## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

## DROUGHTMASTER STUD BREEDERS' SOCIETY LIMITED

## 1. PRELIMINARY

- 1.1 In these Regulations, unless the contrary intention appears, the following words will have the following meanings:
  - (a) 'A.B.R.I.' means Agricultural Business Research Institute.
  - (b) 'Additional Sales' means auction sales which sell predominantly Droughtmaster genetics other than Sponsored Sales.
  - (c) 'A.R.C.B.A.' means Australian Registered Cattle Breeders' Association.
  - (d) 'Auction Sales' are sales conducted by auction at which any registered bulls, registered females and herd bulls are sold for breeding purposes and which sale has been promoted utilizing the name 'Droughtmaster' or any Droughtmaster Intellectual Property.
  - (e) 'Constitution' means the Constitution of the Society.
  - (f) 'Droughtmaster Intellectual Property' includes, without limitation, trademarks, business names, distinctive 'getup', symbols, phrases, pictures or devices utilised by the Society for the purposes of the Society, including the promotion of the Droughtmaster name.
  - (g) 'EBV' means estimated breeding value.
  - (h) 'Group Breedplan EBV's' means EBV's that allow cross herd comparisons.
  - (i) 'Breedplan EBV's' means individual EBV's published as a Society group;
  - (j) 'P', 'S' and 'H' means, when used as part of a name or number for Droughtmaster Cattle, polled, scurred or horned as the case may be.
  - (k) 'Registered' in relation to an animal means when it is entered into the Droughtmaster Herd Database.
  - (I) 'Rules of Certification' are the rules detailed within clause 3 which have been adopted by the Society for the purpose of registering and certifying cattle as Droughtmaster cattle and Approved or Certified Bulls to mate with Droughtmaster cattle.
  - (m) **'Society'** means Droughtmaster Stud Breeders' Society Limited ACN 010 129 683.
  - (n) **'Society Sponsored Sales'** means Auction Sales which are run by the Society on behalf of Members.
  - (o) 'Endorsed sales' means sales which are run by members in accordance with these Regulations.
  - (p) 'Stud' means, in relation to any animal, an animal registered by the Society, and in relation to any business, means a Droughtmaster breeding business which utilises a prefix authorised by the Society.
  - (q) 'Dispersal Sale' means a sale by a member of the Society including, but not limited to the following:

- i. If the member uses the word 'dispersal' or similar words or phrases in their advertising.
- ii. The board of the Society forms the view, that a buyer would reasonably conclude that the sale was intended to be a dispersal sale.
- iii. The member tells the Society that it is a dispersal sale.
- (r) 'TBTS' means Tropical Beef Technology Services.
- 1.2 Any terms defined in the Constitution will be deemed to have the same meaning in these Regulations.
- 1.3 In the event of any inconsistency in meaning between the Constitution and the Regulations the meaning expressed in the Constitution will prevail.
- 1.4 Expressions referring to writing will include references to printing, electronic, lithography, photography and other modes of representing or reproducing words in a visible form.
- 1.5 Words or expressions contained in these Regulations will be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the Acts Interpretation Act as amended or any Act passed in replacement.

## 2. BREACHES OF CONSTITUTION OR REGULATIONS

- 2.1 In addition to those powers detailed in Clause 7.1 of the Constitution, the Board may make regulations (wholly at its discretion) to implement sanctions of the nature referred to below to punish an actual or threatened breach of the Constitution or the Regulations by a Member:
  - (a) fines
  - (b) deregistration of cattle
  - (c) increase in membership fees
  - (d) Cessation of membership.

# 3. RULES RELATING TO REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION OF ANIMALS

- 3.1 For the purpose of registering animals to build and perfect the Droughtmaster breed of cattle the Society will maintain the Droughtmaster Herd Database.
- 3.2 Members may apply to the Society on the DM1 Form for registration of animals in the Droughtmaster Herd Database.
- 3.3 When an animal is registered by the Society and entered in the Droughtmaster Herd Database that animal will be deemed to be duly recorded as a Droughtmaster in accordance with the status specified.
- 3.4 To qualify for registration, entry in the Droughtmaster Herd Database and pedigree certification as a Droughtmaster:
  - (a) an owner must keep a record of the date of birth of each calf, complete the DM1 Form and forward to the Secretary of the Society.
  - (b) no calf will be registered unless its dam and sire have been registered by the Society in the Herd Database. The sire and dam must also be specified and have been numbered and recorded with the Society.

- (c) the Society allows the progeny of multiple sires to be registered. All bulls used as multiple sires must be nominated in the registration of each calf. Not more than five bulls are permissible in one multiple sire group. That only D4 and D5 bulls can be used as multiple sires. The progeny of these matings (registered after May 2009) will be regarded as D2 or D3 only, unless verification of sire by DNA is forwarded to the Society. The progeny of multiple sires offered at Society Sponsored Sales should be DNA tested so the progeny can have the correct D rating (The onus is on the vendor to pay for the test on the calf for confirmation of parentage).
- (d) all male progeny to be registered, are to be registered before the age of thirty-six months.
- (e) each animal submitted for registration into the Herd Database must bear a unique brand or tattoo number. Males and females cannot have the same brand or tattoo number.
- (f) the member submitting an animal for registration must certify that an animal complies with the description of a Droughtmaster and conforms with the desirable or acceptable characteristics contained in the Standard of Excellence set out in the Constitution & Regulations.
- (g) any of the conditions listed below disqualify animals from registration in the Droughtmaster Herdbook, Society Sponsored Sales, Feature & Royal Shows & Beef Expos:
  - i. Double ears, defined as any unusual hair or skin formation appearing on the outer area of the ear(s)
  - ii. Broken colours & excessive amounts of colour other than red
  - iii. Head defects abnormal nose (twisted & bent), abnormal jaw
  - iv. Structure Abnormal gait, legs or feet
  - v. Underline any evidence of hernia or prolapse
  - vi. Scrotum abnormal scrotum and/or testes
  - vii. Udder abnormal udder or teats
- (h) the '**D**' Rating System was established for breeders to progress animals in a herd to the D5 status.
- (i) the 'D' system in no way invalidates the status of the existing Herd Database registered cattle. All cattle within the Herd Database have been evaluated as to their length of breeding and given a 'D' rating. Appendix females branded 'A' and appendix progeny branded 'D' prior to the introduction of the 'D' rating system, have not been rebranded, but the appropriate 'D' rating has been endorsed on their registration certificates.
- (j) the D1 to D5 system is based upon recognition of generations of breeding. While these generations already exist, the 'D' system accurately defines the generation of the progeny resulting from the mating of varying generations of cattle.
- (k) the D Rating system specifications are as follows:

#### Female Foundation Stock

Those animals which appear in a pedigree or in the Herd Database but have no registration number are designated as Foundation Stock, the original 'A' branded females.

- **D1** Females of between 25% and 75% Bos Indicus blood and exhibiting approximately half Bos Indicus characteristics and which are over the age of twelve months, may be entered in the Herd Database as D1, if in the opinion of the classifier they would improve the standard of the Droughtmaster breed as a whole.
  - Exceptional quality D1 eligible Droughtmaster females nominated by a member for classification can be graded as D2 if inspected and approved by an independent Society appointed classifier.
- **D2** Progeny of D1 females, mated with D2, D3, D4 or D5 males, approved by the Classifiers as suitable for registration as D2 animals according to the Standard of Excellence as set out in the Constitution and Regulations.
- D3 The progeny of D2 animals of one sex and D2, D3, D4 or D5 animals of the other sex according to the Standard of Excellence as set out in the Constitution and Regulations.
- **D4** The progeny of D3 animals of one sex and D3, D4, or D5 animals of the other sex according to the Standard of Excellence as set out in the Constitution and Regulations.
- D5 The progeny of D4 animals of one sex and D4 and D5 animals of the other sex may be selected by the breeder for D5 registration according to the Standard of Excellence as set out in the Constitution and Regulations. Any animal not so registered will remain unregistered.

The progeny of D5 males and females will be eligible to be registered as D5 provided they meet the Standard of Excellence as set out in the Constitution and the Regulations.

D5 shall be referred to as 'purebred'

- (I) On receipt of an application to register an animal in the Herd Database in accordance with these Regulations, the Secretary of the Society will, having regard to the information provided by the owner of an animal in the application, and any other information the Secretary considers relevant, either:
  - i. register an animal and make the appropriate entry in the Herd Database
  - ii. refer the application to a classifier as provided for in this Rule and subsequently act on the decision of the classifier
- (m) On registration of an animal in the Herd Database:
  - i. the Society will issue a certificate of such registration for D3, D4 & D5 and the registrant is entitled to use the trade mark 'Droughtmaster' in respect of that animal; D1 & D2 certificates will only be issued if requested and a fee as determined by the Board from time to time, will be charged.
  - ii. the horn status indicated by the suffix 'H', 'P', or 'S' must follow the name or number used as a name of all registered Droughtmaster stock where the animal is referred to in any document.

- iii. the Breeder's prefix under which an animal is registered cannot be altered by any subsequent owner, but if the animal has not been named by the breeder, the new owner may apply to the Secretary for a name of his choice to be added to the Breeder's prefix.
- 3.5 (a) Where genotype data indicates unresolved discrepancies in the recorded parentage, sex or recessive gene status of an animal born prior to 1 August 2019 the recorded information and the animal's registration status will remain unchanged.
  - (b) Where genotype data indicates unresolved discrepancies in the recorded parentage, sex or recessive gene status of an animal born after 1 August 2019 the suspected erroneous information will be removed from the Society database and the animal's registration status will be revoked until the discrepancies are resolved.

## 4. APPROVED BULLS

- 4.1 To qualify for registration and entry of an Approved Bull in the Herd Database a member must apply in writing to the Board.
- 4.2 Any bull being nominated as an Approved Bull must be pure red without any black or white pigmentation.
- 4.3 Any bull being nominated as an Approved Bull must be short coated and the progeny when inspected must be tropical in appearance and have a coat type typical of the Droughtmaster breed.
- 4.4 Bulls nominated for Approved Bull status must have at least 10 progeny on the ground before inspection takes place. These calves must be of both sexes and be the entire drop of that bull from registered Droughtmaster cows not just a selected group of calves.
- 4.5 If the Classifying Panel feel that the entire calf group is not presented they should not pass that bull.
- 4.6 On acceptance into the Herd Database, use of the bull through AI or natural service is limited to ONLY the stud or commercial herd of the Applicant Stud, for a period of three years from date of approval. (Not to be used in linked studs).
- 4.7 An Approved Bull will be allotted a rating of 'Approved Bull' which will be equivalent to a rating of D1.
- 4.8 **'Approved Bull'** fees: to be reviewed from time to time at the Board's discretion and included in the Fee Schedule.
- 4.9 **'Approved Bulls'** cannot be displayed at Droughtmaster Feature Shows, Futurities, Royal Shows or Beef Expos.
- 4.10 All Approved Bulls prior to registration must be DNA Profiled and tested negative for the Pompes disorder and the certificates forwarded to the Droughtmaster Society office.
- 4.11 All Approved Bulls must have a photograph of the bull and progeny provided for the file with the written recommendation from the Classifier.

## **4B APPROVED FEMALES**

- 4B.1 To qualify for registration and entry of an Approved Female in the Herd Database a member must apply in writing to the Society and be inspected by a Classifying panel from the approved list of classifiers kept by the Society.
- 4B.2 Any Female being nominated as an Approved Female should conform with the Standard of Excellence.
- 4B.3 Any Female being nominated as an Approved Female must be short coated and the progeny when inspected must be tropical in appearance and have a coat type typical of the Droughtmaster breed.
- 4B.4 Females nominated for Approved Female status must have at least 1 progeny on the ground before inspection takes place. These calves must be from a registered Droughtmaster Bull.
- 4B.5 On acceptance into the Herd Database, use of the female through ET or natural service is limited to ONLY the stud or commercial herd of the Applicant Stud, for a period of three years from date of approval. (Not to be used in linked studs).
- 4B.6 An Approved Female will be allotted a rating of 'Approved Female' which will be equivalent to a rating of D1.
- 4B.7 'Approved Female' fees: to be reviewed from time to time at the Board's discretion and included in the Fee Schedule.
- 4B.8 'Approved Females' cannot be displayed at Droughtmaster Feature Shows, Futurities, Royal Shows or Beef Expos.
- 4B.9 All Approved Females prior to registration must be tested negative for Pompes disease and certificate forwarded to the Droughtmaster office.
- 4B.10 All Approved Females must have a photograph of the Female and progeny provided or the file with the written recommendation from the Classifier.

## 5. CERTIFIED BULL

- 5.1 A Stud member must apply in writing to the Board to nominate a bull for registration and entry into the Herd Database.
- 5.2 Bulls nominated for Certified Bull status must be a purebred Droughtmaster, conform to the 'Standard of Excellence' as set out by the Constitution and Regulations and come from a Droughtmaster herd.
- 5.3 Bulls nominated must be identified with a firebrand number.
- 5.4 Bulls nominated for Certified Bull status must have been bred by the applicant.
- 5.5 Bulls nominated for Certified Bull status must have at least ten progeny on the ground before inspection takes place.
- 5.6 On receipt of an application to register a Certified Bull and on approval from the Board, the Secretary must refer the matter to a Classifying Panel, appointed by the Board, to approve bulls nominated for classification into the Herd Database.
- 5.7 The Classifying Panel will:
  - (a) inspect the Bull
  - (b) inspect at least ten Droughtmaster progeny of the Bull

- (c) view the herd from which the Bull was bred
- (d) brand acceptable bulls with the letter 'C'
- (e) direct the Secretary in writing whether or not to register the Bull.
- 5.8 On being directed by the Classifying Panel to register a Certified Bull the Secretary will:
  - (a) register the Bull and enter the details in the Herd Database
  - (b) advise the Member of the registration of the Certified Bull and the Ident Number
- 5.9 'Certified' will be included in the name of the bull in the Herd Database.
- 5.10 On acceptance into the Herd Database, use of the bull through AI or natural service is limited to ONLY the stud or commercial herd of the Applicant Stud, for a period of three years from date of Certification (not to be used in linked studs).
- 5.11 The bull and / or his semen may NOT be sold for use, nor used in other registered herds during that three year period.
- 5.12 A Certified Bull will be allotted a rating of D3, and can be joined to females at all rating levels (D1 through to D5). The progeny from these matings will be rated at one level above the lowest rating parent (e.g. D3 bull + D4 dam = D4 calf, D3 bull + D2 dam = D3 calf).
- 5.13 Certification fee: This fee to be reviewed from time to time at the Board's discretion and included in the Fee Schedule.
- 5.14 Certified bulls cannot be displayed at Droughtmaster Feature Shows, Futurities, Royal Shows & Beef Expos.
- 5.15 All Certified Bulls prior to registration must be DNA Profiled and tested negative for the Pompes disorder and the certificates forwarded to the Droughtmaster Society office.

### 6. CLASSIFYING PANEL

- 6.1 The Board may appoint from time to time members or officers of the Society, who are duly qualified in the opinion of the Board, to act as members of a Classifying Panel.
- 6.2 Each Classifying Panel must consist of not less than three members or officers of the Society (with D1 and D2 classifying exempt).
- 6.3 Classifying Panels may be appointed by the Board for the following reasons:
  - (a) to determine whether applications for registration as an Approved or Certified Bull should be accepted or rejected
  - (b) to determine whether applications for registration and certification of an animal as a Droughtmaster, and at the appropriate 'D' rating, should be accepted or rejected
  - (c) to investigate whether any animal registered and entered in the Droughtmaster Herd Database should be removed from the Herd Database
  - (d) to review and inquire into any animal offered for sale by any person to determine whether that animal does have the Droughtmaster status which that person claims the animal to have or the Approved Bull/Certified Bull status which that person claims the animal to have.
- 6.4 A classifying fee may apply if travelling costs are claimed by classifier. The fee equates to expenses claimed.

- 6.5 A Classifying Panel must conduct itself within the law and under the guidelines laid down by the Board and may, with the consent of the owner, enter any property and conduct any test on any animal.
- 6.6 No Member will unreasonably obstruct, fail to co-operate or fail to give consent to any Member of a Classifying Panel discharging their duty in accordance with these Regulations.
- 6.7 Any Member, who unreasonably obstructs, fails to co-operate or fails to give consent to any Member of a Classifying Panel discharging their duty will be deemed to be in wilful default of Clause 7.1 (c) of the Constitution.
- 6.8 At the conclusion of its appointment a Classifying Panel will advise the Board of its decision or recommendation.
- 6.9 If accepted the Board directs the Registrar/Secretary to register an animal in the Droughtmaster Herd Database the Registrar/Secretary will act accordingly.
- 6.10 In the event that a Classification Panel rejects an application for registration of an animal or otherwise makes a recommendation about an animal the Secretary will advise the Member who owns the animal in writing within 30 days of the decision by the Classifying Panel.
- 6.11 A Member who does not accept the decision of the first Classifying Panel may, within 30 days from the date of posting of the Secretary's notice, request the Board to appoint a second Classifying Panel. The second Classifying Panel will review the decision of the first Classifying Panel. If the second Classifying Panel overturns the decision or recommendation of the first Classifying Panel the Member will not be required to pay a second Classifying Fee. If the second Certification Panel upholds the decision of the first Classifying Panel then the Member will be required to pay a second Classifying Fee.
- 6.12 The decision of the second appointed Classifying Panel will be final and binding.
- 6.13 Members who have been members of the Society for 10 or more years are able to classify their own D1 and D2 females. For all other members, the member must apply to the Society for a classifier to classify their D1 and D2 females.

The Board may at their discretion from time to time make allowances for members who have been involved in the general beef industry for a lengthy period.

## 7. CALVES

- 7.1 Registered calves sold with their mothers require a separate transfer fee. Where a calf is too young to brand or tattoo, at the time of sale with its mother, the vendor will record on the dam's transfer:
  - (a) the sire of the calf
  - (b) the sex of the calf
  - (c) the birth date of the calf
  - (d) the fact that the calf is not registered
- 7.2 The new owner at the appropriate time will place his registered or symbol brand or tattoo and an identifying number on the calf and complete the DM1 Form within the required period.

# 8. ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION, EMBRYO TRANSPLANTS AND GENETICS

- 8.1 When a bull's semen is to be sold, the bull must be tested for Pompe's Disease and the results to be provided to the Society.
- 8.2 No registration of progeny by artificial insemination or a leased bull may be processed until a Sire Authorisation Certificate is provided to the Society. All relevant boxes on the Sire Authorisation Certificate to be completed. Failure to complete a Sire Authorisation could result in the semen or embryo being on-sold in the open market. Progeny of Pompes positive Al sires must be tested as negative to be eligible for registration.
- 8.3 Any straws of semen retained by the vendor when selling a bull, are limited to in-herd use unless agreed in writing by the purchaser or recorded as such in the sale catalogue. It is the vendor's responsibility to notify the Society of the number of straws retained.
- 8.4 Any Straws of semen or embryos retained must be noted in the catalogue and described as a percentage share or ownership retained by the vendor or the resulting progeny will not be able to be registered. Verbal notification is not sufficient.
- 8.5 The Board reserves the right to demand blood typing/DNA of cattle.
- 8.6 Members can get any number of calves from one straw of semen by either splitting straws or doing embryo transfer programmes. The Royalty (Right to Register) fee is paid to the first vendor of the semen.
- 8.7 A 5% commission to be charged to the owner of the bull on all 'Right to Register' fees collected by the office effective from January 1st 2010.
- 8.8 After 1st August 2019 any donor cow entering an ET or IVF program that produces calves eligible for registration will need to be DNA profiled by an approved laboratory, a copy of these results is to be forwarded to the Society, otherwise resultant progeny will not be registered.
- 8.9 From 1 April 2021 when a donor cow enters an embryo program and the cow's ovum/embryos are to be sold, the female or ovum must be tested negative for Pompes and the results are to be provided to the Droughtmaster Society office.
- 8.10 Any Droughtmaster sires that have semen sold after 1st August 2019 for registered use must be DNA profiled by an approved laboratory. A copy of these results is to be forwarded to the Society, otherwise resultant progeny will not be registered.
- 8.11 Any private arrangements made between the seller and the buyer in relation to registrations and on selling of semen must be documented in a contract between the buyer and the seller. A copy of the contract must be sent to the Society.
- 8.12 That semen straws collected prior to 1 April 2021 that do not have a DNA profile or Pompes status are exempt from DNA profiling and Pompes testing but all progeny being calf recorded or registered must be DNA profiled and Pompes tested as a mandatory requirement for registration and recording in the herd book.

## 9. BREEDING, HANDLING AND DISPOSAL OF ANIMALS

9.1 People who are not Members of the Society may be selected to judge Droughtmaster stud cattle.

- 9.2 If a Member fails, due to unforeseen circumstances, to disperse their whole registered herd at a dispersal sale, he/she may apply to the Society for special consideration to continue their herd.
- 9.3 If a Dispersal Sale is conducted by a member of the Society:
  - (a) All animals sold must be transferred in the usual way subject to rule 10.
  - (b) Any unsold animals are deregistered.
- 9.4 Any further use of the stud prefix under the ownership of the member conducting the Dispersal Sale is automatically barred from the date of the Dispersal Sale and no further registrations can be made under that stud prefix.
- 9.5 Despite clause 9.4, the stud prefix may continue to be used only in the following circumstances:
  - (a) The Board is reasonably satisfied that the stud prefix was transferred to another member of the Society along with all or a portion of the animals sold at the Dispersal Sale.
  - (b) The Dispersal Sale is unsatisfactory or does not proceed for any reason and the member of the Society has applied to the Board and the Board has granted permission to continue the stud under the same prefix. The Board has the absolute discretion as to whether the Member may continue the stud under the same prefix.
- 9.6 The Board may, at its absolute discretion, consider partial or complete exemptions to some, or all, of the requirements in this clause 9.3, but only if application is made by the member who conducted the Dispersal Sale, within 14 days of the Dispersal Sale.
- 9.7 If a member breaches this clause the board may decide, at its absolute discretion to terminate the membership of the member and impose a ban on membership to the member for any period of time the board considers desirable or appropriate having regard to the objects of the Society and the effective regulation of its membership.
- 9.8 When a Foundation Stud prefix is sold the 'Foundation Stud Status', subject to Board approval, will remain with the Stud.
- 9.9 The Droughtmaster mouthing standard will govern the maximum permissible dental development of Droughtmaster cattle being exhibited at shows or Society Sponsored Sales.
- 9.10 The Board will have the right to select any number of shows throughout the year where mouthing of some or all entries could be carried out.
- 9.11 The maximum dental development is based on the actual age of the animal on show/sale day and not the age as determined by the Show Society or Sale Committee for the setting of classes.
- 9.12 A Droughtmaster animal shall not be eligible for exhibition or judging at an Agricultural show or sold at a Society Sponsored Sale or Endorsed Sale if:

## (\* Days of age calculated at 30.5 days per month)

(a) In the case of an animal under 19 months (\*580 days) of age on the day of exhibition/sale, it has or has evidence of having had, a permanent tooth or teeth.

- (b) In the case of an animal under 25 months (\*763 days) of age on the day of exhibition/sale, it has or has evidence of having had, more than (2) two permanent teeth.
- (c) In the case of an animal under 30 months (\*915 days) of age on the day of exhibition/sale, it has or has evidence of having had, more than (4) four permanent teeth.
- 9.13 Animals which are found to be ineligible based on their dentition must be removed from the Showgrounds/Saleyards before judging/selling commences.
- 9.14 Only D4 and D5 cattle can be shown at Royal Shows, Futurities, Feature Shows and Beef Expos.
- 9.15 Registered stud cattle in the Droughtmaster Herd Database must have one readily identifiable permanent brand or tattoo. An NLIS tag is not considered permanent.
- 9.16 When exhibited at shows all bulls over 12 months must have a nose ring, all bulls between 9 & 12 months must have nose ring or nose-grip, females 9 months and above must have nose ring or nose-grip.
- 9.17 Where the rules of the organising body are not in place at Shows then the Droughtmaster rules apply.
- 9.18 Objection Forms will be available at each Society Sponsored Sale and Feature Show, Royal Show, Futurity Show and Beef Expo and if two (2) independent studs complete and sign the Objection Form and lodge by hand with the CEO of the Society, or if the CEO is absent or unavailable, then a Director, before 5pm on the day before the Show or Society Sponsored Sale, the CEO will contact the Directors in attendance and/or the Sale (or Show) Committee who will make a ruling on the objection before the commencement of the sale (or show) and if the animal does not comply with the Standard of Excellence, then the animal will be excluded.

#### 10. TRANSFER OF STOCK

- 10.1 Upon the sale, exchange, gift, lease, loan or other disposition of any Registered animal there shall be lodged by the original owner with the Registrar within 90 days of such disposition:
  - (a) a notification of such sale on the prescribed form (the reverse side of the Registration Certificate) signed by the vendor
  - (b) a notification of such exchange, gift, lease, loan, or other disposition (excluding transfer resulting from sale) on the prescribed form signed by vendor
  - (c) in the case of lease or loan, the commencing and terminating dates of the arrangements are to be shown
  - (d) in all instances the original owner is responsible for initiating the procedure and payment of the required transfer fee
  - (e) the date of transfer is the date the animal moved into new paddock.
- 10.2 Registered bulls sold will be transferred upon request with Registered bulls not transferred remaining active until culled at 15 years old.
- 10.3 Registered bulls sold as herd bulls can only be reactivated with breeder's written consent.
- 10.4 Calf recorded bulls can only be registered and transferred with breeder's written consent.

- 10.5 Culls can only be reactivated and transferred with breeder's written consent.
- 10.6 Payment of transfer fee by the vendor is mandatory.
- 10.7 Written notification of the date on which the female becomes unfinancial will be placed on registration certificates when the female is transferred to a non-member.
- 10.8 Full transfer fees be charged for all cattle included in the sale and/or transfer of a stud prefix.

## 11. SOCIETY SPONSORED SALES

- 11.1 Any fees or charges to be levied by the Society with respect to Auctions Sales will be set out in Annexure 'B'.
- 11.2 Only Full and Junior members can sell cattle at Society Sponsored Sales.
- 11.3 Sale dates for 'Additional Sales' are to be listed in all Society advertising and publications where Sponsored Sale dates appear.
- 11.4 ALPA and Society Approved Terms and Conditions of Sale must be adopted for use at Sponsored Sales.
- 11.5 Sale committees may be formed under the guidelines set out by the Board. One Director is ex officiated to each sale committee and that there is only one vote per stud. For the purpose of Clause 13.6 of the Constitution, no resolution may be passed at a Sale Committee meeting that binds the Society, but may make a recommendation to the Board.
- 11.6 Conditions of Entry to Society Sponsored Sales are available for each sale upon call of nominations.
- 11.7 All bulls offered for sale must undergo and pass the **ACV Bull Soundness Evaluation for Scrotum, Physical & Semen** by an ACV accredited and qualified veterinarian within 60 days of the sale. Animals fail if Scrotal size is under the measurements at specified age

#### Minimum Scrotal Measurements

At 15 months Minimum 30cm
At 18 months Minimum 32 cm
At 24 months and over Minimum 34cm

- 11.8 A Droughtmaster Herd Bull must conform to the Standard of Excellence (Clause 23 of the Constitution); and 11.7 of the Regulations; both parents must be Droughtmasters and must have at least one registered Droughtmaster parent with its registered Ident. Number quoted and exhibit individual firebrand identification as quoted on the nomination form.
- 11.9 A Droughtmaster animal catalogued as 'registered' at any sale, which is not registered with the Society at the time of the sale, will not be registered or transferred at any time following the sale.
- 11.10 All joining sires of animals born after 1 April 2022 that are to be calf recorded or registered to be DNA profiled and Pompes tested and the case number and results recorded in the herdbook.

## 12. ENDORSED SALES

- 12.1 Only Full and Junior Members can sell cattle at Society Endorsed Sales.
- 12.2 All animals must comply with the Droughtmaster Standard of Excellence.
- 12.3 All bulls must meet the minimum scrotal sizes as designated by Regulation 11.7.
- 12.4 Dentition standards in Regulation 9.12 are applicable to all Droughtmaster bulls at Endorsed Sales.
- 12.5 Herd Bulls are to be catalogued under two categories:
  - (a) Droughtmaster Herd Bulls as per 11.8.
  - (b) Herd Bull bulls that do not comply with 11.8.
- 12.6 Cataloguing must specify either: Registered; Droughtmaster Herd Bull; or Herd Bull.
- 12.7 Sales which agree in writing to comply with this Clause will be classed as an 'Endorsed Sale' and may advertise as such.
- 12.8 Bulls with a 'Q' (or 'P') for the crush-side Semen Motility test are not eligible for sale at Society Sponsored and Endorsed Sales. Unless they have a morphology test which returns a results of 50% or greater normal sperm.
- 12.9 A Droughtmaster animal catalogued as 'registered' at any sale, which is not registered with the Society at the time of the sale, will not be registered or transferred at any time following the sale.

## 13. PUBLICATIONS AND MERCHANDISE

- 13.1 The Society or the Board may authorise by resolution at any time the publication by print or electronic means, and on whatever terms are considered appropriate, any material in furtherance of the objects of the Society or that may be of interest to Members or the public.
- 13.2 The Society or the Board may authorise by resolution at any time the production, purchase or sale of any merchandise, and on whatever terms are considered appropriate, in furtherance of the objects of the Society or that may be of interest or benefit to Members or the public.
- 13.3 Any charge to be made for any publication or merchandise authorised in accordance with this regulation must be included in the Fee Schedule.

## 14. PROXIES

- 14.1 In accordance with Clause 10 of the Constitution, Proxies will be only accepted on official Droughtmaster Society Proxy Forms.
- 14.2 The chairman of any meeting of the Society or Board will have the ultimate discretion as to whether a proxy is to be accepted.

#### 15. ZONE MEETINGS

15.1 The purpose of a Zone Meeting is to encourage the exchange of information between Members of the Society and to ensure that adequate provision exists for the needs of Members in a particular Zone to be communicated to the Board.

15.2 For the purpose of Clause 13.6 of the Constitution, no resolution may be passed at a Zone meeting that binds the Society, but may make a recommendation to the Board.

## 16. ELECTIONS

16.1 In accordance with Clause 14.4 of the Constitution, the forms for nomination of the election of Directors of the Board.

## 17. NOTICE TO MEMBERS

- 17.1 In accordance with Clause 16.3 of the Constitution, changes to the Regulations must be advised in the Board reports.
- 17.2 After the conduct of a Board Meeting and either before the conduct of the next Board meeting, or a period of one month, whichever is the later; the Secretary will prepare the Report on the Board Meeting and send to all Members.

#### 18. USE OF EBV's

- 18.1 The use of EBV's by members is restricted to those produced by Droughtmaster Group Breedplan.
- 18.2 Any fees or charges to be levied by the Society with respect of EBV's will be set out in Fee Schedule.
- 18.3 The Board may make rules by resolution regulating the use of EBV's.

## 19. FEES, SUBSCRIPTIONS, CHARGES AND SOCIETY MONEYS

- 19.1 The fees, subscriptions and other charges to be levied by the Society will be those as set out in the Fee Schedule.
- 19.2 Each invoice issued by the Society must state a due date for payment which will be determined by the Secretary unless otherwise directed by the Board or Society.
- 19.3 The Secretary must deposit all moneys received for and on behalf of the Society to the appropriate bank account as soon as practicable after receiving the moneys.
- 19.4 Everyone who pays money gets an 'End of Month' statement with that payment noted on it.
- 19.5 Any member who receives 'Letter 3' for outstanding fees will have their name automatically added to a strict '30 day working account'. Their account condition will be reviewed by the board after 12 months.
- 19.6 The Secretary must maintain a list of current bank accounts conducted by the Society and make this available to any Director on request.
- 19.7 The Society or the Board may make rules by resolution regulating in any respect the financial dealings of the Society.
- 19.8 The CPI increase may, if determined by the Board be implemented at the start of each of the Society's new Financial Years, at which time all Society fees and charges will have been reviewed
- 19.9 Order numbers are required before expenditure can be incurred by Directors, Society Officers, Inspectors, and Members on Society business etc.

- 19.10 Claims for expenses by Directors, Society Officers, Classifiers, etc. to be lodged within 60 days of expenditure being incurred.
- 19.11 The Annual Report will be sent to Members prior to AGM.
- 19.12 Directors and Audit & Finance Committee members are to receive monthly Income and Expenditure Reports.
- 19.13 The closing date for credit for culls (removal of females) from inventory listings is 31st July following the issue of Inventory Records to Members. Claims for credit against the Inventory charges will not be accepted after 31st July. Inventory Numbers as at 31st July are those stated in the Members' Register.
- 19.14 The Inventory Incentive Programme is based on the nett increase of Inventory numbers as at the 31st July each year. This rebate applies to D1 to D5 females but does not apply to Members in their first year of membership. The amount of incentive will be regulated by the Board from time to time.
- 19.15 Inactive Registered Cattle which new members own when they join up, will be put on their Inventory without having to pay the reactivation and past inventory fees. This applies only when they are inactive because they were sold to a non-member, not if a vendor culled them.
- 19.16 The age at which females become active on the inventory and chargeable is 20 months and will be charged on the following April 1st.
- 19.17 The automatic cut off age for bulls being active is 15 years old unless the Society is otherwise notified.
- 19.18 All financial Members will receive copies of all Zone minutes.
- 19.19 The assets and income of the Society shall be applied solely in furtherance of its objects, as set out in paragraph 24 of the Constitution, and no portion shall be distributed directly or indirectly to the members of the organisation except as bona fide compensation for services rendered or expenses incurred on behalf of the organisation.

## 20. SOCIETY PROPERTY

- 20.1 The Secretary must keep an up to date inventory of all property of the Society.
- 20.2 Subject to any express direction given by the Board or the Society, the Chief Executive Officer and then Secretary will have sole authority and discretion as to how the property and facilities of the Society may be used.
- 20.3 The Secretary must produce the inventory of property when requested by a Director of the Board or on resolution of the Society.
- 20.4 In the event of the Society being wound up, the amount or assets that remain after such winding up and the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities of the Society shall be transferred to another organisation with similar purposes which is not carried on for the profit or gain of its individual members.

## 21. COMMITTEES

21.1 The Secretary will maintain a record to be known as the List of Committees to record the existence of all committees established by resolution of the Board or Society.

- 21.2 The Secretary will as soon as practicable enter up any changes to the List of Committees.
- 21.3 The List of Committees may be inspected by any Member during normal business hours of the Society's registered office.
- 21.4 Each individual committee will have the powers and role provided for by resolution of the Board or Society.
- 21.5 Committees must report to the Board and unless otherwise authorised will only make recommendations and will not do anything that may create a legal obligation on the Society.
- 21.6 Any recommendation made by a Committee must remain confidential until discussed by the Board.

## 22. FORMS

- 22.1 The Society or the Board may by resolution prescribe any form to be used in accordance with the Constitution or these Regulations. Prescribed forms are as follows:
  - (a) Membership Nomination Form
  - (b) Proxy Form
  - (c) Election of Directors
  - (d) Tax Invoice, Statement
  - (e) Member Inventory Listing (DM1 form)
  - (f) Sire Authorisation Form
  - (g) Dam Authorisation Form

#### 23. NOMINATED PERSONS

- 23.1 For the purpose of Clause 12.1 of the Constitution, if a new Member who is a firm, partnership or corporation does not provide a nominated person, then the nominated person will be, until the Secretary is notified otherwise:
  - (a) in the case of a firm, the manager of that firm
  - (b) in the case of a partnership, the senior or managing partner
  - (c) in the case of a corporation the company Secretary
- 23.2 For the purpose of the above Regulation the Secretary may, until notified in writing by the Member, take the manager, senior partner, managing partner, or company secretary to be the first person who signs that applicant's application form.
- 23.3 For the purpose of Clause 12.1 of the Constitution a change to a nominated person will only be recognised by the Society when that notice is accompanied by sufficient evidence, in the absolute discretion of the Secretary, that the identity of the nominated person should be changed.

## 24. REGISTER OF MEMBERS

- 24.1 The Secretary will maintain a record to be known as the Register of Members in accordance with the Member Register form.
- 24.2 The Secretary will as soon as practicable enter up any changes to the Register of Members.

- 24.3 Inventory numbers stated in the Register will be those at 31.07 for the respective year.
- 24.4 The Register of Members may be inspected by any Member during normal business hours of the Society's registered office.
- 24.5 Application for membership will be made on the Membership Application Form.

## 25. LIFE MEMBERSHIP PROCEDURE

- 25.1 A person who has provided exceptional / outstanding service to the Droughtmaster Breed and/or the Society may be nominated as a Life Member.
- 25.2 Nomination is to be done by letter to the Board of Directors. The nominee is not to be informed of the nomination.
- 25.3 The Board of Directors will make the decision on awarding Life Membership to the nominee. Life Membership Certificate and Badge will be presented to successful nominees at a suitable venue.

Date	Meeting No.	Change	Issue No.
22 Mar 2021	144	8.11 – removed the clause 'removed March 2018'	v3
		22.2 – removed the clause referencing Annexure H	
8-9 Feb 2021	143	4.10 – changes of the clause requiring DNA Profiling 5.15 – new clause 8.9 – new clause 8.12 – new clause 11.0 – update to year and requirements to recording in the herdbook. 11.4 – change word from 'adapted' to 'adopted'	v2
17 Aug 2020	140	9.5 – altered 9.5 to 9.4 (anticipate issue was a typo) 11.4 – remove 'ARCBA' and insert 'ALPA and Society'	v1