



CANADIAN LIMOUSIN ASSOCIATION

Rules and Regulations (Amended 2005)

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SECTION I: HERD BOOKS AND RECORDS

1. *Limousin Herd Book*: The Executive Manager shall cause to be kept in the Head Office of the Association, a Limousin Herd Book in which all records of pedigree, tattoo, sex, date of birth, performance data and breeder and ownership of all Limousin-sired animals offered for registration to the Association will be maintained. Only animals containing thirty-seven and one-half percent (37.5%) or more Limousin blood as hereinafter defined will be eligible for registration in this Herd Book.
2. There shall be kept by each breeder, a private record which shall contain full particulars of his/her breeding operations. This record shall at all times be open to the inspection of officials of the Canadian Limousin Association.
3. A certificate of registration will be issued for each qualifying animal, with the definition of the word "registry" being "entry".
4. The Herd Book shall be divided into sections for the classification of Limousin animals and registration numbers shall be issued with prefixes as defined as follows:
 - (a) *CIM and CIF*: For Limousin cattle imported from any country except the U.S. whose ancestors all trace directly to the Herd Book Limousin in France. Such cattle shall be referred to as Full French Purebreds.
 - (b) *NIM and NIF*: For Limousin cattle that have been imported from any country and whose ancestors all trace directly to the Herd Book Limousin of France but which have been entered into the North American Limousin Foundation Herd Book prior to entry into the Canadian Limousin Herd Book. Such cattle shall be referred to as Full French Purebreds.
 - (c) *CFM and CFF*: For Limousin cattle born in Canada, whose ancestors all trace directly to the Herd Book Limousin of France. Such cattle shall be referred to as Full French Purebreds.
 - (d) *CPM and CPF*: For Limousin cattle that:
 - i) Contain 90% or more Limousin blood and are the result of an up-breeding program. These cattle have one or more ancestors which do not trace to the Herd Book Limousin of France; or
 - ii) are born in Canada, whose ancestors all trace directly to the Herd Book Limousin of France but have not had their parentage verified by

bloodtyping or DNA genotyping.

Such cattle shall be referred to as Domestic Purebreds.

Limousin cattle:

- i) born in Canada;
- ii) whose ancestors all trace directly back to the Herd Book Limousin of France, and
- iii) registered with the prefix CPM or CPF;

may become eligible for registration under Section 1, Subsection 4 (c) CFM and CFF, provided that the individual and all of its ancestors have had their parentage verified by bloodtyping or DNA genotyping and such verification be on file with the Association.

The prefixes NPF and NPM shall be applied to Purebred Limousin cattle which are the result of an up-breeding program but have been entered first in the North American Limousin Foundation Herd Book. These cattle must first qualify in all other aspects before they will be accepted for entry into the Canadian Limousin Herd Book.

- (e) *CXM and CXF*: For Limousin cattle that contain 37.5 to 89% Limousin blood and are the result of an up-breeding program using a registered Limousin sire of at least 75% Limousin blood. These cattle have one or more ancestors which do not trace to the Herd Book Limousin of France. Such cattle shall be referred to as Percentage Limousin cattle.

All Percentage Limousin cattle which have been imported from the U.S. which have been first registered by the North American Limousin Foundation and which qualify in all other respects, shall be entered in the Canadian Limousin Herd Book utilizing their North American Limousin Foundation registration number and registration prefix.

- 5. *Recognition of Certificates*: This Association shall accept at face value from reputable breeders, properly executed Certificates from the Herd Books of any other duly qualified national Limousin organization provided that these Certificates meet the requirements of the Canadian Limousin Association. In the case of imported Full French Purebreds, additional requirements are:

- (a) That the animal be registered in its country of origin as defined by its birthplace.

- (b) That the animal's parents trace directly to the Herd Book Limousin of France.
- (c) That the animal be parent verified in Canada and/or the University of California prior to registration in the C.L.A. registry book.
- (d) That whenever possible, (depending upon age at importation), required weight data be collected and submitted to the C.L.A. office for inclusion on the Registry Certificate.

SECTION II: RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING REGISTRATIONS

1. General Requirements:

- (a) All animals accepted for registration in the Herd Book of the Association must be identified with a permanent ear tattoo. With respect to Canadian-born animals, such tattoo first be affixed before or at the time of weaning and shall include the herd prefix designation of the owner or lessee of the dam of the subject animal at time of calving, the herd number of the subject animals and the designation year of birth letter.
- (b) To be eligible for registration in the Limousin Registry Book of this Association, an animal must have been sired by a bull which has at least seventy-five (75%) percent Limousin blood and which is registered in the Limousin Herd Book.
- (c) The progeny of a Full French or Domestic Purebred sire mated to either registered Limousin or Foundation females shall be eligible for registration at the arithmetic average of their Limousin blood percentages.
- (d) The actual mathematic percentage of Limousin blood of an animal shall always be reported on that animal's registry certificate using the standard "add .5" rounding procedure.
- (e) The Association reserves the right to refuse any name for an animal which may be misleading, or any name which may be misleading as to the origin or relationship of an animal.
- (f) All Canadian-born bulls and heifers should be entered on application forms before sixteen (16) months of age. Animals may still be registered by this method for an additional fee until the age of twenty-four (24) months. Animals over twenty-four (24) months of age when applying for registration, shall be eligible provided the parentage of the animal can be verified by bloodtyping or DNA Genotyping.

- (g) A certificate may be obtained at the request of a breeder once an animal has birth report status and after all data requirements Section II, Subsection 2 Item (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) have been reported.
- (h) When a pending registration dated post December 31, 2005 is dependant on blood typing/DNA information to conform to the By-Laws of the Association the Canadian Limousin staff will work with the breeder to ensure every reasonable step will be taken to adhere to the rules; however if verification is not possible, the breeder will request the Board of Directors to review the case. The Directors will have the authority to make exceptions of the requirements for those animals where blood typing/DNA parents(s) verification is not feasible. However, all animals in question will have a DNA genotype put on file.

2. *Requirements for Registration in the Limousin Registry Book:* All cattle to be accepted for registration in the Limousin Herd Book must contain at least thirty-seven and one-half percent (37.5%) Limousin blood. The Association requires data on items (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e).

- (a) Tattoo identification
- (b) Date of birth
- (c) Actual or estimated birth weight, preferably with ease of calving code (optional)
- (d) Age and breed of dam
- (e) Breeding information pertaining to dam

All animals born on or after January 1, 1997 requiring registration with the Canadian Limousin Association must have a bloodtype or DNA genotype of their sire on file with the CLA before registration will be accepted.

Limousin Registry Certificates will provide the following information:

- (f) Name of animal
- (g) Tattoo identification
- (h) Date of birth
- (i) Sex
- (j) Percentage of Limousin blood
- (k) Name and address of breeder and current owner
- (l) Three generation pedigree
- (m) Canadian Limousin Association registry number
- (n) Age and breed code of dam
- (o) Birth weight (actual or estimated) when available
- (p) The word "polled" is to be printed on the certificate if the animal is smooth polled, and "polled/scurred" is to be printed on the certificate if the animal is scurred.

- (q) The word "twin" is to be printed on the certificate if the animal is a twin, along with the twin's sex.
 - (r) The word "transplant" is to be printed on the certificate if the animal is the result of an embryo transplant operation.
3. *Weight Adjustments and Indexing:* The Association will process all performance information using the formula as established by the Board.
 4. *Multiple Breeding:* Progeny from multiple-sire breeding (i.e. using more than one bull in a pasture) or progeny resulting from a change of bulls within twelve (12) days (either after A.I. or with single bull pasture matings) are ineligible until such time as positive evidence of actual sire can be furnished to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors.
 5. *Foundation Cows:* Foundation cows shall be cows of any recognized beef breed, dairy breed, or combination of these breeds and for the purpose of recording her progeny with the Association, the amount of Limousin blood in any foundation female shall be assumed to be zero. Foundation females should have identification (ear tattoo or tag or hot iron number brand). Information on the age (if known) and breed should be completed on the application form.
 6. *Breeder:* The breeder is defined as the founder, active, junior or non-member who owned the dam at time of service.
 7. *First Owner:* The first owner is the applicant for registration and as such is required to place his herd prefix in the calf's ear.
 8. *Change of Name:* The Association may approve a change in the name of an animal providing that there are no registered offspring. A new application for registration must be completed and signed by the owner at birth, then presented to the Association with the Certificate(s) of Registration and necessary fee. If a registered prefix was used in the original name, it must also be used as a prefix in any suggested change.

Where there is a duplication of names of animals, the Executive Manager may at his/her discretion, request a change of name from the owner involved. Where the phonetic portion of an animal's name is similar to or duplicates another animal's name, inclusion of the Herd Prefix, tattoo and year letter shall make that name distinctive.

9. *Blood Percentage References:* Percentages rather than fractions will be used in all references expressing the content of Limousin blood in an animal.
10. *Registered Herd Names:* Members may elect to register with the Association a herd name for their exclusive use within the registration system for naming Limousin

animals in this Association.

11. *Gestation Period.* Progeny resulting from an A.I. mating for which the gestation period is less than two hundred and seventy (270) days or has exceeded three hundred and six (306) days shall be required to submit proof of parentage before being accepted for registration.
12. *Parent Verification Requirements:*
 - (a) When reference is made to "bloodtyping", it may be replaced with "DNA Genotyping" or any other duly recognized method of parentage verification as approved by the Board of Directors.
 - (b) All Fullblood Limousin Cattle (i.e. Imported and Full French offspring) must be Parent verified and results must accordingly be filed with the Association in order for such animals to be entered in the Limousin Registry Book. In addition, if the registered Limousin bull whose semen is to be marketed commercially is a purebred or percentage bull that does not have both parents alive for parentage-verification, grandparent verification by DNA genotyping may be accepted by the CLA Board of Directors for the missing parent under expert advisement.
 - (c) The Association reserves the right to demand Bloodtyping/DNA genotyping for parentage verification on any animal falling within its jurisdiction if it is deemed necessary or advisable.
 - (d) The Board of Directors shall at their discretion, demand Bloodtyping/DNA Genotyping for parentage verification, be done on a number of animals registered in the Association based on a pre-determined random interval selection provided that the minimum number of animals typed per year shall not be less than five animals for every thousand animals registered.
 - (e) In cases where Bloodtyping/DNA Genotyping precludes verification of parentage as indicated on the animal's application for registration, and in fact parentage (sire and/or dam) cannot be determined, the subject animal shall be ineligible for registration.
13. *Embryo Transplant Progeny:* Calves propagated by embryo transplant are required to be parent verified by blood/DNA at time of registration. Donor dams born before January 1, 1997 must have a bloodtype/DNA genotype on file with the association. Donor dams born on or after January 1, 1997 must be sire verified. A certificate of embryo recovery must be forwarded to the association at or before time of registration. If the donor dam is not owned or leased by the applicant (person applying for registration of the resulting calf), an embryo transfer must be on file with the association before the calf can be registered. All embryo transplant forms

must meet the minimum standards as established by the Canadian Embryo Transfer Society.

14. *Herd Prefixes:* Breeders must apply to the Executive Manager for, and be allotted, herd prefix letters for the exclusive use of that breeder in identifying animals born the property of that breeder. These letters may be tattooed in the left or right ear of said animals as designated by the Executive Manager at the time the letters are allotted. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to nullify a breeder's herd prefix letters which have not been used after a period of at least five (5) years.
15. *Scurs:* Incompletely developed horns that are often loose and moveable beneath the skin. Genes for scurs are separate to those for horns. Thus, scurs may appear in both polled bulls and females. Any altering or tampering with the scurs will cause the animal to be considered horned.
16. *Polled:* Term referring to cattle that are naturally hornless. Cattle that are polled may also be scurred, as traits are controlled by separate gene pairs. Any scarring on the head that could be caused by altering or tampering will cause the animal to be considered horned.
17. *Protoporphyrin Testing:*
 - (a) The Board of Directors shall designate the laboratory or laboratories to be authorized to conduct testing for protoporphyria and thereafter to certify animals free of protoporphyria. Whereas both parents are certified free of protoporphyria by test or by pedigree, offspring will be considered to be protoporphyria normal by pedigree. Protoporphyria designations shall be as follows:

PN	Proto Normal (free)
PP	Proto Normal by Pedigree
PC	Proto Carrier
PD	Proto Diseased
 - (b) After February 28, 1995, all sires used in more than one herd through artificial insemination must have a protoporphyria genotype on file at the Association.
 - (c) Calves conceived by artificial insemination, (where the sire was used in more than one herd through artificial insemination) born after December 31, 1995 are ineligible for registration until such time as the protoporphyria genotype of the calf's sire is on file at the Association, unless the sire and dam of the A.I. bull are both certified free of protoporphyria by test pursuant to paragraph (a) above.
 - (d) The Board of Directors may at their sole discretion, waive the requirement to

have a protoporphyria genotype of the sire of a calf on file at the Association as required under paragraph 18 (c) above, where it would create a hardship to the member to enforce such requirement.

- (e) In the event that the party submitting a sample to obtain a protoporphyria genotype is not the owner of the sire or in the event that the party submitting the sample for a protoporphyria test is one member of a partnership, the name of the party initiating the test and the owners will be the first parties to receive the test results from the Association.
- (f) Where a sire has tested carrier or diseased, then the owners of such sire shall be immediately notified by the Association by single registered mail. The owners shall have seven days after receipt of such notification to advise the Association in writing that they wish to have the bull retested at a laboratory designated by the Board of Directors, and the owners must provide an acceptable sample to the designated laboratory within fourteen (14) days of the receipt of the aforementioned notice; or the original test will be relied upon by the Association. For the purposes of the within provision, a member shall be deemed to have received the single registered mail notice seven days after the date upon which the single registered mail was mailed.
- (g) Once a bull is tested carrier or diseased, either after the original test if the owner fails to proceed with a retest within the time limits set out in paragraph (f) above, or after the retest has been completed where the owner proceeds with a retest, then the Association shall place the bull's name on its list of all animals which have a protoporphyria test.
- (h) The Association shall keep a list of all sires tested for protoporphyria and the results of such test, and shall make such list available to any member who requests same.
- (i) Notwithstanding any of the provisions of the within Section 18, the Association shall have the right to require retests on any sire at any time provided that such retest shall be performed at the expense of the Association.
- (j) Random parentage check on proto submissions shall be established by the Board as deemed necessary from time to time and in accordance with Section 13 (c) Parent Verification Requirements, of the Rules and Regulations.
- (k) Animals whose test results are "Proto Diseased" will have their registration certificates withdrawn by the Association.

SECTION III: TRANSFERS AND DUPLICATE CERTIFICATES

1. It is the responsibility of the seller of an animal or the interest in an animal to furnish the Executive Manager with the certificate of registration pertaining to the animal, with completed, signed transfer application on the reverse side of the certificate showing the purchaser's ownership within ninety (90) days of the date of transfer of the animal. Failure to do so shall be grounds for expulsion in the case of a member, or for refusal of registration or transfer in the case of a non-member. In the case of an embryo transplant, an embryo transfer form must be completed and signed by the owner-lessee of the donor cow and must accompany application for registration of the animal.
2. It is the responsibility of both the seller and the purchaser to confirm that the tattoo identification of the animal to be transferred is in accordance with the certificate issued on said animal.
3. Every change of ownership of cattle recorded in this Association must be made known to the Association before progeny of the animal can be registered by the new owner. The proper transfer fees must be remitted by the seller of the animal.
4. In the case of a bred foundation female a breeding report must be completed and forwarded by the seller to the purchaser. In the case of a pregnant female which is registered in this Association, the breeding report must be completed by the seller at the time of transfer and forwarded to the Association office along with the necessary fees.
5. The date of transfer shall coincide with the date of sale for all purposes of this Association. A certificate of registration is not to be construed in any way as being a Bill of Sale; rather it is the registered title as recorded in the records of the C.L.A.
6. In the event a Certificate of Registration is lost or accidentally destroyed, a duplicate certificate may be issued upon receipt by the Association of a statutory declaration prepared by the registered owner, showing to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee that the original certificate was in fact, so lost or destroyed.
7. When a registered animal is sold for slaughter, the transfer of ownership shall not be recorded as such with the Association. Rather, a notation in ink shall be made on the face of the certificate of said animal, indicating that the animal was sold for slaughter and the date that it was sold. The certificate shall then be forwarded to the Head Office of the Association. Similarly, the certificates of animals that die should be so marked and forwarded to the Association Head Office.
8. Should an animal other than a foundation female be leased for breeding purposes, an application for lease supplied by the Association Head Office must be completed and signed by both the Lessor and Lessee and a copy thereof forwarded to the Association Head Office. The terms consider the owner of the progeny of leased females.

SECTION IV: ERROR, FRAUD AND RESPONSIBILITY

1. *Erroneous Entry:* Should any animal be admitted to entry or transferred through error, misrepresentation or fraud, the Executive Committee on discovery of same shall declare the entry or transfer void, together with any entries that may have been of descendants of such animals. When an animal shall have been entered or transferred through misrepresentation or fraud, the Executive Committee may direct the Executive Manager to refuse for record any subsequent entry or transfer dependent upon the signature of any person implicated in such fraudulent entry or transfer.
2. *Responsibility:* Every certificate of registration or transfer of ownership is based on statements in the application thereof. The Canadian Limousin Association assumes no responsibility, financial or otherwise, for any loss or damage that may be sustained to any individual, partnership, firm or corporation by reason of the suspension, cancellation or correction of any such certificate or other document, or by reason of the rejection of any application for membership registration or transfer of ownership.

SECTION V: RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

1. *General Requirements:* All Artificial Insemination must be done in compliance with the regular breeding requirements of this Association. For bulls whose semen is marketed commercially the following conditions apply. Sires born before January 1, 1997 must have an identification bloodtype/DNA genotype on file with the association. AI sires born on or after January 1, 1997 must be parent verified.
2. *Procedure:* The inseminator must record each insemination on an approved A.I. Breeding Record form at the time of the insemination. This should be completed in duplicate and the original copy attached to the completed application (for registration) of the progeny at the time it is sent to the Association Head Office.

SECTION VI: Fee Schedule

<p>Lifetime Membership..... \$250.00 Annual Membership/year..... \$25.00 Annual Administration fee..... \$30.00 (charged January 1st) Junior Membership..... \$25.00 (no annual administration fee)</p> <p>Services</p> <p>Allocation of Herd Prefix..... N/C Registration of Herd Name..... \$25.00 Animal Registration (non-WHE) \$60.00 Animal Transfer fee (non-WHE) \$20.00 Registration of Lease..... \$15.00 Embryo Transfer/Flush record..... \$15.00 Export Package..... \$25.00 Extended Pedigree (including EPDs)..... \$10.00 Change of Animal Name..... \$25.00 Certificate Correction..... \$5.00 Certificate Duplicate..... \$10.00 Certificate Update..... \$2.00 Rush Fees per paper..... \$10.00 (paperwork to be completed within one business day, even if a fax copy is requested) Sale Catalog on disc (per animal)..... \$1.50 Bill of Sale Book (50 pages/carbon copies) \$10.00 Spring Sire Summary..... \$10.00 Performance Date Calculator..... \$3.00 Mailing List..... \$.06/name Mailing Labels..... \$.10/name Entry into Herdbook of Foreign Pedigree \$10.00 Canadian Certificate on Imported Animals....\$15.00 Custom EPD listing..... \$.50/head</p>	<p>Full-French, Domestic Purebred or Percentage Limousin Cows..... \$20.00/head</p> <p>Deadline for complete Female Enrollment, to be received in the CLA office by December 31st. of the previous year. i.e. Enrolled for 2007 - Deadline Dec 31, 2006.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Enrollment fees cover registration of single calf or natural twins <input type="checkbox"/> First transfer of calf born to enrolled female <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer of female in the same year <input type="checkbox"/> Inclusion in International Genetic Evaluation</p> <p>Enrollment fees are payable as follows: 50% on or before March 31, and 50% on or before September 30th *Fees not refundable* (exception 1st calf heifers) <input type="checkbox"/> Embryo Transplant..... \$20.00 (Note: no charge if enrollment fee paid on recipient dam) <input type="checkbox"/> Late Penalty fee..... \$100.00 (submitted after the deadline)</p> <p>* December 1, 2005 until March 31st 2006, all members have a one time option to put any female onto WHE system that is not presently enrolled, after that date the \$100 late penalty fee will take effect.</p> <p>*Cattle born prior to January 1, 2000 must be registered under the old Fee Schedule *</p>	<p>***Fees DO NOT include GST*** ***Fees Double for Non-Members***</p> <p>Fee Schedule Effective April 1, 2006</p>
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