

The American Jersey Cattle Association
Young Sire Program and Genetic Diversity Program
Application for Enrollment

Jersey breed progress depends upon breeders taking the lead in sampling highly qualified young sires. Do your part to continue the genetic improvement of the Jersey breed by enrolling qualifying young bulls in the AJCA Young Sire Program or the Genetic Diversity Program

Young Sire Program (YSP)

This program identifies outstanding young bulls at an early age to encourage early sampling for an accurate multi-herd proof.

The nomination standard is a **genomic PTA** that equals or exceeds the *70th percentile* for Jersey Performance Index™, PTA pounds protein, or Net Merit dollars (NM\$) of the NAAB G-code Jersey bulls. In the absence of a genomic evaluation, Parent Average may be substituted.

Current qualifying levels are +192 JPI or +43 lbs. protein or +498 NM\$.

Genetic Diversity Program (GDP)

This program encourages the sampling of genetically diverse bulls. The genomic genetic evaluation of nominated bulls must equal or exceed the *50th percentile* for Jersey Performance Index™, PTA pounds protein, or Net Merit dollars (NM\$) of the NAAB G-code Jersey bulls, **and** the bull's Genomic Future Inbreeding (GFI) must be *less than* 6%. In the absence of a genomic evaluation, Parent Average may be substituted.

Current qualifying levels are +182 JPI or +37 lbs. protein or +447 NM\$.

Requirements for Both Programs

Bulls must be no older than 15 months of age at the time of

nomination. Inheritance from a designated carrier of Limber Legs or Rectovaginal Constriction must be less than 12.5%.

Parentage must be qualified using an AJCA-approved method and the bull listed with the AJCA.

A minimum of 200 units of semen must be frozen and stored if the bull is kept alive until his first USDA summary, or a minimum of 1,000 units frozen and stored if the bull is to be slaughtered.

For a YSP bull, the proving group must arrange daughter distribution to assure that Reliability of at least 65% by the bull's second USDA summary. **For a GDP bull**, the group must arrange daughter distribution in a minimum of 50 herds by the second USDA summary.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

Daughters of enrolled bulls will be **registered at a \$3.00 discount**, provided they are born before the bull is 32 months of age and registered before they reach six (6) months of age.

YSP and GDP bulls are publicized through the Young Sire Availability Listing in *Jersey Journal*.

Apply Today

The enrollment fee is only \$30, and the benefits many!

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Nomination Form for Young Sire Program or Genetic Diversity Program

Complete information is required. If the young sire's registration is pending, provide registration information for his sire and dam.

- YSP
 GDP

CHECK ONE _____ NAME OF BULL AND AJCA REGISTRATION NUMBER

DATE OF BIRTH _____ TATTOO/TAG: RIGHT EAR _____ LEFT EAR _____

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT PERSON _____ AJCA CUSTOMER NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

AREA CODE/PHONE NUMBER _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

I agree to keep the above named bull alive, remit the \$30 nomination fee, parentage qualify and list this bull with the AJCA, freeze and store at least 200 units of usable semen until after a USDA summary has been published, or freeze and store 1,000 units of semen (if bull will be slaughtered), arrange for 65% Reliability on his first or second USDA summary (YSP) or arrange for daughters in 50 herds by the second USDA Summary (GDP) and to be bound by the rules of the program as they may from time to time be changed by the AJCA Board of Directors.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AUTHORIZED AGENT _____ YSP/GDP 4/13