

Fee structure - National Milk Recording and Improvement

1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021

Unit Fee (VAT Excl)

1. BASIC MILK RECORDING ON INTERGIS

Training fee (Once off)		✓	R 480.00
Cost/Electronic TST & Livestock reports (<i>Per cow tested</i>)		✓	R 4.00
Cost/Paper TST & Livestock reports (<i>Per cow tested</i>)		✓	R 4.50

2. CONVENTIONAL MILK RECORDING (Samples collected by ARC official)

Farm fee per visit		○	R 350.00
Conventional MR (1-50 samples) (<i>Per Sample</i>)		○	R 5.25
Conventional MR (51-100 samples) (<i>Per Sample</i>)		○	R 4.75
Conventional MR (101-300 samples) (<i>Per Sample</i>)		○	R 4.25
Conventional MR (301-500 samples) (<i>Per Sample</i>)		○	R 4.00
Conventional MR (>500 samples) (<i>Per Sample</i>)		○	R 3.75

3. VALUE ADDED

Performance Certificate (<i>Per Lactation</i>)		○	R 5.70
Herd Profile and Breeding Values (<i>Per Lactation</i>)		○	R 4.25
(Maximum of R1 750-00 (VAT excluded) for a herd profile with 500 or more active cows)			
Consultation / per hour (maximum R2000-00 per day)		○	R 250.00
Transport of milk samples (<i>Per Test</i>)		○	R 350.00
Courier cost (<i>Per Test</i>)		○	R 370.00
Byre sheets (<i>Per Sheet</i>)		○	R 5.25
On farm testing of milk meters (<i>Per Meter</i>)		○	R 50.00

PLEASE NOTE:

Basic MR (✓) means Compulsory and MR (○) means Optional
Laboratory analyses of the milk samples must be tendered separately with service providers

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ARC representation on breeders' society technical committees:

- Direct cost for traveling and subsistence

The prices for genetic evaluation include:

- An annual BLUP analyses using the ARC's current operational models that were developed for the breed
- One electronic or paper herd profile per herd
- One sire summary that will be supplied to the Society

Technology Transfer Services

- Training courses:
 - Dairy Recording and Performance Testing
 - Dairy Breeding with Breeding Values
- Manuals, Books & Newsletters:
 - Dairy Production Manual
 - National Dairy Recording and Improvement Scheme Newsletter
- Articles for journals, newsletters, agricultural magazines, etc.
- Lectures at farmer's days, etc.

Consultation Services

- Identification of excellent bulls and cows (potential AI bulls & embryo donor cows)
- Herd reproduction analysis and services (data/report available prior to visit)
- Breeding plans:
 - Breeding objectives Breeding strategies
 - Selection of animals for breeding groups and AI
- Interpretation of breeding values, diagnostics of performance figures

Please note:

The ARC can issue registration certificates on behalf of a Registering Authority. If you want to make use of the pedigree recording services of the ARC it is recommended that your Society apply to the Registrar of Animal Improvement to become a Registering Authority and the ARC will assist you in this regard. Alternatively you can negotiate with another existing Registering Authority so that the ARC can issue the registration certificates on behalf of that Registering Authority for your breed.

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