

The American Simmental Association (ASA) is proud to sanction Progress Through Performance shows. PTP shows effectively combine the assessment of statistical data, such as EPDs and actual measurements, with traditional phenotype evaluation. The primary goal of the PTP program is to promote multi-level progress within the Simmental and SimGenetics industry.

In order to simplify the hosting process and increase the number of PTP shows throughout the nation, ASA is offering several options, as well as the following guidelines, for holding a sanctioned PTP show. Please review this document and utilize the format that is most suitable for your event, as well as its exhibitors and staff.

PTP Regulations :: *These apply to all PTP shows.*

For Exhibitors

These rules should be included, in some format, in your event's premium book.

1. All animals must be registered with ASA. Exceptions may be made, if arranged in advance, for cattle registered with the Canadian Simmental Association.
2. Each animal must show in its designated breed division, provided that division exists at the event.
 - a. To show in the Purebred Simmental division, an animal must be 7/8 Simmental (87.5%) or greater.
 - b. To show in the Percentage Simmental division (also called SimSolutions, SimGenetics, etc.) an animal must be at least 1/2 Simmental (50%) but less than 7/8 Simmental (87.5%).
Note: This division may allow 3/8 Simmental cattle for the 2019-2020 show season, but 1/2 Simmental is required after 3/1/2020.
 - c. To show in the Simbrah division, an animal must be registered as 5/8 Simmental 3/8 Brahman.
 - d. To show in the Fullblood Simmental division, an animal must be registered as a Fullblood Simmental (FB SM).
3. All show animals must be checked in. Cattle identification must conform to PTP guidelines: Each animal must be tattooed or branded, and its identification must correspond to its official registration certificate. Identification is subject to review by event or association staff.
4. All bulls twelve (12) months of age and older must be shown with a nose lead and/or ring.
5. Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs) and their corresponding percentile ranks will be included in a show program on an individual animal basis.
6. In addition to the PTP rules, all exhibitors must adhere to the rules set forth by the event coordinators.

For Event Hosts

1. Exhibitors should be made aware of all regulations, including but not limited to: PTP regulations, general show rules, deadlines, check-in time(s), class breaks and show order. Rules regarding class sizes, division breaks, codes of ethics, and other general rules will be governed by the host committee.
2. The host committee will select the PTP judge and ensure that he/she is compensated. A judge must be chosen from the list of approved PTP judges. This list can be found online at: www.simmental.org/site/index.php/eventshows/ptp-judges
3. A specific check-in time and location will be selected by the host committee. All show animals must be checked in.
4. Tattoos/brands are subject to inspection, either at the time of check-in or in accordance with ASA's new check-in procedure.
5. Entry information must be submitted to the ASA office 14 days prior to the check-in date. This information should be submitted in a Microsoft Excel file, containing the following information at minimum: Registration numbers, animal DOBs, animal names, exhibitor names, and exhibitor addresses. If the information is available, please also provide class numbers and back tags/entry numbers.

ASA will then provide a spreadsheet containing the most current data for all animals entered in the show. The more information you provide, the more accurate the information returned by ASA will be.

6. If you provide publicity information, such as show dates/locations and event photos, ASA will include it on the association website, in eNews and/or in *the Register*, as space allows.
7. *If your show allows animals with pending or unknown registration numbers to be entered, the host committee is responsible for the follow-up work to ensure that the EPDs on these animals are included in the final ASA spreadsheet.
8. *The host committee will decide, prior to the show, if DNA will be collected from champion animals for pedigree verification purposes. If DNA will be collected, hair kits should be obtained from ASA and returned following the show.
Note: DNA processing fees will be paid by the host association or committee.
9. *Judges will be provided with access to performance information to use in conjunction with visual appraisal.
10. *Data, including EPDs and any measurements taken, will be printed in the show program.

At minimum, the following EPDs should be listed: CE, WW, YW, MCE, MWW, YG, MARB, API and TI.

**This will be the responsibility of the PTP show host committee in the event that an American Simmental Association staff person is not present to assist with the event. If ASA staff is available, the host committee should be available to assist.*

If any rules and regulations are imposed beyond the aforementioned (i.e. entry or registration deadlines, fitting practices, etc.), it is the responsibility of the host committee and/or event staff to enforce such rules.

PTP Show Options

Option 1 – EPDs and Actual Data

In this option, both EPDs and actual measurements will be incorporated into the PTP judging process. The host committee will submit all entry information to ASA (see Event Host Rule #5), and ASA will provide a spreadsheet containing the most current EPDs and percentile ranks for all registered entries. Actual measurements will be taken and recorded at the time of check-in.

The host committee and/or state association will decide which of the following actual measurements to use:

Frame Score: Frame scores will be taken using Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) guidelines.

Scrotal Circumference: Scrotal circumference may be measured on either: a.) All bulls entered in the bull division, or b.) All bulls twelve months of age and older entered in the bull division.

Ultrasound: The host committee is responsible for arranging all ultrasound technicians and equipment.

All measurements will be taken and recorded at the time of check-in and included in the show program on an individual basis.

The host committee and/or state association will also decide whether to include and enforce the following regulations:

- Any bull fifteen (15) months of age or older must have veterinary proof of a semen test and/or breeding soundness exam and must be proven as a satisfactory breeder.
- Any female eighteen (18) months of age or older must be: a.) certified pregnant by a licensed non-owner veterinarian, or b.) have certification that she has been used in embryo transfer.
- Documentation on the above must be provided before an animal is eligible to show.**

The decision to incorporate these measurements and/or requirements must be made prior to the publication of the event's rules. They should be included, in some format, in the general rules and regulations and made available to the show's exhibitors.

Option 2 – EPDs Only

In this option, only EPDs and their corresponding percentile ranks will be used. This gives the host committee the greatest amount of flexibility and limits the number of exhibitor and host duties at check-in. The host committee will submit all entry information to ASA (see Event Host Rule #5), and ASA will provide a spreadsheet containing the most current EPDs and percentile ranks for all registered entries. No actual measurements will be taken, and fertility verification papers are not required.

Show Programs

Below you will find a sample copy of the public show program and the judge's show program. In PTP shows, all owner and pedigree information is removed from the judge's program.

Public Version - Sample

2019 National Western Stock Show Denver, Colorado				Percentage Simmental EPDs & Percentile Ranks																	Open Percentage Simmental Show Females						
Place	Tag	Animal Name	Sire	DOB	CE	%	WW	%	YW	%	MCE	%	MWW	%	Stay	%	YG	%	MB	%	\$API	%	\$TI	%	50k	Exhibitor	Hometown
Class 402: Spring Heifer Calves, Born March - April 2018																											
	5706	TRAYNHAMS CHARISMA F1174	WS REVIVAL	3/28/18	8.6	90	60	70	88	75	4.8	80	55	50	10.5	90	-0.39	15	0.05	95	95.8	95	60.5	90		MADISON RICE	JUNCTION CITY, OR
	5708	KRMS FANTASIAS FOCUS495	HOOK'S BLACK HAWK 50B	3/26/18	14.8	20	71	30	107	35	8.5	20	56	40	18.0	25	-0.15	80	0.36	40	143.1	15	76.8	20		KEANNA SMITH	IGNACIO, CO
	5709	S&S WICKED WOMEN 8313F	LLSF PAYS TO BELIEVE ZU194	3/26/18	9.8	75	61	70	84	80	5.8	65	46	90	5.2	99	-0.10	90	0.38	35	101.9	90	66.1	65		SARA SULLIVAN	DUNLAP, IA
	5712	JEWEL F818	GLS/JRB CASH FLOW 163C	3/21/18	7.9	90	66	45	97	55	3.7	90	50	75	9.2	95	-0.28	40	0.28	55	102.3	90	65.5	70		AUSTIN SNELL	DECORAH, IA
	5714	KLLR SHEZA STAR 1F	MR HOC BROKER	3/20/18	7.3	95	63	60	94	60	5.8	65	50	75	8.6	99	-0.17	75	0.12	85	91.1	99	60.0	90		AUSTIN DORMAN	WRIGHT CITY, MO
	5715	WF WHITNEY F306	MAR L FIRST CLASS 504	3/20/18	16.2	10	73	20	112	20	9.0	15	61	20	12.4	80	-0.27	40	0.25	60	126.1	45	74.3	30		TEAGAN PARIZEK	YUKON, OK
	5716	JSUL DIAMOND STYLE 8139F	HPF QUANTUM LEAP Z952	3/20/18	11.8	50	65	50	97	55	6.4	50	49	80	15.1	55	-0.18	70	0.41	30	130.2	40	71.4	40		SARA SULLIVAN	DUNLAP, IA
	5718	RF MAMA MIA 14F	W/C LOADED UP 1119Y	3/17/18	10.3	70	55	85	79	90	5.7	65	47	85	14.0	70	-0.48	3	-0.02	99	98.5	95	55.1	99		KALE ROBISON	CUSHING, OK
	5719	S&S CSCC MS WEST COAST	COLBURN PRIMO 5153	3/14/18	7.5	95	63	60	96	60	4.3	85	44	95	12.6	80	-0.12	85	0.28	55	108.8	85	63.6	75		TANNER CORDES	FARMERSVILLE, OH
	5720	TSN PAYS TO BURN F443	LLSF PAYS TO BELIEVE ZU194	3/13/18	6.4	99	73	20	107	35	3.6	90	54	55	10.2	95	-0.19	65	0.27	55	104.5	90	69.1	55		SAWYER NAASZ	PLATTE, SD
	5722	GCC MISS BROKER 133F	MR HOC BROKER	3/11/18	8.0	90	59	75	83	85	4.4	85	45	90	9.0	95	-0.16	75	0.09	90	89.3	99	56.6	95		GRISWOLD CATTLE	STILLWATER, OK

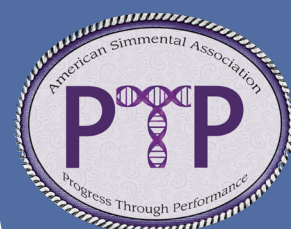
Judge Version - Sample

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Place	Tag	DOB	CE	%	WW	%	YW	%	MCE	%	MWW	%	Stay	%	YG	%	MB	%	\$API	%	\$TI	%	50k				
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	5708	3/26/18	14.8	20	71	30	107	35	8.5	20	56	40	18.0	25	-0.15	80	0.36	40	143.1	15	76.8	20					
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	5716	3/20/18	11.8	50	65	50	97	55	6.4	50	49	80	15.1	55	-0.18	70	0.41	30	130.2	40	71.4	40					
	5718	3/17/18	10.3	70	55	85	79	90	5.7	65	47	85	14.0	70	-0.48	3	-0.02	99	98.5	95	55.1	99					
	5719	3/14/18	7.5	95	63	60	96	60	4.3	85	44	95	12.6	80	-0.12	85	0.28	55	108.8	85	63.6	75					
	5720	3/13/18	6.4	99	73	20	107	35	3.6	90	54	55	10.2	95	-0.19	65	0.27	55	104.5	90	69.1	55					
	5722	3/11/18	8.0	90	59	75	83	85	4.4	85	45	90	9.0	95	-0.16	75	0.09	90	89.3	99	56.6	95					

Note: Sample programs have been resized to fit this page. Public programs should be printed on 8.5 x 14 legal sized paper.

The American Simmental Association appreciates your consideration of the Progress Through Performance (PTP) show program. We hope that you will find an option that suits your event.

For further information or any assistance, contact the PTP Coordinator via email at ptp@simmgene.com.



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