

## Hereford Influence Definition

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The Canadian Hereford Association (CHA) defines 'Hereford Influence' based on the genetic merits of an animal. Animals that meet the criteria below are assigned Hereford Influence status and eligible for CHA MOE Show Hereford Influence or CHA MOE Commercial classes/ shows across Canada.

### 100% Hereford Influence

- A straight bred Hereford animal that has not been registered or is not eligible for registration in the Canadian Hereford Association.

### ½ Hereford Influence

- 50% Hereford genetics verified to a registered Hereford Sire or registered Hereford Dam.
- This must be verified through an Affidavit and utilizing CHA registry database information OR through a DNA based breed composition test as approved by the CHA.

### ¼ Hereford Influence

- 25% Hereford genetics further defined as a second generation cross on Hereford Influence animals. These animals are eligible for Hereford Influence shows and should display Hereford markings but in some cases may not. It is mandatory that they be genetically verified through an approved DNA breed composition test in accordance with CHA policy and procedure to confirm Hereford heritage.

### Hereford Plus

- All Hereford Plus animals recorded in the CHA database are automatically assigned Hereford Influence status.

### Commercial

- All other animals, regardless of level of Hereford Influence, are welcome to exhibit in a designated Commercial Class, which are offered at the discretion of the respective show committee.