

AUSTRALASIAN ALPACA BREEDERS ASSOCIATION INC.

AUSTRALASIAN ALPACA REGISTER REGULATION

PART 1 – PRELIMINARY

1. Short Title

This regulation may be cited as the AAR Regulation.

2. This regulation commenced on 29 April 2014

3. Purpose of Regulation

The purpose of this regulation is to establish:

- (1) the procedures for the registration and transfer of alpacas on the AAR, and
- (2) all other matters incidental and relevant to subregulation 3(1).

4. Definitions

In this regulation:

"Director-General" means the Director-General of the Department of Fair Trading.

"The Act" means the Associations Incorporation Act 1984.

"AAR" means the Australasian Alpaca Register.

"AABA" means the Australasian Alpaca Breeders Association Inc.

"Committee" means the management committee of AABA.

"Member" means a member of AABA.

"NLIS" means National Livestock Identification Scheme.

"PIC" means Property Identification Code.

"IAR" means the International Alpaca Register.

5. Notes

The explanatory note and table of contents do not form part of this Regulation.

6. Nomenclature

This Regulation comprises regulations, subregulations, paragraphs and subparagraphs. By way of example, regulation 10(7)(d)(ii) is spoken as "regulation ten seven D two" or "regulation ten subregulation seven paragraph D subparagraph two". Where context is clear, one might speak of "subparagraph two" or of "paragraph D two" or of "subregulation seven D two".

PART 2 – REGISTER

7. Intellectual Property

- (1) Data stored on the AAR cannot be unilaterally withdrawn by a Member.
- (2) In respect of data to which a Member claims ownership the Member can request the Committee that one or more data be removed from the AAR. Taking into account any adverse implications for the AAR, AABA or Members, the Committee can:
 - (a) grant the request, or
 - (b) deny the request.
- (3) Subject to this regulation, intellectual property rights of a Member are undiminished.

8. Purpose of Register

- (1) The Association will keep a register of alpacas owned by members of the Association.

9. Name of Register

Australasian Alpaca Register.

10. Details of Register

- (1) The Register will be updated and maintained by the AABA Committee or a person designated by the Committee.
- (2) The Register will be accessed online.
- (2) Member access to the online database will be via:
 - (a) the Internet, and
 - (b) individual logon and password assigned to members of the Association.

11. Herd Prefixes

- (1) To have a Herd Prefix approved for use a Member must apply to the Committee on the approved application form.
- (2) This application will be on the membership form available on the AABA website.
- (3) A requested herd prefix will only be allowed if it is consistent with the registered business name.
- (4) In the case of members without a registered business name the committee or membership subcommittee will decide if the requested herd prefix conflicts with or may be confused with other industry names.
- (5) An application for a Herd Prefix must be accompanied by the appropriate and prescribed fee.
- (6) A Member may apply to have a Herd Prefix registered against one or any number of memberships.
- (7) Members may only register stud prefixes that are not currently or previously registered on any other stud register, unless the member owns that right. Members are required to certify that any prefix they may wish to use does not conflict with a prefix used in this or any other register.
- (8) The Committee shall not delete a Herd Prefix once that Herd Prefix has been entered on the AAR and has alpacas in a line of descent registered against it.
- (9) The Committee shall not allow the reuse of a lapsed Herd Prefix that has previously been allocated to a Member of AABA.

12. Alpaca Name

- (1) A Member may apply to the Committee in the approved method to register a given name (Registered Name) for the alpaca.

- (2) The Registered Name of the alpaca shall be specified in the Registration Certificate and any other document of AABA referring to that alpaca.
- (3) Where an alpaca is already registered on another register they will, where possible, be registered by the same name on the AAR.
- (4) Except to correct a typographical mistake, the Registered Name may not be changed.
- (5) The Call Name of the alpaca refers to the 'nickname' or 'stable name' a member gives to their animal and is for use only within the AAR and will not appear on the Registration Certificate.
- (6) The Call Name of the alpaca (as opposed to Registered Name) may be changed.
- (7) Subject to subregulation 12(9), the Full Registered Name shall comprise:
 - (c) the Herd Prefix
 - (d) the Registered Name
- (8) The Full Registered Name shall be used in all official contexts, for example, on entry forms for shows, results of shows, and registration certificates.

13. Alpaca Name Change

The Committee has the right to refuse to amend the Registered Name of an alpaca once that name has been registered on the AAR, except in the case of a typographical error on the part of the AABA.

14. Alpaca Name—Incorrect Use

An alpaca registered on the AAR may only be advertised, displayed, and/or exhibited in any venue arena or for any purpose, under the Registered Name that appears on its AABA Registration Certificate or within the appropriate database.

15. Alpaca Registration

- (1) An alpaca can only be registered on the AAR by a member of AABA.
- (2) The Foundation Register is open for a period to be determined by the Committee.
- (3) The Foundation Register is open to any alpaca that meets the requirements contained within this regulation.
- (4) Alpacas of 'Unknown Parentage' may enter the Foundation Register.
- (5) 'Unknown Parentage' means alpacas that are descended from fewer than two known parents.
- (6) Known parents means alpacas that are:
 - (a) Dams owned by the member and registered on the AAR.
 - (b) Sires owned by the member and registered on the AAR.
 - (c) Sires recorded on other registers but where permission to use the sire is documented as specified in regulation 20.
 - (d) Named parents of offspring presented for registration as referred to in 15 (7)
- (7) A named alpaca from a recognised registry (e.g., the IAR) may be registered on the AAR with proof of ownership and pedigree. In such a case, the alpaca will be considered to have two known parents.
- (8) Fees for entering alpacas on the AAR are published in the *AABA Fees and Charges Regulation*.
- (9) An alpaca must meet the description of an alpaca contained in the *AABA Breed Standards* and upon registration comply with prescribed health standards.
- (10) Certificates will be generated with but not limited to the following information: sire, dam, paternal grandsire, paternal grandam, maternal grandsire and maternal grandam, previous registration details such as the original and subsequent owner's name and address.
- (11) From time to time the committee may approve of additional information to be recorded on the Registration Certificate and AAR database.

16. Transfer

- (1) The formal term for the transfer of alpaca ownership on the AAR is "Intraregister Transfer".
- (2) The less formal term "transfer" or "Transfer" may be used where it does not cause ambiguity.
- (3) "Interregister Transfer" should be used for the contrasting concept of "transferring an alpaca from the IAR to the AAR". Since IAR and AAR are independent and parallel, the concept itself has no practical meaning but requires a label in a case where there is a misconception that an alpaca can indeed be "transferred" from IAR to AAR.
- (4) The two parties involved in a transfer can be members, non-members or syndicates of members and/or non-members.

17. Alpaca Name, Herd Prefix Refusal

The Committee has the right to refuse to approve a Herd Prefix or Alpaca Name. Reasons for refusal include but are not limited to:

- (1) excessive length of names, or
- (2) a name or phrase that contains a word that would not be permitted under law, or is offensive, or may mislead, or may be already registered, or
- (3) a name that is likely to bring AABA or the industry into disrepute.

18. Transfer of a Whole Herd

- (1) A whole herd of alpacas registered on the AAR may be transferred from one member to another, along with the Herd Prefix.
- (2) This transfer must be made on the relevant application form available for download from the AAR website and must be applied for by either the member currently owning the herd themselves or their executor.

19. Tagging

- (1) Members are to arrange for the purchase and printing of ear tags from a produce store or other supplier of their convenience.
- (2) If any members have difficulty in purchasing their tags they should contact the committee for assistance.
- (3) Members can use tags of any colour, size and make of their choosing.
- (4) Tags must display in printing:
 - (a) the six numeral AAR number (including any dash) prefixed by the letters 'AAR' with two spaces between 'AAR' and the number, and
 - (b) the PIC Number (Property Identification Code) assigned to the member's property.
- (5) Tags are to be placed in the left ear for males and the right ear for females.

20. Authorisation and Permission Assumption

- (1) Where a member requests the registration of an alpaca on the AAR, and the registration is not the offspring of a dam owned by the member, the onus is on the member to obtain documentation proving the member's ownership of the alpaca.
- (2) Where a cria is to be registered on the AAR, the onus is on the member to obtain documentation proving that the owner of the sire has granted permission for the registration of that cria.
- (3) Reference numbers pertaining to documentation substantiating claim of permission or transfer of ownership are to be supplied before registration of the animal is approved.
- (4) Reference numbers can be cheque numbers, receipt numbers, direct deposit transaction numbers, credit card transaction numbers, dates of handwritten notices from the

previous owner or sire owner, or generally any identification of any document supporting a claim of permission or transfer of ownership.

- (5) Before animal registration is approved, the member is to declare that reference numbers have been obtained.
- (6) The sire owner or previous owner can, at a later date and after depositing a bond with AABA, challenge permission of registration.
- (7) Upon such a challenge referred to in sub regulation 20(6), the member is to produce to the committee the documents, or certified copies of the documents, bearing the reference numbers.
- (8) If in the view of the committee the member cannot substantiate their claim of permission or ownership, substantial penalties will be applied, to protect the integrity of the Permission Assumption regime. The animal registration is to be revoked with no refund to the member and the challenger will be refunded their bond less administration charges.
- (9) If in the view of the committee the member does substantiate their claim of permission or ownership, the registration stands and the challenger forfeits their bond.

21. Animals owned by non-members

- (1) Where an animal which is owned by a member but the animal's ancestor is not, the ancestor can be added to the register; however the ancestor will not be given an AAR Number, will not be classed as registered, and a registration certificate will not be issued for any of those ancestors.
- (2) The member will not be charged a registration fee for the recording of this data.
- (3) The ancestor will appear in the pedigree of the registered animal.
- (4) Suitable documentation, such as a pedigree certificate of another registry, must be supplied.

22. Exports

- (1) Alpacas transferred to transferees overseas must be declared as such on the transfer form.
- (2) The value of the alpaca must be declared on the transfer form.
- (3) Export duty must be paid by the owner (or nominal owner in the case of multiple owners) to AABA before the transfer is recorded on the AAR.
- (4) Export duty is 5% of the value of the alpaca declared on the transfer form.
- (5) Agreements with other associations must include a requirement of the other association that they notify AABA in a timely fashion of registration of AABA registered alpacas on the other association's alpaca register (so that the export duty may be enforced).

PART 3: MISCELLANEOUS

23. Code Lengths

Herd Prefix	17AN
Stud Name	32AN
Registered Name	42AN
AAR Number	6N
Call Name	32AN
Animal Name	32AN
Registered Name	"<Herd Prefix> <Animal Name>"
Full Registered Name	" 00-0123 <Registered Name>"