



Registration Bulletin

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Spring 2008 Herd Inventories

Spring 2008 Herd Inventories are being mailed out the first week in January. The report will list all animals of assessment age on the inventory date according to Association records for Spring herds as of 1-01-08. Please mark any animals that have been culled and their disposal codes, and add any new animals to the inventory which are not listed.

Spring Herd Inventories on-line: www.redangus.org under 'Member Data - REDS'.

Inventories are meant to be done in January for Spring calving cows. This time was selected because, for most producers, it is between weaning/pregnancy check time and the time they start calving. For most herds, a cleaned-up inventory can be obtained at this time, and the producer can accurately tell the Association the herd they are planning to keep for the coming year. In terms of billing, the Association's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30. Therefore, the inventory you send in for your Spring calving herd establishes your assessable cattle for fiscal year 2008-2009. The billing of these animals will occur at the start of the fiscal year, July 2008.

45 day window

This system allows a 45 day window opportunity for those animals that calve 45 days prior to, or 45 days after their respective Spring inventory (1/01/08 - 6/30/08) without having to change calving seasons. Spring Herd Inventories include dates beginning 11/15 (45 days before 1/01) to 8/15 (45 days after 6/30).

Barn Sheets /

Ultrasound data collection

Barn sheets must be obtained on registered animals for the collection of ultrasound data. After ultrasound data is processed, we send it back to the owner of the animal(s). If summary data is to be sent to parties other than an owner of the animal(s): example,

e-mail or fax to a bull test manager, sales manager, etc. please be sure that special instructions be sent to the lab where the data will be processed. The lab will include those instructions in an e-mail to the National Office with data.

Once ultrasound data is processed by the National Office it is available on the web site, under member data-REDS.

In order to log in under Member Data - REDS, your password will be Case Sensitive, which means

Text or inputted text that is capitalization sensitive. In other words, "Computer" and "computer" are two different words because the "C" is in uppercase and lowercase. Many times a password and/or username may be case sensitive. If this is the case, your username and/or password must have the proper case or you will be unable to log in. Often users will experience the inability to log into a case sensitive login because their caps lock key is on causing the case sensitive password and/or username to fail.

Management Group

A set of cattle that are exposed to the same environmental conditions and includes ALL cattle within that environment. The management group is defined by the breeder. If all cattle are treated the same when submitting data to the National Office, then the Group field for birth, weaning, or yearling may be set to '1'. If you have different management groups within the data then you need to designate different groups, example - Group 1, Group 2, etc.

Contemporary Group

A group of cattle that are of the same breed and sex and have been raised in the same management group (same location on the same feed and pasture). Contemporary groups should include as many cattle as can be accurately compared. The contemporary group will be defined after the data is processed through the National Office.

Ultrasound Processing Labs

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National Cup Lab and Technology Center accepts images from the "old" and "new" Aloka, and the Classic 200. Mark Henry is the lab manager. Processing fees are \$4 per head.

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Ilia accepts images from the Aloka 500-V, the "new" Aloka, and Blackbox. Ilia has its own field image collection software called BIA. Sherry Parks is the current lab manager. Processing fees are \$3 per head using BIA software and \$4 per head using non-BIA software.

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