

Standard Codes



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Codes for Data Entry and Registration

Breed Codes - Reporting breeds of non registered dams

AN= Angus	CH= Charolais	LM= Limousin
AR= Red Angus	CS= Commercial Simmental *Non-Registered	MA= Maine Anjou
BD= Blonde d' Aquitaine	DE= Devon	MS= Milking Shorthorn
BM= Beefmaster	GA= Galloway	MX= Mixed/unknown breeds
BN= Brangus	GV= Gelbvieh	SA= Salers
BR= Brahman	HH= Horned Hereford	SG= Santa Gertrudis
BS= Brown Swiss	HO= Holstein	SP= Polled Shorthorn
BU= Braunvieh	HP= Polled Hereford	SS= Shorthorn
CA= Chianina	HS= Scotch Highland	TA= Tarentaise

Examples – *Make sure to include spaces between percentage and breed codes, formatting shown below

Angus = **PB AN** Angus/Simmental = **1/2 AN 1/2 CS** Mixed Breed Cow = **PB MX**
Angus/Maine Anjou/Chianina = **1/2 AN 1/4 MA 1/4 CA**

Dam Data

Dam Prod (Dam Productivity) – Use if there is no calf to report

1 = Calf/Calves Stillborn	7 = Exposed and Failed to Conceive—Moved to Next Season
2 = Aborted	8 = Exposed and Failed to Conceive—Moved to Next Year
3 = Not Exposed	9 = Exposed and Failed to Conceive—Removed from Herd
5 = ET Donor	10 = Calving Interval Overlaps Season
6 = ET Recipient	11 = Pregnant—but Removed or Died Prior to Calving

Body Condition Score (BCS) for beef cows

- 1** = Emaciated—cow is extremely emaciated, no palpable fat over the backbone, loin edge, hipbones or ribs.
- 2** = Poor—cow still appears somewhat emaciated but tail head and ribs less prominent.
- 3** = Thin—ribs are still individually identifiable, obvious palpable fat along backbone and over tail head.
- 4** = Borderline—individual ribs are no longer visually obvious. Some fat covers ribs, back bones, and hipbones.
- 5** = Moderate—cow has good overall appearance; fat cover over ribs feels spongy, palpable fat of either side of tail head.
- 6** = High Moderate—firm pressure needed to feel backbone of cow, high degree of fat palpable over ribs.
- 7** = Good—cow appears fleshy and obviously carries considerable fat, some fat around vulva and in crotch.
- 8** = Fat—cow very fleshy and over conditioned, large fat deposits over ribs, around tail head, and below vulva.
- 9** = Extremely Fat—cow obviously is extremely wastey and patchy, blocky appearance, bone structure no longer visible.

Calf Data

SireNbr (Sire Registration Number) – If sire is not registered with ASA, breed codes must be provided to place calf on file. Please see listing of breed codes and examples.

Tattoo Year Letter – Unique permanent identification containing the letter representing the year of birth

T= 2007 **U**= 2008 **W**= 2009 **X**= 2010

TattLoc (Tattoo Location) – Codes for the location of tattoo or brand if not tattooed on the animal

BE= Both Ears **RE**= Right Ear **RH**= Right Hip **RS**= Right Shoulder **RR**= Right Rib
LE= Left Ear **LH**= Left Hip **LS**= Left Shoulder **LR**= Left Rib

Sex

B = Bull **S** = Steer **C** = Heifer/Cow

MBC – (Multiple Birth Code)

1 = **S** = Single **3** = **TR** = Triplets **6** = **FE** = Frozen Embryo **8** = **ETTO** = ET Twin, opposite sex
2 = **TS** = Twin, same sex **4** = **TO** = Twin, opposite sex **7** = **ETTS** = ET Twin, same sex **9** = **ET** = Embryo Transplant, fresh

HD (Herd Unit) – One digit number used to designate different contemporary groups at birth or different herd ID's

AI (Breeding Method)

Y = AI bred **N** = Pasture bred

Turn Over for Additional Codes

Calf Data(continued)

CE (Calving Ease) – Indicates how easily calf was born *Up to 2 digits can be designated

Primary Codes

- 1 = Born Unassisted
- 2 = Easy Pull
- 3 = Hard Pull
- 4 = Cesarean
- 5 = Abnormal Presentation

Secondary Codes

- 6 = Dead on Arrival
- 7 = Premature

This code indicates how easily a calf was born. Every calf should have a primary code. In some cases 2 codes may apply; report a primary code first followed by another primary code or a secondary code. If a calf's birth was unobserved, use a **1** as the primary code. If a calf was dead on arrival, report the appropriate primary code followed by a **6** for dead on arrival. Examples: Use **36** to indicate a hard pull and dead on arrival. Use a **52** to indicate an abnormal presentation and easy pull.

Calf Removal Code

Pre-Weaning

- 20 = Born Alive—Died Disease
- 21 = Born Alive—Died Other
- 22 = Died at Birth—Calving Difficulty
- 23 = Died at Birth—Defect

- 24 = Died at Birth—Other
- 25 = Other
- 26 = Stillborn—Full Term

Post-Weaning

- 30 = Appearance
- 31 = Color
- 32 = Died—Disease
- 33 = Died—Other
- 34 = Failed to Conceive

- 35 = Feet and Legs
- 36 = Performance
- 37 = Other
- 38 = Temperament

Simbrah – *Use to designate Simbrah calves

- Y = Yes
- N = No

Reg (Registration Request) – Code used to request registration

- N = Reporting data, registration not requested
- Y = Register as Simmental
- T = Register as Simmental and also transfer the registration certificate

Cert (Certificate) –Code used to request a printed registration certificate

- N = Paper registration certificate will not be printed
- Y = Paper registration certificate will be printed

Weaning Data

Standard Age Window for contemporary grouping– If weaning age is outside of 160-250 days, calf will not be included in the genetic evaluation.

MC (Management Code)- Indicates supplemental feed

- 1 = Dam only
- 2 = Dam with Creep
- 3 = Without Dam, Bucket Fed
- 4 = Twin or Foster Dam

PU (Pasture Unit) – One digit number used to designate calves managed in different groups or environments. Ex: one group of calves may have been in a better pasture than another group of calves.

HPS (Horned/Polled/Scurred)

- H = Horned
- P = Polled
- S = Scurred

Color

- R = Red
- B = Black
- G = Gray
- Y = Yellow

Yearling Data

Standard Age Window for contemporary grouping– If yearling age is outside of 330-440 days, calf will not be included in the genetic evaluation.

FU (Feeding Unit) - One digit used to designate calves under different feeding regimes after weaning. EX: some bull may have been on a high ration while others were not.

Sex – *Used to designate sex at Yearling

- B = Bull
- C = Female
- S = Steer