Participating Breeders want to show that the data recording carried out in their herds is done with the utmost Accuracy & Transparency.

They want their customers to know that they could have done no more in terms of ensuring the accuracy of their animal’s Euro-Stars, than to be participating in the ICBF ‘Whole Herd’ Performance Recording Programme.
Benefits

1. Increased Buyer Confidence

- Pedigree Breeders taking part in the WHPR programme are voluntarily getting their whole pedigree herd independently assessed by ICBF annually. Measurements and weights are recorded on all pedigree animals. Participating herds also receive spot check visits from ICBF, to validate the herd’s data.

BEEP – The weights recorded at a herd’s WHPR visit will satisfy those animal’s BEEP requirements

2. Stockbull Finder

- This is a new online bull sales section on the ICBF website.
- Only bulls from WHPR herds will be included.
- A bull’s Euro-Star details will be displayed along with the Breeder’s contact details.
- Breeders can also upload photos and comments about their bulls.
3. €uro-Stars & Reliability %

- The €uro-Stars of pedigree animals will **come more in line with what a Pedigree Breeder would expect** them to be.
  - At birth, a bull calf’s €uro-Stars will be the average of his Sire & Dam’s €uro-Stars (Parent Average).
  - His stars can change if weight/score data is recorded on him.
  - So by recording data on him through the WHPR programme, you are giving his €uro-Stars the possibility of moving away from what he got at birth.

- The more Pedigree Breeders that get their herd’s performance recorded, **the more accurate the whole €uro-Star system becomes for everyone**.

- Scoring & Weighing will increase the reliability % of an animal’s €uro-Stars.

- The €uro-Stars of low reliability animals are more likely to change.

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<th>Pedigree Bulls</th>
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<td>Genotyped, Weighed &amp; Scored</td>
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4. Stamp

- Animals in participating herds will have a ‘Stamp’ displayed beside their €uro-Stars so as they are **clearly identified** as having come from a ‘Performance Recorded’ herd.
**What is involved?**

**Data Recording**
- An ICBF Scorer will visit a participating herd at least once each year and record data on the Whole Pedigree Herd.
- Every Pedigree animal must be presented.
- Participating Breeders must make their herd’s available for ‘Spot Check’ visits from ICBF, to validate birth dates & young stock performance in particular. These visits are to maximise the integrity of all data recorded in the herd.
- Breeders are also encouraged to record DIY weights on their animals. This will add greatly to an animal’s Euro-Star figures.

**Facilities**
- The ICBF Scorer will have a weighing scales for weighing & restraining animals.
- It is essential that a suitable crush is available on the day of the visit.
- It is also essential that all on-farm facilities used in the handling of the animals are in good working order, ensuring a safe working environment.

**Animals**
- All pedigree animals must be presented.
  Different information will be recorded, depending on the animal’s age.

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  1. Whether in milk or not
  2. Evidence of C-Section

**Cost**

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*There is a cap of €800 as the maximum charge that a Breeder will pay for their WHPR visit. ICBF subsidises the excess over this amount.

A Breeder must be registered with ICBF’s Herdplus service (€60/year) in order to join the WHPR programme.
Costs are subject to annual reviews and any increases will be shown on the ICBF website.
Please note that the Services are subject to the terms & conditions attached.
ICBF Whole Herd Performance Recording (WHPR) Service
Terms and Conditions (the “Conditions”)

1. In these Conditions the following words shall have the following meanings:

1.1 “Application”: an application for the Services in the form prescribed by ICBF.
1.2 “Breeder”: the owner of the Herd that applies to take the Services from ICBF.
1.3 “Contract”: the contract under which ICBF supplies the Services to the Breeder, subject to and in accordance with this Conditions.
1.4 “Data”: performance, genetic evaluation and other data relating to a Breeder’s Herd and/or animals.
1.5 “Fees”: the fees payable by the Breeder to ICBF for the Services.
1.6 “Herd” : the Breeder’s herd in respect of which the Services are applied for.
1.7 “ICBF”: the Irish Cattle Breeding Federation Society Limited.
1.8 “Operative” : the person directed by ICBF to record Data as part of the Services.
1.9 “Services”: the whole herd performance recording services provided by ICBF to Breeders as described in Condition 2.
1.10 “Visit” : the visit by an Operative to record Data from a Breeder’s Herd as part of the Services.

2. The Services to be provided by ICBF under the Contract include the following:

2.1 Whole Herd Performance Recording Visit: ICBF record Data on all of the pedigree animals in a Herd. The traits on which the Data is recorded will vary depending on the sex and age of the animal.
2.2 Additional Visits: Once a Herd has had its Visit, and 12 months has not elapsed, the Breeder may request an additional Visit(s) to record Data on certain animals.
2.3 Spot Check Visits: ICBF shall be entitled, at its discretion, to call to any participating Herd (after having given the Breeder at least 24 hours notice). During such Spot Check Visits, Breeders must present the animal(s) requested by ICBF. No additional Fees shall apply to such Spot Check Visits.
2.4 Commercial Animals: Breeders may request, that, during a Visit, Data on commercial animals in the Herd is recorded. The traits being scored and the Fees shall be the same as those for the pedigree animals.
2.5 Weight Recording: A weighing platform, load cells and digital clock will be provided by ICBF for the purpose of weight recording each animal presented for weighing at Visits.
2.6 Linear Scoring: Animals will be visually inspected for different anatomical points on their body as well as overall traits related to their movement. For certain traits this may involve handling the animal.
2.7 Collection of Relevant Data: The weight and linear score Data will be collected for entry into the ICBF database and possible inclusion into the genetic evaluations.
2.8 Report: A report containing Data recorded on the animals that were presented on the day of the Visit will be made available to the Breeder.

2.9 ‘Stockbull Finder’: ICBF may, at its discretion, publish any performance and/or genetic evaluation Data on the animals that were scored/weighed during a Visit in its ‘BullFinder’ and/or on any other part of the ICBF website and/or on any publications that receive Data from the ICBF database. Any other Data (i.e Data other than performance and/or genetic evaluation data) recorded on these same animals that is stored in the ICBF database may also be published.

2.10 Sales Catalogue: ICBF may, at its discretion, publish any performance and/or genetic evaluation Data, on the animals that were scored/weighed during a Visit in a sales catalogue generated from the ICBF database. Any other Data (i.e Data other than performance and/or genetic evaluation data) recorded on these same animals that is stored in the ICBF database may also be published.

2.11 Sharing Data with Relevant Breed Society: ICBF may, at its discretion, share performance and/or genetic evaluation Data from animals with the Breed Society of which the Breeder is a member.

2.12 Genetic Evaluation Data: If certain criteria are met for a range of traits, genetic evaluations will be computed for animals and the results will be provided to Breeders and also published.

3. No Application by a Breeder shall be deemed to be accepted by ICBF until ICBF has notified the Breeder of its acceptance of the Application or (if earlier) ICBF supplies the relevant Services to the Breeder at which point a Contract shall arise. Under the Contract, the Services shall continue to be made available to Breeders, subject to and in accordance with these Conditions, on a year to year basis unless and until the Contract is terminated in accordance with Condition 11.

4. To avail of the Services:

4.1 a Breeder must be registered with ICBF’s HerdPlus service at the time
4.2 participating Herds must have Visits at least once in every 12 month period.

5. Fees:

5.1 shall be determined by ICBF, at its sole discretion and are subject to review and amendment by ICBF at any time (current Fees are shown on the ICBF website).
5.2 are payable in full by way of direct debit immediately following the relevant Visit.

6. The Breeder shall:

6.1 co-operate fully with ICBF and/or the Operative in all matters relating to the Services and provide such access for ICBF and the Operative to the Breeder’s premises, lands and other facilities as may be required;
6.2 maintain all necessary licences and consents and comply with all relevant legislation and inform ICBF and the Operatives of all health and safety rules and regulations and security requirements that are applicable at the Breeder’s premises;
6.3 ensure that all equipment and machinery is in good working order and suitable for the purposes for which it is used and
Both ICBF and the Breeder may terminate the Contract at any time without notice, and give the other at least 30 days’ notice in writing. In addition, ICBF may terminate the Contract immediately by notice in writing to the Breeder if:

11.1 ICBF is not satisfied for any reason with results recorded on any animal of a Breeder;
11.2 the Breeder does anything which, in ICBF’s opinion, damages or has the potential to damage ICBF’s reputation or the reputation of the Services;
11.3 the Breeder breaches the Contract or any of these Conditions. Examples of breach shall include but are not limited to:
   11.3.1 failure to present all animals on the day of a Visit;
   11.3.2 failing to present all animals required on a Spot Check Visit;
   11.3.3 failing to provide a reasonable (in ICBF’s sole opinion) explanation of unusual growth rates for animals.

The current version of the Conditions can be found at (https://www.icbf.com/wp/?page_id=344).

Please note that these Conditions are subject to review and amendment by ICBF.
WHPR Application Form

Herd Number

Name

Address

Mobile No

Email

Preferred month of visit

I/We apply to participate in the ICBF Whole Herd Performance Recording (WHPR) Service. I/We accept and agree to comply with and to be bound by the terms and conditions of the WHPR Service provided with this Application Form and also contained on the ICBF website at www.icbf.com

Signature ______________________________ Date ______________

DIRECT DEBIT MANDATE (SEPA)

By signing this mandate form, you authorise (A) Irish Cattle Breeding Federation Society Ltd to send instructions to your bank to debit your account and (B) your bank to debit your account in accordance with the instructions from Irish Cattle Breeding Federation Society Ltd. As part of your rights, you are entitled to a refund from your bank under the terms and conditions of your agreement with your bank. A refund must be claimed within 8 weeks starting from the date on which your account was debited. Your rights are explained in a statement that you can obtain from your bank.

Please complete all fields marked *

Then please return this mandate form to: Irish Cattle Breeding Federation Society Ltd, Highfield House, Bandon, Co. Cork

Type of Payment Recurrent payment ☑ or One-off payment ☐

Creditor’s name Irish Cattle Breeding Federation Society Ltd

Creditor’s address Highfield House, Bandon, Co. Cork

Creditor identifier IE 955 D305133

Unique Mandate Reference

Name of Account Holder *

Address of Account Holder *

Account number – IBAN *

Bank identifier code – BIC *

Account Holder Signature* ______________________________ Date * ______________
Please return the fully completed application form to the following address:

**WHPR,**
Irish Cattle Breeding Federation Ltd.
Highfield House, Bandon, Co.Cork