

**NEW ZEALAND BEEF SHORTHORN ASSOCIATION
(Incorporated)**

**GENERAL REGULATIONS, AND REGULATIONS
AND CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH ENTRIES
ARE ACCEPTED FOR ENTRY IN THE
REGISTRY OF THE ASSOCIATION**

The Registry contains the records of Beef Shorthorn cattle, and the following regulations apply equally to each section unless otherwise stated.

1. Entries are received subject to the decision of the Committee as to their eligibility for publication in the Registry and any entry may be refused without assigning any reason if the Committee considers such refusal to be in the interests of the Association. The Committee also reserves the right to cancel the registration of any animal the pedigree of which already appears in any published Volume of the Registry, if it is proved to its satisfaction that such action is necessary.
2. The onus of proving, to the satisfaction of the Committee, the accuracy of the ancestry of any animal submitted for registration and of all information in relation thereto shall rest on the applicant in all cases. Breeders are responsible for the accuracy of such information and the Committee may refuse to permit any alteration to be made to any pedigree submitted and may cancel the entry if the particulars originally supplied are proved to be incorrect.
3. Entries submitted for publication in the Registry will be accepted from Members only provided always that the Committee may, in special circumstances and on submission to it, approve of the acceptance of entries from a non-member upon such terms and conditions as the Committee may impose, provided always that such terms and conditions shall not be more favourable than those applicable to Members and shall be allotted to such breeder as if a Member and must register a prefix in accordance with Regulations.
4. All Breeders must submit in each year a Return to the Association called the Annual Return made up to the 31st December, of the progeny that the breeder requires to have registered and such return to be submitted not later than the 31st March in each year.
5. All applications for the registration of cattle in the Registry shall be made on the printed forms supplied by the Association or electronically submitted to the Office.
Any form not correctly filled in may be returned to the Breeder for completion or correction. The exact date of birth must be given in entries, not the month and year only.
6. Unless inconsistent with the context the word 'registered' where it occurs in the following Regulations means entered in, or accepted for registration in the Registry of the Association or entered in such other Registry's published by such other Shorthorn Cattle Breeder organisations as may from time to time be approved by the Committee.

NOTE - The Registry's maintained by the following Associations or Societies have been approved by the Committee -

- (1) The Shorthorn Society of Great Britain and Ireland (Beef Section - Coate's Registry)
- (2) The Canadian Shorthorn Registry.
- (3) The Beef Shorthorn Registry of Australia.
- (4) The American Shorthorn Registry.
- (5) The Shorthorn Society of Australia Limited.

NOTE - All appendix cattle refer regulation 62.

7. Any entry submitted for registration for an animal bred overseas and imported into New Zealand, must be accompanied by a Certificate of Pedigree and Registration from the Breed Society or Association with which the animal is registered or by an authenticated copy thereof.
8. The name of any imported animal shown on the Entry Form shall be followed by the letters 'Imp', together with letters indicating the country of origin (eg. Imp. Aus.)
9. For progeny to qualify for acceptance onto the register they must be by a registered bull and out of a registered cow. This excludes cattle originating from other breeds until reaching a purity of 31/32nd and carrying the suffix APX.
10. Should the progeny of horned parents fail to produce horns, then such progeny shall be considered to be of Poll breeding and be subject to all the requirements attaching to stock of Poll breeding.
11. The sire and/or dam of any animal submitted for registration must have been at least ten (10) months old at the date of mating.
12. Calves born as multiple births shall be eligible for registration. In every case the fact that the calf was born as a multiple birth must be stated on the form of entry for registration.
13. All entries for registration, applications for transfer, and any other form which requires to be signed, must be signed personally and in no case will any form be accepted if it has been signed by an agent.
14. All entries shall be made direct to the agents who handle the recording on behalf of the Association, who shall take the necessary steps to ensure the correctness of such entries. Any queries arising from entries which cannot be resolved shall be referred to the Registry Committee which may if necessary, refer any case or cases to the Committee for a ruling.
15. Should a cow or a heifer be served by a registered bull which is not the property of the owner, a Certificate of Service signed by the owner of the bull at the time of the service, must accompany the application for the registration of the calf. DNA Testing can now be used to verify parentage and may be insisted upon by The Committee.
16. DNA Regulations
 - a) All sires used in stud, born from 2008 must be DNA profiled.
 - b) All sires used in stud, born from 1st January 2025 must be DNA profiled and correctly SNP sire verified.
 - c) Any female to be retained within your herd or on sold with a transfer, born from 1st January 2025 must be DNA profiled and correctly SNP sire verified. (NB: an animal shall be considered 'retained' when first entered into the registry records as a 2-year-old).
 - d) NZ Beef Shorthorn committee recommend that best practice would be to use the highest density chip available for DNA testing.
17. The breeder of an animal is the owner of the dam at the time of calving provided always that if the owner at the time of calving was not the owner at the time of mating, the name and address of the mating breeder shall be stated in the entry form.
18. The closing date for entries is the 31st March in each year. Entries received after this date will not be eligible for entry in the published Volume of the Registry for the herd year in question. Any application for the entry of a female in the Registry must be received at the Association Office not later than twelve (12) months after the date of birth of such female. Any entry received outside this period will be classified as a Late Female Entry and will be accepted only with the approval of the Committee and upon such terms and conditions as the Committee may impose. The Committee may decline to accept a Late Female Entry without assigning any reason, therefore.
19. Each breeding year (1st January to 31st December inclusive) is allotted a two-digit numeric year of birth, called the year number, or tagged in accordance with National Animal Identification and Tracing Act 2012.

20. Identification of cattle. NAIT Tagging with individual animal numbers is compulsory, with all cattle carrying two tags before leaving the property, tattooing is optional. The tattoo markings may be made in the right ear (looking from behind) with the figures not less than 3/8ths of an inch in height. The marks shall consist of:

- (1) The Breeder's Herd Designation Numbers;
- (2) The Year Number; and
- (3) The number allotted to the calf by its owner at its date of birth, such number being designated its Tattoo Number.

NOTE - The year is defined in Regulation 20 and the list of them appears in the front of the Registry.
The number allotted to the calf is in order of birth irrespective of sex.

21. Every breeder is required to apply for the registration of a prefix for their exclusive use in the naming of cattle bred by them and submitted for registration. In dealing with applications the rights of breeders having prefixes already registered with the Association shall be preserved as well as those of herd names registered in other recognised Shorthorn Registry's. Provided always, that the Committee, on written application, may permit the transfer or re-allocation of a prefix to some other person but only upon such terms and conditions as the Committee may impose.
22. No prefix other than that of the owner of the calf at the date of its birth will be permitted as any part of the calf's name.
23. The purchaser of a herd, whether or not they are also the purchaser of the property shall not have any right to the use of the prefix of the previous owner except with the written consent of such previous owner who must unreservedly forego all interest in the prefix. The transfer of the prefix shall, in all cases, be subject to the approval of the Committee who may without assigning any reason, decline to register such transfer.
24. Cattle intended for entry in the Registry shall be named by the owner at the date of birth, the name of the beast shall be in accordance with requirements and shall be shown on the entry form. The use of names which may be misleading as to relationship of origin, or objectionable any respect, are not allowed, nor the names of established families or accepted branches of such families be applied to animals having no direct female ancestral claim, thereto, neither may names having overseas or historical significance be incorporated in the name of a beast.
25. After a pedigree has been printed in the Registry the name of an animal appearing therein may not be changed except for the purpose of correcting an error or misprint, raising a bull to stud status or by direction of the Committee.

TRANSFERS

26. On the sale of any registered animal for Stud purposes the Vendor shall hand or send to the Association Secretary within 30 days of the date of sale, or in the case of calves, within 30 days of the registration confirmation becoming available, the transfer certificate applicable to the animal concerned completed in all respects and dated and signed by the Vendor. No transfer will be accepted or registration made without the completed certificate.
27. A charge is payable by the purchaser for the Transfer of Cattle
Transfer certificates to be lodged with the Secretary within 30 days from the date of the sale.
28. Late Transfers - Should the Vendor fail to have the necessary transfer certificates in the hands of the Secretary within 30 days of the date of the sale a late fee payable by the Vendor will be applied.
29. If the Transfer Certificates are not received from the Purchaser within six months of the date of the sale, the transfer registration will be at the discretion of the Committee. In addition to the normal transfer fees payable by the Purchaser, an additional amount at the discretion of The Committee will be payable.

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

30. All rights to pedigree semen go with the transfer of the donor bull, but any vendor may arrange with a purchaser for the retention of semen provided the arrangement is clearly stated and signed by both parties and filed in the office of the Association within twelve (12) months of the sale.
31. (1) All imported and New Zealand AI Sires are to be DNA profiled and a copy lodged with the application to register as an AI Sire. A charge of \$500 for all imported AI sires will be made at the time of registration.
- (2) Importers of overseas semen must file with the Association's office an extended pedigree (animal plus three generations) to ensure that the donor sire is acceptable under the New Zealand Beef Shorthorn Association Pedigree Purity Rules.
- (3) The importer of the semen to New Zealand, if they have the New Zealand rights of that semen, is responsible for complying with the above rules. If no exclusive semen rights are obtained by the importer, then the person marketing the semen from overseas is responsible for complying with the above rules. In such a case the New Zealand recipient of the semen must ascertain if the semen regulations have been complied with before use of the semen.
32. All semen contracts fees and arrangements must be made between the vendor and the purchaser as the Association has no responsibility in this respect.

EMRYO TRANSPLANT REGULATIONS

33. In interpretation and application of these Regulations, decisions of the New Zealand Beef Shorthorn Association's Committee shall be final and binding on all persons associated with the practice of embryo transplant involving registered Beef Shorthorn Cattle.
34. The New Zealand Beef Shorthorn Association shall not be responsible for any contracts or agreements made between breeders and/or Transplant Organisations.
35. These Regulations are to protect and safeguard the accuracy of the pedigrees recorded in the New Zealand Beef Shorthorn Association Registry.
36. Owner of a Dam breeding artificially within their own herd.
- (1) In the event of an animal being leased for any period, a Transfer must be effective on the leased animal in the approved manner, both at the commencement and termination of the lease.
- (2) Donor Dams and Sires for Embryo Transplant must be DNA profiled, and certificates lodged with the Association.
- (3) There is no limit to the number of calves eligible for registration.
- (4) When applying for registration of calves conceived in this manner, a DNA profiled, and parentage determination may be required prior to the issue of the registration certificate.
- (5) There will be no limitation on the number of Transplants in any one calendar year from any one Donor Dam.

37. All calves registered that are the result of Ova Transplant shall be charged the same rate as the Female Fees.

NOTE: These rules are subject to review and amendment at the discretion of the Committee. The Committee reserve the right to withdraw approval at any time by forwarding notice in writing to the recorded owner.

ANIMALS OF POLL BREEDING

38. The letters H, S, or P shall follow the registered number allotted to any beast of poll breeding and shall form part of its number.

39. Where an animal is of Poll Breeding then its entry shall show whether or not the animal is carrying horns or scurs. If the animal is showing horns the letter 'H' shall be included in its Registry Number; if the animal is polled the letter 'P' shall be included in its Registry Number and if the animal has scurs the letter 'S' shall be included in its Registry Number.

DEFINITIONS -

A 'horned' animal is one where horns are firmly fixed to the skull.

A 'polled' animal is one which never shows horns firmly fixed to the skull.

A 'scur' is a horny growth on the skin and not attached to the skull.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND FEES

40. Annual or other subscriptions payable by Members and fees payable for registration and transfer are such amounts as may from time to time be determined by the Committee in accordance with the Rules.

NOTE - The rates at present applicable, excluding GST, are as follows:

41. Subscriptions

- Breeding Members	\$300.00
- Associate Members	\$50.00
Overseas Members	\$100.00
- Youth Membership	\$30.00
- Registration of Prefix	\$NIL

Subscriptions are due and payable no later than the 20th of the month following date of invoice.

42. Female Fees - The Female Fee is an annual fee and is to be determined by the Committee from time to time will be charged for each female that is pre-listed i.e. including two-year olds and over - Female Fee \$28 plus a \$2 Promotion Fee.

Females removed from the Herd Inventory listing may be re-instated upon application by the owners subject to the payment of a re-instatement fee. The amount of the re-instatement fee will be determined by the Committee from time to time (currently 2.5 times the Female Fee).

The Calf Entry Forms (Pre-Lists) will be forwarded to breeding members after 31st July which is the cut off for Active Dam List (ADL). The Female Fee will be charged in October. The pre-lists are required to be returned by the 31st March of the following year otherwise penalties will be incurred.

Active Dam List (ADL) will be forwarded to breeding members to check active females for the calving year indicated and the female fees are generated from the completed ADL. If you don't return your ADL you will be invoiced for all females listed two (2) years old and over.

Performance Recording Fees - No additional charges are incurred should members wish to performance record their herd.

Imported Embryos - Import Fee of NZ\$100 to be paid per donor cow.

AI Sire Registration Fee –

- \$100 per bull
- \$500 Imported Bulls

43. Late Registration Fees: Apply on those calves registered after the 31st March cut-off date:

- Entered prior to the cut-off date - incorporated in the Female Fee	
- Entered from the 1 st April to the 31 st December in the year following birth	\$22
- Entered from the 1 st January to the 31 st December in the second year following birth (subject to approval of The Committee)	\$44
- Entered from the 1 st January in the third year following birth and any subsequent Year (subject to approval of The Committee)	\$66

44. Transfer Fees:

Up to five cattle transferred	\$25 / cow
From six to ten cattle	\$15 / cow
Eleven cattle plus	\$5 / cow

If any member's annual subscription is unpaid, double rates may be charged unless all arrears accompany the application(s) for registration.

45. On-line Sale Catalogues will be charged at \$3.50 per lot for manual entry plus \$6.00 for manual photo upload. Catalogue Builder Sale Catalogues will be charged at \$3.00 per lot and \$4.00 for photos.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

46. Herd Records. It shall be the duty of all Members to keep proper records of their Herd Breeding activities; such records to be open to inspection by an inspector appointed by the Committee of the Association.
47. Registry's. Each member is entitled to a copy of each Registry as and when published provided that the Committee may authorise a charge being made should it be thought necessary in the interest of the Association. Additional copies of the Registry may be obtained at the estimated cost price if supplies are available.
48. The legal representatives of any deceased member may, provided the requisite fees and subscriptions are paid, register or transfer any eligible animal owned by the deceased member at the time of their death or that may be dropped within a year from that date.
49. If Trusts arising from the death of any member are continuing trusts, it shall be necessary for the trustees of such trusts, on the expiry of twelve (12) months from the date of death, to apply for membership of the Association.
50. Official Sales. The terms and conditions of Sale, or any sale of cattle held under the auspices of the Association shall be in accordance with the decision of the Sale Committee appointed for that purpose, provided always that the conditions laid down shall be subject to the approval of the Committee which may give directions as to the general principles to be followed.
51. For the purpose of record, any deaths of registered stock (or of any stock eligible for registration) shall be notified to the Secretary when a member forwards their Annual Return in accordance with Regulations.
52. Sterile Bulls. The entry of a bull in any sale held by the Association or under the auspices of the Association, ipso facto carries with it an undertaking by the vendor that the purchase price (without interest, expenses, costs or damages) will be refunded should the bull prove totally infertile or incapable of service. If a bull so entered should not possess a reasonable fertility, although not totally infertile, any dispute shall be settled by an arbitrator appointed by the President of the Association and the auctioneers, and the award of such arbitrators shall be accepted as final and binding by the parties to the dispute. Any complaint must be lodged with the auctioneers within 12 calendar months of the date of the sale. The cost of taking delivery of and returning a bull to the vendor shall be borne by the purchaser. A Veterinary Surgeon's certificate shall be procured by the purchaser when required. The undertaking is limited to the individual value of a bull as a breeder and does not extend to the loss of profits or otherwise sustained in the event of infertility or non-capacity being proved. The undertaking shall bind the executors or administrators or a vendor.
53. Inspection.
- (1) All cattle (male and female) offered at Auction Sales recognised as Official Sales by the Association may be inspected and shall also be subject to the Terms and Conditions of Sale under which the cattle are offered.
 - (2) All female cattle, eligible to be transferred, offered at an Auction Sale, other than one recognised as an Official Sale by the Association may be inspected prior to the Sale.
 - (3) In the case of any female sold, other than by Auction and on the owner's property, then an inspection is not required provided the purchaser of the female advises the Association Office, within one calendar month

of the date of issue of the Transfer Certificate, that they have identified the female as shown in the Transfer Certificate.

In the event of no advice being received from the purchaser that they have examined the identity and found that the markings are not in order, then the registration of the transfer of the beast may be cancelled by the Committee, and also any registration in the Registry of any of its progeny.

In the case of (1) and (2) above, any inspection to be carried out will be for general soundness and identity verification. Any certificate issued by an Inspector shall state whether or not the cattle concerned are of a reasonable standard and comply with the requirements of the Association.

54. **GRADING UP REGISTER**

The NZ Beef Shorthorn Association will accept cattle of known Shorthorn ancestry but not currently registered and cattle originating from other breeds onto the Association registry subject to the following conditions.

On receiving written evidence of the ancestry of such qualifying cattle the Shorthorn Committee will appoint an inspector to verify their origin; soundness, and that they are of a suitable type. An inspector will also, on evidence provided, declare as to whether they qualify as of Shorthorn ancestry or as originating from another breed. On the inspector's recommendation and appropriate identification, the Committee will accept the passed cattle into the register in the following categories.

1. CATTLE OF KNOWN SHORTHORN ANCESTRY BUT NOT PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED.

These animals will be accepted onto the register and for performance recording subject to them and all resulting progeny having the suffix APX printed on their pedigree certificate and shown where-ever the animals name is displayed.

The suffix APX will be printed on the pedigree certificates until the fourth (4th) generation of animals accepted under this clause.

2. CATTLE ORIGINATING FROM OTHER BREEDS.

These animals will be accepted onto the register and for performance recording subject to where one or other of the dam or sire of the submitted animal is currently registered with the N Z Shorthorn Association. A pedigree certificate will be issued stating the percentage of purity which would increase with the resulting progeny of successive crosses when such progeny is by a registered Shorthorn Bull. The suffix APX followed by an alphabetical letter, evidencing the animal's percentage of purity, will be printed on the pedigree certificate and shown where-ever the animals name is displayed.

The grade code, evidencing degree of purity, will be as follows:-

- 1st cross or ½ bred to carry symbol D
- 2nd cross or ¾ bred to carry symbol C
- 3rd cross or 7/8th bred to carry symbol B
- 4th cross or 15/16th to carry symbol A
- 5th cross or 31/32nd to carry only APX

If the percentage is not even to the above specification they will be rounded down.

All future generations of APX "A" cattle will retain the APX on their pedigree certificate.

3. COST OF RECORDING GRADED PEDIGREES.

Charge per pedigree is \$25.00 (e.g. Animal + 2 generations + performance data) plus any further costs from Registry.

The cost incurred for the inspection may be charged to the Breeder.

4. Owners of cattle entered in the Appendix are required to be members of the Shorthorn Association.

Footnote:

As at 07/07/03 Maine Anjou cattle be accepted as 50% (code D) to be treated in the Appendix accordingly.

PROCEDURES FOR THE TRANSFER OF REGISTERED SHORTHORN CATTLE

When transactions involving Registered Shorthorn Cattle take place both parties should agree at the time whether a transfer is to be given by the Vendor to be registered by the Association in favour of the purchaser.

If such is agreed to then the Vendor should obtain and record from the Purchaser the correct trading name, address and herd number of the Stud to which the animal is to be transferred.

Transfers generally will fall into two categories -

1. ALL FEMALES AND BULLS (EXCLUDING CALVES)
2. CALVES which have not been registered at the time of Sale or for which registration confirmation has not been received.

Reproduced hereunder are the procedures to be adopted when effecting transfers in each of the categories and the responsibilities of each of the parties concerned.

1. TRANSFER FOR ALL FEMALES AND 'STUD' BULLS (EXCLUDING CALVES)

Stud Bulls are those made 'Stud' at the time they were registered as calves or bulls which at some subsequent time has been raised to 'Stud' status for which an individual 'Certificate of Registration' has been issued.

Vendor's Responsibilities -

- (1) Complete the 'Transfer Authority' on the reverse of the certificate or on a form available from the office. In the case of females ensure that full and accurate service details are given in the manner indicated.
- (2) Forward the completed application DIRECT TO THE SHORTHORN REGISTRAR, PO BOX 503, FEILDING 4740, WITHIN 30 DAYS of the date of the sale.

NOTE - Transfers not received within 30 days of date of sale could result in a delay fine being levied AGAINST THE VENDOR.

2. TRANSFER OF CALVES

Procedure for transferring calves, for which at the time of sale have no documentation confirming their registration.

Vendor's Responsibilities

- (1) It is the vendor's responsibility (up to the point of sale) to register all calves born on the vendor's property, where a sale requiring a registered transfer is required, or is likely to be required.
- (2) UPON RECEIPT OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE from the Shorthorn Registrar the vendor should forward the completed 'Transfer Authority' DIRECT TO THE SHORTHORN REGISTRAR, PO BOX 503, FEILDING 4740, WITHIN 30 DAYS of receipt of the Registration Certificate, or date of sale, whichever is the latter.

PURCHASER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The transfer fee per animal will be charged against the account of the Purchaser which will be due for payment immediately upon the rendering of an account for the same.
2. A new "Certificate of Registration" for the animal concerned will be forwarded to the Purchaser at some early date thereafter showing the Purchaser to be the recorded owner of the animal whose particulars appear thereon.

Should the Purchaser not receive an acknowledgement or transferred certificate from the Association WITHIN 40 DAYS of the release of the registration certificates, the Purchaser will be responsible to contact

the Vendor to ascertain the cause of the delay, and arrange with the Vendor to expedite their obligations in forwarding the necessary Transfer Authority direct to the Secretary, P O Box 503, Feilding.

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES

Please do not write or make alterations to any information on the front of registration certificates. Any error should be communicated by letter returning therewith the Certificate of Registration for correction. Any alterations not stamped and signed by the Shorthorn Registrar will render the Certificate void, necessitating a re-issue.

A charge will be made for the re-issue of a Certificate. Please retain all Certificates in a safe place.