



Canadian Brown Swiss and Braunvieh

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS - Quebec Brown Swiss Club 2024

RESOLUTION 1: SEMEN FERTILITY

- Whereas of the 100 Brown Swiss sires available in Canada, only 5 have a value for Semen Fertility;
- Whereas only 23 Brown Swiss sires have a value for Semen Fertility in the CDN database;
- Whereas it currently takes 100 first conventional inseminations via the Network over a 12-month period to obtain a publishable value for Semen Fertility;
- Whereas all out-of-Network breedings are excluded, when said sire is available for sexed semen during said 12-month period;
- Whereas if the number of 100 first conventional inseminations is not maintained for the new 12-month period, the value for Semen Fertility is no longer publishable;
- Whereas the majority of Brown Swiss breeders store semen for future use;
- Whereas there is a reasonable threshold for the percentage of reliability of this trait;
- Whereas Semen Fertility has an impact on pregnancy rates in herds.

On a proposition duly made and seconded, be it resolved to ask Brown Swiss and Braunvieh Canada and Lactanet to look into what can be done to ensure that a greater number of sires provide a publishable Semen Fertility value and that this value remains publishable.