

# **South Poll Grass Cattle Association Rules & Regulations**



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## Membership

1. Regular.
2. Junior – 8 to 18 years of age.
  - Juniors will pay regular cattle registration fees.
  - Parents do not have to be a member for Junior to be member.
3. Membership name.  
Name, farm, ranch, corporation.
4. Membership application.  
Must be filled out for each new member.
5. Fees.  
\$100 annually, due July 1 of each year.  
Membership fees are nonrefundable.
6. Inactive member.  
For dues not paid within 6 months, SPGCA will inactivate account. Account can be inactivated by written request from member.
7. Each member will be assigned a unique individual 3 letter herd prefix.

## Registration Fees

1. Members:
  - a. Percentage Cattle
    - a. Registration  
\$15 Under one year of age  
\$25 Over one year of age
    - b. Transfer  
\$15
  - b. Purebred & Fullblood Cattle
    - a. Registration  
\$15 Under one year of age  
\$25 Over one year of age
    - b. Transfer  
\$15
2. Non-Members:
  - a. Percentage Cattle
    - a. Registration-\$30
    - b. Transfer-\$30
  - b. Purebred & Fullblood Cattle
    - a. Registration-\$30
    - b. Transfer-\$30.
3. Registration certificate correction \$2 each.
4. At discretion of the board, an extra administration fee of \$10/head may be billed to members or non-members for incomplete registration information.
5. Registration fees may be changed from time to time at the discretion of the board.

## **Breed**

1. The South Poll breed is designed to be slick haired, gentle, fertile, heat tolerant, and small to moderate framed.
2. The South Poll breed consists of equal percentages of Angus, Senepol, Hereford, and Barzona.
3. All Fullblood, Purebred, and Percentage cattle (see below) must originate from foundation Bent Tree animals.
4. Hoof color – Black is preferred. Red is acceptable.
5. Horned and scurred cattle will not be discriminated against, but noted on the registration.

## **Fullblood, Purebred, and Percentage Cattle**

### **Fullblood:**

1. Fullblood designated animals are four way crosses consisting of  $\frac{1}{4}$  Red Angus,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Hereford,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Barzona, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  Senepol and must be descendents of foundation Bent Tree Farms animals.
2. Fullblood status *will not* be designated for animals that are bred up (see below).
3. Fullblood status *will not* be designated for first generation crosses (ie. Barzona/Hereford  $\times$  Senepol/Red Angus).
4. Fullblood designation/registration requires sire, dam, birthdate, birth weight, and calving ease to be recorded.
5. Fullblood cattle have to be red or red/whiteface in color.
6. "White eye" calves cannot be registered as a Fullblood South Poll.
7. If an animal is registered with a Multiple Registered Sire and/or Dam, it is not eligible to be registered as a fullblood.

### **Purebred:**

1. Purebred designation can be attained from animals that are "bred-up" (assuming one parent originates from foundation Bent Tree animals):
  - a. For females,  $\frac{7}{8}$ <sup>th</sup> is considered Purebred South Poll.
  - b. For bulls,  $\frac{15}{16}$ <sup>th</sup> is considered Purebred South Poll.
2. Purebred status *will be* designated for first generation crosses (ie. Barzona/Hereford  $\times$  Senepol/Red Angus). Subsequent offspring (male or female) of first generation individuals may be registered as Fullbloods.
3. Purebred designation/registration has no data/information recording requirements.
4. Purebred cattle can be any color including black.

### **Percentage:**

1. Percentage designation shall be extended to all males and females that are as much  $\frac{1}{4}$  and less than  $\frac{7}{8}$ <sup>th</sup> South Poll for females and  $\frac{15}{16}$ <sup>th</sup> South Poll for males.
2. To be eligible for registration at least one parent of percentage cattle must originate from foundation Bent Tree animals and be registered with the association.

### **Ownership of Sire/Dam**

1. A breeder does not have to own any interest in a sire in order to register progeny.

### **Calves of Multiple Births**

1. Calves of multiple births must be indicated on the application for registration.

### **Flushing/Cloning**

1. No flushing/cloning is allowed.

### **Identification Requirements**

1. All animals must be uniquely identified with a firebrand, freeze brand, tattoo, metal brucellosis or state tag, EID, or two ear tags before applying for registration.
2. No two calves, regardless of sex, can be identified with the same number, in the same herd, in the same year.

### **Named Bulls**

1. Named Bulls are to be submitted by producers at their discretion and approved by the Board of Directors.

### **Whole Herd Reporting**

1. Whole Herd Reporting is mandatory for members and due annually. Whole Herd Reports are sent out annually on May 1 and must be received by December 31. Members will not be able to register cattle until the SPGCA has received the report.
2. Report codes:
  - 0 – Active
  - 1 – Sold for breeding
  - 2 – Sold for grassfed beef
  - 3 – Sold for feeding, feedlot, etc.
  - 4 – Culled for infertility, did not breed
  - 5 – Culled for disposition
  - 6 – Culled for prolapsed
  - 7 – Culled for bad feet
  - 8 – Culled for udder
  - 9 – Culled for quality
  - 10 - Culled for old age
  - 11 – Culled for injury
  - 12 – Died
  - 13 – Other.