

# Spring into Inventory

Don't miss the American Hereford Association spring inventory early bird deadline on Jan. 15.

It's time for 2023 spring herd inventories. These spring herd inventories are being generated this month for Whole Herd Total Performance Records (TPR™) members. Check your mail or *MyHerd.org* account for your herd inventory.

Remember, herd inventories turned in by Jan. 15 receive a \$0.25 per-head discount on every

female maintained on the inventory. Inventories submitted between Jan. 16 and March 1 will be charged the normal \$5.50 per cow, \$3 per first-time heifer and \$1.50 per bull (optional). Any inventories turned in after March 1 will incur the \$2 per-head surcharge.

If you intend to register a calf and record its weaning performance through the Whole Herd TPR program, the calf's dam must be listed on the current inventory.

recorded with birth performance information (birth weight). If birth performance information isn't reported, a recipient inventory fee won't be billed.

**Q: I jointly own a dam with someone else, but I don't have physical possession of the dam and won't be registering her calf. How do I need to mark her on my inventory?**

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

**Q: I have females that aren't showing up on my inventory. Why?**

**A:** Remember, females won't appear on the inventory until they have reached at least 18 months of age. Heifers should only be enrolled on the inventory if they're bred to calve in the season described. In this instance, spring 2023.

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

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## Reproductive status codes

Keep in mind the reproductive status and disposal code options when completing your inventory.

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

## Disposal codes

- T – Sold with papers
- 1 – Sold as a breeding animal without papers
- 2 – Sold as a feeder calf
- 3 – Died, illness
- 4 – Died, injury
- 5 – Died, calving difficulty
- 6 – Died, old age
- 7 – Died, other
- 8 – Culled, inferior production
- 9 – Culled, open
- 10 – Culled, illness
- 11 – Culled, injury
- 12 – Culled, poor treatment
- 13 – Culled or died, genetic defect
- 14 – Culled, bad feet
- 15 – Culled, poor udder
- 16 – Culled, prolapse
- 17 – Culled, cancer eye
- 18 – Culled, structurally unsound
- 19 – Culled, old age
- 20 – Culled, other **HW**

## Inventory FAQs

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

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

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

**A:** No, you do not have to add the donor dam to your inventory. However, a recipient cow inventory fee for each ET calf will be billed if the calf is