

## How To: Record Birth Data

Recording birth data on the American Wagyu Association Registry Service is easy with just a few simple steps.

The screenshot shows the AWA Registry Service interface. On the left is a navigation menu with 'Recording' and 'Calves' circled in blue. The main area shows the 'Herd' tab selected, displaying a list of animals categorized by sex and age group. The 'Quick Sire List' is highlighted in the 'All' category.

Bulls				Females									
All	Quick Sire List	Breeding	Yearling	Weaned	Pre-Wean	Breeding	Yearling	Weaned	Pre-Wean	On Hold	For Sale	Legacy	Dams of Merit
<b>All</b> Comprehensive list of all animals in your inventory not identified as culled or died													
<b>Quick sire List</b> Bulls you have selected for easy recording of calves and breeding information													
<b>Bulls :: Breeding</b> Bulls in your inventory that are at least 720 days of age OR they have a breeding record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Bulls :: Yearling</b> Bulls in your inventory that are at between 450 and 720 days of age AND they have no breeding record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Bulls :: Weaned</b> Bulls in your inventory that are between 250 and 450 days of age OR they have a weaning record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Bulls :: Pre-Wean</b> Bulls in your inventory that are under 251 days of age AND they have no weaning record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Females :: Breeding</b> Cows and heifers in your inventory that are at least 720 days of age OR they have a breeding record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Females :: Yearling</b> Heifers in your inventory that are at between 450 and 720 days of age AND they have no breeding record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Females :: Weaned</b> Heifers in your inventory that are between 250 and 450 days of age OR they have a weaning record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Females :: Pre-Wean</b> Heifers in your inventory that are under 251 days of age AND they have no weaning record entered into the herdbook													
<b>Computes</b> Unregistered Animals you have entered to provide performance data to the dam and/or sire													
<b>Recip</b> Recipient and/or commercial cows													
<b>For Sale</b> Animals you have flagged as For Sale by Private Treaty													
<b>Legacy</b> Animals you have sold, culled or had die while owned by your ranch													

Use the Calves screen under the Herd Mgmt / Recording menu to record a calf.

### Accessing the member login

The member login can be accessed from the Wagyu home page by clicking on the banner that says Herd Management.

- Go to [www.Wagyu.org](http://www.Wagyu.org) using any Internet browser.
- Click on Herd Management in the upper middle of the Wagyu home page or go to [wagyu.digitalbeef.com](http://wagyu.digitalbeef.com).
- The member login is located in the upper left hand side of the Registry Service screen. Enter your User name and Password.

### Quick Sire List

To make recording birth data easy, setup your Quick Sire list. This can be found on the General Profile Information Screen by clicking the Herd tab and is on the left side of the boxes that run across the middle of the screen.

To add sires to the Quick Sire list, enter the registration number of the sire in the box that reads New Quick Sire. When entering an AWA animal, just enter the registration number.

Once the registration number is entered, click add and the sire will be added to the list.

The screenshot shows the 'Quick Sire List' interface. The 'Quick Sire List' tab is selected. Below the tabs, there is a 'New Quick Sire:' input field with an 'Add' button. A table lists existing sires with columns for Tattoo, Reg #, Name, Born, Wean, Year, Scan, DNA, and Options (View, Remove).

Tattoo	Reg #	Name	Born	Wean	Year	Scan	DNA	Options	
J1683	FB16884	YASUFUKU 165-9	1/1/90					View	Remove
MWSFW0581	FB22414	MAZDA WAGYU JAMES	4/28/01					View	Remove

Sires on the Quick Sire List can be viewed and removed. If you do not get all of your sires entered to this list, you can still enter a registration number in the sire field on the calf's record.

The Quick Sire List is located on the General Information Screen under My Account > View. Sires can be easily added or removed from the list.

## Birth recording work queue

Select Calves under Herd Management / Recording. Enter the number of animals you will be entering. Click Continue

The screenshot shows the AWA Registry Service interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options like 'My Account', 'Herd Mgmt', 'Recording', 'Calves', etc. The 'Recording' and 'Calves' options are circled in blue. The main area shows a user profile for 'Member #2239 - OVERSEAS BREEDER' with a 'Balance Due: \$ 0.00'. Below this is a tabbed interface with 'Herd' selected. The 'Herd' tab shows a list of animals categorized by sex (Bulls and Females) and age/status (Breeding, Yearling, Weaned, Pre-Wean). Below the list is a 'Birth Recording' form with a 'Work Order #1711020005' and a field for 'How many animals are to be entered?' with the value '1' circled in blue. A 'Continue' button is visible below the form.

The Birth Data Entry Screen has several sections of data for: dam information, sire information, calf information, and breeding and embryo dates.

The following data should be entered: dam registration number, temperament score, udder suspension and teat scores, calf birth date and service type, sire registration number, tattoo including calving year, tag number (if applicable), sex, horn/poled status, color, weight, calving ease, twin code, calf name (herd prefix + name+ tattoo w/calving year), disposal code on calf, season, and pasture information. In addition, members should enter calf breeding information including exposure or AI dates, and embryo transfer dates.

- For management code, unless you have managed the dam differently you should let the system enter a default management code.

The screenshot shows the 'Birth Data Entry Screen for Work Order #1711020005 Member #2239 - OVERSEAS BREEDER (1 records)'. It features a table for entering calf data. The table has columns for Dam (RegNo, Tattoo, Temper, Susp, Teat), Birth Date, Service Type, Sire (RegNo, Tattoo, BreedComp%), Herd Prefix, Tattoo, Tag, Sex, H/P/S, Coat Color, Weight, Calving Ease, Twin Code, Mgmt, Name, EID, Barcode, Disposal, Season, Premise/Pasture, AI or PE Start, PE End, and Flux. A row of data is entered: Dam RegNo FB19225, Tattoo J 12774 FB 100, Temper Docile, Susp, Teat 3: Large, Birth Date 01/01/2017, Service Type ET, Sire RegNo FB24500, Tattoo KT4FE0630 FB 100, Herd Prefix, Tattoo 123E, Tag, Sex M, H/P/S Horned. Below the table are buttons for 'Add row', 'Validate', and a note: 'To finalize these calves, please contact the office.'

- You can enter a disposal code if the calf died at birth or prior to weaning.
- Members are strongly encouraged to enter AI or pasture exposure dates. This data will be used to generate the AWA's maternal EPDs.

The system will put the animal in a season based on 90 day contemporary group intervals.


To delete an animal from the work queue simply click the red X on the far left of the animal's row.

## Validate A Calf

After all the calf data has been entered, click the validate button at the bottom of the screen. This will check the information for any errors. If you leave the screen before clicking validate, all information you have entered will be lost. If there are any errors, an error message will appear below the animal describing the error.

The screenshot shows a form titled 'Embryo' with fields for 'Flush Date', 'Transfer Date', 'Recip Dam', and 'Tattoo BreedComp%'. The 'Transfer Date' is set to '03/15/2016'. At the bottom, the 'Validate' button is circled in blue, along with an 'Add row' button.

Common birth data error messages include:

- The tattoo is required.
- The dam is under 16 months at calving.
- Sire information Insufficient...please use the 'Search Tool'  to select the correct registration #.
- Dam does not belong to breeder.
- Birth date is missing.

Once you have corrected any errors, click Validate. Next, click Commit to Registry. This will then assign all animals a "U" registration number. Any animals that still have an error are not assigned a registration number and are put in the kickout queue, which can be found under the kickouts tab on the general profile information screen. Call the AWA office for assistance resolving any remaining errors. The animals will remain in this queue and will not be recorded or registered until the errors are resolved.

The screenshot shows the 'Birth Data Entry Screen for Work Order #1711030005' for Member #22. It displays a table with columns for 'RegNo', 'Tattoo BreedComp%', 'Temper', and 'Susp'. The 'RegNo' is 'FB19225', 'Tattoo BreedComp%' is 'J 12774 FB 100', and 'Temper' is 'Docile'. At the bottom, the 'Commit to Registry' button is circled in blue, along with 'Add row' and 'Validate' buttons.

Generate Weaning Worksheet for: [the animals listed below](#)

Sire				Dam				Calf				Birth		Rank	Add to weaning queue
Reg #	Type	Tattoo	Reg #	Type	Tattoo	Reg #	Type	Tattoo	Name	Date	CG	Wgt	Adj Ratio		
FB24500	FB 100.00	KT4FE0630	FB19225	FB 100.00	J 12774	U29182	FB 100.00	123E	AWA KUROGE WASHU 123E ET	2017-01-01	167 - 1	48	48	1 out of 1	<input type="checkbox"/>

*Birth data entry screen. Complete as much data as available, and then hit the Validate button. The validation process checks the data for errors. Correct the errors and hit the Validate button again. **You must click Validate and Commit to Registry in order for the data to be processed.***

After the animals are recorded, a birth summary screen is displayed. Here, you are also given the option to add these animals to a weaning queue if the animal is of weaning age. If the animal is not of weaning age, weaning data can be entered at a later time.

Once all of the animals from the calving group are entered you can print a complete summary of the data by going to reports in the work menu and then clicking birth summary. This will pull up a printable version of the birth data entered on each calf.

For more tutorials and information on the AWA Registry Service, visit the Digital Beef Tutorials page under the Member Forms | Services tab at Wagyu.org.