

Galloway Cattle Society of UK & Ireland

Herd Book Regulations

Entries

Entries are only accepted from Members of the Society and, except by special permission of the Trustees, must be made by the Breeder who is the owner of the dam when the calf is born.

Only animals whose sire and dam are registered in the Herd Book, and where necessary have been transferred in accordance with the Transfer Regulations (further details can be found under 'Transfer of Ownership section) are eligible for entry.

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.

In addition, Galloway cattle may be accepted for registration in accordance with the Society's appendix Scheme (supplementary sections).

Note – The word "dun" or "red" is printed after the name of all dun or red animals registered in the Herd Book.

Only calves whose births have been notified and which have been tagged are eligible for entry.

Twins may be entered provided that it is indicated on the Entry Form that the calf is a twin, and the sex of its twin is given. With the case of a female twin to a bull, the female can be birth notified and if found capable of breeding, she may be registered over 6 months at the lowest fee.

Notification of Birth

The birth of all Pedigree Galloway calves, whether born dead or alive, and whether or not it is intended to enter them in the Herd Book, must be notified to the Society

Births must be notified on Notification of Birth Forms as provided by the society.

A notification of birth is not an entry for the Herd Book.

In the event a calf is born dead, or dies before registration, breeders are requested to advise the Society of any such calves, and provide the date of birth, name and registration number of Dam and Sire. This will enable the calving index of all Dams to be maintained in the Society's records.

Heifer Registration

- The completion of one entry schedule per heifer to be registered. This will enable the breeder/entrant to register their heifer(s) to pedigree status with the Society;
- The entry schedule will be accepted by the Society as being both birth notification and an entry form;
- Heifer entry schedules must be received within 90 days from the date of birth or the breeder/entrant will be subject to late entry fees. Pedigree data to be provided on the heifer entry schedule;
 - Name of animal;
 - Date of birth;
 - Ear marks;
 - Colour;
 - Sire and Dam; and
 - Name and address of breeder/entrant.
- Details of the grandparents and great grandparents on both sides will be added by the Society.
- The Society will issue one pedigree certificate for each entry submitted.
- One master copy of each Certificate will be retained by the Galloway Cattle Society.

Bull Registration

- The completion of a Birth Notification Form;
- Birth of bull calves must be notified within 90 days from date of birth, and on the Birth Notification Form. The following information is required:
 - Dam and sire of Calf;
 - Date of birth;
 - Ear Marks; and
 - Colour.
- Breeders/entrants will also be required to fill in a Bull Registration Form. These must be completed and returned to the Society before the bull reaches the age of 18 months. The following information is required:
 - Ear Marks of the Bulls which the breeder/entrant wishes to Register; and
 - Name given to the Bull calf being registered.
- On receipt of the Bull Registration Form, a Pedigree Certificate will be prepared, using both the Bull Registration Form and Birth Notification Form;
- The Society will issue one pedigree certificate for each entry submitted.
- One master copy of each Certificate will be retained by the Galloway Cattle Society.

Note – Pedigree Certificates can be issued for Steers.

DNA Testing

The Society DNA profiles all registered bulls. At the time of registering a calf is required to be sire verified.

The Society reserves the right to DNA test any animals if the breeding/pedigree of the animal is being questioned. If the dispute is in favour of the Society, the DNA costs will be at the expense of the owner.

DNA testing is required by hair samples. DNA sample bags are available on request from the office, The cost of this will be covered by the breeder of the calf being registered.

DNA Testing is undertaken by Weatherbys Scientific, Unit F1, M7 Business Park, Newhall, Naas, Co. Kildare, Ireland, W91 VX86

DNA Testing of Sire

To ensure the purity of the breed and parentage identification, all pedigree calves eligible to be registered, must have a sire DNA profile.

Embryo Transplants

Registration of calves got by Embryo Transplants will be accepted, subject to the following conditions:

- a) All other bye-laws regarding Herd Book Registrations must be complied with.
- b) The Breeder must inform the Society beforehand of his intention to carry out each specific embryo transplant and obtain from the Society the necessary Certificates which must be completed within the times specified.
- c) Details of identity, of all animals concerned, pregnancy testing of recipient cows and blood typing of sire and donor dam must be provided to the Society. The Society reserves the right to blood type the resulting calf.
- d) Calves got by embryo transplant and registered with the Society will be designated 'got by E.T.' in the Herd Book.
- e) The donor female and sire bull must be approved by the Trustees of the Society.

Export of Embryos

The breeder must inform the Society beforehand of his intention to export embryos.

Procedure:

- a) Notification of the intention to carry out embryo transplant must be in writing to the Society naming the sire and donor dam to be used.
- b) A set of Embryo Transplant Certificates must be obtained from the Society.
- c) Certificate A (Registration of Transplanted Embryos or Storage of Embryos) must be submitted together with the fee, within one week of the collection of

embryos. Blood type certificates for sire and dam must accompany this certificate.

- d) Certificate B or a comparable document notifying the transfer of embryos to recipient cows must be submitted within one week of this operation being carried out.
- e) Certificate C or a comparable document notifying the results of pregnancy tests must be submitted within one week of these tests being completed. Tests to be made by a veterinary surgeon 60 days after the transplant operation.
- f) Certificate D (Registration of Embryos for Export) or a comparable document notifying the export of the embryos must be submitted within one week of despatch.
- g) Following the usual registration practice resulting calves can be registered. The normal registration fee existing at the time must accompany each entry. Entries should show that calves are 'Got by E.T.' Entries must not be delayed beyond the end of the month of birth.
- h) A zootechnical certificate will be issued by the Galloway Cattle Society as per legislation in place at the time.

Note: Certificates A, B, C, or D referred to above may be obtained from the Society.

Artificial Insemination (AI)

Members must provide an insemination certificate at the time of registration. This is noted on the heifer entry schedule at the time of registering the animals.

Imported semen

The Galloway Cattle Society allows the use of imported semen within the Herdbook. Imported semen must be accompanied by a zootechnical certificate issued by the breed society from the country of origin. A DNA profile, as recommended by the International Society for Animal Genetics (ISAG), from a recognised blood typing agency is also required at the point of import and copies of all documents must be sent to the Galloway Cattle Society.

Imported animals

Imported cattle must be accompanied by a zootechnical certificate, issued by the breed society of the breeders country, and a DNA profile if the animal's sire is a registered calf.

Imported animals will be registered into the Galloway Cattle Herd Book on submission to the Society of an Export Certificate, a Zootechnical Certificate, issued by the breed society from the country of origin, a DNA profile (if available) and the appropriate import fee.

If no DNA profile is available for an imported animal, the receiving breeder must submit a DNA for testing.

Export of cattle and germinal products

Cattle being exported outwith the UK will be accompanied by an 'Export Certificate' issued by the Galloway Cattle Society.

A zootechnical certificate (trade and entry into the union) will only be issued for cattle which are registered by the Galloway Cattle Society and are to be entered into a breeding book outwith the UK.

Transfer of Ownership

In the case of all sales or other transfers of ownership, except sales at Auction Sales held under the auspices of the Society, the vendor or transferor must supply a duly completed Transfer of Ownership Form to the purchaser or transferee, who must notify the transfer to the Society.

Progeny of animals whose transfer has not been notified in accordance with the Society's rules are not eligible for entry into the Herd Book except by permission of the Trustees.

Transfer forms are not required for:

- Sales at Auction sales held under the auspices of the Society where the name of the purchaser is on the Auctioneer's roll;
- Where a person buys cattle at sales under the auspices of the Society as agents for undisclosed principals, provided that the name of the principals with the relevant lot numbers is notified to the Society.
- Sale for export. Export certificates and zootechnical certificates are required and obtained from the Society.