

Simbrah Registry:

Purebred Simbrah (5/8 SM 3/8 BR*) Asterisk Program

Revision *to the* Purebred Simbrah Asterisk Program

This year the American Simmental Association (ASA) has had two situations where Simbrah members were notified of changes to the Simbrah breed classification. One pertained to a rule clarification that necessitated a change in the programming logic and one to the descendants of NF New Reign when its dam was corrected. Both changes resulted in some animal registrations or records that carried the purebred Simbrah classification (5/8 SM 3/8 BR) to now display a percentage Simbrah classification.

In February 2023, the ASA Board made provisions to retain a purebred Simbrah designation for a period of time (see important deadlines below) — referred to as the Purebred Simbrah (5/8 SM 3/8 BR) Asterisk Program (Asterisk Program) — for Simbrah animals changed by the 2022 Programming Logic. An asterisk would follow the designation (5/8 SM 3/8 BR*) to identify these animals as Purebred Simbrah* on the registration certificates and online (digital /through HerdBook).

During the August ASA Board of Trustees' meeting, the board passed a resolution to allow the descendants of NF New Reign that were affected by the pedigree correction (dam correction) to participate in the Asterisk Program if qualifications are met.

In addition, the Board passed a resolution to modify the requirements for the Purebred Simbrah Asterisk Program. No DNA — parent verification — requirement is the major change.

This program does not affect the Simbrah percentage classification when using this animal in a breeding program.

You may retain the purebred Simbrah designation (with an asterisk) by meeting the requirements set out below or you may accept the classification from either the 2022 Programming Logic or from the correction of NF New Reign's dam.

At the end of this notification is a flow chart to assist in understanding the options to consider.

Current Purebred Simbrah Asterisk Program

Qualifications:

1. Animal Record/Registration exists in HerdBook. Registration or record was previously designated as a Purebred Simbrah; however, after either the 2022 Programming Logic or NF New Reign's correction it is now a percentage Simbrah *or*
2. Animal Record/Registration yet to be reported and is a descendant of either a registration changed by the 2022 Programming Logic or a NF New Reign descendant that received the asterisk designation.

If Qualified for Asterisk Designation:

1. Contact Jannine Story (jstory@simmgene.com) at the ASA office and request the animal registration/record carry the purebred Simbrah asterisk designation (5/8 SM 3/8 BR*).
2. Submit the request to ASA prior to December 31, 2024.

Requirements — the current owner of record understands:

1. The asterisk displays on the registration certificate and online (digital and through Herdbook) as 5/8 SM 3/8 BR*
2. This program does not affect the Simbrah percentage classification when using this animal in a breeding program.
3. The responsibility is with the current owner of record to inform potential buyers of the breed classification vs. the asterisk designation displayed (5/8 SM 3/8 BR*) and/or printed.
4. The Purebred Simbrah Asterisk Program ends on December 31, 2027. On December 31, 2027, the registration certificates and online (digital and through HerdBook) will revert to the Simbrah Breed Classification. This is the Simbrah classification you received prior to entering the Simbrah Asterisk Program.



Notifications

1. It is the responsibility of the seller (current owner of record) to inform an interested buyer and any sales manager of the Purebred Simbrah* ($\frac{5}{8}$ SM $\frac{3}{8}$ BR*) designation regarding its meaning for potential acceptance/validation at shows and resulting matings.
2. Registration Certificate.
 - a. A short explanation will be printed on the certificate with a link providing more detailed information.
 - b. A notification sheet will be included with paper certificates when mailed to inform current owner of records regarding the Purebred Simbrah* ($\frac{5}{8}$ SM $\frac{3}{8}$ BR*) designation.
 - c. Online/digital certificates will also carry the explanation.
3. Social Media. Announcements will be posted explaining the transition from the 2013 Programming Logic to the 2022 Programming Logic with a link providing more detailed information.
4. *The Register* will carry announcements periodically throughout 2023 with a link providing more detailed information.
5. Suggested Sale Terms and Conditions will carry an announcement.

Printing / Displaying the Designation of Purebred Simbrah* ($\frac{5}{8}$ SM $\frac{3}{8}$ BR*)

- ASA will recognize this designation on registration certificates, digital certificates, and HerdBook displays online.
- The Purebred Simbrah* ($\frac{5}{8}$ SM $\frac{3}{8}$ BR*) designation will not be used in determining its offsprings' classifications.

Simbrah Registry / Breed Classification – 2022 Programming Logic

- General — To Qualify for the Simbrah Registry:
 - The combination of Simmental and Brahman blood must be $\frac{5}{8}$ or greater.
 - The other breed or combination of other breeds must be $\frac{3}{8}$ or less.
 - Minimum of $\frac{1}{8}$ Simmental required.
 - Minimum of $\frac{1}{8}$ Brahman required.
- General — Determining Percentages:
 - The Simmental portion uses the Simmental Classification Chart to determine its percentage.
 - The Brahman portion uses the average of its parents rounded to the nearest eighth. Rounding up or down may occur.



- Other Breeds portion uses the average of its parents rounded to the nearest eighth. Rounding will be adjusted to include other breed percentages. If more than one breed is $\frac{1}{8}$ or less, they will be combined and listed as “mixed.”
- General — Rounding to the Nearest Eighth:
 - Where both Brahman and other breeds need to be rounded – Brahman will round up and other breeds round down.
 - If other breeds do not need rounding; Brahman will round appropriately.
- Purebred Simbrah: $\frac{5}{8}$ SM $\frac{3}{8}$ BR
 - Must have $\frac{1}{16}$ or less of other breeds to qualify.
 - The $\frac{1}{16}$ or less will not be recognized.
- Percentage Simbrah:
 - Does not meet the Purebred Simbrah qualifications.
 - Does meet the qualifications needed for acceptance in the Simbrah Registry (review above items labeled: General).

Important Deadlines

December 31, 2024: Request for a registration/record to enter the Asterisk Program before December 31, 2024
Note: If a record/registration is not entered into the Asterisk Program it will follow the 2022 Programming Logic.

December 31, 2027: The Asterisk Program will retire, and all registrations and records will revert to their Simbrah Classification. ■

Simbrah Registry: Asterisk Program / PB Simbrah* (5/8 SM 3/8 BR*)

Animal Record/Registration yet to be reported or registered

Descendant of an asterisk animal — prior to 2022 Programming Logic (where the 2013 Programming Logic would classify as a Purebred Simbrah)

or

Record/Registration of a descendant of NF New Reign — where previously it would have received a PB Simbrah classification.

Accept 2022 Programming Logic / Accept the Breed Classification on a descendant of NF New Reign after the correction to its dam.

Animal Record and Certificate uses the 2022 Programming Logic Simbrah Classification / NF New Reign descendants are updated.

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Requirements

Current Owner of Record Understands:

- The Asterisk designation displays on the registration certificate.
- The breed classification is the updated breed classification from either the 2022 Programming Logic or a descendant of NF New Reign (after its dam correction).
- *The responsibility to inform potential buyers of the breed classification vs. the Asterisk designation on registration certificates.

Animal Record/Registration already exists in HerdBook

Animal Record/Registration exists in HerdBook prior to implementing the 2022 Programming Logic where the prior programming logic displayed the PB Simbrah classification

or

Record /Registration is a descendant of NF New Reign, prior to correction of its dam — received a PB Simbrah classification.

Accept 2022 Programming Logic / Accept the Breed Classification on a descendant of NF New Reign after the correction to its dam.

Animal Record and Certificate uses the 2022 Programming Logic Simbrah Classification / NF New Reign descendants are updated.

Certificate displays purebred Simbrah* (5/8 SM 3/8 BR*) on the registration certificate and in HerdBook until December 31, 2027; it then reverts to the breed classification and a registration certificate will be reissued.

Certificate date will remain unchanged.

***Note: Mating with an animal whose record displays/prints with the Asterisk designation**

The 2022 Programming Logic breed classification will be used to determine the classification of the offspring; the same for descendants of NF New Reign.

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