



LIVESTOCK BUSINESS DIVISION

NATIONAL BEEF CATTLE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

APPLICATION FORM

I / We, the undersigned, hereby apply to participate in the National Beef Cattle Improvement Scheme and undertake at all time to -

1. mark all animals with a clear and unique identification;
2. record the birth of all calves, as required by the ARC;
3. use a cattle scale, approved by the ARC, on the farm;
4. have adequate kraals and crush pen facilities available;
5. subject the entire herd to performance testing;
6. keep accurate and complete records, as required by the ARC, and submit them within 14 days after the weight recording to the ARC regional office concerned;
7. accept the services of private sector officers, approved by the ARC;
8. comply in all respects with the Rules of the Scheme and co-operate fully with the ARC in all matters relating to the Scheme and where a difference of opinion occurs to accept the ruling of the ARC.

I/We declare that to the best of my/our knowledge and belief the information provided in the attached questionnaire is correct and accurate.

SIGNED AT THIS DAY OF
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SIGNATURE

QUESTIONNAIRE

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK LETTERS AND MARK THE APPLICABLE SQUARES WITH AN "X".

(ALL INFORMATION WILL BE HANDLED STRICTLY CONFIDENTIALLY)

A. MEMBERSHIP PARTICULARS

1. a. Are you a member of a breeders' society? Yes No

b. Is the society presently a member of the SA Stud Book and Livestock Improvement Association?

Yes No

If "Yes" please state Member number

Herd Designation Mark

2. Surname or Company name

Initials (if applicable)

Title (Prof, Dr, Mr, Mrs, Me, etc.)

Identity number

Or Company/CC Reg. No

Language in which correspondence: Yes No

Postal Address:

Postal Code:

Contact person

(name & surname):

Telephone Number ()

Cell phone Number:

Fax Number: ()

E-mail Address:

B. FARM- AND HERD PARTICULARS

1. Farm a. Name:

b. Nearest town:

c. Distance from nearest town (km):

d. Magisterial district

e. Province:

2. Herds in respect of which application for participation is made:

a. Stud herd(s) Yes No

If "Yes" Breed(s)

b. Commercial Herd(s) Yes No

If "No" proceed to question 3

If "Yes":

i) Breed(s)

ii) Choice of Herd Designation Marks (HDM):
(Please supply 3 combinations in order of preference. The HDM will always start with a "X". If applicable, you may choose your registered brand, e.g. XABC)

Choice : 1. 2. 3.

iii) Are the cows in your herd at present identified? Yes No

If "Yes", by what method(s)?:

Ear tag Brand Tattoo Ear notches Other (Please specify)

iv) Please indicate whether you are at present keeping the following records in respect of your commercial herds:

Number of calf	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Sex of calf	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Birth date of calf	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Birth weight of calf	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Number of sire	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Number of dam	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

3. Do you have a cattle scale on the farm Yes No

If "Yes", please state:

a.	Type:	Spring Balance	Oil Bath	Electronic	Balancing Lever	Hydraulic
b.	Make:					
c.	Calibration	5kg	2kg	1kg		
d.	Working condition of scale:	New	Good	Reasonable	Poor	

4. Do you have a beef management computer program? Yes No

If "Yes", please state the name of the programme:

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5. Visiting point (Please state farm name or residential address)

Draw a map to your farm house indicating the distances from the nearest town. (If your visiting point is not on the farm, kindly supply a map to this point as well).

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ARC	
1.	APPLICATION APPROVED <input type="checkbox"/> REJECTED <input type="checkbox"/>
	TEAM LEADER: LIVESTOCK IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES DATE
2.	SCHEME EFFECTIVE DATE (YYYY/MM/DD) <input type="text"/>
3.	ARC REGIONAL OFFICE <input type="text"/>
4.	ARC FIELD OFFICER <input type="text"/>
5.	ARC DEBTOR NO <input type="text"/>

