

Checklist for cow calves 2023



La Financière agricole du Québec (FADQ) uses the traceability data held by Attestra to determine the insurable volume of the Cow Calf product. To ensure that your insurance file reflects the reality of your business and your production volume, you must **report all the life events of your animals to Attestra.**

Who should I contact for declarations, questions, or corrections?

Contact Attestra in the following cases:

- Declaration of birth and placement (activation)
- Declaration of date of birth
- Declaration of entry and exit
- Declaration of entry to a shared or non-owned site
- Mortality statement
- Missing or **anomalous** data in **Attestra**
- Replacement of tags or re-identification of an animal
- Corrections: site no, sex, date of birth, or other
- Inventory update
- Change of ownership without moving of animals
- Declaration of animal slaughtered for personal consumption

www.attestra.com or 1 866 270-4319

Contact la FADQ for the following reasons:

- Insurability under the Farm Income Stabilization Insurance Program (ASRA)
- Number of insurable breeding females
- Number of cow calves sold
- Calculation of the number of kilograms of calves sold
- Reasons **for FADQ ineligibility**
- Insurable volume and ASRA payments
- Missing animals on the balance sheet
- Sale of the business or change of legal status
- Closure of file (abandonment or stop of production)
- Sending of requested supporting documents

www.fadq.qc.ca or 1 800 749-3646

What to report to Attestra for different types of animal entries and sales

Births and re-identification of animals

- Tag number
- Date of birth
- Date of placement of the identifier
- Category (dairy or meat)
- Sex
- Operating site number (reporting site)

At no time should you remove a tag from an animal that is already identified.

N. B. : Tags must be placed within seven days of birth (five months for pasture born calves) or before leaving the farm, whichever comes first

Purchases, changes of ownership, and movement of animals

PURCHASING

- Tag number
- Operating site number (reporting site)
- Site number or address of origin
- Date of entry on your site
- Weight at purchase (for animals intended for fattening)
- Category (dairy or meat) for purchases outside Québec
- Sex and estimated date of birth for purchases outside Québec

CHANGES OF OWNERSHIP WITHOUT MOVEMENT

- Tag number
- Effective date of change of ownership without movement
- Operating site number (reporting site)

ANIMAL MOVEMENTS

- Tag number
- Date of entry on the new site where you continue the breeding following a move
- Site number or address of origin

Sales of animals outside Québec and exit of animals (not marketed)

ACCREDITED AUCTIONS OUTSIDE QUÉBEC,

BROKER,

FEEDLOT OUTSIDE QUÉBEC

- Tag number
- Date of sale
- Operating site number (reporting site)
- Site number or destination address
- Sale weight (for animals destined for a broker or a feedlot)

Keep proof of marketing of your animals at all times.

EXIT OF ANIMALS (NOT MARKETED)

Death, inventory update, disappearance, animal kept for personal consumption, or other.

- Tag number
- Date of exit or death
- Operating site number (reporting site)
- Site number or destination address if known

*For sales at **auctions outside Québec accredited by FADQ** as a source of recognized weight, it is your **responsibility** to ask auction to **transmit the data to Attestra**. Supporting documents must be provided to FADQ **upon request only**.*

What animals are not insurable with ASRA?

- Animals slaughtered under contract at a local slaughterhouse and sold directly to a consumer
- Animals sold live directly to a consumer
- Animals slaughtered for personal consumption
- Animals whose entire carcass is condemned
- Animals weighing less than 450 pounds at the time of sale
- Calves born of "dairy" type females, even if the semen used is from a "beef" type bull
- "Dairy" females, even if they are carrying a "beef" type of calf.

It is your responsibility to meet the obligations and deadlines required by the Regulation respecting the identification and traceability of certain animals. For more information, you can consult the document Checklist- breeder in the regulations section of the Attestra website.

What weights will be used by FADQ for eligible animals?

RECOGNIZED STAKEHOLDERS – REAL WEIGHT

- Auctions in Québec and accredited auction outside Québec
- Québec slaughterhouses: federal, provincial, and local
- Federal and state slaughterhouses outside Québec
- Producer insured with ASRA's Steer and Slaughter Cattle product
- Weighing agents (supervised weighing service offered by *Réseau encans Québec*)
- **FADQ-accredited weighing agents (Members of the Bovi-Expert group or other)**
- Centre de développement du porc du Québec (CDPQ) for animals evaluated by the *Programme d'analyse des troupeaux de boucherie du Québec* (PATBQ) and sold for breeding

UNRECOGNIZED STAKEHOLDERS – WEIGHT REPORTED AND CERTIFIED BY LA FADQ

- Merchant or broker from Québec or outside Québec
- Other cow calf producer
- Slaughterhouses or auctions outside Québec not recognized by FADQ

To obtain the actual sale weight, you must report the weight of each calf to Attestra (individual or homogeneous group weighing) and provide La FADQ with your detailed invoice and proof of weighing.

Should the supporting documents provided be missing or non-compliant, the calves will be ineligible for the programme.

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General information about your participation in ASRA

Insurable animals

- Females 22 months of age and older¹, of the "beef" type, kept for breeding and intended to produce a calf in the insurance year.
- Calves marketed, born, and fattened in Québec and from "beef" type females owned by the participant at the time of calving.

Distribution of insurable volume

- The **eligible** insurable volume is allocated as follows:
 - Breeding females kept by the business on an annual basis: 25% of contribution and compensation.
 - Kilograms of calves sold: 75% of contribution and compensation.

Insurable volume evaluation

- The insurable volume is determined according to:
 - The number of breeding females of the "beef" type aged 22 months to less than 18 years.
 - The number of kilograms of calves sold is based on the actual weight available on a live weight basis.
- The actual weight of the calves sold cannot exceed 340.2 kg/calf (750 lbs).
- Only calves with an actual or estimated sale weight of at least 204.1 kg (450 lbs) are considered.
- To be eligible, calves must be less than 31 months old at the time of sale or slaughter.
- The slaughter of an animal must take place in a federally registered CFIA slaughterhouse, a provincial Class A slaughterhouse, a community slaughterhouse, or a U.S. slaughterhouse under federal or state inspection.
- Data obtained from a source recognized by FADQ and having real weight are considered.
- If there is no recognized source, the participant may report the weight of calves sold to Attestra. La FADQ may accept the reported weights upon presentation of supporting documents deemed to be compliant.

Minimum insurable

- You must accumulate a minimum of 2,092 kilograms (4,612 lbs.) of eligible calves sold annually on a live basis.

Volume verification

- The FADQ may verify the insurable volume at any time. All information gathered during such an audit is used in priority to any other data received by Attestra.
- If, during an audit, the FADQ finds that the number of insurable units evaluated using Attestra data differs from the number of units actually held or marketed by the participant, administrative fees corresponding to the contribution due will be applied to the units in default.

The same applies to information or supporting documents required by the FADQ that are not submitted within the specified timeframe.

All data or supporting documents used to adjust the insurable volume must be submitted within the timeframe set by FADQ or no later than April 1 following the end of the insurance year.

What types of supporting documents are accepted?

FOR ALL TYPES OF TRANSACTIONS

- Detailed sales invoice showing date of sale, seller and buyer contact information, tag numbers, weights and unit prices, and transaction amount.

FOR CERTAIN TYPES OF TRANSACTIONS

- Weigh tickets (full/empty truck) from the same scale, legal for trade (must print tickets showing weight, date, and time).
- PATBQ report " Rapport des naissances et des poids des veaux/ Births and weights of calves" (R1.01).
- Bull's performance sheet on which the official end of test weight appears.

The supporting documents must be sent within the deadlines set at the request of the FADQ.

¹ The maximum age of coverage for breeding females will decrease to 16 years from January 1, 2024.