



RULES AND CONDITIONS OF COATES HERD BOOK (Dairy)

1. All registrations to be submitted to The Shorthorn Society, Society Pavilion, Avenue M, Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire, CV8 2RG
2. The Breeding objective of the Shorthorn Society is to breed animals which have a viable commercial use within the agricultural industry. To achieve this objective, members will be encouraged to milk record their dairy animals
3. The Society will accept registrations from the breeder who must be a paid-up member of the Shorthorn Society. In derogation of the above, the Society will accept registrations for animals not bred by the member, provided the member can prove that the sire and dam are registered animals, acceptable to the Shorthorn Society. Such animals accepted for registration will be registered without a prefix and will not be eligible to be shown as exhibitor bred. The Society reserves the right to insist on a DNA parentage test, to be provided by the member, if required.
4. The breeder of an animal is the owner of the dam at the date of calving, or in the case of a calf got by Embryo Transplant, the owner of the recipient dam.
5. Registration can be submitted online via the Shorthorn Society website or via paper forms which can be obtained from the Society. Payment must be submitted along with application forms or if not an invoice will be issued monthly along with the pedigree certificate. .
6. Cost of registrations can be found in the Dairy Shorthorn Journal, via the Shorthorn Society website or by calling the office. Refunds will not be made in the event of a registration being cancelled.
7. The breeder will be able to register his/her cattle under the breeder's herd name provided the herd name is registered. Council may decline to register any herd name considered similar to another breeder.
8. Animal identification:
Each animal for registration must be identified as follows and exactly corresponding to the unique UK Cattle Passport e.g. UK 000000 000000. A Coates Herd Book (Dairy) number will be issued on the pedigree certificate.
9. Animal Name:
Females
Herd Name/Female family name and number.
Males
Herd name/bull name and number.
10. Calves names shall include as a suffix designated letter P if naturally polled, E.T. if got by Embryo Transplant.
11. When an animal is a twin it shall so be stated following the name of the animal on the registration and the sex (M) or (F) given of the animal of which it is a twin.
12. The Society reserves the right to recover from the member the full cost of responding to correspondence and enquiries for identification resulting from tag loss, the responsibility for proof of identity at all times to rest with the owner.



13. All bulls used for semen collection, must be DNA tested/ blood typed and that report lodged with the Society prior to registration of its progeny got by Artificial Insemination or E.T.
14. In any dispute over parentage the Society reserves the right to demand that the animals concerned in the dispute be DNA/ blood typed.
15. Members are advised to check with the society the eligibility of animals for registration within the main, and supplementary registers of the Coates Herd Book (Dairy).

The Society will enter into the breeding book, animals of the same breed, line or cross that are eligible for entry under the Society's breed criteria, without discrimination on account of their country of origin

Animals submitted for registration must meet the rules for the Main or Supplementary registers and must be the progeny of a sire or dam which is registered within Coates Herd Book (Dairy) or other recognised Shorthorn herd Book (e.g Overseas Shorthorn Societies).

Imported Semen/Embryos/Livestock

The importer of livestock or genetics from outside of Coates herd Book (Dairy) is required to register the pedigree issued by the relevant Breed Society in the separate section "Register of Imported Animals" of the Coates Herd Book (Dairy), prior to registration of its progeny. Progeny will be registered in the appropriate section of Coates Herd Book (Dairy).

It is beholden on the importer to satisfy the breed standards required at the time of application and registration by the Shorthorn Society and be responsible for any costs that may be incurred.

16. Calves should be registered by the age of three months. Any calves registered after this time will incur a late fee:
 - a) over 3 months, and up to 12 months old, £5+VAT will be applied to the standard fee.
 - b) over 12 months old, double the standard fee applies
17. Shorthorn colour is defined as Red, White or Roan, or any combination of these colours.
18. Registration of calves got by "embryo transfer" will require a certificate of parentage of the sire and dam.
19. In the case of any imported live animal, semen, embryo, the relevant registration documents from an approved Shorthorn Herd Book Society, or copies thereof must be lodged with the Society before any registration will be accepted.
20. Animals accepted for registration will be placed in the appropriate register:

Main Register – Class O

Animals where both parents are registered in the Main Register – Class O. Suffix 7 printed after the breed code 02.

Main Register – Class G

Animals where

- i) both parents are registered in the Main Register – Class G, or,
- ii) one parent is registered in Main Register – Class G and the other parent is registered in Main register – Class O, or,
- iii) one parent is registered as Supplementary Grade B/Special B and the other is registered as Main G/O.

Suffix 8 printed after the breed code 02.

A breeder may apply for an animal to be entered in Class O, subject to the inspection and approval of the animal by the Society, if its Sire, Maternal Grand Sire and Maternal Great Grand Dam are all registered Class O.

Supplementary Register – Grading

- i) Unregistered Shorthorn type females displaying Shorthorn colour shall, subject to inspection by a Society representative, be accepted as Foundation cows, and graded up to pure shorthorn as follows, OR
- ii) Animals of known pedigree registered parentage, where one of the parents is registered in Coates Herd Book (Dairy) will be accepted in to the Supplementary Register – Grading as Grade A animals provided they are of Shorthorn type and colour.

Foundation crossed with registered shorthorn bull = Grade A

Grade A crossed with registered Shorthorn bull = Grade B

Grade B crossed with registered Shorthorn bull = Main G

The certificate to have the words grade A etc printed after animal's name.

Male animals will not be accepted for registration out of Foundation or Grade A cows.

Supplementary Register – Special

Animals of known parentage on both sides, where one parent is registered in this Herd Book (in the Main G/O or Supplementary – Special Registers) and the other parent is registered in another recognised Herd Book, will be entered into the Supplementary Register – Special and the words “Special Register” printed on the certificate.

Suffix 9 printed after breed code 02.

Animals may grade up into the Main Register – Class G as follows:

Main G/O crossed with outside pedigree = Special A

Special A crossed with Main Register G/O = Special B

Special B crossed with Main Register G/O = Main Register – Class G

Progeny of Special B animals sired by a pedigree animal which is not in Coates Herd Book Main Register G/O will revert to Special A.

Male animals will be accepted for registration out of Special A and B cows, but any progeny by a Special Register Sire will be entered in the Special Register.

A recognised Herd Book is one compliant with EU Regulation 2016/1012.

Note: The Scandinavian Register. In 2007 the breed code for Scandinavian animals bred in the UK changed from 59 to 22. All Scandinavian animals bred out of the UK will continue to have the original breed code of 59

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