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**Official Regulations Governing Artificial Insemination  
Effective October 29, 2014**

These rules govern Artificial Insemination and enable registration of animals pursuant to Section C, Article 2.1(d) of the Bylaws of the Canadian Angus Association.

**Section 1**

To be registered as an AI approved sire; all bulls from which semen is being collected for the purpose of sale must:

- (a) Be parentage verified by DNA at a laboratory approved by the Canadian Angus Association. In accordance with the Canadian Angus Association's Parentage Verification Policy.
- (b) Sires that have a known carrier of any genetic condition, for which there is a DNA test commercially available, within the first two (2) generations of their pedigree are required to be tested prior to registration of calves.
- (c) The owner must sign an Application for AI approval (CAAFORM29) and pay the fee as outlined in the current fee schedule.
- (d) The owner will designate the sire as an AI approved bull for either Owner's Use Only or Public Access

AI approval is required on any breeding sire who's semen is being used to breed females outside the owner's herd. The Canadian Angus Association recognizes the CFIA's definition of owner's use only semen. Requirements for bovines collected for owner's use only:

Owner's use only semen is intended for use by owners of donor animals in their own herd. Owner's use bovine semen must only be collected and processed by a person or organization holding a *Permit to collect and process animal semen for owner use only*. This permit is issued by the National Coordinator of the Artificial Insemination program. There is no requirement to be an accredited veterinarian to obtain this permit. Further information may be obtained from the district office. (Taken from the CFIA Accredited Veterinarian's Manual, Chapter 10, Section 2 Bovine, 6.0 Owner's Use Only Semen)

- (e) Those countries from which semen is acceptable and where the bulls are registered in the official Association Herdbook are Argentina, Australia, Canada, Great Britain, New Zealand, South Africa and the United States. Health regulations in some countries may prohibit importation of semen to Canada.
- (f) A calf the product of artificial insemination shall be eligible for registration provided:
  - (i) The Dam is registered in the Canadian Angus Herdbook.
  - (ii) The sire is registered (or recorded as in the case of a dam purchased bred, from another country) in the Canadian Angus Herdbook.
  - (iii) The sire in question is AI approved (or you are the owner on record of the sire)

Once a bull is AI approved he will remain AI approved and any animals that were designated prior to October 29, 2014 will remain so approved.

IF A COW IS RE-BRED BY ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION OR BY NATURAL SERVICE FROM A DIFFERENT SIRE WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE PREVIOUS SERVICE, THE OWNER IS REQUIRED TO REPORT BOTH SERVICES TO THE CANADIAN ANGUS ASSOCIATION REGISTRY OFFICE AND A PARENTAGE TEST WILL BE REQUIRED. IT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BREEDER TO BEAR THE COST OF SUCH PARENTAGE TESTS.

#### Section 2

All bulls from which semen is collected in Canada must meet the Health of Animal requirements administered by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (for more information visit [www.inspection.gc.ca](http://www.inspection.gc.ca)). During the period of isolation, semen may be collected but such semen shall not be distributed until the bull has met these health requirements.

#### Section 3

Semen from a bull owned by one breeder may be carried or shipped to another breeder for the purpose of inseminating a cow owned by the latter provided the bull is AI approved.

#### Section 4 – IMPORTED SEMEN

The donor bull must be registered in the Canadian Angus Herdbook (use Application for Registration of an Imported (Foreign) Animal CAAFORM12).

The Association requires a legible copy of the official foreign registration certificate, DNA parentage markers, a DNA parentage report of the bull showing parentage verification to his sire and dam and a completed Application to AI Approve (CAAFORM29).

The importer of semen into Canada must be a current member of the Canadian Angus Association.