

## INFORMATION TO REGISTER

### **Dam Requirements**

Signatures of the owner or lessee, of the dam of the calf at the time of birth, are required on the registration application,

The dam must be registered or leased in the name of the member applying for registration. A formal copy of all leases must be on file with the AMGA National Office.

### **Calf Requirements**

You may apply for and receive registration papers as soon as a calf is born.

Calves, born after the purchase of a cow, will be registered in the name of the person owning the dam at time of birth. Their Unique Tattoo and Herd name will be used on the resulting calf. If change of ownership occurs on a cow, after the birth and before the registration of the calf, the usual transfer must be filed for the dam and the calf to be registered by seller, then transferred separately.

In case of multiple births, the sex of each animal must be reported, even if only one twin is registered. The word twin will appear on each registration certificate. In case twins are of opposite sex, the female cannot be registered. The "breeder" of an animal is the registered owner or lessee of the dam at the time of "conception". The "first owner" is the registered owner or lessee of the dam at the time she "dropped" the calf. When a cow produces embryos, the "breeder" is the registered owner of the donor cow. The "first owner" will be the registered owner of the recipient cow when the calf is born.

### **Duplicate Certificates**

A duplicate certificate may be issued if the registered owner or his authorized agent files a request, on a form supplied by the Association, stating the reason that the original was lost, destroyed, or otherwise unattainable.

All registration certificates, when received from the National office, **should be checked immediately to determine if correct.** If an error is found, the certificate should be returned for correction. Errors made by the office will be corrected with no charge. If Breeder or owner makes an error, a correction fee will be charged.

### **Death of an animal**

When a registered animal dies, regardless of cause, the registration certificate should be sent to the Association office with a statement of cause of death.

## **Transfer Registration Certificates**

Membership in AMGA is NOT required to perform an animal transfer. It is required that an application for transfer be completed, on the reverse side of the registration certificate, including animal information, date of sale, buyers complete information, & sellers complete information and sent to the National office, with the proper fee, within 45 days of the date of sale. If a calf is sold before it has a registration certificate, a form for an unregistered calf shall be completed (form is under the form section of this guide). The form must be completed and sent back to the National Office. The transfer fee is the responsibility of the seller unless noted otherwise. A late fee is required on ALL animals transferred after 45 days from date of sale. All signatures of listed owners must appear on the transfer unless a signing authority document has been provided. All transfers shall be either typewritten or written in ink. When transferring a bred female, the service certificate must be completed on the back of certificate, showing service sire and breeding date.

In the case where an entire herd is transferred to a new owner, one application for transfer may be completed to which a list of animals to be transferred is attached. The completed transfer form and registration certificates of the listed animals must be sent to the National Office with the appropriate fees.

## **Application for Registration from Other Countries**

Seller and buyer must sign the registration certificate, giving date of sale and importation from the country of origin. In case of a bred female, service sire and service date must be indicated along with a copy of the service sire's registration certificate. Bulls whose semen is imported for use in the USA must be registered in the registry of the American Murray Grey Association before any offspring can be registered.

## **DNA Testing**

All sires, used for artificial insemination that is collected after January 1, 1999, must have a DNA record on file with the National Office. Any sire that was collected prior to January 1, 1999 must have a DNA record on file with the AMGA National Office.

Once it has been decided to DNA test an animal, contact a certified testing laboratory and send a copy of the results to the AMGA Office. If AMGA questions parentage of an animal, they may request parent verification from the member.

## **AI Bull Requirements**

All AI Bulls must be registered with the American Murray Grey Association. All AI bulls must be DNA tested and results kept in the National Office files. All AI bulls must be tested and found free of a-mannosidosis **beginning January 1, 1999. (See Appendix for more detailed information)**

### **Ruling for a-Mannosidosis Carriers**

Any animal testing positive for a-mannosidosis will not be able to have registered calves. Registration on such animals will be canceled. Any animals, already produced by an animal that has tested positive for a-mannosidosis, will require testing. (At owner's expense) All animals that test positive will have their papers canceled.

### **ET (Embryo Transfer) Requirements**

The owner of the **Donor** Cow is the Breeder of any resulting calves. As of January 1, 2001, Applications for recording Transplanted embryos or storage of embryos (Certificate of Embryo Recovery Form) is required to be on file prior to the submission of a transfer of ownership or application for registration.

### **The transfer of Ownership--Embryo Transfer**

This form, identifying the recipient dam and embryo, must be completed and submitted to the National Office each and every time a recipient cow, carrying an embryo, has been transferred. In case of the sale of a frozen embryo, the Transfer of Ownership Embryo Transfer must be completed and submitted to the National Office. When embryos are sold, there is a transfer fee to be paid by the Seller, unless notice to the contrary is given to the AMGA office.

### **Importing embryos**

Embryos imported from foreign countries must have both sire and dam DNA tested and copies of their registration certificates placed in the National Office before application for registration of the ET calf will be accepted.

Embryo transplants, flushed after January 1, 1999, must be accompanied by DNA test results from the calf's sire and dam with the calf being parent verified. Embryo transplants, from flushes prior to January 1, 1999, must be accompanied by DNA results from the calf's sire and dam with the calf being parent verified.

**It is required that both the donor cow and the bull to be used in embryo transfer are DNA tested before female is flushed.**

### **Breeder's Records**

It is recommended that each active member shall keep a private herd record, including all entries concerning his/her herd, of all of their Murray Grey animals that are registered in the Association. These records shall be current and shall be made available to be inspected by the Association.

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