

## SECTION VI ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION (AI)

### A. General

It is the policy of the BAA to support and encourage the use of AI as a tool for breed improvement.

1. A breeder does not have to own any interest in a bull in order to register AI progeny from the bull.
2. Bulls registered with the BAA after March 1, 1997 must have a DNA profile and parent verification on file with the BAA prior to the non-owner utilization of semen for the production of calves to be registered with the BAA.
3. All registered Braunvieh AI sires must be tested by a BAA approved facility to determine if the animal is a carrier or free of all BAA Monitored Class I and Class II genetic defects, unless the animal is the progeny of two parents proven to be free of the defect. In the event that DNA is unavailable on an AI sire then progeny will be required to be tested for the defect as a requirement for registration. The addition of new Class I defects to the list of BAA Monitored Genetic Defects will subject AI sires to additional testing prior to the registration of additional progeny.
4. The BAA shall in no way be construed as guaranteeing conception by using AI, or if a calf results from such service, that it shall be eligible for registration.
5. Calves conceived after the death of a bull shall be eligible for registration under the same conditions and provisions governing the eligibility of calves conceived by artificial insemination prior to the death of said bull.

### B. BAA AI Semen Certificate Program

The BAA AI Semen Certificate program is an optional program for AI bull owners which requires non-owners of bulls to pay an AI Semen Certificate Fee to register any AI progeny from the bull.

#### 1. Exemptions

- a. Calves that result from AI using bulls that are not enrolled in the AI Semen Certificate program will not require an AI Semen Certificate.
  - b. Calves that result from AI of females owned by a member of the immediate family of the owner of an AI sire shall be eligible for registration without an AI Semen Certificate provided written consent of an owner of the bull is submitted with the application to register.
  - c. Calves that result from AI of females owned by a regular employee of the owner of an AI sire shall be eligible for registration without an AI Semen Certificate provided written consent of an owner of the bull is submitted with the application to register.
  - d. The application for registration of offspring is submitted by a college or university using donated semen from an AI bull for research purposes.
  - e. The offspring for whom registration is sought was conceived naturally and not by artificial insemination.
2. To enroll in the AI Semen Certificate Program, bull owners must be a member of the Braunvieh Association of America, complete the Semen Certificate Enrollment Application and pay the AI Semen Certificate Program Enrollment Fee. AI Semen Certificate Enrollment Application must be completed and on file with the BAA, before any progeny are produced by AI outside of the bull owner(s) herd for a bull to be eligible to participate in the AI Semen Certificate Program. This form can be obtained on [www.braunvieh.org](http://www.braunvieh.org) or from the BAA Office.
  3. AI progeny registered out of bulls enrolled in the AI Semen Certificate Program will be charged an AI Semen Certificate Processing Fee to help cover administrative costs associated with processing AI Semen Certificates and their fees.
  4. Participants in the AI Semen Certificate program will set the price they wish to charge for an AI Semen Certificate on a particular bull up to a maximum of \$50. Bull owner(s) cannot raise the price of AI Semen Certificate after bull has been enrolled. A list of bulls participating in the AI Semen Certificate program and their respective fees will be published on [www.braunvieh.org](http://www.braunvieh.org) or can be obtained from the BAA Office.

5. AI Semen Certificates fees will be charged to the member registering the calf and the charges will occur on the next billing cycle that occurs after registering the calf.

6. AI Semen Certificate fees will be paid out by the BAA to owners of bulls participating in the program on a monthly basis. The BAA will only charge and collect AI Semen Certificate Fees for members of the BAA.

7. The issuance of an AI Semen Certificate by the BAA shall in no way be construed as guaranteeing conception, or if a calf results from such service, that it shall be eligible for registration. There shall be no refunding of fees paid to the BAA for AI Semen Certificates.

8. Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the BAA shall not act as an arbiter or judge in matters involving representations made between sellers and purchasers of semen and/or AI Semen Certificates.

9. Investigation and Waiver

The BAA Executive Committee will be responsible for investigating disputes arising from compliance with these rules. The Executive Committee may also waive the requirement of an AI Semen Certificate, for just cause, in accordance with the BAA By-Laws and current policy of the BAA Board of Directors.