

# INSTRUCTION FOR COMPLETING BIRTH WORKSHEET

**This form will come preprinted with all information provided from your Dam Inventory & Breeding Worksheet if you are enrolled in Group BreedPlan.**

1. Please read carefully the information at the top of the page. If there are errors in your name, address, phone number or membership number, be sure to correct them on this form.
2. Forms must be filled in **ink**, or typewritten.
3. The signature of the person owning the animal at the time of birth must appear at the bottom of each page. A legal signature is required, printed names are not acceptable.
4. If you have special instructions, or need more space, you may use the reverse side and indicate the animal to which the special instructions apply.
5. Mail the forms directly to the AMGA Office. **All fees must accompany the applications before they will be processed.**

## Explanation of the Birth Worksheet Form

### From left to right, by column

**The first 3 columns should be preprinted.**

**Disposal** – To indicate change in cow's status, mark 1—8

1. dead
2. sold for breeding, no registration paper transferred
3. culled
4. suspended
5. moved to commercial herd
6. restore to registered herd
7. make animal inactive
8. restore to active

**The next 3 columns should be preprinted**

**Calf Tattoo** -- Please list the unique tattoo of the calf as it appears in the right ear, left ear or both ears of the calf. Tattoo must have the year letter at the end (ex. ABC 13R). All calves must have a tattoo number. If the calf dies at birth, the recommendation is to assign a 900 number (ex. ABC 901r). This will make the calf appear at the end of the generated reports. Tattoo Females in Left ear. Males may be tattooed in the Right ear. Listing the ear tattoo in calf order of birth is recommended so that reports can list animals in the order of their ear tattoo. If a commercial calf, use ear tag number.

(Refer to Page 7 "How to Register Tattoo Letters")

**Com Calf Tag** – List ear tag number or animal id tattoo. This number will appear on future forms and can help the breeder identify the animal.

**Birth Date** -- Fill in the birth date of the calf, (m/d/y)

**Sex** -- Indicate the sex of the calf, either "M" Male or "F" Female

**No. Born** -- Number of calves born

1 = single birth

2 = twins

3 = triplets

Please indicate how many calves were born, regardless of the fate of the calves.

Note: If a cow has twins and you wish to register both twins, list the cow on a blank line with calving information for the other twin. Each calf must be indicated as being a twin in the no. born column.

**CE** -- Calving Ease

U = unassisted delivery

E = easy hand pulled delivery

H = hard hand or mechanical delivery

M = malpresentation, assisted

S = surgical, cesarean section birth

**BW** -- Birth Weight

List the birth weight of the calf as taken with a calf scale, or another calibrated scale within 24 hours of birth. Scales reporting weight rounded to the nearest 5 pounds are not accepted. (weights will appear on cert. if enrolled in Group BreedPlan.)

**Color** -- Coat color of the calf

L = Light Silver (born with a light coat)

S = Silver (born with a grey coat turning light)

N = Dunn (tan or light brown coat)

D = Dark Grey (dark brown coat)

B = Black

White markings occurring below the underline must be noted on the reverse side of the page.

Calves exhibiting white skin anywhere else are not eligible for registration.

**Nurse -- Nursing Code**

If the calf is a twin, or fostered from its birth mother, indicate with the corresponding codes:

1 = single born or twin born calf that is fostered onto another cow and nurses alone

2 = twin born calves that both nurse their genetic dam

3 = twin born calf that nurses its genetic dam alone

(other twin died or is fostered)

**Fate -- What happened to the calf at birth**

A = aborted before due date

D = died

Blank = calf is still alive and in herd

**Reg. Now -- Register the calf**

Y = Yes, register the calf now. Calf will receive a Registration number

N = No, do not register the calf now. This option allows you to wait to register the calf. Calf will receive a UMG number

**Hold Cert -- Printing Registration Certificate**

Y = Yes, hold the registration certificate.

This option allows you to wait to have the certificate printed until you have submitted *weaning* and *yearling* weights.(if enrolled in Group BreedPlan)

N = No, print & send the registration certificate now. Only the birth weight will appear on the certificate.(if enrolled in Group BreedPlan)

**Name of Calf -- Calves must have name to be registered. Name must include your registered herd name and have a maximum of 24 characters.**

Please refer to Page 12 "Naming Murray Grey Cattle"