

SUSSEX CATTLE SOCIETY

BULL REGISTRATIONS – REGULATIONS from 1st January 2021

All bulls are subject to Society Inspection, Veterinary Inspection and DNA Testing prior to acceptance for registration.

The Society Office must have received a Birth Return giving details of the animal to be registered and Capitation Fees for the appropriate year.

Bulls will not be inspected until they are at least 300 days old.

To request a bull inspection and registration, please complete the attached form.

Section A – Details of the animal and owner/breeder.

Section B – Weights for bull recorded under the Signet Beefbreeder Scheme

Section C – Bull is weighed by the owner/breeder - the actual weight and the date of weighing must be entered. (The Society has weigh scales that can be borrowed) The weighing must have taken place between 300 and 570 days of age.

Return the Form to the Society Office and the Secretary will verify that the weight achieves the minimum standard.

Following weight verification the Form will be forwarded to a Society Inspector/s and they will make contact to arrange an appointment to visit and inspect the animal. Please note that the Inspectors give up their time to undertake this task and may not be able to visit immediately. If you wish inspection by a certain date please ensure that you return the form to the Office **at least six weeks prior to that time**. This applies especially to inspections in the early spring when the Office must receive forms before 20th February to ensure inspection by 30th March in time for show entries.

NOTE – Forms must be forwarded to the Inspectors via the Office – direct approaches to the Inspectors will not be accepted.

SOCIETY INSPECTION Once the Society received the application form it will be forwarded to our Inspectors. Following the inspection, the form will be signed and forwarded to the Society.

DNA SAMPLING AND TESTING

All young bulls inspected from 1st January 2021 must have DNA samples taken to be held on record. Additionally samples should be taken from the Sire and Dam unless they have been sold/died. The Society will be paying for the Sire and Dam DNA verification but it will be the breeder/owner of the young bull who will pay for that DNA verification.

VETERINARY INSPECTION The applicant must arrange for a veterinary inspection to take place at their own expense. The veterinary surgeon should complete the Society's Form. The form should then be returned to the Office.

REGISTRATION

Once the Society Office has received the forms confirming all requirements have been met and results of the DNA testing as appropriate a Registration Certificate will be issued together with an invoice for the registration fee.

REGISTRATION FEES FOR BULLS £85.00 each [+VAT]

Bulls that are Signet Recorded will be £35.00 each [+VAT], a copy of the weight record will be required before registration is completed. The Society retains the right to request payment before issuing registration. The DNA verification fee will be added at cost.

This system of Bull Registration has been developed to ensure that the standard of our breeding bulls is maintained and improved upon. It is a system which has proved successful and is considered to be a credit to our breed by potential purchasers, other breed societies, and is being copied by some of them.

If the breeder requests that a bull be inspected again following a refusal of registration. The request must be made within 7 days of the inspection and the re-inspection should take place within 30 days.

MINIMUM ADJUSTED WEIGHT FOR AGE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUSSEX BULLS

The chart shows the minimum weight for age required for Sussex bulls.

If a bull does not achieve the minimum weight as shown on the bottom of the chart he will NOT be accepted for registration.

AGE IN DAYS	WEIGHT KGS	AGE IN DAYS	WEIGHT KGS	AGE IN DAYS	WEIGHT KGS
205	255	305	356.5	405	485
210	260	310	363	410	490
215	265	315	369.5	415	495
220	270	320	376	420	500
225	275	325	382.5	425	505
230	280	330	389	430	510
235	285	335	395.5	435	515
240	290	340	402	440	520
245	295	345	408.5	445	525
251	300	350	415	450	530
255	305	355	421.5	455	535
260	310	360	428	460	540
265	315	365	434.5	465	545
270	320	370	441	470	550
275	325	375	447.5	475	555
280	330	380	454	480	560
285	335	385	460.5	485	565
290	340	390	467	490	570
295	345	395	473.5	495	575
300 days	350kg	400 days	480kg	500 days	580kg