

EMBRYO TRANSPLANT REGULATIONS

Prior to collection

- 1 The collection and transfer of embryos shall be carried out by a recognised operator or embryo transfer station or unit.

Collection

- 2 A copy of each Embryo Registration Form and Embryo Amendment Form must be sent to the Society within 30 days of collection, freezing, transfer etc.
- 3 If the service bull is not already DNA typed, hair samples should be sent to the office for DNA typing. This will be at the member's expense, charged at cost.
- 4 If the donor female is not already DNA typed, hair samples should be sent to the office for DNA typing. This will be at the member's expense, charged at cost.
- 5 If the donor female was artificially inseminated, or served naturally by a bull not owned by the owner of the donor female, the relevant insemination certificate or certificate of service must accompany the Embryo Registration Form.
- 6 A donor female may be bred to more than one bull at any one heat period only if the bulls concerned have been DNA typed and the DNA types are sufficiently distinct to allow their progeny to be separated.

Embryos

- 7 If an embryo is sold or transferred to other ownership by the owner of the donor female, either unfrozen, frozen or in a recipient female, the Society must be informed via a Embryo Amendment Form.
- 8 If at one and the same time more than one embryo is transferred to a recipient, those embryos must be of the same parentage.
- 9 Recipient dams need not be registered with the Society.
- 10 In calf recipients, or recipients with ET calves at foot can be sold at official Society shows and sales.

Embryo Transfer Calves

- 11 The member notifying the birth of a calf resulting from an embryo transfer must insert the letters "ET" in the extreme right hand column of the birth notification form, or by selecting the 'ET' option on the online registration form. "ET" will be inserted as a suffix. All notifications must be made within the standard time limits.
- 12 Should registration of an animal born as a result of embryo transplant be applied for, the animal must be parent verified by sending a hair sample to the office for parent verification. This will be at the member's expense, charged at cost. The animal will only be registered once the parentage has been verified.

Registration fees:

- 13 Registrations fees for heifers and bulls born as a result of ET will be the same as those detailed on page 27 of the 2018 Herdbook, and will be subject to the same late registration fees. Bulls will be subject to the inspection and weight regulation rules in force at the time of registration
- 14 Animals or embryos sold for export must be accompanied by a pedigree export certificate obtained from the Society.

Notwithstanding these regulations, all other Society rules and regulations will apply to the conduct and manner for any embryo transplant programme.

The Council reserves the right to amend, alter or make additions to these regulations as and when they think fit.

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