

GENETIC

VIEWPOINT


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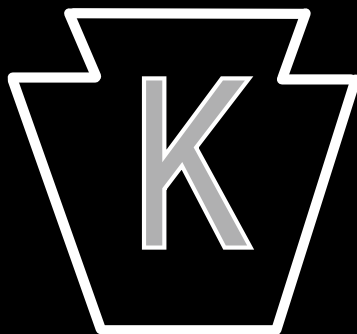


ET Calves and EPDs

Identify recipient dams.

Embryo transfer calves have been included in the Charolais cattle evaluation now for several years. I still get questions though from time to time regarding the information that must be reported on ET calves for an EPD to be computed. There is additional information required but should pose little to no problem in most cases. Breed, year of birth and a permanent identification number for the recipient dam is required. For breed of dam use the BIF (Beef Improvement Federation) breed codes. For example a purebred Charolais would have the code CHCH while a Charolais X Angus crossbred cow would have the breed code CHAN if sired by a Charolais bull or ANCH if sired by an Angus bull. It is also important to include the year of birth and identification number for each recipient dam or the performance data on the ET calf will be edited and an EPD not computed as part of the national cattle evaluation. If the recipient dam is a registered Charolais female you are encouraged to use the AICA registration number rather than the permanent identification number.

ET contemporary groups are formed among ET calves just like all other contemporary groups in the Charolais genetic evaluation except with the addition of breed of recipient dam as part of the contemporary group definition. For example, those ET calves out of CHAN recipient dams would be in a separate contemporary group than ET calves out of a set of CHCH recipient dams. This makes it important to manage and group recipient dams of the same breed makeup as much as possible to insure you have adequate numbers of ET calves to form a valid contemporary group. 



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KILE Charolais Schedule

October 8 — 9 a.m.

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October 9 — 8 a.m.

Junior Charolais Heifer Show

• \$500 Grand; \$250 Reserve

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