

Gelbvieh Online Registration System

Quick Tips

- When entering data using the online animal registry, members do not need to enter data all at one sitting. The system is designed to add calves to the appropriate contemporary group regardless of when the data is entered. For example, during calving season members might enter calving data on a weekly basis. Once all calves are born and entered the summer report can be printed with adjusted weights and ratios of the entire group.
- When you go to a screen that displays data such as weaning weights, you can sort on any column and see which animals have not had data entered to date. To enter the data, simply click on Edit to the right of the animal and go to the screen to enter the data.
- Registering animals online is the same as registering animals using paper registration applications. The minimum data required on each calf is the sire and dam registration numbers, a unique prefix and tattoo for that calving year, birth date and sex. (Weaning and yearling data can be added at a later date.)
- Ultrasound Barn Sheets may be printed from the online registry system by using the My Reports tab, or members may call the CGA office to request barn sheets.
- Herd Assessments can be completed using the online registry system for Traditional and All Inclusive members. Due date for Herd Assessments is April 1st. To sign up for the online registry system, or if you have questions concerning your Herd Assessment, contact the CGA office at 403-250-8640 or email gelbvieh@gelbvieh.ca

How to Print Certificates/Performance Pedigrees

To print a certificate/performance pedigree on an animal go to “MY HERD”, “MY TRANSFERS”. I would suggest you sort the animals by birth date. To do this, click on Column Header, “Birth Date” one time. This will bring your youngest calves up to the top. Find the calf you want a paper on and go to the right of the animal’s birth date “Print or Transfer”. Click on “Print” a screen will come up “Request Certificate Print”. Verify this is the correct calf and click on “Send”. The certificate/performance pedigree will print up and get mailed out the next business day. In time you will be able to print this on your printer, but right now we are set up for it. If you are transferring an animal YOU DO NOT NEED TO PRINT A CERTIFICATE, it will automatically print up and mailed out the next business day.

Using the Quick Sire Picker

When entering calf data, most of the data fields have pull down boxes to eliminate the need to enter codes. By using the Quick Sire Picker under the Tools menu, you can create a list of sires used in your breeding program. Sires used during the breeding season and are potential sires of your calf crop can be added to the Quick Sire Picker by entering the registration numbers. Simply enter the registration number (CDGV123456 for Gelbvieh or Balancer® bull) in the “Sirereg” box and click “add”.

For any non-Gelbvieh sires you will need to enter the registry (four letter code) and the registration number, i.e. CDAN13062750. Registries for commonly used breeds are CDAN for Canadian Angus, AMAN for American Angus, AMAR for American Red Angus, CDSM for Canadian Simmental, CDHH for Canadian Hereford. If a non-CDGV sire is not currently in the CGA database you will need to email the office with the registration number of the animal and we can quickly add him to the list. If you are unsure of whether a non-CDGV animal is in the data base you can use the Search for an Animal function on the main Gelbvieh website and enter part of the animal’s name to see if you can find a listing.

Once you have entered all the sires the Sire Quick Pick List will include all the sires entered. When entering calving data there is a field to add a sire registration number, you can either enter the registration number or use the pull down menu which will show the sires you entered in the Quick Sire Picker. Sires can be added or removed from the Quick Sire Picker as needed.

How to register a calf

The first thing you want to do is go up to “Tools” “Quick Sire Picker”. Add all the sires you have used before recording the calves

Once this is done go to “My Herd” “My Inventory”. You will want to change the display year (upper left) to the year the calf was born. Find the dam of the calf you want to record and go to the far right of its column to “Update/Calving” Click on “Calving”. This is where you would enter the calving data.

- When entering the calf’s tattoo there will be your herd prefix and the year code the calf was born. Add the tattoo number next to the year code (ie: 101Z or Z101). You can use the same tattoo or whatever your tag system is in the “calf tag”.
- When you are ready to enter the sire you have two choices: 1 – enter the sire’s registration number on each calf or 2 – use the drop down box and pick the sire of the calf.
- When entering the name of the animal **“DO NOT USE YOUR PREFIX”**. The prefix is automatically part of the name. Do include the unique animal ID number (101B) and for ET calves include the letters ET at the end of the name.
- Any field with an * MUST have data entered.
- When all the data is entered go to the bottom of the screen and hit save. If there are any problems recording the calf you will get an error message.

How to record twins

If recording a twin, you need to record the 1st twin under "MY HERD" "MY INVENTORY". The 2nd twin will be recorded by going to "My Performance" "My Calving". Change the calving year to the year the calf was born. At the bottom of "My Calving" you will see "Add". Once you click on "Add" you can record the calf data. Be sure to use the correct twin code under single/twin box.

How to record Embryo calves

Go to "My Performance" "My Calving". Change the calving year to the year the calf was born. At the bottom of "My Calving" you will see "Add". Once you click on "Add" you can record the calf data.

If you do not own the Donor dam you are recording the embryo calf out of, you need to send the registration information the old way, on paper with the Embryo Transfer form along with the Registration Application, mailed, emailed or faxed to the CGA office

Entering Weaning/Yearling Data

To enter animals weaning data online go to "My Performance" "My Weaning". You will want to change the display year (upper left) to the year the calf was born. When in "My Weaning" find the calf you want to record a weaning weight on and go to the far right of its column to "Edit" "View". Click on "Edit". This is where you would enter the weaning data. To enter yearling data go to "My Performance" "My Yearling" then follow the same instructions. If all of the animals were weighed on the same day, the system will hold the date for you. To do this when you are in the first animal's Enter/Edit screen, the top left is "Default Entry Values". If you put the weigh date there and hit "Set", the weigh date will automatically be in all of your animal records until you "Clear" the date. MAKE SURE YOU CLEAR THE DATE when you are done.

How to change a calving year

Anytime you see a year (ie: 2012) on the screen you are looking at, this will be for calves born in that year (ie: 2012) only. If you need to see your 2011 or older animals you would want to change the Display Year to the year you want to look at (on the top left corner under the Ranch Name) then click "CHANGE".

How to transfer

Go to "My Herd" then to "My Transfer". Find the animal you want to transfer. On the far right side you will see "print or transfer". Click on "transfer". This will take you to the transfer screen. Verify this is the animal you want to transfer. **NOTE - if you have breeding information you need to enter the breeding information, at the bottom of the screen, before you transfer the animal.** If you have the correct animal up put in the buyer number (if you have the number) then hit "transfer". If you do not have the buyer number you will go to **Request Buyer Number From Office**. Complete the name and address then hit "send". The information comes to the CGA office and we will send you the buyer number. Once you have the buyer number you will transfer the animal by doing the steps mentioned above. **If you want the certificate to come back to you, instead of the buyer, you need to uncheck the "Send Paper to Buyer" box.** The certificate will print up the next business day and mailed out to either the new owner or the seller.

How to make corrections in an animal's record

First off you can make changes to animals 16 months or younger. Go to “My Performance” then “My Calving”. You would change the calving year to the year the animal was born (see below “how to change a calving year”). Once in the correct Calving year, find the animal you need to correct and click on Edit. This is where you would make any changes on any of your animals 16 months of age or younger. Once you make the changes and click “Save”, the changes are done right there and then.

How to dispose of an animal no longer active in your herd

Bulls - To dispose of any bull in your database you go in to “MY HERD”, “MY REGISTERED MALES”. Once in this screen you can sort the bulls by registration #, tattoo, tag, name or birthdate (I find birth date easiest), by clicking on the column header you want to sort by. This may make it easier to find the animals you are looking for. Once you find the bull you want to take off your inventory, go to the far right of his column (right next to his birth date) and click on view. This will bring up his “Quicklook” for you to verify this is the animal you want to take off your inventory. At the bottom left of this page you will see “Disposal” and a drop down box. Go in to the drop down box and find the reason you are disposing him and click on it. Once you are sure this is the animal you want disposed of click on save and he will no longer be in your data base.

Females - You can do the same thing for your females except you would go in to “MY REGISTERED FEMALES”.

Managing Associate Herds

For individuals who manage multiple memberships, whether partnerships, juniors, or other member herds on your farm or ranch, the associate herds feature offers ease and convenience. Members can set which member number is the master herd and which member numbers are the associate herds. When you log on to the online registry system, you will see inventories that include all the animals from all the memberships under the master herd.

One tip with the associated herds, the system will automatically default to the master herd. This can cause some errors when registering calves. However, the solution is easy. Use the "applicant" box at the bottom of the screen to change the membership name to the owner of the dam. If you are unsure who the owner of record on the dam is, go to the CGA Animal Search at www.gelbvieh.ca to locate the animal and view who is the owner.