIMALS: No animal shall be transferred to more than four owners of record at any one time. A "syndicate" or similar type entity consisting of one or more individuals, firms, etc., may be listed as one or more of the four designated owners of record.

Rule 12. MISREPRESENTATION OR FRAUD: If an animal's registration has been transferred through misrepresentation or fraud, the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee of the Board may take such actions and impose such sanctions as it deems appropriate as provided in Article IX of the Bylaws, including, without limitation, suspension of the animal's registration and any registrations of descendants of such animal and refusals of the Association to receive subsequent application of any kind from any person implicated in the misrepresentation or fraud.

Rule 13. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: A certificate of registry does not establish legal ownership of cattle but simply reflects the name in which cattle are registered on the books of the Association. The Association will usually make any requested change or transfer of cattle registration upon the presentation, to the Association, of the Registry Certificate covering the cattle and purporting to be signed with the name in which the Registry Certificate is issued. Due to the large number of transfers, it is impractical for the Association to verify signatures or require proof that the person signing the Registry Certificate and requesting change or transfer is in fact authorized to do so. Accordingly, a Registry Certificate should be kept in a safe place to insure against its falling into the hands of an unauthorized person who could then cause change or transfer of registration on the Association's books and the issuance of a new Registry Certificate.

If the Association receives conflicting instructions regarding any change or transfer of registration, the Association will, unless restrained by appropriate court order, honor the request of the person presenting the appropriate Registry Certificate.

SECTION V: ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

Rule 1. DNA PROFILING: All bulls used in an artificial insemination program must be DNA profiled and a record of their DNA profile must be filed with the Association before calves sired artificially by such bulls shall be eligible for registration or before Non-Owner AI Certificates may be purchased. The official policy of the Association is to use DNA only for parentage verification as of December 2002.

Rule 2. AI BULL PERMIT: The breeder using a bull for artificial breeding purposes must have received an AI bull permit issued by the Association. The Association must have on file a DNA profile report for the bull and his parents before the AI bull permit will be issued.

Rule 3. DEATH OF BULLS: Calves conceived after the death of a bull shall be eligible for registration under the same conditions and provisions governing the eligibility of calves conceived by AI. The Association may request that calves sired by deceased bulls be parentage verified. Ownership of a deceased bull may be transferred if they are AI permitted.

Rule 4. LABELING OF SEMEN: Semen must be properly identified by name and registration number of the bull and the date of collection. Unlabeled or mislabeled semen should not be used to

produce calves for registration in the American Hereford Record. It shall be the responsibility of the owner of record or each co-owner of record of a bull used artificially to require each person or organization collecting, processing and freezing semen to identify the semen before freezing.

Rule 5. WITHIN HERD USE: No Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service are required to register the resulting offspring when both cow and bull are in the same recorded ownership. When the cow and bull are not in the same recorded ownership, Rule 6 below applies.

Rule 6. OUT-OF-HERD CALVES BY NON-OWNED SIRES: All sires used in AI service must be DNA profiled. Bulls that are DNA profiled after Jan. 1, 1986, must also have both parents' DNA profiles on file with AHA to qualify for Non-Owner AI Certificates. A DNA profile may be obtained by sending the appropriate hair samples to AHA's official DNA lab for processing. DNA profiles from eligible animals, which originate in the official DNA lab of other Hereford associations, will be accepted for processing by AHA. Those sires for which a parent is not available for DNA profiling may only be used for AI service in the herds of the recorded owners, unless such bulls qualify for analysis to provide a derived type for the dead parent. (Contact AHA for further information on this special ruling.)

The following requirements shall apply to register calves conceived artificially when the recorded owner of the female is not the recorded owner or one of the recorded owners of the sire at the time of conception:

Option A:

- A bull may enter the Non-Owner AI Sire Program, which allows the owner(s) of a bull to sell semen without the need of an AI certificate for registration of the offspring of the bull. Calves born on or after Dec. 1, 2006, are eligible for registry under this program.
- For a bull to be entered into this program, an agreement must be signed by all owners of the bull and kept on file at the AHA. If the bull is owned by a syndicate, the owners listed on the certificate will need to sign the agreement along with the designated representative of the syndicate.
- For a bull to be entered into this program, he must have an AI permit issued (see Rule 2).
- There is a one-time fee of \$100 to enter a bull into this program. Once a bull is entered into the program, he will not be allowed to switch back to the certificate program (Option B).

Option B:

- The breeder (recorded owner of the female at time of conception) must obtain a Non-Owner AI Certificate of Service for each calf to be recorded from the individual or firm supplying the semen and such certificates must accompany the application for registration of the resulting offspring.
- The recorded owner of the bull from which the semen was sold is obligated to supply the number of Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service contracted for at the time the semen was purchased.
- Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service may be obtained from the Association by active members of the Association who are the recorded owner or co-owners of the bull at a fee established by the Board of Directors. It is the responsibility of the owner of the dam at the time of service to complete the Non-Owner AI Certificate of Service.

Rule 7. LIMITATIONS: The Board may cancel the Non-Owner AI Permit for any bull which has been scientifically documented as being a carrier of a deleterious gene which produces an economically important genetic defect in his calves.

Rule 8. LIMITATIONS: The Board may restrict or limit the number of Non-Owner AI Certificates for an individual bull if, in the judgement of the Board and based on scientific information, such bull is being used so excessively as to cause irreparable damage to the breed's genetic base.

Rule 9. NON-OWNER SEMEN CERTIFICATE ALLOCATION FOR MULTI-OWNER SIRES: To obtain AI Certificates from a multi-owned sire, one must be a recorded owner or co-owner of the

sire. Certificates will be issued on request to any recorded owner. Contractual agreements regarding certificate privileges among multi-owners are the responsibility of those owners.

In the instance where a recorded owner of the sire is a multiowner group, it is the responsibility of the owner group's designated spokesman to handle the distribution of non-owner AI semen certificates. Individual members of the multi-owner group, not otherwise recorded as one of the four recorded owners of record of the sire, will be required to secure Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service from a recorded owner in order to register offspring of the sire from their recorded dams.

The Association will provide a service whereby an AHA member can participate in a "Breeding Share Agreement" for bulls. When members participate in a "Breeding Share Agreement," they can be individually invoiced for AI certificates when calves are registered.

Rule 10. SEMEN DONATIONS TO COLLEGES AND

UNIVERSITIES: The Association will make donated AI Certificates of Service available for use by colleges or universities when a breeder makes a donation of semen from a qualified bull. The semen certificates will be issued to the college or university at no cost to the breeder. The following rules must be complied with:

- The semen must be a donation to the college or university.
- The breeder must apply for the donation certificates in the form of a letter to AHA indicating the institution to which the donation is made.
- The bull must qualify under the current rules for Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service.
- The certificates and semen must be used by the institution that received the donation. Applications for registry from any other party will not be accepted.
- Upon approval by the Association, donated AI Certificates of Service will be issued directly to the college or university.

Rule 11. LIABILITY: The issuance of Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service by the Association should in no way be construed as guaranteeing conception or that the resulting calf shall be eligible for registration. There shall be no refunding of fees paid to the Association for these certificates.

SECTION VI: IMPORTING OF REGISTERED HEREFORDS

Rule 1. EXPORT CERTIFICATE: Registration of an animal originally recorded in the Herd Book of a member of the World Hereford Council shall be accepted only if a registry certificate is issued by the recognized registry organization of the country of origin.

Rule 2. APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION: Registration may be applied for within one year by the breeder importing an animal originally recorded in the Herd Book of another member of the World Hereford Council and whose name appears as purchaser on the export certificate. The registry fee must accompany the request for registration.

Rule 3. REGISTRATION OF CALVES IMPORTED IN DAM: If a cow was bred prior to importation and a record of service does not appear on the export certificate, the owner of the sire on the date of service must certify to the particulars of service through the recognized registry organization of the country of origin.

When the imported cow was bred by artificial insemination, there must be on file with the recognized registry organization in the country of origin a blood type or DNA profile of the service sire.

When the imported dam was bred artificially by a bull owned by a breeder in the U.S. and where no semen interest is owned by the breeder in the exporting country, a Non-Owner AI Certificate of Service must accompany the application for registry of the resulting progeny.

Rule 4. REGISTRATION OF CALVES IMPORTED AT SIDE: Registration of a calf imported at side of its dam shall be accepted only if the calf is also registered in the same recognized registry organization and a registry certificate has been received by the AHA.

Rule 5. SEMEN INTEREST IN A BULL DOMICILED IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY: To use semen or to sell Non-Owner AI Certificates of Service, the bull must be recorded in the American Hereford Record by a member (either a member residing in the U.S. or non-resident dues paying member) of the American Hereford Association. All DNA profile rules apply.

Rule 6. REGISTRATION OF CALVES RESULTING FROM EGGS IMPORTED FROM A FOREIGN COUNTRY will require a DNA profile match of the subject animal, the sire and the dam on file with the Association.

SECTION VII: DNA PROFILING

Rule 1. DNA PROFILING: Over a period of years a vast amount of technical information has become available, and DNA profiling is now a useful tool for Association members.

Applying for the DNA profile of an animal requires a request to AHA for a DNA profile kit for each animal to be tested. The request must include the name and registry number of the animal to be tested.

The kit will contain all the necessary instructions for securing a DNA sample and the shipping instructions to send the sample to the designated AHA laboratory.

Rule 2. AI SIRES: The rules of the Association require all sires of calves conceived artificially to be DNA profiled before their calves are eligible for registration. It is wise to have all herd bulls' hair sampled early in life to make sure that the semen can be used after their death.

Rule 3. DNA PARENTAGE VERIFICATION OF AI AND ET BORN CALVES: Starting Dec. 1, 2006, the AHA will parentage verify every 250th calf registered with a service type of artificial insemination (AI) or embryo transfer (ET). If a calf is selected for verification under this program, the registration of the calf will be held until the parentage verification is complete. If the calf is from a mating of an AI sire and its dam is not available for sampling, the next calf registered will be selected without interruption of registration. The AHA will assume the DNA lab cost of parentage verification of the calf and DNA profile work on the dam (if required).

Rule 4. ALL ANIMALS:

A. The Association may require that any animal which has been registered by the Association be subjected to a DNA profile test to verify breed purity and accuracy of the recorded parentage.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors or the Board of Directors or the Executive Vice President may require that a DNA profile be made, by such agencies as it or he may designate, of any Hereford animal which has been alleged to have been incorrectly recorded or for any animal for which tissue analysis is deemed advisable.

It shall be the duty of the owner of record of any animal in question and the owner of record of the purported sire and dam to afford the Association or its representatives reasonable opportunity to secure DNA samples from the animals involved in the investigation.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors is empowered to determine who shall pay the costs of any investigation, including laboratory fees assessed under the provisions of this rule.

B. Prior to the filing of an entry application for any animal with respect to which a DNA profile is not on file with the Association, the Association may require the owner of said animal, at the owner's cost, to provide a DNA sample for such animal to the Association's designated laboratory and to provide a DNA profile to the Association from the Association's designated laboratory.

At any Hereford competition, the owner of any animal that wins such competition shall, promptly after the announcement that such animal has won such competition, permit the Association to secure a DNA sample from such animal.

C. If, at any time, the Association is in possession of two (2) or more DNA profiles allegedly from the same animal that do not match, including the winner in any Hereford competition, the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee may require the Executive Vice President to undertake such investigation as the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee deems appropriate, and, upon the conclusion of such investigation, the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee may take such actions and impose such sanctions as it deems appropriate as provided in Article XI of the Bylaws, including without limitation the forfeiture of any prizes including any monetary awards or ribbons awarded to such animal at such competition, the suspension of the registration of the animal in question, the suspension of the owner's membership or the revocation of the owner's membership.

Any such investigation may include requiring any owner to permit the Association to secure another DNA sample from such animal.

Rule 5. REFUSAL: If the owner of record shall refuse reasonable opportunity to the Association or its designated agents to secure DNA samples as set forth in Rule 3 of this Section, the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee of the Board may take such actions and impose such sanctions as it deems appropriate as provided in Article IX of the Bylaws, including without limitation the suspension of the registration of the animal in question.

Rule 6. NON-REGISTERED ANIMALS: The Association may collect and maintain DNA profiles on animals other than registered animals. The Association may, from time to time, compare the DNA profiles of registered animals and the DNA profiles of animals with respect to which applications for registration have been submitted with the DNA profiles of non-registered animals. The Association may deny registration to, or revoke the registration of, any animal based on this comparison.

SECTION VIII: RULES REGARDING CLONES

Rule 1. ONLY REPLICATION CELL-CLONED animals shall be eligible for registration.

Rule 2. THE CELL DONOR animal must be DNA-marker typed.

Rule 3. THE BREEDER of the cell-donor animal must be identified as the breeder of the cell-cloned offspring.

Rule 4. THE OWNER OF RECORD of the cell-donor, on the date of biopsy removal, will be identified as the first owner, unless the calf is the result of a pregnant recipient, purchased embryo — fresh or frozen — in which case the purchaser may be identified as the first owner.

Rule 5. DNA MARKER typing of the cell-cloned animal, or recipient dams, may be required by the Association.

Rule 6. CALVES CONCEIVED AFTER DEATH of cell-donor animals shall be eligible for registration under the same conditions and provisions governing the eligibility of calves prior to the death of said animal. **Rule 7. REGISTRATION OF CELL-CLONED** transplants shall be made on a special form, provided by the Association, at the regular fee, plus an additional fee as determined by the Board of Directors.

Rule 8. REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES issued for cell-cloned transplants shall be so designated. The registration number of the animal which is being cell-cloned shall also be stated on the registration certificate.

Rule 9. NOTHING SET FORTH herein should be construed as an indication that the Association takes any position as to the ownership rights, if any, of retained cell material. That is a separate matter reserved for discussion and/or negotiation between the buyer and seller.

Rule 10. INITIAL BREEDING VALUES – EXPECTED PROGENY DIFFERENCES (EPDs) generated from National Cattle Evaluation for a cloned animal shall be the same values as the cell-donor animal. All data of future progeny from a cloned animal will be pooled with the cell-donor progeny data for genetic evaluation.

SECTION IX: GENE EDITING

The AHA may accept registration of Hereford animals that have an intentional genomic alteration (IGA) produced by genome editing, subject to the following restrictions. Eligibility for registration will be restricted to those animals possessing an IGA that has been appropriately reviewed and approved by the applicable regulatory agency — currently the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Additionally, animals with an IGA applying for registration will be subject to review and approval by the AHA Board of Directors, who will consider the impact of introducing the IGA into the purebred Hereford population, informed by scientific and industry standards and practices at the time application is reviewed.

Application for registration — Members submitting registration applications for a genome-edited animal must follow all current rules for registration of Hereford animals. Additionally, all animals resulting from genome editing must be parent-verified through the AHA official service laboratory. The member applying for registration must provide documentation describing the IGA introduced and the proposed functional difference the IGA creates in the genome-edited animal.

Animal naming — "PB" (Precision Breeding) will appear in the name of all genome-edited animals.

SECTION X: GENETIC DEFECT POLICY

Procedures for collecting abnormality data and reporting the information to the AHA membership:

Physical and functional abnormalities are present in all breeds of cattle. In order to monitor abnormalities in Hereford cattle, the American Hereford Association requests the collection of abnormality information from AHA members on a voluntary basis.

Specialist Dr. David Steffen, veterinarian for the University of Nebraska Veterinary and Biomedical Science Department, has worked closely with many breeds in the area of genetic abnormalities. The AHA will be working with him to diagnose abnormalities as being genetic or non-genetic in origin.

Not all abnormalities are genetic in origin. Some defects can be attributed to sickness or nutrition. Dr. Steffen works to determine the root cause of the defect.

All AHA members are invited to read the procedures for reporting genetic abnormalities.

A. Reporting Physical Abnormalities to AHA

Any AHA member who becomes aware of a possible physical or functional abnormality in an AHA-registered animal shall immediately notify the AHA Director of Breed Improvement at 816-842-3757.

Upon receiving notification of a possible physical functional abnormality, the AHA Records Department will take the following

steps to confirm the abnormality and determine if it is genetic in origin:

- Provide the member with an abnormality report form, which the member shall promptly complete and return to the AHA;
- Provide the member with instructions for collecting and submitting for analysis, as deemed appropriate, blood and tissue samples from the animal in question.

The reporting member shall promptly comply with all AHA instructions regarding the gathering and submission of tissue and blood samples.

B. AHA Genetic Consultant

The AHA will refer confirmed physical abnormalities to a genetic consultant for analysis. The genetic consultant shall be chosen by the AHA Board. Currently the genetic consultant is David Steffen, DVM Ph.D., from the University of Nebraska. The AHA genetic consultant is responsible for determining if sufficient evidence exists to establish a definite cause of a particular physical abnormality. All AHA members shall cooperate fully in any investigation necessary to such determination. The genetic consultant will advise the Board of diagnostic criteria for established genetic diseases and will evaluate evidence to determine if diagnostic criteria are met. Dr. Steffen will perform these evaluations as a pathologist for the Nebraska University Diagnostic Center.

C. Notification to Owners of Affected Animals and Owners of Parents of Affected Animals

Once a physical abnormality has been confirmed and parentage has been verified, all owners of record of the abnormal animal and owners of record of the parents of the abnormal animal will receive the following information from the AHA:

- A description of the physical abnormality in question.
- The recorded sire and dam of the abnormal animal.
- Whether as a preliminary matter the abnormality appears to be genetic in origin.
- If the abnormality appears to be genetic, what steps are planned to determine whether the parents of the abnormal animal are carriers of the physical abnormality.

D. Notification to AHA Membership

Upon confirmation that an AHA-registered animal has either (i) produced a sufficient number of abnormal progeny (at least two confirmed, parent-identified cases) such that there is a high likelihood that such animal is a carrier of a genetic defect, or (ii) been the subject of positive DNA test (See Section E) that indicates that such animal is a carrier of a genetic defect, the AHA will immediately notify the owners of record of the confirmed carrier, by first-class mail, of the AHA's intent to designate their animal as a confirmed carrier of a genetic defect. In addition, the AHA will immediately add a special code to the animal's registration to indicate this fact. An animal that has been designated as a confirmed carrier of a genetic abnormality shall be immediately placed on a confirmed carrier list, which will be disseminated on the AHA website and which will be available upon request.

Any AHA member who may be aggrieved by the AHA's designation of a particular animal as a confirmed carrier of a genetic defect may file a complaint with the AHA Executive Committee within thirty (30) days after the mailing of the notice. The filing of such a complaint will not stay the confirmed carrier designation. The complaint shall be heard and disposed of by the Executive Committee in accordance with the procedures set forth in Article XI of AHA's Bylaws. In the event that a complaint has not been filed within thirty (30) days after the mailing of the notice, the confirmed carrier designation will become final.

In the event that the complaint results in a final unappealable determination that the subject animal is not a confirmed carrier of a genetic defect, AHA will immediately remove the special code from the animal's registration. In addition, such animal shall be immediately removed from the confirmed carrier list.

In the event that an AHA registered animal has an unbroken pedigree link to a confirmed carrier of a genetic defect and such animal has not been the subject of a negative DNA test that is conducted pursuant to Section E below and that conclusively indicates that such animal is not a carrier of a genetic defect, AHA shall immediately add a special code to such animal's registration to indicate this fact.

Any AHA member who may be aggrieved by AHA's designation of a particular animal as a potential carrier of a genetic defect may file a complaint with the Executive Committee of AHA. The filing of such complaint will not stay the potential carrier designation. The complaint shall be heard and disposed of by the Executive Committee in accordance with the procedures set forth in Article XI of AHA's Bylaws.

In the event that the complaint results in a final unappealable determination that the subject animal is not a potential carrier of a genetic defect, AHA will immediately remove the special code from such animal's registration. The results of a DNA test that is conducted pursuant to Section E below and that conclusively indicates that the subject animal is not a carrier of a genetic defect shall constitute conclusive evidence that the subject animal is not a potential carrier of a genetic defect.

E. DNA Genetic Abnormality Testing

In the case the AHA identifies a gene marker test for a genetic abnormality, animals may be tested to determine carrier status by an AHA approved laboratory. If breeders wish to officially confirm an animal free of a genetic abnormality and designate it as such on the animal's pedigree, then the following guidelines must be met:

- The breeder must request the DNA test kit from the AHA Records Department.
- The results of the test must be returned directly to AHA from the official lab.

F. Classification of Genetic Abnormalities

The AHA currently recognizes the following physical abnormalities that have been confirmed by its genetic consultant to be genetic in origin under certain circumstances:

- CLASS I (LETHAL) Snorter Dwarfism Maple Syrup Urine Disease (Neuraxial Edema) Internal Hydrocephalus Idiopathic Epilepsy (IE) Mandibulofacial Dysostosis (MD)
 CLASS II (NON-LETHAL)
- Hypotrichosis Dermoid Alopecia/Dyserythropoiesis Color Dilutor

G. Description of Defects

• CLASS I (LETHAL)

Snorter Dwarfism

- Symptoms: Undersized, short-legged, short-bodied animal, usually potbellied with noisy breathing. Several different types include a broad-headed, bulging forehead and a long- and mature-headed kind. X-ray of 10-day-old dwarfs may show abnormal lumbar vertebrae. Most cases are simple autosomal recessive; some forms are incomplete dominance.
- Confirmation: Pathologic exam

Maple Syrup Urine Disease (Neuraxial Edema)

 Symptoms: Calves will be of normal size at birth. May not be able to get up or lift head. A sudden touch or loud noise may cause a vigorous extension of the legs and neck. Contraction (muscle spasms) may last one or two minutes and can be made to reappear. Simple autosomal recessive.

 Confirmation: Histopath of nervous tissue or biochemical test

Internal Hydrocephalus (water head)

- Symptoms: Excess fluid is present in the brain which may result in a bulging forehead. Calves are usually born dead or die shortly after birth. Some cases may be environmental. Needs careful diagnosis. Simple autosomal recessive.
- Confirmation: Gross pathologic exam

Idiopathic Epilepsy (IE)

- Symptoms: Age of onset (occurrence of the first seizure) can be variable, ranging from birth to several months of age. Occurrence and persistence of seizures may be influenced by environmental stressors such as temperature extremes (e.g., extreme cold during calving) or increased physical activity (e.g., processing at vaccination or weaning). Upon initial onset of seizure episodes, individuals will typically lie on their side with all limbs extended in a rigid state. Manual flexing of the limbs is possible, but return to the extended position occurs after release. Seizure episodes may last from several minutes to more than an hour. Autosomal recessive.
- No anatomic abnormalities or histologic lesions detected.
- Confirmation: AHA approved expert

Mandibulofacial Dysostosis (MD)

Symptoms: The anatomic features overlap with a variety of other facial defects and can include cleft palate, brachygnathia (short jaw) and camplygnathia (crooked jaw or face). These are variably present in affected calves and are sometimes dramatic. The unique and consistent hallmarks of the condition include unusual bilateral skin tags just behind the corner of the mouth. These tags are attached to an unusual bone formation. There may be additional skin tags near and/or below the ears. A ridge of Meckel's cartilage, a structure usually present only during embryonic development, is retained in these calves and attaches to the skin tag. This cartilage is encased in bone as it is followed from the skin tag toward the base of the ear. This bone attaches specifically to the zygomatic process of the temporal bone (just above the articulation of the jaw). The calves' ears are sometimes slightly small and floppy. Muscles of the jaw are underdeveloped, and calves may have an elongate oral opening appearing as an exaggerated smile. The nursing reflex is present, but nursing is not vigorous. Calves with the additional cleft palate, severely shortened or crooked jaws are debilitated in ability to nurse. Calves with the defect are live born but are not able to thrive.

• CLASS II (NON-LETHAL)

Hypotrichosis (hairlessness)

 Symptoms: Partial to almost complete lack of hair. Affected calves are often born with very short, fine, kinky hair that may fall out, leaving bare spots or areas particularly susceptible to rubbing. The condition may vary in expression as the animal matures and is usually less noticeable in older animals. The haircoat color will sometimes appear "frosted" or "silverish." Tail switch may be underdeveloped. Simple autosomal recessive.
 Confirmation: Megatrichohyaline granule skin biopsy

Dermoid (feather eyes)

- Symptoms: Skin-like masses of tissue occur on the eye or eyelid. Animals may become partially or completely blind. Polygenic inheritance.
- Confirmation: Clinical diagnosis with photos or biopsy

Alopecia/Anemia, Dyserythropoiesis

- Symptoms: Short, curly hair, hair loss on neck and shoulder. Progressive generalized hair loss. White areas appear dirty and calves are anemic.
- Confirmation: Blood test for anemia plus skin biopsy

Color Dilutor

- Symptoms: Carrier Hereford bulls or females when mated to black cattle can produce offspring with a haircoat that is gray, smokey or chocolate color.
- Confirmation: Clinical diagnosis with photos

H. Lethal vs. Non-Lethal

A lethal genetic abnormality is a genetic abnormality which usually results in death of the animal or production of the animal is significantly impaired causing major economic loss.

Non-lethal abnormalities do not cause death, nor do they significantly affect production or commercial profitability. Nonlethals may, however, cause economic loss to seedstock producers.

I. Breeding to Avoid Abnormalities

Breeders that may have a problem with a simple recessive abnormality can make use of available DNA-based diagnostic tests or implement mating systems designed to reduce the frequency of the abnormal gene in their herds and the breed. Where a DNA-based test is available, breeders can directly test animals for the presence of a specific mutation causing the disease. Animals confirmed to be carriers should be used cautiously, and serious consideration should be given to their removal from the seedstock breeding herd. However, breeders should guard against carelessly throwing away good genetics because a sire or dam is a carrier unless that animal's good characteristics remain available in the breed from another source. In the absence of a DNA-based test, mating systems should rely on the use of bulls known not to have produced affected calves. Sons of carrier animals can be used if they have been tested free of the abnormality through a series of special test matings. Mating a bull to seven affected females, 17 carrier cows or 35 of his own daughters with no abnormal offspring provides three ways to test for the presence of a recessive gene. With specific regard to non-lethal abnormalities, each breeder must assess the potential economic impact the abnormality may have on his operation.

J. Predicted Outcome of Certain Matings Using Hypotrichosis as an Example

Hypotrichosis (non-lethal) results from homozygosity of a simple autosomal recessive gene. This means that both parents must possess the hypotrichosis gene in order to produce an affected calf. Approximately 25% of the calves resulting from the mating of two carrier animals will be affected, while 50% will be normal appearing but carriers of hypotrichosis, and the remaining 25% will be normal and non-carriers. Possible matings and the predicted outcomes are shown in the table below:

| Matings ¹ | Affected Hypotrichosis | Unaffected Carrier | Unaffected Normal | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| $hh \times hh$ | 100% | 0% | 0% | |
| $hh \times Hh$ | 50% | 50% | 0% | |
| $hh \times HH$ | 0% | 100% | 0% | |
| $Hh \times Hh$ | 25% | 50% | 25% | |
| $Hh \times HH$ | 0% | 50% | 50% | |
| $HH \times HH$ | 0% | 0% | 100% | |
| ¹ hh-affected with hypotrichosis; Hh-carrier; HH-normal | | | | |

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Under the **Commercial** tab there is a list of feeder cattle, commercial females and pasture and hay listings. The page also allows users to view information on commercial programs and to enroll groups of cattle.

The **Member Services** tab houses the herd management tools with information about managing Herefords and beef cattle. The page includes links to fact sheets on body condition scoring, Whole Herd Total Performance Records (TPRTM) and expected progeny differences (EPDs).

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Other sites

CertifiedHerefordBeef.com — This site is the home of Certified Hereford Beef LLC. The site showcases exciting new recipes, a beef cuts library and a complete list of licensed Certified Hereford Beef[®] retail supermarkets and restaurants by city and state.

HerefordMarketplace.com — A free online tool for buyers or sellers to view, list or purchase Hereford or Hereford-influenced feeder cattle.

PremiumRedBaldy.org — A joint website for Premium Red Baldy, a female-only tagging program offered by the American Hereford Association and the Red Angus Association of America.

HerefordYouthFoundation.org — The online home for the Hereford Youth Foundation of America (HYFA). The site includes how individuals can support the Foundation as well as highlights of HYFA activities and scholarships.

ShopHereford.com — The one-stop shop for everything you need to ride for the brand and to support the American Hereford Association, National Junior Hereford Association, HYFA and *Certified Hereford Beef*.

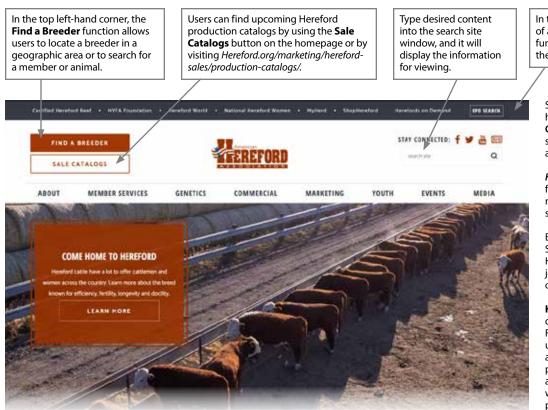
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