



Login Lowdown

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Transfers and registration option

We are in the thick of sale season. With that comes registration transfers to the animals' new owners. It's also potentially calving season, so registrations may be on your mind, too. You can do both quickly for animals with electronically stored registration certificates through a few different options in AAA Login.

Transferring an animal

The new layout that was unveiled this summer makes registrations and transfers easy to find. Transfers are within the "Manage Herd" tab on the AAA Login home page. From there, click the middle button in the top row called "Registration/Transfer/Performance." Then click "Registration/Transfer." This new menu gives you several options, including both online and offline spreadsheet entry, for registrations (and EZ registrations), registrations with transfers, and transfers. Online-only options include registration correction and requesting a printed registration paper.

If the animal has an electronically stored

registration certificate, transfers can be done quickly with a few keystrokes. Click the online entry button under the transfer option. You can search for the animal you want to transfer by birth date, registration number, tattoo or animal set. This will result in a list of animals available for transfer. Find the animal in question, then click the notebook icon in the left column.

The transfer entry will automatically fill in the animal's known information, so you would add the sale date, buyer name and address, sale type and price. Price is a newly added feature, and you can see that data in the cow production report for all progeny in the new "Sale Data History"

option (we can go over that in a future column).

It usually processes the same day as checkout if you check out by 3:30 p.m. CST Monday through Friday; otherwise, the transfer will process the following business day.

Check out the sidebar to address some frequently asked questions about transferring animals electronically.

New registration option

The electronic calving book is a handy way to keep track of those calves on the ground, and it offers options to order parentage tests or registration directly from that feature within AAA Login.

"They can submit calves as they are born, and the information will be there at weaning time. Then at weaning time, all they'll have to fill out is the weigh date and weight information to report weaning. The calves are already recorded," says Lou Ann Adams, director of Information Systems for the American Angus Association. "It also makes registration easy. They can register at any time after [entering information into] the electronic calving book, either before weaning to take advantage of the \$7 birth-to-4 months fee or after weaning. At that point, all they have to do is name the calf and enter if the calf was AI (sired by artificial insemination) or natural."

Association Vice President of Operations Chris Stallo added that once a calf is on record in the electronic calving book, producers would not have to submit the sire, dam or birth date information again on the EZ Registration listing or the calving/weaning data listing for Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®). The information from the electronic calving book will appear when producers decide to register the calf or submit weaning information. A new feature is that members can register the animal on the same screen in the electronic calving book without having to do it in two places like before. All you have to do is check the box near the bottom that says "Check to Enter Registration Information."

You can find the electronic calving book under the Manage Herd button, Registration/Transfer/Performance, then AHIR/Performance Data, then the Birth/Weaning/Yearling button.

As always, if you have questions, feel free to call the Member Services Department at 816-383-5100, or send an email to AAALogin@angus.org.

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Frequently asked questions

Kristin Toll, American Angus Association customer service representative, gets a lot of questions about AAA Login. Here, she answers some common questions about transferring animals.

Why can't I transfer online?

The animal that you are transferring must have an electronically stored pedigree in order to be transferred electronically. If a paper certificate has been printed on the animal, the transfer section of the certificate (usually located on the back side) must be signed by the seller and filled out for sale date, buyer information and, when applicable, breeding information on a female.

Since my animal is stored electronically, will the buyer get a printed registration certificate?

Our system looks at the preferences of the buyer for whether they store electronically or receive printed certificates.

When is breeding information required on the transfer of a female?

Breeding information is required when the female is at least a year of age or older on the date of sale. You must report whether the female was sold open or bred. If she is bred, we need the registration numbers of the bull(s), type of service (artificial insemination or natural), and the service dates.

How do I retain interest when I transfer my animal to a new buyer?

When filling out the request for transfer on AAA Login for an animal, there will be a check box that must be clicked for retaining ownership/interest for the animal being transferred.

How is a multi-owned animal transferred to one individual buyer in the end?

Each of the current owners will need to transfer their interest in the animal to the new buyer. If any of the current owners has a paper certificate, they will need to send that certificate in to the office for transfer. Any electronically stored pedigrees can be transferred electronically through AAA Login.