



## Purebred Dexter Cattle Association of North America, Inc.

### Addendum

## Registration of Animals

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### General Information

1. Applicant must be a current member of PDCA to apply for registration.
2. *Breeder* should be the person who owned the cow at the time of breeding.
3. *Dam owner* is Owner of cow/dam at the time of calving
4. Note: *Dam owner* might not necessarily be the *Breeder* of a calf as in the case of purchasing a bred cow. Although the calf was born under your ownership of the cow/dam, the seller would be the breeder. The calf should be registered with *Breeders* herd prefix included in name.
5. *Sire Owner* is owner of sire/bull used to breed the cow/dam regardless of breeding method (live cover, AI, or IVF)
6. The buyer of an unregistered animal that meets registration criteria is responsible for obtaining any and all necessary past paperwork substantiating the pedigree of the animal from the seller.
7. Questions pertaining to difficulties in obtaining registration information from breeders should be referred to the Registrar for assistance.
8. Current Registration and Transfer Fees shall be posted in The Dexter Cattle Journal and on the PDCA website.

### Registration Criteria

Applicant must agree/consent to Best Breeder Practices Statement provided at time of registration.

Both parents (sire and dam) of an animal to be registered must be registered with PDCA or an accepted US or foreign Dexter cattle registry.

Animal to be registered must have a unique permanent identification. Hot or freeze brand, ear tattoo, USDA 840 tag (last 6 digits) and Bangs tag numbers accepted.

The animal's recorded name must include the Herd Prefix of the *Breeder*.

*See **Herd Prefix***

### **Standard Registration**

Animals to be registered must meet/comply with all Registration Criteria.

Animals resulting from live cover breeding do not require genetic testing except where verification of parentage, color or polledness is deemed necessary by the Registrar.

Animals resulting from artificial insemination must be sire verified.

Embryo Transfers shall require donor sire and donor dam parentage verification.

### **Certified Registration**

Animals to be registered as Certified must meet/comply with all Registration Criteria and Standard Registration Criteria.

In addition, proof of genotyping, Chondro status (positive or negative) and PHA status (positive or negative). Proof may be copies of test results or by obligate status.

Proof of parent verification is required to claim obligate status.

### **Foreign Registered Parentage**

Animals to be registered having foreign registered animals (not registered in an accepted US registry) in its pedigree will be reviewed for eligibility on a case by case basis.

### **Herd Prefix**

A unique herd prefix must be established as an identifier for each breeder.

The Registrar has the right to approve or disapprove prefixes to prevent duplicates within the registry database.

A breeders herd prefix must remain consistent for all animals bred by that breeder.

## **Registration Standards**

### **Height**

Because most animals are registered prior to full maturity PDCA does not enforce a minimum or maximum height criteria for registration.

### **Color**

There are three colors accepted by the PDCA for purebred registration – black, dun, and red.

### **Polledness**

“Polled” (which is an inherited lack of horns) is to be differentiated from “dehorned” (which refers to the removal of horns or horn buds on an animal.)

Dehorned animals shall be registered as horned.

In cases where an animal is reported polled, but comes from horned parentage, genetic testing will be required to determine either or both issues of polledness and/or parentage.

### **Appendix**

No upgrading/out-crossing program is available for any animals to be registered with the PDCA purebred Dexter cattle registry.

## **Transfer of Registered Animals**

Current membership is not required to transfer ownership of a registered animal.

When transferring ownership of a bred registered cow, or a registered cow with an unregistered calf, seller should provide name of bull/sire and expected date/date of birth of calf on reverse side of registration certificate.

If selling a registered animal as unpapered (without registration papers or official animal transfer), a courtesy Notice of Transfer Form may be submitted online by the seller to inform PDCA of the ownership change and update sellers/breeders herd records. Submitting a Notification of Transfer does not transfer ownership to new owner/buyer.

### **Right of the Registrar**

Registrar has the right to request or require additional testing or verification to validate registration eligibility or ownership.