

# Instructions For Compelling Paper Registration Application

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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT FIRMLY

1. You must be an active member to register and transfer cattle. Membership will be renewed if you are inactive. Non-members must become a member before completing registration/transfer work.
2. Fees will be calculated from the postmark date on the envelope. Please enclose appropriate fees, as papers are not released until fees are paid in full.
3. Registration fees for steers are \$35/head and transfer fees are \$20/head, regardless of membership status or date of sale.
4. If the Breeder is the same as the Owner, simply write SAME.
5. List the registration numbers and names of the sire and dam. There is less chance for error this way. If the sire or dam is registered with another association, and you would like the pedigree to appear on the certificate of the animal you are registering, include a copy of the animal's pedigree or that breed's registration number.
6. If the sire or dam is not registered with the ACA or another breed association, you must include breed percentages, age, and name or ID number. NOTE: There is an initial \$30 fee to add a dam to the ACA registry if registered with another breed. Commercial dams are \$75.
7. Tattoos cannot exceed 5 letters and/or numbers, including the Year Letter (if you choose to utilize). Tattoo must include at least one number. Year letter is not required as part of the tattoo.
8. Herd Prefix - Everyone registering cattle in the ACA Herdbook must have a herd prefix. Two to four letter prefixes are available at this time. The herd prefix must be tattooed or branded on every calf registered that is born after January 1, 1984. The herd prefix must be assigned by the ACA and no two members may have the same prefix unless they are family members or persons living at the same address. The herd prefix must be that of the owner of the animal at time of birth.
9. The first owner, owner at time of birth, is solely responsible for registering the animal. His/her signature is required in order to process the registration. All cattle must be tattooed and registered by the first owner (owner at time of birth).
10. You may register and transfer on this form. Both fees are applicable.
11. All A.I. sires, donor cows and embryo transplants must have DNA on file with the ACA or a cooperating DNA lab.
12. Contemporary Groups - A group of animals that have been given an equal opportunity to perform, managed alike, same sex, same environment and same feed resources. Correct contemporary grouping is the foundation of genetic evaluation.
  - Creep fed vs. non creep fed
  - Group code
  - Weaning date - no more than three day spread
  - Birth dates no more than 90 days apart.