

## Disposal and Reason Code Definitions

### **Birth to Wean- Disposal Codes**

- 50** - *Born alive, died before weaning– disease.* The calf was alive for more than 48 hours (2-205 days) and died prior to being weaned from a known or unknown disease or sickness.
- 51** - *Born alive, died– weather event, accident, or injury.* The calf was alive for more than 48 hours (2-205 days) and died prior to being weaned from lightning strike, broken limb, drowning or predator related incident.
- 52** - *Calf sold after birth prior to weaning.* Calf sold as bottle baby, veal or at sale barn prior to 205 days of age.
- 53** - *Died at birth– defect.* Calf was dead or euthanized within 48 hours of birth due to a genetic or congenital defect.
- 54** - *Died at birth– calving difficulty.* Calf was alive prior to parturition but did not survive the assisted birthing process or died within 48 hours. Includes calves that die during or after assisted birthing process.
- 55** - *Died– high altitude disease.* Calf died after being diagnosed with or showing physical signs of high altitude/brisket disease like labored breathing and chest edema.
- 56** - *Stillborn* - 260 days of gestation reached with a calf delivered but died prior to, during or within 48 hours of parturition. Includes unassisted and calves found dead and need to be pulled.

### **Weaning through Mature- Disposal Codes**

- 70** - *Aborted* - Female removed from herd that was confirmed pregnant but later lost the pregnancy prior to 260 days of gestation.
- 71** - *Age* - Animal removed from herd or died for any reason associated with comparative herd age or age-related circumstances.
- 72** - *Appearance* - Animal removed from herd because of a physical attribute like horns or color, hair coat or general phenotype. Does NOT include BCS, structure or udder conformation.
- 73** - *Calf died* - Female removed from herd after giving birth to a calf that reached 260 days of gestation and then died.
- 74** - *Disposition* - Animal removed from herd for any level of temperament or attitude.
- 75** - *Genetic defect* - Animal removed from herd due to an individual and/or relative discovered to be a carrier or suspected carrier of a recessive genetic defect. Includes registration status (U) or testing results.
- 76** - *Parentage- Z or B status* - Animal removed from herd because of registration status Z or B issue.
- 77** - *Genetic Merit* – Animal removed from herd based on EPD or Index value(s).
- 78** - *Herd reduction- environment, budget, labor* - Animal removed from herd in order to meet environmental, budget or labor circumstances. Would most often be for larger numbers at one time.

- 79** - *Hoof condition* - Animal removed from herd due to non-genetic issue like cracked hoof, laminitis or foot rot. Does NOT include issues with claw shape or hoof angle, like screw claw.
- 80** - *Weather event, accident, or injury* - Animal was removed from the herd for issue associated with or died by lightning strike, broken limb, drowning or predators.
- 81** - *Production/performance* - Animal removed from herd due to insufficient production (calf quality) or individual performance (bull libido, BCS).
- 82** - *Prolapse* - Animal removed from herd or died due to any level or type of prolapse.
- 83** - *Sickness/disease* - Animal removed from herd or died because of a sickness, or an undiagnosed or diagnosed disease. Includes issues like high altitude disease and fescue toxicity.
- 84** - *Structural soundness* - Animal removed from herd because of undesirable skeletal function affecting feet and legs, joints, spine or hips. Includes claw shape and hoof angle.
- 85** - *Udder quality* - Female removed from herd due to preference of teat length, udder structure or size. \*Mastitis would be sickness/disease, milking ability would be production/performance.
- 86** - *Calving difficulty* - Female removed from herd or died due to difficulty of parturition process. Does NOT include prolapse.
- 87** - *Sold Pregnant*- Female confirmed bred and sold to sale barn or commercial producer, papers NOT transferred.
- 88** - *Exposed, failed to conceive* - Female removed from herd after being A.I. or Naturally exposed and later confirmed as open. Papers NOT transferred.
- 89** - *Open, unexposed* - Female open and sold to sale barn or commercial producer, papers NOT transferred. Includes being given the opportunity to conceive but male used was determined to be infertile or incapable.

### **Reason Codes**

- 30** - *Aborted* - Female was confirmed pregnant but later lost the pregnancy prior to 260 days of gestation.
- 31** - *Cow calved– calf not found intact or at all (e.g., predator)*. Female observed calving or with post-calving signs but calf died due to a predator or was never found.
- 32** - *ET donor* - Female has been super ovulated and flushed, she will not give birth to a calf.
- 33** - *ET recipient* - Female has been synchronized for embryo transplant; she will not have a genetic calf of her own.
- 34** - *Exposed and failed to conceive* – Female was A.I. and/or naturally exposed and later confirmed as open.
- 35** - *Not Exposed* – Female was not exposed to a bull, retained for breeding. Includes being given the opportunity to conceive but male used was determined to be infertile.