# BY-LAWS OF THE GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED

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BY-LAWS
Of The
GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED

(Incorporating alterations approved up to 20 January 2015)
(Note: The most recent changes are highlighted.)

Regulations of the Council of the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand (Incorporated) and conditions governing registration in the Herd Book, Transfers, Tattooing and Marking, Membership etc.

1. **HERD BOOK**

The Herd Book will contain all information regarding the origin and introduction of all males and females in each individual Herd and the yearly returns of:

(a) Pure Bred Galloway Cattle. (Black, Dun or Red in colour)
(b) Pure Bred Belted Galloway Cattle.
(c) Pure Bred White Galloway Cattle.

2. **HERD BOOK REGISTRATIONS:**

(a) Any person desiring to register cattle with the Society must be a New Zealand resident or own a Galloway herd resident in New Zealand, and become a Breeder Member of the Society, and must register a Herd name or Prefix and be allotted a registered Herd Number.

(b) All applications for registration of cattle in the Galloway Cattle Society Herd Book must be made in ink on the official forms supplied by the Society. Any forms not correctly filled in will be returned to the applicant for completion or correction. Fees will be invoiced by the Registrar/Treasurer.

(c) Eligibility for registration will always be at the discretion of the Council and is available to all progeny of sires and dams entered in the Galloway Cattle Society Herd Book provided that they have complied with the provisions of By-laws 3 and 4 hereinafter mentioned, are structurally sound and meet the Society’s Standard of Type.

(d) **Imported Cattle:** Imported cattle may be registered at any age on receipt, within three months of landing in New Zealand, of an application accompanied by an authenticated five generation pedigree certificate which shall show all ancestors up to and including the great, great grandparents and an export certificate signed by the vendor and Galloway Cattle Breed Society of the country from which the animal
was shipped. Applications must also be accompanied by an official certificate issued by an authorised Inspector, or Inspectors, of the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand (Inc), showing that each animal has been inspected and has reached the Society’s required standard of type.

(e) **Artificial Insemination**: Cattle bred by means of artificial insemination will be accepted for registration in accordance with By-law 17.

(f) **Embryo Transplant**: Cattle bred by Embryo Transplant will be accepted for Registration in accordance with Bylaw 18.

(g) **Mannosidosis**: All animals to be registered with the Society must comply with the current requirements for testing for *alpha Mannosidosis* as detailed in Bylaw 20.

(h) **Active Dam Lists, Calf Entry Forms and Transfer Form Enquiries**: all matters pertaining to these shall be sent to the Registrar.

(i) **Scurs**: Any registered animal found with scurs is to be declared to the Registrar, deregistered, and have “s” added after it’s name in the Herd Book.

Calves sired or conceived by a registered animal that is subsequentially found to have scurs and deregistered, shall be eligible for registration.

(j) A registered non-active dam, recorded in the Herd Book, may be re-activated by application to the Registrar and payment of the applicable fee.

3. **ACTIVE DAM LISTS AND CALF ENTRY FORMS:**

(a) An Active Dam List, (ADL) is sent to each Breeder Member annually. This should be correctly completed and must be forwarded to the Registrar of the Society by 31 August each year. A pre-printed Calf Entry Form is sent to each Breeder Member annually. This should be completed accurately, including all calves dead or alive, sire of calves and all dry cows.

(b) An Active Dam is any registered cow or heifer 18 months old or older as at 30 June in the year the ADL is produced, which the Society believes is currently active in your herd. For example, the Active Dam List for 2014 shall include all cows and heifers born before 1 January 2013, which the Society believes are currently active in your herd.
(c) A Breeder may advise the Registrar by 31 August in any given year, of any Active Dams that they wish to declare inactive for the subsequent period. An Inactive Dam is still registered but must be re-activated before any calves from that dam can be registered or before that dam can be transferred.

(d) For the purpose of this return a registered Herd Number will be allocated by the Council upon application by the Breeder before submitting their first ADL. The number allocated will be followed by the letter designating the breed; G = Galloway, B = Belted Galloway, W = White Galloway

(e) The Secretary will maintain a Register for this purpose.

(f) All live progeny of the matings shown on the Calf Entry form must be permanently ear tagged with Animal Health Board/NAIT approved tags and named prior to and for the purpose of this return. See By-laws 4, 9 and 10 in reference thereto.

(g) All twins must be shown as such but also shown in returns separately.

(h) For a female Belted Galloway calf to be eligible for registration, any white hair on the foot, or feet, of the calf shall not extend above the base of the dew claw.

All Belted Galloway calves born with white feet or hooves shall be denoted by the letters (WF) after their names.

(i) Any calves born with white hairs in the switch of the tail shall be inspected prior to Registration and, if accepted for Registration, shall be denoted by the letters (WT) after their names. Animals that develop such white hairs after Registration must be inspected and, if accepted will have the letters (WT) added to their Registration details.

(j) Annually, prior to completion of the Calf Entry form, Breeder Members are to inspect all their registered cattle, (calves, sires and dams) for scurs, and shall complete the declaration on the Calf Entry form.

4. **TATTOO AND EAR MARKING:**

All pedigree calves to be eligible for the GCSHB must be permanently ear tagged with Animal Health Board/NAIT approved tags by the Breeder.

It is recommended that a permanent metal tag or tattoo with the calf’s herd book number be affixed to one ear.
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6. **TRANSFERS:**

(a) Animals registered in the GCSHB shall not be transferred unless they are structurally sound and meet the Society’s Standard of Type.

(b) The Vendor is responsible for the Transfer and payment of fees on transfer of any animal.

(c) Transfer declarations, on the official form of the Society, which must be used, not received within 60 days of such transfer will be specially considered by Council and if necessary it may impose a fine for such delay. All animals being transferred must meet the current requirements for *alpha Mannosidosis* testing as detailed in Bylaw 20.

(d) Before completing any Transfer it will be the duty of both the vendor and purchaser to examine the identification tags of each animal in order to establish correct identity, and to ensure that all animals being transferred meet the current requirements for *alpha Mannosidosis* testing as detailed in Bylaw 20.

(e) A purchaser may request with the Transfer of the animal a pedigree showing all ancestors up to and including its great, great grand-parents.

(f) The Council shall have power to refuse to register the transfer of any animal provided that a resolution to such effect is passed as a special resolution of the Council.

(g) **Animals for Export:** All cattle either sold for export or to be exported and offered for sale in overseas countries, must be inspected for type, and an official certificate (in duplicate) signed by an authorised inspector of the Society, showing that each animal has reached the Society’s required Standard of Type, must accompany all applications for overseas transfer, and applications for export pedigree certificates.

(h) Inactive female animals are to be reactivated in the herd book to be eligible for transfer.

7. **SERVICE CERTIFICATES:**

When a female is served by a bull, which is not the property of the owner of the female, a Certificate of Service must accompany the Calf Entry form.

Certificates of Service must be on the prescribed form provided by the Society and available to download from www.nzgalloway.co.nz.
8. **NAMES OF ANIMALS:**

(a) Animals cannot be registered under names already in use. In cases where names selected by applicants are already in use the Registrar will supply alternative names.

(b) Names misleading as to sex, relationship or origin or objectionable in any respect or pronounced alike but spelt differently cannot be allowed.

(c) The number of words in proposed names is limited to three (the word ‘of’ is not counted and is limited to a total of twelve characters including spaces.

(d) After a pedigree has been printed in the GCSHB, the name of the animal may not be changed except by direction of the Council for the purpose of correcting an error or misprint.

9. **PREFIX:**

(a) A member shall register, subject to the approval of the Council, any suitable name for his sole and exclusive use as a prefix in naming his cattle.

(b) The purchaser of a Stud shall have no right to the previous owner’s Stud name except with the consent of the previous owner and with the approval of the Council.

10. **PRIVATE STUD REGISTER:**

(a) All Breeders shall keep a register containing complete and proper records of their stud activities.

(b) The Council may appoint a representative to inspect any registered Galloway cattle and the private register in connection with same.

(c) In the event of neglect or refusal of an owner of such cattle to permit such inspection upon reasonable notice being given in writing, the Council may refuse any application for registration or transfer and/or may impose such fine commensurate with the extent of the default as it shall think fit and/or may require the owner to pay the whole or part of the expenses which may have been incurred by reason of any attempted inspection or inspections.

11. **DEATHS:**

(a) Owners shall notify the Registrar of the death of any registered animal on their next Active Dam List, (ADL).

(b) The death of a registered bull is to be notified to the Registrar on occurrence.
(c) Owners are required to notify the Registrar at once of the birth of any calf to a registered dam and/or sire which appears to be genetically defective or malformed.

12. **OFFENCES:**

Any Member who knowingly exhibits any Registered animal in any Show or exhibition or who advertises any animal in any paper, periodical or pamphlet, whether for sale or otherwise under any but its Registered name or knowingly allows any false or inaccurate information regarding such animal to be given, shall be guilty of conduct prejudicial to the objects and interests of the Society and shall be dealt with by the Council as it may see fit.

13. **ERRORS OR IRREGULARITIES:**

(a) In no case shall an error or irregularity of any nature be adjusted or corrected without the Council’s permission. A Statutory Declaration will be required in all such cases.

(b) In the event of an animal being sold and its Identification tags being subsequently found unsatisfactory, it shall be the duty of the Purchaser to report to the Council and obtain permission to make arrangements with the Breeder or an approved representative.

(c) If any inaccuracy or omission be discovered relating to any entry or if any entry shall prove to have been wrongly or incorrectly made, such entry may be cancelled by the Council and the GCISHB amended accordingly.

(d) In every such case the onus shall rest with the owner to establish the accuracy of any record.

14. **ARREARS:**

(a) All accounts are payable by the 20th of the month after the date of the transaction or the notified due date.

(b) Accounts not paid by the 20th of the following month will be liable for a 10% penalty.

(c) All work, (registrations, transfers, etcetera) shall cease for any member whose account is three months or more overdue.

(d) Any Member whose annual subscription is in arrears for six calendar months shall not be entitled to nominate any Member for the Council, nor to vote on any matter at any Meeting of the Society: neither shall they be eligible for nomination for a seat on the Council.
(e) Any Member whose annual subscription is in arrears for two years shall automatically cease to be a Member of the Society and in order to be re-instated must pay all arrears and apply for re-election as a Member.

15. **FEES:**

Full Fees must accompany any Application and/or Return.

(a) New Herd Fee with effect from 1 January 2012 $50.00
(Includes allocation of Herd Name, Abbreviation and number)

(b) Registration in GCS Herd Book:-
   (1) Active Dam Fee – annually $15.00
   (2) Dam Re-activation Fee - $30.00 for each year the dam has not held active status with a limit of $50.00

(c) Imported cattle any age:-
   Before 3 months following landing $ 2.20
   After 3 months following landing $ 4.40

(d) Transfers-
   Within New Zealand $10.00
   Overseas Live Animal $50.00
      Embryo Transfer $25.00

(e) Galloway Cattle Society’s Herd Book
   Current - free to new members
   Additional copy on disc $25 + $5 p&p
   Volumes 1 - 6 on disc $25 + $5 p&p

(f) Extended Pedigrees
   3 Generations $20.00
   5 Generations $25.00

(g) Breeder Member Annual Subscription with effect from 1 January 2012 $100.00

(h) Non Breeder Annual Subscription $25.00

16. **ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION:**

CATTLE BY ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION ARE ACCEPTABLE FOR PEDIGREE REGISTRATION BY THE SOCIETY, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS OF PROCEDURE AND CONTROL.
(1) All privately owned bulls which are to be used for Artificial Insemination must be registered by the owner or owners, and not more than two persons may be owners of any bull at any one time. Progeny by Artificial Insemination of bulls owned by official Artificial Insemination Centres will also be acceptable for registration provided that the Sire has been approved by the Society.

(2) Semen must be collected by an Officer of an A B Centre approved by the Director of the Animal Health Division of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, and stored by a recognised organisation approved by the Society. The owner or owners of a donor bull from which semen is collected and stored must supply full details of all semen collected and stored as at 31st December each year. These details are to be forwarded to the Registrar by 31st January.

(3) In the event of the bull being sold, the quantity of semen stored must be disclosed to the purchaser. The question of whether the semen then becomes the property of the new owner of the bull will be an arrangement between the buyer and seller. The Society must be notified immediately of all semen in store from the bull.

(4) (a) The bull must be inspected by an inspector approved by the Society prior to semen being collected from the bull. In the case of imported semen, proof of fertility and inspection by the Society of the country concerned must be obtained.

(b) The owner of the cow or heifer must attach to the Application, a Certificate bearing the Name, Herd Book Number, Animal Identification details, date of insemination and identification of the semen used.

(c) All animals got by Artificial Insemination must have the fact recorded on the Registration Form.

(d) Semen may be used and the progeny registered after the death of the donor bull.

17. **APPENDIX TO:**

**GALLOWAY AND BELTED GALLOWAY HERD BOOK**

Breeders may submit females for inclusion in the Appendix under the following conditions:

(1) Galloways or Belted Galloway cows of good breed characteristics and type, and documented pure breeding with calves by a purebred Registered bull must be submitted for inspection by a Society Inspector. The cost of these inspections will be met by the owner of the animals.
(2) The calves must be identified and tagged in the presence of the Inspectors, with the letter A affixed to the Herd Number. For subsequent generations the affix letter shall be B, C, D & E respectively.

(3) Progeny by purebred Registered bulls must bear the affix until the fifth generation from the original dams, when they will be eligible for inclusion in the purebred Herd Book.

(4) If females pass stringent inspection by a Society Inspector the Council may, in special circumstances, approve progeny of those cattle being advanced generation wise.

Progeny of “E” Affix cattle must be inspected prior to admission to full registration.

18. **EMBRYO TRANSFER:**

(1) An animal derived from the transplantation of an embryo will not be registered by the Society unless:

   (a) All Government regulations are complied with.

   (b) The sire and dam (donor) must both be registered Galloways, Belted Galloways or White Galloways.

   (c) Within one month of pregnancy diagnosis the Society receives an Embryo Transfer Certificate supplied by a recognised embryo transplant unit containing the following information:

      (i) A blood or DNA type certificate of the donor female and service bull.

      (ii) An insemination/mating declaration naming the service bull.

      (iii) A declaration signed by the Authorised Technician stating that he has removed a fertilised egg from the donor cow, giving the cow identification, and placed in a recipient cow, also giving its identification.

      (iv) Identification of the host cow must be by tattoo, brand or AHB Identification tag.

(2) (a) Where frozen ova is imported into New Zealand and implanted into a recipient cow in this country a Certificate of Embryo Transfer on an approved Embryo Transplant Centre form must be lodged with the Society within one month of pregnancy diagnosis.
(b) Upon application for registration the owner must supply the Society with a copy of the Blood Type Certificate or DNA Type Certificate for the sire and the donor dam together with documentation from the parent Society, on an approved form, showing the pedigree of the sire and dam and signed by the Secretary of that Society.

(c) The Application for Registration must be accompanied by the appropriate Registration Fee as set by Council.

(d) All eligible progeny born by embryo transplant shall be indicated on the Annual Registration Form and identified in the Herd Book by the letters “ET”.

(3) Where an embryo is collected and frozen for export the following information must be supplied to the Society before an Export Certificate and Certificate of Pedigree is issued by the Society:

An Approved Embryo Transplant Centre Certificate of Embryo Transfer stating the following:

(a) Date the donor cow was mated and name of the bull.

(b) Date the donor cow (giving identification) had a fertilised embryo removed and frozen.

(c) A Blood or DNA Type Certificate of the donor cow and service bull.

(d) Signature of the Veterinarian or Technician conducting the operation.

(e) That the operation was performed by a qualified person at an approved place.

(f) The Application for Export of the frozen ova must be accompanied by the appropriate Transfer Fee as set by the Council.

(g) The exporter shall arrange for the Breed Society inspection of the Sire and Dam.

(4) The Council may refuse to register or transfer any animal born from Embryo Transplant at any time. The Council’s decision shall be final and binding in all instances.
19. **WHITE GALLOWAY REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:**

(1) **Colour Pattern Requirements:**
White overall with black, dun or red pigment on the nose, ears, hooves and around eyes. Some pigmentation on legs, udder, poll and a moderate degree of freckling throughout the body is permissible.

(2) **Breeding Requirements:**
Foundation stock for the White Galloway Section of the Herd Book must be either:

(a) Registered White Galloways (live, embryo or semen) imported from a foreign Breed Association recognised by the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand.

(b) Correctly marked progeny from imported Registered White Galloways (live, embryo or semen) and Registered New Zealand Galloways or New Zealand White Galloway appendix animals. No progeny from Standard Galloway sires or dams born on or after 1 January 2016 will be accepted in the White Galloway Herd Book.

(3) **Appendix:**
All progeny from the above which do not meet the colour pattern requirements are eligible for Registration in the White Galloway Appendix Section of the Herd Book.

(4) **Upgrading:**
(a) Upon completion of an approved backcrossing programme, and on production of authoritative genetic theory, the Council will consider an application to upgrade correctly marked black, dun or red animals from the White Galloway appendix to the Black, Dun and Red register.

(b) Such animals will have the letter W added to their herd book number.

20. **ALPHA MANNOSIDOSIS:**

The Society will only register the progeny of, or certify the Transfer of, any Belted Galloway bull (including from Artificial Insemination or Embryo Transplant) that has been certified Negative to an Approved Test for alpha Mannosidosis or is from a sire and dam that have both already been proved negative.

The Society will only register Belted Galloway progeny (including from Artificial Insemination or Embryo Transplant) that has been certified Negative
to an Approved Test for alpha Mannosidosis or is from a sire and dam that have both already been proved negative.

To prevent incorrect identification of a calf from an alpha Mannosidosis positive dam, (through mis-mothering or for any other reason), the sire and dam of any calf from an alpha Mannosidosis positive dam are to be proven by DNA test, whether that calf is to be registered or not.

All Belted Galloways currently registered with the Society and being transferred must have their alpha Mannosidosis status declared on the Transfer Form.

Prior to the sale of any Belted Galloway female, the alpha Mannosidosis status of the animal shall be established by an Approved Test for alpha Mannosidosis, or by being bred from a sire and dam that have both been proved negative.

Prior to the sale of any positive alpha Mannosidosis Belted Galloway female(s), the Seller shall provide to the Purchaser, a copy of the Galloway Cattle Society of New Zealand (Inc.) Acknowledgement of Purchase of Belted Galloway Alpha Mannosidosis Positive Female(s) form.

The Society will not certify the transfer of any positive alpha Mannosidosis Belted Galloway female unless a copy of the Acknowledgement of Purchase of Belted Galloway Alpha Mannosidosis Positive Female(s) form, with the animal name(s), herd book number(s), tag number(s) and date(s) of birth filled in, and signed by the Purchaser, is provided to the Registrar.

The Society retains the right to require the owner of any male or female Galloway, Belted Galloway or White Galloway to be tested for alpha Mannosidosis and the results returned to the Registrar of the Society.

21. **MINIATURE CATTLE:**

The determination that an animal (which must already meet the requirements for Registration as a standard Galloway, Belted Galloway or White Galloway) is regarded as a miniature lies solely with the Breeder.

(When requested on a Progeny Return Form, the Society will register smaller framed Galloways, Belted Galloways or White Galloway cattle if they meet all the other normal standards of type and Registration requirements and denote this with the letter (m) after their names.)

**N.B. The Society does not accept any responsibility for the compliance of any animal with the above criteria.**
22. **STANDARD GALLOWAY UPGRADING PROGRAMME FROM WHITE APPENDIX FEMALES**

Breeders may submit black, red or dun marked female progeny by a Standard Galloway sire from a White Galloway appendix dam for consideration of inclusion into the Galloway herd book. The White appendix dam must be black, red or dun in colour.

Animals for inclusion in the Galloway herd book are required to be:

a) Female calves bred from a registered Standard Galloway sire and a White Galloway appendix dam being of solid black, red or dun in colour.

b) The White Galloway appendix dam must have in her 5 generation pedigree 50% or more Standard Galloway. (A 5 generation pedigree has 62 animals named)

c) Cattle for inclusion will have the letter W added to their herd book number.

d) Subsequent generations must be bred to a registered Standard Galloway bull and will have the letters X, Y and Z added to their herd book number to indicate generation bred.

e) Progeny of Z affix cattle must be inspected by a Society Inspector prior to admission to the Galloway herd book. These progeny will be identified in the herd book with the letter U added to the herd book number. This indicates they have been inspected and approved by the Galloway Cattle Society for inclusion in the Galloway herd book and have been bred from an upgrading programme.

f) If at anytime female progeny in this programme are mismarked ie: are white in colour or have white markings not permissible in the breed standard, these animals will not be eligible for inclusion in the Standard Galloway Upgrading Programme from White Appendix Females.

g) The upgrading programme is only open to female cattle. Any male progeny are not eligible for registration.

h) The Galloway Cattle Society Council may at any time close the Standard Galloway herd book appendix and the upgrading programme will cease.