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To: All Interested Beef Producers
From: Agri-Commodity Management Association
Date: June 23rd, 2022
RE: 2022 Cape Mabou Community Pasture Information

Please find enclosed the various forms which must be filled out and returned to the Agri-Commodity Management Association regarding the 2022 Cape Mabou Community Pasture season.

Please return the enclosed forms to the Agri-Commodity Management Association before **July 4th, 2022.**

IMPORTANT DATES:

Pasture Opening Date: June 17th, 2022

Next Cattle Processing Date: July 8th-9th, 2022

Pasture Closing Date: October 7th-8th, 2022

We have adjusted the fee structure for the 2022 Cape Mabou Community Pasture to be as follows:

	Season Fee
Breeding Fee Per Cow or Heifer	\$55.00
Cows at Pasture	\$135.00
Calves 0-200 lbs (Nursing) at Entry	\$55.00
Calves 200-400 lbs (Nursing) at Entry	\$65.00
Calves 400-600 lbs	\$100.00
Feeders 600 lbs +	\$120.00
Calf Born at Pasture Fees	\$10.00 per month

**The season will comprise of turn-out date (June 17th, 2022) to pasture closing date (October 7th-8th, 2022).*

***15% HST will be added to the above season fees.*

****For calves born at pasture, patrons will be invoiced a \$10.00 per month fee from the month the calf is born until the pasture closure in October.*

Enclosed are the application and supporting forms. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office at 902-893-7455. Application forms can be emailed to aanderson@agricommodity.ca, mailed to the ACMA office, or faxed to 902-893-7063.

PLEASE NOTE:

- (A) Do not send cattle with horns, testicles, or tempers. All cattle are to be dehorned and castrated sufficiently early in the season to ensure proper healing before being brought to the pasture. Cattle with horns/sore or infected horns or castration lesions will not be admitted.
- (B) All cattle will be administered a blackleg vaccination, respiratory vaccination and dewormer upon entry, as well as provided a fly tag for identification. When necessary, cattle will also be treated for control of internal parasites during the grazing season. Calves will be vaccinated prior to the pasture closure. These costs will be charged back to the patron within the final invoice once the pasture has closed.

- (C) The breeding fee charged on all females placed in the breeding pasture will not be refundable. Females for breeding which were not recorded by the patron on the application form may be refused admittance to the breeding pasture if such pasture is considered by ACMA to be stocked to capacity.
- (D) All cattle must be tagged with a CCIA identification number prior to entry. If not tagged on arrival, a tag will be provided at the patron's expense.
- (E) **Please sign and return the enclosed forms by July 4th, 2022, to the Agri-Commodity Management Association. Cattle will be accepted on Friday, July 8th, and Saturday, July 9th, 2022, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. No animals will be accepted for pasture after this time.**
- (F) The Cape Mabou Community Pasture's annual pasture subscription fee is \$25.00 + HST (\$28.75) per farm to assist in addressing financial commitments. The application is included with this package.
- (G) **A deposit of 50% of total season fees, plus HST, is due with animal arrival.** All fees are payable prior to animals being accepted to pasture. The remaining 50% of fees will be invoiced after the pasture closure (October 8th, 2022). Any veterinary and/or medication costs will be charged back to the patron within this final invoice (if applicable). Medication will be administered on an as-needed basis, with a \$5.00 fee charged over and above the medication fee per treatment.

Payment can be made the following ways:

- E-transfer (to ksaville@agricommodity.ca)
 - Cash or cheque. Cheques can be made payable to the Agri-Commodity Management Association.
 - Credit card (*a 3.5% surcharge will be applied*); can be made by calling 902-893-7455.
- (H) A late payment of \$5.00 per head will be charged for payments not received by July 29th, 2022.
- (I) When the services of the veterinarian are considered necessary by the caretaker in the interest of an animal's health or wellbeing, a veterinarian may be called and treatment carried out and charged to the patron. When practical, the caretaker will contact the person concerned before such treatment is administered. In the event that the patron wishes to remove said animal from the pasture. Decisions regarding the necessity of veterinary attention in such cases shall be the responsibility of the caretaker.
- (J) If an animal should die while on pasture, they will be sent for a necropsy at the patron's expense to determine the cause of death.
- (K) Please review the transportation guidelines ahead of transporting cattle to the pasture: <https://inspection.canada.ca/animal-health/humane-transport/health-of-animals-regulations-part-xii/eng/1582126008181/1582126616914>
- (L) ACMA will not be responsible for loss, from accident or otherwise, of livestock placed on the pasture. Pasture fees for an animal that had not been redelivered to a patron when the pasture is closed for the season, will be deducted upon satisfactory evidence from the owner that the animal has not been recovered.

- (M) ACMA are responsible for;
- Allocation of grazing privileges
 - Selection of breeding bulls
 - Number of livestock to be accepted
 - Other related matters which may arise
- (N) In order to extend pasture privileges to as many farms as possible, ACMA may set a maximum number of livestock to be accepted from any one patron. The maximum number may be varied according to local conditions.
- (O) All cattle should be treated for Warble Flies by the patron before being placed on the pasture.
- (P) Livestock will only be released on round-up dates set by ACMA, unless said animals are sick or have calved.
- (Q) If an animal at the time of entry to the pasture is considered by a veterinarian or other qualified person to be diseased, sick, maimed or otherwise capable of creating an undesirable situation in the pasture herd or continuing hazard to other animals, such an animal may be refused admittance to the pasture.
- (R) The owner of livestock shall declare that none of their animals are breachy, either as jumpers or fence crawlers, and shall agree to assume full responsibility in this respect, as well as for any animals which may become excessively wild during the season.
- (S) Any animals not removed by the pasture closing date will be transported and sold at the immediate following feeder sale at the Atlantic Stockyards Ltd. The net proceeds will be released to the patron.
Example: sale proceeds – (transportation of cattle, pasture fees + marketing costs) = net proceeds
- (T) Patrons shall comply with the foregoing regulations and make settlement for pasture and other services within 30 days of invoice at the close of the pasture. Any outstanding amounts owing are considered a debt owed to ACMA and shall be recoverable in a court.
- (U) It is requested, although not required, that patrons sending cattle to pasture for the season provide proof of liability insurance, in case of any misfortunes which may arise.

Annual Pasture Subscription

The Annual Pasture Subscription Fee of \$25.00 will be paid at the time of entry. This entitles patrons access to the Cape Mabou Community Pasture.

Active: Every Maritime Producer of beef cattle who pays annual subscription dues will be eligible to be a patron of the Cape Mabou Community Pasture. Everyone who enters animals at the Cape Mabou Community Pasture must be a subscriber.

Please fill out the provided form and return it to the ACMA office with your entry form. The \$28.75 (incl. HST) payment must be made at the time of animal arrival.

As a subscriber of the Cape Mabou Community Pasture and entering cattle on pasture, you agree that the data collected during the pasture season is owned jointly by the patron and the Cape Mabou Community Pasture and that any data accessed, processed or otherwise submitted to third parties, including National Breed Associations can be released without condition, to the Cape Mabou Community Pasture.

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

Annual Pasture Subscription

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

DATE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

SIGNATURE: _____