



**Santa Gertrudis**  
*Australia*

Eligible for classification

# Regulations

Santa Gertrudis Breeders'  
(Australia) Association

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# 1. Definitions

- Appendix Register** means the register maintained by the Association in accordance with Regulation 5.1.
- Breeder** in relation to an animal means the owner of that animal's dam at the time it was born.
- Classified S** means an animal which has been entered in the Progeny Register and has been classified purebred and branded S following inspection by a Field Director in accordance with these Regulations.
- Classified S bar** means an animal which has been entered in the Progeny Register and has been classified Accredited and branded S-bar following inspection by a Field Director in accordance with these Regulations.
- Corporations Act** means the Corporations Act 2001 and any legislation which amends or replaces that legislation.
- “Date of Sale” and “Date of Transfer”**  
shall for the purposes of these regulations, be the date of sale or date of transfer set out as such in the transfer submitted to and recorded by the Association.
- “Entered”** in relation to an animal denotes entered in the Progeny Register.
- Fire Brand** shall where environmental conditions require include freeze branding.
- General Manager** shall mean the General Manager appointed by the Council.
- Prescribed Fee** means the fee or fees set out in Schedule 4 of these Regulations as varied by the Council from time to time.
- Registered** in relation to an animal denotes registration in the Stud Book or the Appendix Register.
- “Registered Number” and “Reg. No.”** in relation to an animal denotes the number allocated to such animal in the Stud Book.
- Tattoo Number** means the number assigned to an individual animal by its breeder and which has been permanently tattooed into the animal's ear.

**Service Certificate** denotes the certificate, in the form set out in Schedule 2 of these Regulations, signed by the registered owner of a sire, certifying the date or dates when a dam was served by the sire, and embodying the name, the stud number and the Stud Book number (if any) of the dam.

**Standard of Excellence** means the standard of excellence for Santa Gertrudis as adopted or modified by the Council from time to time and contained within Schedule 5 to these regulations.

**Stud Book Number” or “S.B. No.”** denotes the number allocated by the Association to an animal registered in the Stud Book.

**The Progeny Register** means the Progeny Register of the Association and includes purebred males and females (whether single-sire or multiple-bred) and third cross females.

**The Stud Book** means the Stud Book of the Association.

**These regulations** mean the regulations of the Association from time to time in force.

Words importing the singular number only include the plural and vice versa; and words importing the masculine gender shall mean and include the feminine gender and neuter gender as the case may require.

## 2. Membership

- 2.1 Applications for membership must be submitted on the Membership Application form together with the prescribed annual subscription fee and joining fee. The Membership Application Form shall be in accordance with the form contained in Schedule 1 to these Regulations
- 2.2 Applications for membership may be approved by the General Manager subject to approval by the Council at the next Council meeting.
- 2.3 A membership application must include a membership name which may be an individual, partnership or company. At least 1 authorised signatory must be nominated for each membership.
- 2.4 Upon acceptance by the Association of an application for ordinary membership, the ordinary member so accepted shall be allocated a Stud number. Stud numbers shall not be allocated to commercial members, associate members or junior members.

### 3. Prefix, Tattoo and Brand

- 3.1 Every member, before applying to enter a calf in the Progeny Register shall apply to record with the Association:-
- a) A prefix, which shall be used as a prefix to and as part of the name of every animal of which the member is the breeder, and which is submitted for entry in the Progeny Register or for registration in the Stud Book.
  - b) A distinguishing tattoo mark.
  - c) A fire brand.
- 3.2 The prefix, the fire brand and the tattoo mark respectively shall be distinctive and shall not so resemble that of any other prefix, fire brand or tattoo mark recorded by any other member of the Association, as would in the opinion of the Council tend to be misleading.
- 3.3 The Council may decline to register any prefix, fire brand or tattoo mark or to record the name of any stud or stud property which, in the opinion of the Council, resembles the prefix, stud name or stud property of some other breeder of stud stock, whether cattle or otherwise and whether in Australia or elsewhere.
- 3.4 No animal shall be entered in the Progeny Register or registered in the Stud Book without the Council having first approved the application by a member to register a prefix, tattoo and firebrand.
- 3.5 In the event that a member advertises and conducts a dispersal sale, that member, or any other member, shall be prohibited from using the prefix, tattoo or fire brand of that member in relation to an application for entry in the Progeny Register or registration in the Stud Book of any animal after the period of ninety (90) days from the date on which the dispersal sale is held. The Council may, on application by any member, extend the period of time referred to in this regulation.

### 4. Progeny Registration

- 4.1 The Association shall maintain a Progeny Register which will record the following details of all calves entered in the register:-
- (i) the date of birth;
  - (ii) the sire and dam of the calf;
  - (iii) the identifying prefix, tattoo number and fire brand number;
  - (iv) whether the calf was conceived by artificial insemination or embryo transfer.
  - (v) whether the calf was a twin.

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- 4.2 No calf shall be entered in the Progeny Register except pursuant to an application signed or authorised by its breeder.
- 4.3 No calf shall, except with the consent of the Council, be entered in the Progeny Register unless application is made by the breeder of the calf within 12 months of its birth.
- 4.4 Each calf entered in the Progeny Register must:-
- (i) if a purebred male or female, be the progeny of a sire registered in the Stud Book or Appendix Register and classified S and a dam registered in the Stud Book or Appendix Register and classified S or S bar;
  - (ii) if a third cross-female, be the progeny of a sire registered in the Stud Book or Appendix Register and classified S and a dam the only requirement of which shall be that she be of not lower ranking than second cross.
- 4.5 Where the breeder of a calf submitted for entry in the Progeny Register was not the owner of the dam of the calf at the time she was mated to produce such calf, the application for entry shall be accompanied by a service certificate evidencing the parentage of the calf, such service certificate to be in the form set out in Schedule 2 to these Regulations.
- 4.6 No calf shall be entered in the Progeny Register if of a colour, or showing markings not acceptable to the Santa Gertrudis breed.
- 4.7 Every calf entered in the Progeny Register shall be tattooed with a tattoo number using either or both ears.
- 4.8 No calf shall be entered in the Progeny Register unless the prescribed fee has been paid in respect of each entry. In the event that Council determines to accept for entry in the Progeny Register a calf whose application for entry is submitted more than 12 months after its date of birth, a late fee shall be payable in accordance with the schedule of fees set out in Schedule 4 to these Regulations.
- 4.9 Progeny of animals with shared ownership can only be registered under one prefix.

## 5. Registration in the Stud Book

- 5.1 The Association shall maintain a Stud Book in which shall be recorded all purebred animals which have complied with the qualifications for entry in the Stud Book. In addition, the Stud Book shall contain an Appendix Register comprising three parts in which multiple bred purebred or third cross animals shall be recorded provided they satisfy the qualifications for entry set out in these Regulations.

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- 5.2 All entries relating to the Stud Book shall be made or authorised by a Registrar appointed by the Association.
- 5.3 Each animal submitted for registration in the Stud Book (other than the Appendix Register) must be the progeny of a sire or a dam each of which is registered in the Stud Book or Appendix Register or in some other Stud Book approved for the purpose by the Council and which:-
- (i) has been previously Progeny Registered in accordance with these regulations and;
  - (ii) classified S by a field director appointed by the Association or by the Council on an appeal from the decision of a field director.
- 5.4 The Appendix Register to the Stud Book maintained by the Association shall comprise three parts and those parts and qualification for entry to them shall be as follows:-
- (i) AP1 for pure bred bulls, classified S. Each animal submitted for registration in this section must be the progeny of a sire and dam each of which is registered in the Stud Book or the Appendix Register and
    - (a) is the product of a multiple sire herd run in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations relating to multiple sire herds; and
    - (b) has previously been classified S by a field director appointed by the Association or by the Council on appeal from the decision of a field director;
  - (ii) AP2 for pure bred females, classified S. Each animal submitted for registration in this section must be the progeny of a sire and dam each of which is registered in the Stud Book or the Appendix Register and:-
    - (a) is the product of a multiple sire herd run in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations relating to multiple sire herds; and
    - (b) has previously been classified S by a field director appointed by the Association or by the Council on appeal from the decision of a field director;
  - (iii) AP4 for third cross females, classified S bar. Each animal submitted for registration in this section must be the progeny of a sire which is registered in the Stud Book or the Appendix Register and a dam which is not of less ranking than a second cross female and which:-
    - (a) has previously been Progeny Registered; and
    - (b) has been classified S bar by a field director or by the Council on appeal from the decision of a field director;

- 5.5 Every animal submitted for registration shall be indelibly branded by fire (or by such other means as the Council may from time to time approve) with the registered brand of its breeder and with a distinguishing serial number which shall be identical with its tattoo serial number PROVIDED that an animal sold as a calf too young to be fire branded at the time of sale shall be branded with a serial number which shall be identical with its tattoo serial number and with the registered brand of its new owner.
- 5.6 An imported animal may be registered within six (6) months of its being landed in Australia and shall not be registered thereafter without the consent of the Council.
- 5.7 Registration of an animal under a particular name may be refused if the name including prefix and including any numeral forming part of the name, shall exceed forty (40) characters.
- 5.8 A name must not be so like the name of another registered animal as to be likely to mislead.
- 5.9 Names of established families or of established studs (whether in Australia or elsewhere) or of celebrated animals (whether in Australia or elsewhere) may only be applied to an animal having some ancestral claim thereto and shall not be used if such use is, in the opinion of the Council, likely to be misleading.
- 5.10 The Council may refuse to allow any name or any prefix or any tattoo mark or any fire brand which, in its absolute discretion, it considers to be misleading, misapplied or contrary to the interests of the members of the Association generally.
- 5.11 The name of an animal shall not be changed after registration in the Stud Book, except with the approval of the Council and upon any change being made in accordance with these regulations, a proper record shall be made by the Registrar in the Stud Book and/or elsewhere, as may be required, in order to avoid confusion.
- 5.12 The prescribed fee shall be paid in respect of each registration.
- 5.13 A number shall be allocated to each animal registered in the Stud Book or the Appendix Register and the number so allocated shall be known as the Stud Book number. Numbers shall be allocated consecutively and no two animals shall have the same Stud Book number.
- 5.14 Application for registration in the appropriate section of the Appendix Register must be made at the time of classification.



- 5.15 A number series shall be allocated to each animal registered in the Appendix Register and the number so allocated shall be preceded by a reference to the relevant section, ie AP1/, AP2/, and AP4/.
- 5.16 Any application for entry in the Progeny Register or for registration in the Stud Book or Appendix Register or for registration of a prefix, tattoo mark or fire brand shall be rejected if:-
- (a) made by a person who is not an ordinary member of the Association;
  - (b) the Council is not satisfied that the particulars set out in the application are accurate;
  - (c) such information as may be required by the Council is not supplied to the satisfaction of the Council, or
  - (d) the applicant has failed or neglected to observe and fulfil all requirements of the Regulations.

## 6. Deregistration and Deaths

- 6.1 Any animal may upon the written application of its registered owner be deregistered at a specified date by the Council and thereupon the cancellation of such registration as at the specified date shall be recorded in the Stud Book.
- 6.2 The Council may cancel the entry in the Progeny Register and/or the registration in the Stud Book or Appendix Register of any animal if:-
- (a) the prescribed fee payable upon any entry registration or transfer or application for transfer of such animal shall not be duly paid; or
  - (b) the animal be sold, exchanged, leased or otherwise disposed of and if no application for transfer in the prescribed form or Sales Record be lodged with the Registrar or if the prescribed fee be not paid within two months of such disposition; or
  - (c) by reason of bankruptcy or liquidation or otherwise by operation of law the person registered as the owner of the animal in the Stud Book or entered in the Progeny Register shall be divested of the ownership of the animal.
- 6.3 Deregistration shall not constitute a disqualification from re-registration.
- 6.4 Notice shall be given by the registered owner to the Registrar of the death of any registered animal.

## 7. Transfer of Animals

- 7.1 Upon the sale, exchange, gift, lease or other disposition of an animal entered in the Progeny Register or registered in the Stud Book or Appendix Register there shall be lodged by the registered owner with the Registrar within sixty (60) days

- of such disposition an application for transfer in the form set out in Schedule 3 signed by the transferor to be recorded in the records of the Association unless the Transferee shall waive such requirement.
- 7.2 Subject to these regulations, every transfer shall be recorded by the Registrar in the Association's records.
- 7.3 The prescribed fee in respect of each transfer and the publicity fee set out in Schedule 4 shall both be payable by the transferor and no transfer shall be accepted for registration unless it shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee and the publicity fee.
- 7.4 Subject to sub-clause (i) hereof a publicity fee shall be payable to the Association on all bulls and all female cattle sold for breeding purposes calculated at one point one percent (1.1%) (inclusive of GST) of the animal's sale price provided:-
- (i) that no publicity fee shall be payable in the case of a sale
    1. by a member not being a company to a company which is also a member where the transferor controls more than half of the voting power of the transferee company; or
    2. by a member being a company to another company which is also a member and which is at the date of the transfer deemed to be related to the transferor by virtue of the provisions of the Corporations Act.
- 7.5 Applications for transfers submitted outside these prescribed limits may be accepted at the discretion of the Council which will also determine what additional fees (if any) shall apply thereto;
- 7.6
- (i) Where a transfer submitted for registration is expressed to be by way of lease, the lessee shall at the expiration or sooner determination of the lease submit to the Secretary for registration a transfer of the animal to the Lessor.
  - (ii) The Council may at any time upon such evidence as to such expiration or determination as it considers sufficient, call upon the Lessee to submit such transfers and if he shall fail to do so, the Council may direct the Registrar to record a transfer and re-register the Lessor as the owner of the animal in place of the Lessee.
  - (iii) The transfer shall be rejected unless at the time of the transfer the lessor is an ordinary member of the Association.
- 7.7 In the event that a transferor has failed to lodge a transfer within six months of sale lease exchange or gift the Council may authorise the General Manager to sign a transfer of the animal on the transferor's behalf.

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## 8. Artificial Insemination

8. Artificial insemination may be practiced subject to the following conditions.

### General

- 8.1 Except as is otherwise specifically provided hereunder, in relation to artificial insemination, the rules and regulations governing purebred Santa Gertrudis herds and herds being graded up to purebreds through successive top crosses, shall be the same as the rules and regulations in relation to breeding by natural service.
- 8.2 Any member who desires to practice artificial insemination within a stud or who is conducting artificial insemination within a stud shall, at the request of Council, furnish to the Council all relevant information relating to the practice of artificial insemination being conducted or proposed within that stud including but without being limited to:-
- (a) information as to the methods and procedure proposed to be adopted or being adopted;
  - (b) the dates or periods of time in which it is proposed to practice artificial insemination within the stud;
  - (c) the dates or periods of time in which artificial insemination has been practiced within the stud.

### For Owner/s of Sires

- 8.3 Except as is provided in Regulation 8.7, when artificial insemination is employed in the herd of any given owner or organisation, the males and females must be owned by such owner or organisation. The word "owned" as used in this regulation shall mean that-
- (a) the given owner or organisation must be the sole owner of the females;
  - (b) in respect of any transaction or agreement in relation to a bull entered into prior to 1 July 1986 the given owner or organisation shall be one of not more than four (4) owners of the bull and not more than four (4) owners of the bull shall be registered by the Association;
  - (c) in respect of any transaction or agreement (other than a transaction or agreement in relation to a bull entered into prior to 1 July 1986) the given owner or organisation shall be one of not more than eight (8) owners of the bull and no more than eight (8) owners of the bull shall be registered by the Association.

The terms “given owner” and “organisation” as used in this regulation shall mean bona fide breeder members of the Association and may not be extended to include organisations whose business is the collection or processing of semen for the purpose of marketing.

- 8.4 Details of sole ownership or part-ownership of a bull to be used for artificial insemination must be recorded with the Association by the submission of a Transfer Certificate in favour of the sole owner or each part-owner. Except in special circumstances and with the approval of the Council, the transfer of ownership or part-ownership of any bull being used for artificial insemination will be limited to once every twelve months if his calves are to be accepted by the Council.
- 8.5 After the death of a bull, the Association will accept transfer of sole ownership or part-ownership, represented by doses of semen collected during the bull's lifetime, under the same conditions as set out in sub-paragraph 8.4 of this regulation.
- 8.6 The Council may require a bull to be blood typed and or DNA typed for parentage verification at the cost of the applicant and this to be advised to the Association. Further, the Council may require verification of parentage (either by blood typing or DNA typing) of any calf got by artificial insemination at the expense of the applicant

## **Non-Owners of Sire**

- 8.7 When artificial insemination is employed in the herds of a given owner or organisation and when such owner or organisation is not the owner or part owner of the bull, the following conditions shall apply:-
- (i) There shall be no limitation on the number of calves which may be produced provided the member is the sole owner of the females;
  - (ii) Females may be inseminated, but if a member wishes to enter in the Stud Book (ie at classification) the resultant progeny of any female so inseminated, such member shall supply to the Association a Certificate of Artificial Insemination supplied by the owner or part owner of the donor bull and no such progeny shall be entered in the Stud Book until the Certificate of Artificial Insemination is supplied to the Association;
  - (iii) The owner or part owner may obtain Artificial Insemination Certificates from the Association at a cost per Certificate as the Council may from time to time determine and such Certificates may be supplied on such terms and conditions as may be agreed between the owner or part-owners on the one hand and the non-owner on the other hand to non-owners to establish parentage of pure bred calves;
  - (iv) Semen from bulls which are deceased may be used provided all other conditions have been fulfilled;

- (v) It will be the obligation of the owner to comply with all relevant government health tests.

## **Imported Semen**

- 8.8 The conditions governing the use of artificial insemination shall apply to imported semen.
- 8.9 Before imported semen shall be acceptable to this Association for use in the registration of progeny in any category, the donor bull and, where practicable, the progeny of the bull, shall be inspected by a nominee of this Association who shall submit a full report and recommendation for acceptance or otherwise for the consideration and final decision of the Council.
- 8.10 Adequate notice of the intention to import semen from a particular bull must be given so that this Association can arrange for an inspection.
- 8.11 The cost of inspection shall be borne by the applicant.

## **9. Embryo Transfer**

- 9.1 Any member producing calves by embryo transfer or who desires to produce calves by embryo transfer shall, at the request of Council, furnish to the Council all relevant information relating to the practice of embryo transfer being conducted or proposed including, but without being limited to:-
  - (i) Information as to methods and procedure proposed to be adopted or being adopted.
  - (ii) The dates or periods of time in which it is proposed to practice embryo transfer.
  - (iii) The dates or periods of time in which embryo transfer has been practised.
- 9.2 Upon application made by a member to enter a calf in a Progeny Register or to enter an animal in the Stud Book or the Appendix Register to the Stud Book, such calf being a product of an embryo transfer programme the Council may require the subject animal, donor sire, donor dam or recipient dam to be DNA typed for parent verification at the cost of the applicant.

## **10. Classification**

- 10.1 At the request of an ordinary member, a field director will inspect and examine cattle nominated by the member for the purposes of determining whether those cattle should be classified as certified purebred or accredited within the meaning of those terms in this Regulation. All cattle presented must, prior to inspection, be entered in the Progeny Register.

## 10.2 (a)

- (i) Santa Gertrudis cattle submitted to a Field Director of the Association for classification and acceptance by the Santa Gertrudis Breeders' (Australia) Association as certified purebred or accredited must meet a minimum standard for Santa Gertrudis based to the extent set forth in sub-clauses (ii) and (iii) hereof upon the Standard of Excellence on personal inspection by such Field Director.
- (ii) (ii) In deciding whether Santa Gertrudis cattle so submitted meet a minimum standard for Santa Gertrudis the Field Director shall have regard to the Standard of Excellence:-
  - (a) in so far as it prescribes mandatory bases for disqualification;
  - (b) save as aforesaid as a guide in assisting him to decide whether in the exercise of his subjective judgment cattle submitted for classification meet such minimum standard.
  - (iii) The Standard of Excellence is not an exclusive code expressing in precise terms the only characteristics for Santa Gertrudis cattle submitted for classification to which the Field Director shall have regard in deciding whether such cattle meet such minimum standard.
- (b) Bulls presented by ordinary members for classification must meet the Certified Purebred category to be acceptable. Bulls so classified shall be branded with an S.
- (c) Females presented by ordinary members for classification, are divided into two categories

1. Certified Purebred; and

2. Accredited.

Those females classified as certified purebred shall be branded with an S. Those females classified as accredited shall be branded with an S-bar.

10.3 The Certified Purebred category represents animals that have four or more top crosses and meet a minimum standard for Santa Gertrudis based on the Standard of Excellence as provided in Regulation 10.2(a).

10.4 The Accredited category represents females that have a minimum of three top crosses and meet a minimum standard for Santa Gertrudis based on the Standard of Excellence.

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- 10.5 The branding of animals that, in the opinion of the Field Director, meet the Minimum standard for Santa Gertrudis, shall be done in the presence of the Field Director at the time the animals are classified. Males and females that do not meet the minimum standard for Santa Gertrudis shall be rejected. Such animals shall not be branded.
- 10.6 Males and females that do not meet the minimum standard for Santa Gertrudis on the day of classification may, on the recommendation of the Field Director, be held over and be again presented within 18 months or sooner if required by the Council and failing such presentation the animal shall be deemed to be rejected;
- 10.7 Cattle which have been rejected by the Field Director shall not be eligible to be again presented for classification provided that, in the event of the member being dissatisfied with the Field Director's decision he shall have the right of appeal to the Council. Such appeal shall be made in writing to the Council within fourteen (14) days of the animal's rejection and shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee which may be returned to the applicant at the conclusion of the appeal, or may be forfeited as the Council thinks fit. The Council may or may not require that a further inspection of the animal be made and in the event of an inspection being made, the appellant shall be responsible for all costs associated with such inspection. On appeal the Council shall have the same discretions and rights as the Field Director.
- 10.8 Animals presented for classification shall be of a minimum age of 15 months.
- 10.9 The Council may at any time call upon a member to present any animal over the age of eighteen (18) months of age for classification within a period of 14 days from the date of notification. If the animal is not presented it shall be regarded as rejected unless otherwise determined by the Council;
- 10.10 Before being presented for classification, cattle in all categories must be tattoo marked and clearly fire branded with an individual tattoo number and the breeder's registered brand;
- 10.11 The breeder shall be required to prepare a list of the cattle to be presented, in the appropriate categories and showing in numerical order the individual tattoo number carried by each animal.

## 11. Grading-Up

- 11.1 Breeders desiring to following a Grading-Up programme for the purpose of eventually presenting the fourth generation offspring as purebreds acceptable to the Santa Gertrudis Breeders' (Australia) Association may do so provided all regulations laid down by the Association are satisfactorily complied with. All

breeders who are following a Grading-Up programme, irrespective of whether they have S or S bar branded cattle, are affected by such regulations.

- 11.2 Any foundation herd of females of any breed or cross may be used, provided that only Registered or Appendix Registered classified pure bred Santa Gertrudis bulls are used and that the following breeding procedure is adopted:-

<b>HOW TO ARRIVE AT FOUR TOP CROSSES</b>		
<b>'S' Bull Crossed with</b>		<b>Gives</b>
3rd Cross Cow	15/16 blood	4th Cross (Purebred)
2nd Cross Cow	7/8 blood	3rd Cross
1st Cross Cow	3/4 blood	2nd Cross
Cow	1/2 blood	1st Cross

**'S' Bull = Registered or Appendix Registered Classified Santa Gertrudis Bull**

- 11.3 Before commencing his Grading-Up programme, a breeder must:-
- (i) make application for Ordinary membership with the Association. Grading-Up programmes conducted by Commercial, Associate or Junior members will not be recognised;
  - (ii) submit for the approval by the Council of the Association a G.U.-1 form in accordance with Schedule 6 which shall give such information as may be required by the Association
- 11.4 Breeders whose Grading-Up programme has been approved by the Association may apply for inspection by an Association's Official Field Director of second top cross heifers each year or before the time such heifers are placed in the breeding herd and/or to consult with the Field Director regarding their breeding programme.
- 11.5 Commencing with third cross females, an Association Field Director will classify the cattle in accordance with the Standard of Excellence and only those animals which meet the minimum requirements based on this standard will be certified by him.
- 11.6 Second and third cross females or their progeny will not be eligible for inspection or classification if they are either registered with or have been submitted for registration with any other breed or organisation.



- 11.7 Females at first, second and third cross in Grading-Up programmes shall be branded on the near or off thigh indicating first, second and third cross, as the case may be. A system using the brands 1X, 2X and 3X to designate the first, second and third crosses respectively has been adopted.
- 11.8 Movement of cross bred animals. In order to qualify for a Grading-Up programme in the hands of a new owner cross bred animals must be branded (in accordance with 11.7) and must also be branded with the holding brand of the owner. Each animal sold must be transferred by Sales Record Form from the original owner to the new owner, a copy of which must be forwarded to the Association by the Vendor at the time of transfer. All females from first cross upwards and including foundation herd females certified in calf to a classified pure bred Santa Gertrudis bull to qualify for a Grading-Up programme in the hands of a new owner, must have been part of an approved Grading-Up programme in the hands of the previous owner.
- 11.9 Third cross females shall be eligible for classification only if they have been entered in the Progeny Register in accordance with these Regulations. Late entry fees shall not apply to third cross females.
- 11.10 Notwithstanding anything contained in this Regulation, Council may, at the request of an ordinary member, designate females as not less than second cross provided, in the opinion of the Council, the following criteria are met:-
- (i) The member produces evidence, including relevant documents, that, in the opinion of a Field Director, demonstrate that the member has been utilising classified S bulls to the exclusion of all other entire male animals for a period of at least 10 years.
  - (ii) That, after individual inspection by a Field Director, the Field Director is satisfied that the cattle to be designated as second cross are of sufficient quality, standard and breed character as to warrant such designation.

## 12. Accredited Commercial Breeders

- 12.1 A Commercial Member may, should he so elect submit with his application for membership a Stock Return in the prescribed form which shall set out details of his commercial herd showing:
- (i) The number of Santa Gertrudis purebred, crossbred or infused breeding females;
  - (ii) The number of breeding females other than Santa Gertrudis females included under (i), which are being bred or are intended to be bred with bulls listed under (iii);
  - (iii) The number of Santa Gertrudis purebred, cross-bred and infused bulls together with details of their origin;

- (iv) The number of Santa Gertrudis-type calves both male and female;
  - (v) Such other details or information as the Council may from time to time determine.
- 12.2 A Commercial Member who has elected to furnish a Stock Return may further make application to the Council for recognition as an Accredited Commercial Santa Gertrudis Breeder provided that he shall submit his herd for inspection by an Association Field Director and undertake to pay an inspection fee together with the Field Director's travelling and accommodation expenses (if any);
- 12.3 Subject to a favourable report by the Field Director, the Council may grant recognition to a Commercial Member as an Accredited Commercial Santa Gertrudis Breeder for a period of one year. At the expiration of the first year and each year thereafter, the Commercial Member must make further application for recognition after which his herd shall be inspected by a Field Director and subject to a favourable report, the Council may grant recognition for another year provided that the applicant shall pay such renewal fee as may be determined by the Council together with the Field Director's travelling and accommodation expenses (if any);
- 12.4 The Council may withdraw recognition of any Accredited Commercial Santa Gertrudis Breeder at any time and shall not be required to assign any reason for so doing;
- 12.5 The Association reserves the right to inspect, at the breeder's expense, the herd of any recognised Accredited Commercial Santa Gertrudis breeder at any time;

## 13. Multiple Sire Herds

The following regulations shall govern the running of Multiple Sire Herds:-

- 13.1 A written statement must be addressed to the SGB(A)A of the Breeder's intent to run a Multiple Sire Herd, together with a list of the individual numbers of the Classified Bulls to be used, and the individual numbers of the S and S bar females running in such herds.
- 13.2 Progeny from Multiple Sire Herds shall be eligible for classification and breeders shall be required to apply for entry in the Progeny Register in accordance with these Regulations and in the appropriate AP1 or AP2 section of the Stud Book. Late entry fees shall not apply to Multiple Sire Herd Progeny.
- 13.3 Breeders shall be required to brand the letter M on the buttock (near or off, depending on which side they brand) of all calves from Multiple Sire Herds.

- 13.4 Bulls from Multiple Sire Herds classified S and females from Multiple Sire Herds classified S or S bar may be used in single-sire or multiple-sire herds and their progeny will be eligible for progeny registration in the usual way.

## **14. Miscellaneous**

- 14.1 No member and no person submitting an animal for entry in the Progeny Register or for registration in the Stud Book or Appendix Register and no owner of any animal registered in the Stud Book or Appendix Register shall use any of the terms defined in these Regulations in respect of animals to which they are not properly attributable.
- 14.2 It shall be the duty of every member to keep proper records of his stud breeding activities and all such records so kept shall be open for inspection by any person authorised by the Council to inspect the same, and any such person shall be at liberty to take such extracts therefrom as he may think fit.
- 14.3 The Code of Practice “offers and sale of interests in cattle genetic material and sale of cattle” adopted by the Australian Registered Cattle Breeders’ Association Inc. shall be incorporated in and form part of these Regulations.