AUSTRALIAN BELTED GALLOWAY ASSOCIATION INC

ABN 65 169 855 060

Buying and Selling Guidelines

It is the responsibility of all ABGA Members to regularly refresh their knowledge and understanding of the ABGA By - Laws and Constitution. Their review is of paramount importance prior to making a purebred Belted Galloway selling or purchasing decision.

Live Animals

Selling Of Live Animals

Prior to advertising an animal for sale, ensure it is fully registered with ABGA.
Ensure animals are transported with a National Vendor Declaration (NVD), and it is recommended that you also supply a National Cattle Health Declaration.
When marketing an animal, provide full disclosure about whether that animal has had semen collected or embryos flushed from them, and rights with regards to that semen/embryos. Eg: has semen been collected for within herd use only, or is it able to be marketed by the breeder? Perhaps it has already been marketed? Has the bull been listed as an ABGA Approved AI Sire?

Buying Of Live Animals

Ensure the animal you are considering purchasing is fully registered with ABGA or another recognised Breed Association that registers Belted Galloways in Australia. Request to see the Registration Certificate of the animal to be purchased. The details of the Registration Certificate should be checked to ensure that they are the same as what you have been told by the Vendor.
Visit the ABGA website if the animal is already registered within the ABGA herdbook or the relevant Breed Association's website that the animal is currently registered with to verify an animal's registration status.

If you are unable to view the animal in person, you should request that the animal be health checked by a suitably qualified veterinarian.

If buying a bull, find out whether the vendor is retaining any semen rights, and whether they have used/marketed semen already from this animal. It is recommended that you should request a Bull Breeding Soundness Evaluation by a qualified veterinarian.

If purchasing a female in calf, the Purchaser should obtain written details of the joining dates or AI dates and the identity of the joining sire. Any joined dates or AI details must be noted on the Transfer Form (which is located on the back of the printed registration certificate). You should request a pregnancy scanning certificate from a veterinarian or certified livestock pregnancy scanning technician.
If looking to purchase animals from outside of the ABGA Herdbook, resulting purchases must fit within the guidelines of the ABGA By - Laws and Constitution in order to be registered within the ABGA Herdbook. All animals currently registered in the ABGA Herdbook as A Grade are 100% purebred.
Check the tattoo of the animal (found inside its ear) and confirm it is the same as that recorded on the Registration Certificate.

Check that the animals coat colour markings match the appropriate grade listed in the ABGA By-Laws:
See section 9 for females; "A GRADE FEMALES - Result of mating an "A" or "B" Grade cow with a registered Belted Galloway bull. Confirmation should be good and must have a full continuous white belt between the four legs, with no other white markings (white hair and/or white skin) at birth". See section 9.1 For Females: Grade B, C and D.
See section 9.2 for males; "Result of mating an "A" grade cow with a registered Belted Galloway bull. Confirmation should be good and must have a full continuous white belt between the four legs, with

no other white markings (white hair and/or white skin) at birth. All Bulls must be by sires, and out of dams, which have themselves, at least five generations of known breeding on both sides - before the bull can be registered.
As of 01 January 2011 all male calves require DNA testing to be eligible for registration. Any male calf submitted for registration without a DNA profile will not be entered into the herdbook."

All animals born after 1st January 2023 must be DNA Parent Verified (PV) and abide by the ISAG (International Society of Animal Genetics) SNP Parentage Panel for PV testing, to the registered Sire and Dam of the calf as per the By-Laws.

When purchasing animals from another Society or Association, make sure that the animal's sire has a SNP DNA Profile as the animal will need to be at least Sire Verified to be transferred into the ABGA's Herdbook. Ideally the best practice would be if the animal can be Parent Verified without any additional cost to the Sire Verification Test. If the Dam cannot be verified by DNA Testing, a statutory declaration is required from the Vendor to state that the dam of the animal is true and correct.

Request to have a National Cattle Health Declaration supplied with your new animal(s), and ensure they come with a National Vendor Declaration (NVD), as per local protocols, in line with Industry/Government requirements, before the animal leaves the property. It is the responsibility of the Vendor to ensure the animal has the necessary National Livestock Identification Scheme (NLIS) electronic device installed and that the animal has been tattooed.

It is the responsibility of the Buyer to transfer the animal using the national database from the Vendors Property Identification Code (PIC) to the new owners.

If purchasing a Miniature Belted Galloway, the animal's hip height is required to be measured prior to the transfer of the animal so that the Vendor and Purchaser are confident that the animal meets ABGA height requirements (as per ABGA By-Laws).

Frozen Genetics

Buying And Selling Of Frozen Genetics

For Australian AI Sires: The owner of a sire at the time semen is collected for the first time must make sure that the Semen Sire is Registered as such in the ABGA Herdbook and must submit a AI Sire Notification Form and pay the required fee to have the bull listed as an ABGA Approved AI Sire.
If the Sire is not currently registered with ABGA, a five generation Pedigree must also be submitted with this application.

All AI Sires born after the 1st of January 2011 will be required to have their DNA Profiles updated to the SNP System as per the Zoetis requirements, to be eligible to have a calf registered in the ABGA Herdbook.

For Overseas Sires the following criteria is required in addition to the above – The Verification of approved entry into Australia aswell as Mannosidosis and Hypotrichosis free test results.

If purchasing licensed semen, obtain a signed Semen Sire Permit signed by the Semen Sire Permit Holder when purchasing the semen.

For Donor Dams:

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If purchasing embryos, obtain an Embryo Transfer Permit signed by the Vendor of the embryos. Ensure the vendor you are purchasing frozen genetics from is aware of their obligations of providing you with a signed Embryo Transfer Permit. Ensure that you are aware that you will be responsible for paying a fee of $25 for a Certificate of Australian / Overseas embryo enabling transfer of ownership.

If purchasing embryos, consider formalising an agreement with the vendor that embryos are purchased with a minimum pregnancy rate from those embryos, provided a mutually-approved embryo transfer (ET) technician is employed. For example, industry standard is a 50% pregnancy rate under these conditions. Communication is key to a clear understanding of these terms

Insurance and freight/handling costs of frozen genetics is traditionally the responsibility of the purchaser, unless stated otherwise in your agreement with the vendor.

Transfer Details

All Transfer Forms should be lodged with the ABGA within 90 days from the date of sale. The Vendor is responsible for the transfer and payment of fees on the transfer of an animal, unless otherwise arranged between the Purchaser and Vendor. Any disputes regarding the identity of the animal(s) purchased, breeding details or the payment of transfer fees, should be resolved between the purchaser and the vendor.
For any queries or questions in regards to the buying or selling of belted galloway genetics, please feel free to contact the ABGA Office.

The Australian Belted Galloway Association Inc mission:
To promote and register distinctive heritage Belted Galloway cattle, through accurate genetics, education and fellowship, for past, present and future generations

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