

Syndicate sire pedigree approved for use by the ADBA

The General Meeting following the 2017 AGM (9th August) approved the use of syndicate sire pedigree. Based on the view of members who attended the meeting there are significant changes between the approved system and that circulated to members prior to the AGM.

Progeny can be submitted to the database with syndicate sire pedigree when all the following criteria are met. As well, it is recommended that to obtain the most effective outcome additional practices are used as listed below. All other bylaws remain, e.g., all sires used in the flock book must have an R Final Grade.

1. The sires used in each syndicate must be submitted to the database in a list known as a "Named (NAM) Syndicate". The list must show the NAM ID, e.g., 5105002016NAM001 (2016 is the year of drop minus one. 1 is the 1st syndicate used in that year) and also the 16-digit ID of each of the sires used in that Syndicate. The list must be submitted no later than the time when each group of syndicate's progeny are first reported to the database.
2. Progeny of a syndicate mating are to be recorded for NAM syndicate sire pedigree and dam pedigree.
3. The sires used in a syndicate are to be closely related and as a minimum be half-brothers (with the same sire) and/or these sires' sire.
4. It is recommended that the sires used in a syndicate should have similar ASBV performance and be of a similar type.
5. A maximum of 5 sires can be used in each syndicate. There is no limit to the number of syndicates that can be used in a drop.
6. Syndicate mating is restricted to the number of ewes that in total can reasonably be expected to provide no more than 30% of an annual drop.
7. An upper-case letter S must be included in the ID of syndicate progeny and must be clearly and correctly displayed on progeny tags. For example, a progeny numbered 123, born in 2017 have a 16-digit ID 5105002017S70123 and a tag ID XX-S70123 (where the flock number is 500 and XX is the flock prefix).
8. When syndicate progeny are sold the ADBA description of the term "Named Syndicate" is to be included in the "Catalogue Information" and the IDs of sires used in each syndicate must be listed.
9. When a ram bred in a NAM Syndicate is to be used as a sire in the Flock Book Proper they must have their sire pedigree identified by DNA evaluation prior to mating and this ID reported to the Dohne Database.
10. To ensure syndicate progeny can be expected to obtain ASBV performance syndicate progeny must be able to be included in an analysis group that contains a minimum of 20 progeny that have individual sire pedigree from a minimum of two individually mated sires, with a minimum of one being a link sire or son of a link sire.

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A breeder submitting syndicate bred progeny to the database is required to also submit a Quality Assurance (QA) Check List to establish they have met the criteria (as shown on the following page).

ADBA Syndicate sire pedigree Breeders Quality Assurance Check List

Progeny can be submitted to the Dohne database with syndicate sire pedigree when the required criteria are met. The required criteria are listed below in italics. Breeders submitting progeny with syndicate sire pedigree must complete the following Check List by answering “Yes” or “No” to each question and submit the Check List to the database when the progeny are first sent to the database.

Breeders Quality Assurance Check List of required criteria		
Name of group - Drop:	Lambing period:	Yes or No?
1. <i>The sires used in each syndicate must be submitted to the database in a list known as a “Named (NAM) Syndicate”. The list must show the NAM ID, e.g., 5105002016NAM001 (2016 is the year of drop minus one, 1 is the 1st syndicate used in that year) and also the 16-digit ID of each of the sires used in that Syndicate.</i> QA: Has the “Named (NAM) Syndicate” list been submitted. Yes or No?		
2. <i>Progeny are to be recorded for syndicate sire pedigree and dam pedigree.</i> QA: Do your syndicate bred progeny have dam pedigree recorded?		
3. <i>The sires used in a syndicate are to be closely related and as a minimum be half-brothers (with the same sire) and can include these rams sire.</i> QA: Do the sires in the syndicate fit the “closely related” requirement above? Yes or No?		
4. <i>A maximum of 5 sires can be used in each syndicate. There is no limit to the number of syndicates that can be used in a drop.</i> QA: Do your syndicate/s have at the most 5 sires in a syndicate?		
5. <i>Syndicate mating is restricted to the number of ewes that in total can reasonably be expected to provide no more than <u>30% of an annual drop</u>.</i> QA: Do you feel you will be below the maximum of 30% syndicate progeny?		
6. <i>An upper-case letter S must be included in the ID of syndicate progeny and must be clearly and correctly displayed on progeny tags. For example, a progeny numbered 123, born in 2017 will have a 16-digit ID 5105002017S70123 and a tag ID XX-S70123 (where the flock number is 500 and XX is the flock prefix).</i> QA: Is the letter S shown as required on the tag of your syndicate progeny?		
7. <i>When syndicate progeny are sold the ADBA description of the term “Named Syndicate” is to be included in the “Catalogue Information” and the IDs of sires used in each syndicate must be listed.</i> QA: If you have a catalogued sale will you include syndicate information as above?		
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