



WHOLE HERD REGISTRY

(Effective 2018)

In 2001 the Canadian Shorthorn Association introduced a voluntary whole herd registry which allows Canadian Shorthorn breeders the option of listing their herd in the WHR program with a single fee paid for a full range of required services. Effective as of 2018, WHR is the only way to register Shorthorn animals in Canada.

The WHR program simplifies the paperwork for you as a breeder. It also provides a basis for better financial planning by the Association. Most important, however, is the fact that the WHR program will provide the information required by the Canadian Shorthorn industry - in the form of weights, performance data, and EPD's requested by the commercial meat production industry.

Please note that the following outline includes the dates and deadlines that will be a part of the long-term WHR program:

1. All Shorthorn breeding animals must be enrolled in WHR for progeny to be registered.
2. The single annual WHR enrollment fee will be on a sliding scale. The fee will be \$30 + GST for animals enrolled by January 31 of each year, \$35 from February 1 to March 31, \$40 from April 1 to May 31, \$50 from June 1 to August 31, and \$70 after that. The payment of this fee makes the animal active for the current year.
3. The Females activated on the December/January herd inventory mailing will be the actual inventory used for the Whole Herd Registry (WHR) for the annual enrollment fees for the year. Whole Herd Registry invoices will be payable on receipt with one-half on the enrollment fee - \$15.00 due February 1, and the balance due June 1. Full payment may be made from the initial invoice if the member chooses. No work will be completed until payment is received. Members may add newly purchased into the herd OR females who reach the enrollment age of 16 months during the year for the \$30 fee, within 2 months of purchase.
4. The single annual WHR enrollment fee of each animal of enrollment age (female 16 months, males 30 months on inventory date) makes the animal active for the current year and entitles the breeder to:
 - Listing of all active cows within the WHR herd.
 - Registration of each female's calf within 12 months of calving. Animals registered after 12 months of age are subject to late fees of \$10 per registration and animals registered after 24 months of age will be charged \$20 per registration. This includes multiple births. (See #6 below regarding embryos).
 - Transfer of the WHR-listed female during the year of enrollment.
 - Transfer of the calf (calves) to a new owner - females up to 24 months of age and males up to 30 months of age.
 - Transfers of progeny over the age restriction will be \$10.
 - Recording of birth, weaning, and yearling weights at no charge.

Note: Bulls can be inactivated and reactivated without payment of the reactivation fee, but with the payment of the \$30 activation fee required.

5. A reactivation fee of \$70 applies only when cattle are declared on the WHR Program and dropped from the herd inventory and then reactivated on the WHR herd inventory. This is the only time the reactivation fee applies. The reactivation fee only applies to females, there is no reactivation fee for males. Bulls can be added to and/or deleted from the WHR herd inventory without any penalty whatsoever.

6. A dead donor female can be inactivated and reactivated without payment of the reactivation fee required for reinstatement. This would accommodate the implantation of frozen embryos and registration of the resulting offspring after the donor female is no longer in production (dead). The owner of the female would be required to pay the annual enrollment fee only during the year the embryo transfer offspring was or were calved and eligible for registration. Embryo/donor dams which are included on the active cow inventory will be entitled to process one calf (natural or ET). The annual enrollment must be paid on each additional ET calf, unless the recipient dam is active on the current year inventory, in which case no additional fee is required.

7. Each CSA member will receive a list of animals in their ownership. Partnership owned animals will be listed under the membership name for the partnership. Enrollment of leased animals will be charged to the lessee unless written instruction to the contrary are on file in the association's/registrar's office. (Note: Participation in the WHR requires adherence to existing regulation in regard to registration of leases.)

8. One of the following must be received for each cow on inventory:

- A record of birth including date, sex and birth weight of calf
- A disposal code on the cow (these will provided on the forms)
- A reason code on the cow (example: open, ET program, moved to next calving season, etc.)

Note: Any cow on inventory will be inactivated unless one of these three items is reported. A reactivation fee of \$70 will be paid to reinstate and activate a female in any year if she has been dropped from the previous year's inventory. Note: If the calf dies before weaning, the breeder only needs to provide the appropriate calf disposal code, plus other information collected (sire information, calf sex, birth date, birth weight and birth management group.)

Other WHR Guidelines

- Bulls under assessment age kept for sale will not be assessed a charge, however, annual enrollment must be paid on bulls younger than 30 months of age on the inventory date before any progeny can be registered.
- Bulls that have been used for natural service in two or more herds must be activated on at least one herd inventory. Adherence to existing regulations is required concerning bulls owned in partnership or calling for the signature of the owner of the bull for registration of the calf.
- AI Sires will not need to be enrolled.
- Participation in the WHR requires adherence to existing regulations in regards to genotyping AI Sires and ET donor dams.