

# **BY – LAWS**

## **CANADIAN SWINE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION**

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CANADIAN SWINE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION  
BY-LAWS

I. NAME

This organization shall be called "CANADIAN SWINE BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION" and hereinafter is referred to as the "Association".

II. RECORDING BODY

The pedigree recording body shall be Canadian Livestock Records Corporation, or any other body which performs the duty of receiving, recording and processing all pedigree related work; and hereafter is referred to as the "Corporation".

III. OBJECTIVES

The Association shall have for its object the encouragement, development and regulation of the breeding of swine in Canada, through the following means:

1. By keeping a record of the breeding and origin of swine; and by collecting, preserving and publishing data and documents relating to same.
2. By establishing standards of breeding and ensuring that a credible system of registration is undertaken through applications, a recording data base, certification and transfers.
3. By adopting means from time to time to protect and assist breeders engaged in propagation and breeding of purebred swine in compliance with the Animal Pedigree Act and/or any regulation made thereunder.
4. By maintaining an efficient supervision of breeders of swine to prevent, detect and punish fraudulent or inappropriate activities.
5. By compiling statistics of the industry and furnishing official and authentic information in regard thereto.
6. And for these purposes to have power to make all needful contracts and agreements; and to make, alter and repeal regulations subject to the provisions hereinafter set forth.

IV. MEMBERS

1. Membership
  - a. Honorary Members: The Association may appoint honorary members at a general meeting if the Board of Directors have, by resolution, named the proposed member or members and recommended that such appointment be made, but such honorary member shall take no part in the management of the Association's affairs. Their position

shall be purely honorary and shall be retained unless the Board of Directors make the decision to revoke this position.

b. **Life Members:** Life members shall be those individuals resident in Canada who have paid a life membership fee of the prescribed amount as set by the Board of Directors, and shall have the same rights and privileges as annual members. Life memberships are not transferable.

c. **Annual Members:** Annual members shall be those individuals, partnerships, or companies incorporated under Federal or Provincial charter, resident in Canada, who paid the prescribed annual membership fee, due the first day of January of each year.

d. **Non-Resident members:** Individuals resident outside Canada may become annual members on the approval of the Board of Directors. They may attend any annual and/or general meeting and enter into discussion, but shall not hold office or be entitled to vote at any meeting.

e. **Junior Members:** For individuals under the age of 18 years. This membership will give recognition to youth entering into the swine industry.

## 2. Application for Membership

a. Original application for annual, life, junior and non-resident membership shall be in writing; and in becoming a member each applicant shall agree to be bound by the bylaws and amendments thereto, and all rules of the Association. The Association shall have power to reject any application for membership.

b. Application for partnership or incorporated company membership shall specify the person authorized to vote, act or sign for the partnership or company. A member of a partnership or company other than the person mentioned in the application may be authorized by the partnership or company to act or vote at any meeting of the Association.

c. The membership year of the Association shall correspond to the calendar year.

## 3. Membership Status

a. A member who is in arrears of membership dues shall not hold office or be entitled to vote at a meeting or to give notice to amend these Bylaws and no applicant shall be entitled to vote until membership has been accepted.

b. No member who is in arrears of membership dues or other fees or is suspended shall enjoy such rights and privileges of membership.

c. Subject to the Animal Pedigree Act (Section 61), any person, while suspended or expelled from the Association, shall not be able to have any of the privileges of membership.

d. A member may, provided he is not in arrears for membership dues or other fees, at any time resign from membership in the Association by giving notice the Registrar notice in writing of his intention to do so; but membership shall not terminate until the end of the then current membership year.

e. If a member resigns, no repayment of dues or other fees will be made for that year.

## 4. Limited Liability: The financial liability of the member to the Association shall be limited to the amount due from him in respect to his membership and registration fees.

5. Publications and newsletters: A member may receive, free of charge, publications which are issued during each year of his membership for which he has paid a membership fee.

6. Suspended member: A suspended member is a member who has been suspended by the Board of Directors; or who, as a member, has been placed on probation by the Registrar.

7. Non-Members: Any person not a member of the Association, registering and transferring swine on the records of the Association, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations as a member except as otherwise specifically provided for. Any service normally provided to a member for a fee, if provided to non-members, shall be at double the fee schedule for members at that time, plus a surcharge equal to the annual membership fee shall be levied extra on the first item of work done each year while not a member in good standing.

#### V. OFFICES

1. The head office of the Association shall be at the address where the Manager is located, approved by the Board of Directors. The office for the registration of pedigrees shall be the office of the Corporation.

2. Any changes shall be subject to the ratification of the members.

#### VI. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Association shall correspond with the calendar year.

#### VII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, COMMITTEES & REPRESENTATIVES

1. Board of Directors

a. The affairs of the Association shall be conducted by a Board of Directors, who shall be elected as herein provided. For the purpose of election of directors and of effecting proportional representation of the different regions, the membership shall be divided into regions and each region shall be entitled to representation on the Board of Directors as follows:

i) Atlantic Region	One Director
ii) Quebec	Two Directors
iii) Ontario	Two Directors
iv )Mid-West Region	Two Directors
v) Western Region	One Director

(For this purpose, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island shall be known as the Atlantic Region, Manitoba and Saskatchewan shall be known as the Mid-West Region, and Alberta, British Columbia, Northwest Territories, and Yukon shall be known as the Western Region.)

b. Should a decision made at an annual meeting for actions to be undertaken, the results should be reported upon at the next annual meeting. If the action has not been



undertaken, the board of directors shall ensure to document and report at the next meeting why such actions were not undertaken.

c. **Signing Authority:** The Board of Directors shall assign and approve no less than three persons to have signing authority on the bank accounts and securities held at financial institutions on behalf of the Association, with two persons to sign cheques and make withdrawals from the accounts.

d **Directors**

i. In order to be eligible to be a director on the board, the member must be in good standing, which is having a paid up membership to the Association and be in compliance with these bylaws and the Animal Pedigree Act, as determined by the Board.

ii. A nominating committee shall work to achieve a full slate of directors derived from the members. The nominations will be submitted to the Association by the nominating committee, accompanied by a signed letter stating that the nominee is willing to let his name stand for election.

iii. The director (s) so elected shall take office immediately following the Association's annual meeting.

iv. Each director shall be elected for a two year term.

v. No director of the association shall receive any payments or monetary gain for his services as a director, however, valid costs incurred in the performance of his duties as a director may be reimbursed, according to standard policies and procedures.

vi. Each director may carry a maximum of one proxy vote from a member, but not director, to an annual or other general meeting.

vii. Each Provincial or Regional Group shall elect their director(s) to the directorate of the Association and such election shall be at the annual meeting of the Provincial or Regional organization, It is suggested that each group should also elect an alternate, who will have full voting privileges in the absence of a director.

viii. If the province has not elected an alternate, then the Board of Directors shall have the power to fill vacancies which may occur among the directors; and to change officers as required as a result of resignation, disqualification or death, until the next annual meeting.

2. **Officers**

a. **President:** The president shall be elected from among their number by the Board of Directors at their first meeting after the annual meeting. He shall hold office for one year or until his successor is elected and shall be eligible for re-election. The number of successive annual terms of the President shall not exceed two. The duties of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee; and to exercise a general supervision over the affairs of the Association and generally to do all matters, acts and things as are usually done by Presidents of similar organizations, and shall be a member of all committees.

- b. Honorary President: The Board of Directors may appoint honorary presidents. They shall hold office for a period of time as designated by the Board.
- c. First Vice-President: The First Vice-President shall be elected in a like manner to and at the same time as the election of the President, hold office for a similar term, and in case the President is unable to act on account of illness or absence, or at the request of the President, perform all duties of the President.
- d. Second Vice-President: The second Vice-President shall be elected in the same manner, hold office for a similar term, and if the President and Vice-President are unable to act on account of illness, absence, or otherwise, shall perform all the duties of the President.
- e. Registrar: The Corporation shall assign to the Association a person to act as Registrar. The duties of the Registrar shall be similar to the duties of other Registrars in the employ of the Corporation.
- f. Manager: The Board of Directors shall appoint a Manager who shall have the administrative power of manager, acting under the control and with the approval of the Board of Directors. His duties shall be to attend all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors, and of the Executive Committee, and to keep exact minutes of the proceedings of the same; to carry on all head office correspondence; to prepare all annual and other reports; to give notice of all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors or of the Executive Committee when so directed by the proper authority under the bylaws; to deposit all monies received by him in a chartered financial institution to the credit of the Association, and shall pay same out again by cheque only. He shall deposit, for safekeeping, all securities owned by the Association, in a safety deposit vault as may be approved of by the Board of Directors. He shall be bonded in such amount as may be required from time to time by the Board of Directors. He shall keep proper books of accounts, containing entries of all matter of things as are usually entered in books of accounts; and shall furnish from time to time such statements in detail of the affairs of the Association, or such other matters as may be directed by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee. The manager's duties shall include the functions normally done by the Secretary and the Treasurer.

### 3. Committees

- a. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Manager and one Director as heretofore provided.
- b. Pedigree Committee: The Manager, the Registrar and the General Manager of the Corporation, shall be a Committee with authority to authorize change of ownership, and issue registration pedigree for swine where signatures or other information are for any reason unobtainable. If the decision of the Committee is unanimous, it shall be final. If the Committee is not unanimous in the matter in question, it has no power to authorize the registration and/or change of ownership of any animal unless the information submitted complies in all particulars with the rules of eligibility as outlined elsewhere in these bylaws.
- c. Adhoc Committees: The Board of Directors may appoint from their number or from the other members of the Association, special committees; but must in all cases name one of their number a member who shall be the presiding officer. The action of any

special committee is subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. Any committee except the Executive Committee shall have the power to add to its number.

#### 4. Representatives

Organizations asking for a representative shall have a delegate appointed at the annual general meeting; or the annual meeting can delegate such appointments. If for any reason any of these are not so appointed, the Board of Directors shall have power to appoint the same. Those appointed to represent the Association will report back to the Board on matters of importance. Minutes or notes will be submitted and kept in the Association's business office by the manager. Decisions of the Committee shall be submitted to the Board of Directors and shall be incorporated in the minutes of their next meeting.

### VIII. MEETINGS

#### 1. Notice of Meetings

##### a) General Meetings

i) The annual general meeting of the Association, or any special general meetings, shall be held at such time and place as decided upon by the Board of Directors of the Association. A notice of at least twenty-one days in advance shall be given, indicating the time and place of meeting. A copy of the notice calling an annual or general meeting shall be forwarded to the Minister of Agriculture for Canada, and to the General Manager of the Corporation, in a like manner as to the members of the Association.

ii) At the written request of twenty members, the Manager shall call and chair a special general meeting of the Association; which meeting shall have the same status as if it had been called in the regular way by the Board of Directors of the Association, but such meeting shall have no power to amend these bylaws.

iii) It is suggested that the order of business at all annual and general meetings shall be as follows:

1. Identification of members
2. Reading minutes of previous meeting
3. Business arising out of the minutes.
4. Correspondence
5. President's address.
6. Financial and auditor's report
7. Manager's Report
8. Report of officers, directors and committees
9. Unfinished business
10. If annual meeting, approval of directors and other representatives.
11. New business
12. Open Discussion
13. Adjournment

The above order may be changed at the pleasure of the meeting assembled.

b) Board Meetings

i) Members shall be notified at least ten days before the date of the meeting of the Board of Directors, other than the one immediately following the annual general meeting.

ii) A meeting of the Board of Directors may be held on shorter notice and/or without written notice providing all have given their consent for the meeting to be held. A minute of such consent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting when held. Meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee (other than those immediately pre and post annual and general meetings) may be conducted as a telephone conference.

c) Executive Committee Meetings: Notice for meetings of the Executive Committee will be given at least twenty-one days before the meeting. Meetings of the Executive Committee may be held on shorter notice or without written notice, providing all members have given their consent to the meeting being held. A minute of such consent shall be entered in the minutes.

2. Recording of minutes

a) A copy of the minutes of each Executive meeting shall be forwarded to each Director within twenty-one days after a meeting.

b) A copy of the minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee, shall within twenty-one days following the meeting, be distributed to each of the Directors.

3. Quorum

a) Annual or other General Meeting. For the transaction of the business of the Association at an annual or other general meeting, a quorum shall be ten or 10% of the members in good standing on the date of the meeting, whichever is the greater;

b) Board of Directors meeting. At a meeting of the Board of Directors, a quorum shall be more than 50 percent of the Directors;

c) Executive Committee meeting. At a meeting of the Executive Committee, a quorum shall be three.

IX. AUDIT AND ANNUAL REPORT

1. The Board of Directors at each annual general meeting shall submit a complete record of its acts and of the affairs of the Association. It shall present a detailed statement duly audited of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year, and of the assets and liabilities of the Association.

2. A copy of this report, a list of the members, the officers elected, and the representatives to the Corporation, and general information on the affairs of the Association shall be sent to the Minister of Agriculture for Canada and to the General Manager of the Corporation within 30 days after the annual meeting.

3. A copy of the annual report shall be distributed to all members in good standing.

4. The Association, at each annual general meeting, shall appoint an Auditor or Auditors, and agree upon compensation. His duty shall be to examine the books of accounts of the Association, vouchers for all payments and certify the usual statements of receipts and expenditures, and assets and liabilities for the year, for presentation to the next annual general meeting.

#### X. EXPENSES, INCOME AND PROPERTY

1. The income and property of the Association, from whatever source derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion and furtherance of the objects of the Association, and no part thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of bonus or otherwise as profit or gain to members of the Association, (past, present or future), or to any person claiming through any member; provided however, that nothing herein contained shall prevent the bona fide payment or remuneration to the Manager, secretary, treasurer, registrar, officer, clerk or other person or persons for service actually rendered the Association, whether such are members of the Association or not, and the expenses of the directors or other officers incurred in doing the business of the Association.

2. The Association shall remit to the Corporation payment for services rendered to the Corporation.

#### XI. BOOKS

The Association shall cause a book of accounts and business records to be kept by the Manager wherein shall be contained a copy of the bylaws, so that persons becoming members of this association may examine the same at all reasonable time.

#### XII. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended at any general meeting of the Association, with the exception of a meeting called under Article VIII Meetings 1. Notice of Meeting a) General Meetings, ii) of these bylaws by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present; but no amendment shall be valid until approved by the Minister of Agriculture for Canada. Notice of all proposed amendments shall be given to the Manager at least 90 days in advance of a general meeting and they shall be included in the notice calling such meeting; otherwise the meeting shall have no power to deal with same.

#### XIII. REGISTRATION, MEMBERSHIP DUES AND OTHER FEES

1. Membership dues and other fees shall be paid to the Association in a manner as designated by the Board of Directors and may be sent by money order, or certified cheque or credit card or other electronic means, payable to the Corporation.

2. Monies received shall forthwith be deposited by the Corporation to the credit of the Association in a Canadian chartered financial institution.

3. The Board of Directors has the right to set fees and these fees are to be published from time to time in the Association's official publication. There shall be separate fee schedules for members and non-members.

#### XIV. CANADIAN NATIONAL RECORD FOR SWINE

1. A register shall be kept at the office of the Registrar and may be provided in print form, as decided. This register shall be known as the Canadian National Record for Swine, and shall be published by the Corporation at such time as decided by the Registrar and the Board of Directors.

2. There shall be a record of all pedigrees and a database thereby shall be made available to the members online.

#### XV. CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

1. There shall be a certificate or registration issued by the Corporation for all animals registered, in the form adopted by the Association. The Board of Directors may amend the format of the certificate of registration from time to time and shall communicate such changes to members.

2. To be eligible for registration by the Association, all swine born in Canada shall be identified by tattoo or electronic implant, while under eight weeks of age, before weaning and before making application for registration.

#### XVI. INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION

1. If the system of tattoo marking is employed by the breeder, then he shall tattoo either in the right ear the letters allotted to him by the Corporation, and the herd number followed by the designated year letter in the left ear, or, in one or the other ear on two rows such that the herd letters are in the top row and the herd number and year letter are in the bottom row.

2. If a system of electronic implants is employed by the breeder the implant shall be placed in the left ear as instructed. A dual identification system using electronic implant and tattoo is acceptable and encouraged.

3. The tags will show the breeder's letters allotted to him by the Corporation, and within herd number, followed by the designated year letter. If tags are used, a dual system also using either tattoo or electronic implant is required.

4. As soon as each pig is identified by tattooing, implant and/or tagging, a record of the identification must be entered in the breeder's private breeding record.

5. All white-eared and red-eared swine must be identified by tattoo and/or electronic implant. All black-eared swine must be identified by tattoo and/or electronic implant, and a secondary form of ID such as ear tagging is encouraged.
6. In the case of imported animals, they shall be individually identified by tattoo or implant before applying for registration. All imported animals not ear tattooed as required by the Association shall be properly tattooed using the importer's herd letters and the appropriate year letter, preceded by an unduplicated number; or by electronic implant.
7. Non-resident members must comply with individual identification policy and procedures in accordance with the bylaws of the Association herein.

#### XVII. REGISTRATION OF IDENTIFICATION LETTERS

1. A breeder shall apply to the Corporation for, and be allotted letters for his exclusive use with which to identify swine farrowed on his property. If identifying by tattoo marking, the letters allotted the breeder must be shown on the right ear as designated by the Corporation. In addition to the herd identification letters, there must also be tattooed in the left ear, the within herd number of the animal, followed by the designated year letter to signify the year of birth. (Example) The letter "A" will signify an animal born in 1991 or 2013, the letter "B" will signify an animal born in 1992 or 2014, and "C" in 1993 or 2015, and so on. The letters "I", "O", "Q" and "V" are not used as year letters; while all other letters are used in alphabetical order.
2. Electronic implants shall be put in the left ear and be read by an appropriate scanner.
3. If identification is by tagging, the tag will show the letters allotted to the breeder, a within herd number, and the designated year letter. The tag shall be acquired through the Corporation and placed in the right ear of the pig so identified.
4. In the event of a change in the name of a partnership or company, or if a member of the same family is taken into partnership or becomes the owner of the swine enterprise, the tattoo letters may be transferred upon application to the Corporation by the registered owner or his authorized representatives. Likewise transfer can be made from a deceased owner to his heir.

#### XVIII. REGISTRATION OF NAMES

1. A breeder may register, for his exclusive use, a name to be used as a prefix in naming his swine. The use of such prefix is strongly encouraged. One particular prefix name only will be allowed to one person or partnership; and in registering such name, priority in application for registration shall be considered. Letters may be used as a prefix to a name. In total, names shall not contain more than thirty letters, spaces and characters, including numerical affix. A change of name of an animal shall be allowed up until the animal has progeny registered. In the event of a change in the name of a partnership or company, or if another party is taken into partnership, the name may be transferred by the registered owner or his authorized

representative by making application to the Corporation. Likewise, the transfer may be made from a deceased owner to his heir.

2. Registration papers shall include all tattoo numbers, implant numbers, and/or ear tag numbers.

3. A registered name may be transferred to another person or persons upon application of the person in whose name it is registered. If a registered name has not been used by its registered owner for the purpose of registering purebred swine for a period of five consecutive years, such name shall be forfeited, but can be re-issued if not already otherwise assigned. Discretion shall be used in issuing new breeders name prefixes of very prominent herds.

#### XIX. PRIVATE BREEDING RECORDS

There shall be kept by each breeder, a private record which shall contain full particulars of his breeding operations. Each sow shall have her own sow and litter record completed as soon as each litter is tattooed; this is to be done on a standard record supplied by the Association; or on a record comparable to those supplied. Similar records held in a computer will be equally acceptable. This record shall at all times be open to the inspection of officials of the Association, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and the Corporation.

#### XX. SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION

1. The Board of Directors shall have the power to suspend or expel any member who fails to observe any rule set forth in these bylaws or whose conduct in the opinion of the Board, is prejudicial to the interests of the Association. A member so suspended or expelled shall be entitled to appeal the decision and apply to be reinstated consistent with due process.

2. A registration or transfer may be suspended by the Corporation or the Board in the event of some irregularity not consistent with the requirements of these bylaws. And such suspension or remain until same has been lifted by the resolution of the Directors of the Association.

3. Expulsion means depriving a person of all membership privileges of the Association indefinitely, or for such time as may be determined by the Animal Pedigree Act.

#### XXI. RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

1. The following common rules shall be applicable for registration for all listed breeds as follows: Berkshire, British Saddleback, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Lacombe, Landrace, Large Black, Pietrain, Poland China, Red Wattle, Spotted, Tamworth, Welsh and Yorkshire.

2. The Registrar shall have power to refuse applications for registration or transfer from any person, whether a member or not, where they are not consistent with the rules of eligibility.



Any such action taken by the Registrar under this provision shall be immediately reported to the Association.

### 3. Animals Born in Canada

- a) An animal born in Canada whose sire and dam are registered in the specific breed section of the Canadian Record of swine.
- b) All animals must have no fewer than six well-placed teats on each side.
- c) To be eligible for registration by the Association, all swine born in Canada shall be identified by tattoo or electronic implant, while under eight weeks of age, before weaning and before making application for registration.

### 4. Animals born outside Canada

- a) An animal born in any other country, providing that the country of origin has a herd book satisfactory to the Association and the Animal Pedigree Act and providing such animal is registered in that herd book in the country of origin.
- b) To be eligible for registration by the association, pigs born in another country and owned by a member approved by the board of directors, the identification rules shall be no less than the rules for Canadian born pigs and acceptable under the Animal Pedigree Act.
- c) Swine from countries other than Canada must have ownership registered in the name of the Canadian Importer in their respective records in the country from which they come.
- d) Imported in dam animals: Animals of the breeds of swine mentioned previously in this section which are imported in dam, shall be eligible for registration provided the dam is registered in the appropriate section of the Canadian Record of Swine and the sire is registered in the recognized book of records in the country from which the dam was imported.
- e) Imported boar semen and embryos from all countries with a herd book officially recognized by this Association shall be acceptable, and resulting animals may be registered according to this Association's by-laws; providing
  - i) the donor animals are recorded and registered in the country of origin's herd book; and are in good standing.
  - ii) necessary precautions are taken to assure accuracy.

5. Addition of other herd books that will be recognized by the Association will be by a two-thirds affirmative vote of those members present at any general meeting.

6. In addition to the common rules, specific rules of eligibility and ineligibility apply to individual breeds in Figure 1. The table illustrates the specific traits and any ineligible traits.

BREED	SPECIFIC TRAITS	INELIGIBLE TRAITS
BERKSHIRE		
BRITISH SADDLEBACK		AN ANIMAL HAVING A WHITE NOSE, WHITE ABOVE THE FETLOCK ON EITHER HIND LEG, OR HAVING A WHOLLY WHITE TASSEL
CHESTER WHITE		
DUROC		A DUROC PIG WITH WHITE HAIR AND/OR COLOUR SPOTS
HAMPSHIRE	THE COLOUR SHALL BE BLACK; WITH A WHITE BELT ENCIRCLING THE BODY, INCLUDING FRONT LEGS AND FEET.	AN ANIMAL, OTHER THAN A BARROW, MORE THAN TWO THIRDS WHITE; WHERE WHITE EXTENDS FROM HIND FEET TO THE BELT; WHITE ON THE HEAD OTHER THAN ON THE FRONT OF THE SNOUT; WHITE ON THE HIND LEGS EXTENDING ABOVE THE BOTTOM OF THE HAM; OR SWIRLS ON THE UPPER HALF OF THE BODY OR NECK
LACOMBE	SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM OF SEVEN WELL PLACED TEATS ON EACH SIDE.	
LANDRACE	ANY ANIMAL HAS TO BE COMPLETELY FREE OF ANY COLOURED HAIRS AND/OR COLOURED SPOTS, AND HAVE FLOP EARS.	
LARGE BLACK		
PIETRAIN		
POLAND CHINA		
RED WATTLE	EVERY ANIMAL HAS TO HAVE TWO WATTLES AT THE TIME OF REGISTRY, HAVE NO WHITE HAIR AND NO WHITE SKIN.	
SPOTTED		
TAMWORTH		
WELSH		
YORKSHIRE		AN ANIMAL HAVING COLOURED HAIRS AND/OR COLOURED SPOTS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTRATION.
ANY OTHER BREED OF SWINE WHICH MAY BE RECOMMENDED BY THE PEDIGREE COMMITTEE AND APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ANIMAL PEDIGREE ACT.		

Figure 1.

7. Animals resulting from artificial insemination may be registered under rules approved by the Board of Directors of the Association, and Agriculture and Agri-food Canada.

8. Embryo transplants:

- a) Each farrowing of pigs within a breed from one surrogate mother shall be deemed one litter.
- b) All surrogate mothers, if not tattooed and registered, shall be tattooed according to the Standards set out in the by-laws herein.
- c) Embryos from a single flush may be used as transplants into one or many surrogate mothers.
- d) Embryos being transplanted into a surrogate mother from more than one donor, must be from different breeds with distinctive different colours and/or colour patterns (i.e.) Chester White, Lacombe, Landrace, and/or Yorkshires may not be mixed in any surrogate mother.
- e) Flushing and/or transplanting embryos shall be done by approved technicians as deemed so by the directors of the Association, and may be adjusted from time to time as they see fit.
- f) Service forms approved by the Association shall be used; and appropriate functions shall be carried out as such forms indicate.
- g) Embryos shall be from parentage recorded in herd books recognized by the Association.

9. The alternate herd book

- a) The Alternate Herd Book will exist separately from the regular herd book, (Canadian National Record for Swine), which is used to register purebred animals.
- b) The Alternate Herd Book will permit grading up of animals in percentages to a recorded maximum of 94%.
- c) A parent contributing to the make up percentage of grading up animals must be purebred registered stock, and officially recorded as such in the appropriate herd book or books.
- d) An animal shall be able to achieve recorded purity to 94% (15/16) but never recorded as purebred.
- e) The animals shall be registered in the Alternate Herd Book but not in the regular registry, and the two herd books shall remain separate.
- f) The animals shall have a registration paper, being of a different colour than the registration paper for purebred animals; and such a paper will state their recorded percentage in the alternate herdbook.
- g) Once the animal has reached the 94% level, it must exhibit the specific breed characteristics.
- h) The Alternate Herd Book shall always operate under the same structure as the regular Herd Book pertaining to: Memberships, records, identification, applications and fees.

10. Facilitate other countries by creating a Herd Book
  - a) In the event of pigs from Canada being purchased by a purchaser in a country not having a swine herd book for the breed or breeds involved, the Association will offer to create and maintain a herd book for that country.
  - b) The swine breeder using this service will become a member, and be subject to all the responsibilities specified in these by-laws. Any additional costs above normal shall be borne by the customer, should such arise as a result of out of country expenses (i.e. air mail, duty).

## XXII. APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

1. Application for registration of swine from a country other than Canada must be made on a form supplied by the Corporation and must be filled in, in ink, typewritten, or printed by computer; and signed by the Canadian importer, showing date of sale and importation, and be accompanied by a certificate of registration showing that it was registered in the record of the country from which it came, and is owned in the name of the Canadian importer, and shall include a service certificate if a female is bred.
2. Application for registration of an animal born in Canada, whose sire and dam are both registered in the Canadian Record of Swine, must be made on a form and in a manner approved by the Board. All blank forms must be filled in, in ink, or machine or printed by computer or electronically submitted. The form must be signed by the owner of the animal at the time of birth, and by the breeder of the animal, and by the owner of the sire at the time the dam was served; or their authorized designate. The dam must be registered in the Canadian Record of Swine, in the name of the owner at time of birth of litter, with certificate of breeding.
3. The breeder of an animal is deemed as being the owner or lessee of the dam at the time she was served. The first owner is the owner of the dam at the time the animal was born.
4. No two animals of one breed or colour shall have identical names if born within twenty years of each other. Letters may be used as a prefix to a name. Names shall not contain more than thirty letters, spaces, or characters including numerical affix.

## XXIII. TRANSFERS AND DUPLICATE CERTIFICATES

1. In the case of the sale of an animal, the seller must furnish a certificate of registration in the Canadian Record of Swine, showing the purchaser's ownership. Refusal to do so on any pretext whatever except under written contract, can be ground for his expulsion from the Association, if a member; and if not a member, further applications for registration or transfer shall be refused. For the purpose of this regulation, it can be deemed that a sale has not been made until full and final payment has been satisfied.
2. Applications for registration of change of ownership must be made on forms supplied by the Corporation, or on acceptable computer format, and must give date of sale and date of

delivery, and in the case of a bred female, the service certificate must be completed. Change of ownership will be endorsed on the original certificate of registration which must be forwarded to the Corporation with the application for transfer; or a new certificate of registration, with the change of ownership, may be issued.

3. In case a male or female is leased or loaned for breeding purposes, the form of lease supplied by the Corporation must be filled in and signed by the lessor; and forwarded, together with the certificate of registration, to the Corporation to be placed on record. The lessee will in all cases be considered the breeder of the progeny of leased or loaned females.

4. In the case of the sale of an animal, other than for breeding purposes, as prescribed by the regulations of this Association, the seller shall not furnish the purchaser with the certificate of registration, but may forward it, with full details of the sale to the Corporation, and it shall be retained there. The transfer of ownership of an animal so reported shall not be recorded on the records of the Association.

5. A duplicate certificate may be issued if the registered owner or his authorized agent files a statutory declaration on a form supplied by the Corporation, showing in a satisfactory manner that the original is lost, destroyed or unobtainable.

#### XXIV. OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

1. Any member who fraudulently violates any rule or regulation of the Association automatically suspends his memberships and all benefits of his membership.

2. Any member or non-member who causes added expense to the Association through careless or wrongful doings may be assessed and shall pay a fee to the Association that is adequate to cover all such extra expense.

3. The Association is incorporated under the Animal Pedigree Act. All breeders of registered stock must comply with this Act. The following excerpts are of particular interest.

##### Section 63.

Except as authorized by this Act, where an association is authorized by this Act to register or identify animals of a distinct breed or evolving breed, no person shall keep pedigrees in respect of animals of that distinct breed or evolving breed or issue any document purporting to evidence that a particular animal is of that distinct breed or evolving breed or so closely resembling a certificate of registration, or certificate of identification, as the case may be, that it would likely be mistaken for such a certificate.

No person shall issue in respect of any animal any document of any kind likely to deceive the public into believing that the document is a certificate of registration or certificate of identification in respect of the animal or that the animal is registered or identified under the authority of this Act.

#### Section 64. No person shall

- (a) knowingly sign or present, or cause or procure to be signed or presented, to a recording officer of an association or of the Corporation any declaration or any application in relation to the registration, identification or any transfer of ownership of any animal, semen or embryo that contains any material false statement or representation;
- (b) knowingly represent that a certificate of registration or certificate of identification applies to an animal other than the one in respect of which it was issued;
- (c) knowingly represent that semen certificate or embryo certificate applies to any semen or embryo other than the semen or embryo in respect of which it was issued;
- (d) falsify or alter a certificate of registration, certificate of identification, semen certificate or embryo certificate;
- (e) without an express statement that the animal's registration or identification is from a jurisdiction other than Canada, offer to sell, contract to sell, or sell, as registered or identified, or as eligible to be registered or identified, within or outside the meaning of this Act, any animal that is not registered or identified, or eligible to be registered or identified;
- (f) offer to sell, contract to sell, or sell, as recorded, or as eligible to be recorded, in the books of any association, or of the Corporation, any semen or embryo that is not recorded or eligible to be recorded those books;
- (g) knowingly offer to sell, contract to sell or sell any animal in a manner that is likely to create an erroneous impression that the animal is registered or eligible to be recorded in those books;
- (h) offer to sell, contract to sell, or sell, as a purebred of a breed, any animal that is not registered or eligible to be registered as a purebred by the association authorized to register animals of that breed or by the Corporation;
  - (i) without an express statement that the animal's registration, identification or status as a purebred is from a jurisdiction other than Canada, offer to sell, contract to sell or sell, as registered or identified, or as a purebred, any animal for which there is no individual identification in accordance with the by-laws of the association that has registered or identified the animal; and
  - (j) without an express statement that the animal's registration, identification or status as a purebred is from a jurisdiction other than Canada and that the animal will not be registered or identified in Canada by the person, sell, as registered or identified, or as eligible to be registered or identified, or as a purebred, any animal without providing to the buyer thereof within six months after the sale the animal's duly transferred certificate of registration or certificate of identification.

#### Section 65

No person shall, without authority, use the name of the Corporation or the name of any association or any name so clearly resembling the name of the Corporation or the name of an association in a manner that is likely to deceive the public.

#### Section 66.1

1. Any person who contravenes any provision of this Act or the regulations

- (a) is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction and is liable to a fine not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars; or
- (b) is guilty of an indictable offence and is liable to a fine not exceeding fifty thousand dollars.

2. In determining the fine in relation to an offence under any of sections 63 to 65, the judge making the determination shall take into account the value, of the animal, semen or embryo to which the offence relates.

#### XXV. GENDER AND NUMBER

Wherever the context in these bylaws permits, the singular shall include the plural; and the masculine shall include the feminine and the neuter.

#### XXVI. PROCEDURES

All of the procedures and conduct of the Association that is not covered in these bylaws shall be done in accordance with ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, if covered there.