

BOBBY CALF SEASON

2022



Bobby calf season is rolling around again with 2022 now upon us. We are in the thick of it at AFFCO and we are operating at peak capacity. I would like to take the opportunity to thank you very much for your continued loyalty and commitment to AFFCO.

Regulations around animal welfare and the associated compliance remains a very important part of supplying bobby calves to AFFCO. Your continued good work in this area enables us to meet our animal welfare requirements and to produce a top quality product that is marketed to the world. AT AFFCO we take our animal welfare obligations extremely seriously and we thank you for playing your part.

Please be aware with your supplier registration form, to complete the form in full, as the questions asked are a legal requirement and again assist us to comply with animal welfare regulations.

Based on the success of our 2021 promotion, we are offering the same chance to win in 2022. Simply register to supply before the 1st of May, to go in the prize draw to win a Weber BBQ or a fantastic Good Nature Rat and Stoat trap.

Wishing you all the best for the upcoming season,

Regards

TOM YOUNG
NATIONAL LIVESTOCK MANAGER

NOMINATE YOUR LOCAL SCHOOL OR VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

Please take the time to nominate your local School or Volunteer Fire Brigade at the bottom of your registration form. It costs you nothing, but means a whole lot to the communities it benefits. We are proud to have donated over \$1.15 million to our rural communities and 2021 saw us donate over \$100,000 to these organisations. Please note this is a donation on your behalf from AFFCO and is totally separate to your schedule payment.

REGISTER AND WIN

Simply complete the 2022 Registration form, scan and email back or complete the form and use the free post envelope provided and return the form by the **1st of May** and go into the draw to win one of 5 Weber Q3200 BBQ's or one of 20 Good Nature A24 Rat and Stoat Traps – the A24 Chirp Trap retails at \$199, it's a smart trapping system which sends data to your phone via Bluetooth.

2021 PRIZE WINNERS

Congratulations to Kinloch Dairy Ltd, Wairepo Dairy Ltd (Yellow), Huirimu Farms Ltd, Dewhirst Land Compnay Ltd, West Road Farms Ltd, EG & Y O Yees, BA Looney Trust, S and F Dairies Ltd, Raroa Lands Trust, JN & DA Stankovich, ME & JE Duke, Ivondale Farm Ltd, Glendev Farms Limited, Pulman Farms Ltd, M&M Dairies Ltd, Manuka Downs Farm Ltd, Beith Farm Ltd - Braemar Glen, Golden Springs Limited, Oliver & Sons Ltd, Frisia Farm Trust, Warpa Farms Ltd.



COVID

As we get closer to the Bobby Calf season and we start to know more in regards to the effect of new variants on the population of New Zealand, we will notify our registered Bobby Calf Suppliers on any changes that will affect our Bobby Calf season.



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HOW TO GET READY FOR YOUR FIRST COLLECTION

IMPORTANT: We cannot accept and process any bobby calves from your property until this form is completed

1. Fully complete the AFFCO Bobby Calf Registration Animal Status Declaration form for each of your properties, checking we have all the correct details. **ESPECIALLY YOUR BANK AND GST NUMBERS (IF THEY HAVE CHANGED PLEASE ATTACH A BANK DEPOSIT SLIP AND VERIFICATION OF YOUR GST NUMBER).**
2. Return it to AFFCO New Zealand Ltd in the freepost envelope provided or scan to lcs@affco.co.nz.

EAR TAG ORDER



Complete the section of the Bobby Calf Registration Animal Status Declaration form with your seasonal ear tag requirements. Should you require additional tags throughout the season, please contact us.

Please note:

- **AFFCO ear tags are hand applied and do not require additional tools.**
- **Please check your ear tag delivery bag for your collection schedule and docket book.**
- **Previous season tags can be used if they have not come from another property.**

AFFCO FLAG



Use your AFFCO Flag at the gate front to indicate to the carrier that you have calves to collect.

- Remove your flag if you no longer have calves for collection.

COLLECTION



Bobby Calf collection Docket Books* will be supplied with your tags. You must complete the supplier section and leave the book at the BOBBY CALF PEN, until completed by the carrier and then kept for two years. Calves cannot be collected if this is not completed.

*Please note you can use your last season's docket book until completed. Please advise if you require a bag.

CALF PENS



It is a requirement to have suitable shelter and loading facilities to meet MPI regulations. Please refer to www.mpi.govt.nz/calves

PAYMENT



- **AFFCO will be paying within 7 days**, inclusive of kill date.
- Payment notifications are available electronically via email. Please ensure you include your email address on the Bobby Calf Registration Animal Status Declaration form.

CALF ANIMAL WELFARE REQUIREMENTS



Calves must have the following attributes;

- Be more than four days old and not more than two months of age.
- Be fed at least half of their daily ration of colostrum or milk not more than two hours before transport (this is checked as part of the autopsy examination). The stomach must not be concave (sunken).
- The calf is free from signs from any injury, disease, disability, or impairment that could compromise the calf's welfare during the journey*.
- The calf is alert and able to rise from a lying position, stand and bear weight evenly on all 4 limbs, move freely and protect itself from being trampled and from being injured by other calves*.
- The calf's hooves are firm, worn flat, and not bulbous with soft unworn tissue; and
- The calf's navel cord is shriveled and not pink or red coloured, raw, or fleshy.

***This does not apply if the owner or person in charge of the young calf has a veterinary declaration that the calf is fit for transport.**

The above welfare requirements are checked by both MPI and the company at each processing plant.

It is important that suppliers communicate with the transport operator to establish the collection time for each property so that the required feeding regime is adhered to.

Should you require additional registration forms for each of your properties you can download these from: www.affco.co.nz

Or contact us:

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