

# LONGHORN

## Cattle Society

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### Application to Register a Bull

Thank you for letting me know you have a young bull you wish to register. All bulls must have been birth notified before they were 3 months of age. Please find the form to apply for registration below.

A form must be completed for each bull, and signed by a practising veterinary surgeon when the bull is between 365 and 800 days of age, or has gained the minimum weight of 431kg before it is 365 days old. It must be returned to this office with four colour photographs of the bull, one taken from each side, one from the back and one from the front of the bull on hard standing so that his feet are visible. If possible we would also like a photograph of the bull's dam as we are currently assessing the maternal characteristics of registered bulls' dams for the purpose of breed improvement. Registration forms must be received by the office no later than one calendar month from the time the animal was weighed, or re-weighing will be required.

**From May 2019 all bulls must be parentage verified prior to their full registration being confirmed so allow time for the DNA samples to be processed. You are more than welcome to send the hair samples in to the office well in advance of registration so the parentage can be verified before you apply for the registration.**

Parentage testing fees will be included in the normal bull registration fee unless samples are submitted in advance but the bull is subsequently not registered, in which case the member will be charged the testing fees at cost.

Please request DNA sample bags for each bull being registered, their sire (if he hasn't already been profiled when he was registered) and their dam. Please provide a sample using the instructions on the attached sheet.

In addition I require a dated certificate of the weight of the bull, authenticated by a practising veterinary surgeon, a livestock market official or MLC official. Alternatively a ticket from a public weighbridge would be acceptable.

The relevant registration fee and if applicable necessary royalties for bulls got by A.I. must also accompany the application for each animal.

Current registration fees are: bulls up to 500 days of age at date of registration £120,  
501 – 650 days £180, 650 – 800 days £300 (all quoted fees include VAT)

Details of the rules concerning registration, the minimum weight requirements and AI royalty fees on bulls got by AI are listed in the Society Herdbook.

The registration will not be processed until all the listed items are received by the office

- Form, completed by a practising veterinary surgeon including verified weight
- Four photographs
- Hair samples of bull to be registered, his sire and dam (if not already supplied)
- Registration fee
- Royalty fee (if applicable)

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely



Debbie Dann

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## LONGHORN BULL REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE NOT A CERTIFICATE OF HEALTH STATUS To be signed by a qualified Veterinary Surgeon.

This certificate should be completed by the breeder's Veterinary Surgeon and sent to the Registrations office with four amateur photographs of the bull - front, rear and each side before the bull is 800 days old. The enclosed photographs are of the animal described.  
*(please write the bulls name and sign the photographs on the reverse side.)*

Owner of the bull - Name (please print) ..... Memb. No. ...

Address: .....

**BULL:** Name ..... Born: .....

Tag: .....

Sire: ..... Reg No. ....

Dam: ..... Reg No. ....

**I certify that I have checked the official ear tag of the animal described above, and confirm that the bull is free of visible genetic defects and of suitable conformation for pedigree breeding. I have checked the following and confirm that they are normal and correct:**

Any comments please

Eyes .....

Teeth / Jaw alignment .....

Testicles (scrotal circumference measurement if possible) .....

Legs .....

Feet .....

The animal is capable of being led on a halter and walks correctly .....

He is in my opinion sound and physically correct. ....

Signed: ..... Name (please print) .....

Address Stamp:

Tel. No. ....

### CERTIFICATE OF WEIGHT

This section to be signed by one of the following:

1) Vet 2) MLC Officer 3) Auctioneer 4) Weighbridge official 5) Vet via weighband

**I certified that the above bull weighed ..... kg on(date) .....**

Signed: ..... Status or Company .....

Tel: .....

# Collecting quality samples for genotyping

## Quality samples are key!

If a hair sample is missing the follicle (root), it will not contain DNA  
 If a hair sample is excessively dirty or wet, it will cause the DNA to degrade before extraction  
 If you do not have enough hairs, there will not be enough DNA for genotyping

High quality samples create a quicker turn around because they don't require re-collection



1.) Gather 40-60 hairs and grasp them tightly as close to the skin as possible with hands or pliers. As an animal gets older the hairs become harder to remove so the use of pliers often aids in removal



2.) Pull the hair slowly and firmly away from the tail making sure to get the roots.

Have you recieved a hair card?

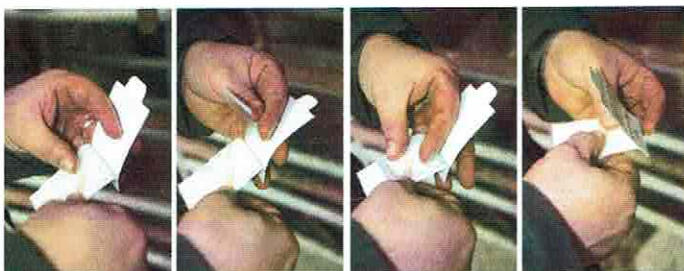
Will you be collecting the sample in a plastic bag?



Open card

Peel back plastic cover

3.) Place the hair roots in the centre of the card and seal the plastic cover smoothly over the top of the hair follicles



4.) Trim excess hair from the outside of the card. Close the collection card, insert the tab into the slot and place the hair sample card into a sealable bag labeled with the animal details



3.) Locate a bag for hair collection and fill out informaton either on bag or in a note



4.) Place hair in bag, seal it tightly and it is ready fo return.