

## Master Breeder Schedule

- October      preliminary Master Breeder run  
point updates mailed to members
  
- January      final Master Breeder run  
press release of Master Breeders
  
- April          presentations at Holstein Convention

## Master Breeder Regulations

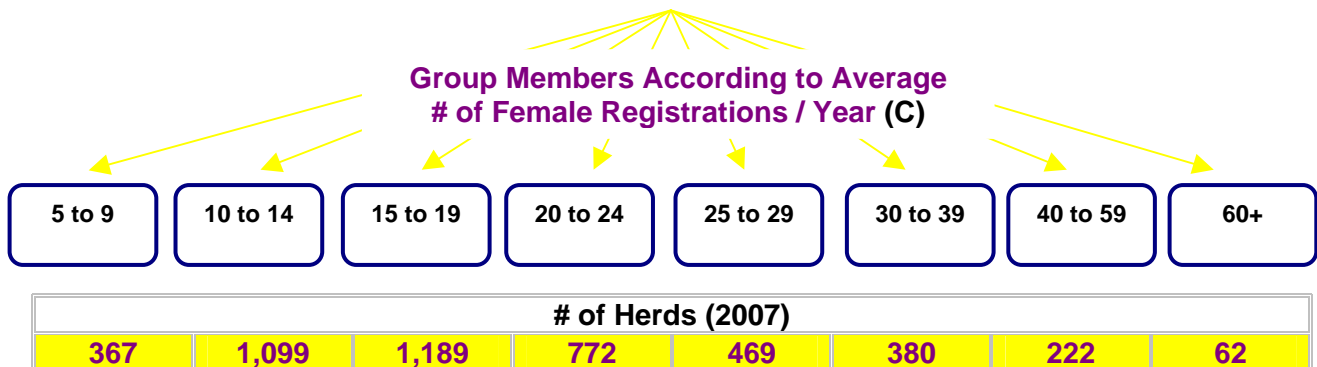
Over 16-year birth window (2008: births 1989 to 2004 and 2009: births 1990 to 2005)

- Minimum of 5 females (75%+ purity) per birth year on average
- One or more females born & registered in 14 of the 16 years
- Birth year of animals contributing to a previous shield must not overlap current birth window by more than 2 years (For 2006, previous shield had births no later than 1988)
- Animals contributing points to a previous shield do not contribute points to a subsequent shield

### Registration Counts and Points/Female Registration

<b>Registration Count (A)</b>	Females 75% pure or higher – born from 1989 to 2004 Excluded if exported prior to 3 years of age
<b>Number of Years (B)</b>	Number of years with one or more females registered [in Registration Count (A)]
<b>Average Female Registrations per Year (C)</b>	Registration Count (A) / Number of Years (B)
<b>Animals Eligible to Contribute Points (D)</b>	All females [in Registration Count (A)] and males
<b>Points Earned (E)</b>	Total points for all eligible animals according to point table
<b>Points Earned per Female Registration (F)</b>	Points Earned (E) / Average Female Registrations per Year (C)

### Eligible Members for Master Breeder (2007 - 4,560 members)



<b># of Female Registration (2007: born 1988 to 2003)</b>							
46,754	219,567	327,093	274,692	203,193	206,435	166,424	84,395
<b>Percent of Female Registration (2007: 1988 to 2003)</b>							
3%	14%	21%	18%	13%	14%	11%	6%
<b>Number to be awarded in each Group</b>							
1	3	4	4	3	3	2	1

Target - 20 Master Breeders / Year, determine the number of Master Breeders in each group by the proportion of Animal Registrations represented.

<b>Star Brood and Master Breeder points table</b>								
<b>Production</b>						<b>Classification</b>		
<b>Composite Deviation</b>			<b>Composite BCA(*)</b>		<b>Lifetime Production</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Points</b>
1 Lactation	[(+30)	or	(+100)]	or	60,000 kg	1	83-84	1
2 Lactations	[(+30)	or	(+100)]	or	70,000 kg	2	85-86	2
2 Lactations	[(+50)	or	(+130)]	or	80,000 kg	3	87-89	3
3 Lactations	[(+50)	or	(+130)]	or	90,000 kg	4	EX	4
3 Lactations	[(+70)	or	(+160)]	or	100,000 kg	5	EX-2E+	5

(\*) Over the composite of the National BCA averages

<b>Males</b>	<b>Points</b>
Superior Production	5
Superior Type	5
Class Extra	15