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Whole Herd Performance Program™

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The Composite Beef Cattle Registry Whole Herd Performance Program (WHPP™) is for the tracking of registrations and performance records by participating breeders. Participation in WHPP™ is voluntary and breeders may wish not to participate.

If a breeder chooses not to participate, they will receive Pedigree Certificates with no performance data or EPDs.

Historically, many associations/registries genetic evaluations have been based on weaned and/or registered progeny and from females that failed to reproduce or whose progeny were not registered was not required. However, inventory based Whole Herd Performance Program (WHPP™) requires collection of annual production and performance records on all cattle within a herd. Cattle that are registered with other breed registries are exempt from the program with the exception that if they are bred to produce an animal to be registered with the Composite Beef Cattle Registry, they must be recorded.

The objective of WHPP™ to gather reproductive and performance data on all animals. It does not, however, seek to control which animals will be registered. That remains a decision of individual breeders. With WHPP™ performance records (or disposal codes) are required on all calves produced by each breeder, but whether any or all of those calves receive registration papers is the breeders decision.

Breeding Herd Inventory - An inventory worksheet will be sent to breeders in December for their entire herd. There are two separate herds within the herd, a spring calving herd (January 1 - June 30) and a fall calving herd (July 1 - December 31). Breeders will identify animals that need to be removed or added to the report that the breeder will be collecting production data on during the next 12 months and return it to the registry.

The rate charged to member breeders will be \$10 per breeding age female that will be 16 months of age or older during the year.

Breeders can pay for each breeding season separately. For example if a breeder has 100 animals, 90 cows and 10 heifers that will be 16 months of age for the calendar year.

For period of January 1 - June 30

Cows due to calve	35
Heifers 16 mo	6
Spring Inv.	41 head
Per animal fee \$10	
Amount due for Spring Herd	\$410

For period of July 1 - December 31

Cows due to calve	55
Heifers 16 mo	4
Fall Inv.	59 head
Per animal fee \$10	
Amount due for Fall Herd	\$590

Breeders enrolled in WHPP™ are entitled to register calves at 1/2 the regular rate and will include 1 free transfer.