



LIMOUSIN PERFORMANCE RECORDING

Measuring Docility

Docility Scores are used to predict the Docility EBV. Scores should be collected between 350 and 500 days of age and only one measurement can be submitted for each animal during this time.

Animals should be secured in a headgate in a crush and scored relative to their behaviour:

DOCILITY SCORES (Record animals once between the ages of 350 and 500 days only)	
1	DOCILE: Settled, somewhat dull, does not pull against headgate, exits crush calmly
2	RESTLESS: Quieter than average but slightly restless, stubborn during handling, may try to back out of crush, pulls back on headgate, some flicking of tail, exits crush promptly
3	NERVOUS: Nervous and impatient, a moderate amount of struggling, movement and tail flicking, repeated pushing and pulling on headgate, exits crush briskly
4	FLIGHTY (WILD): Jumpy and out of control, quivers and struggles violently, may bellow and froth at mouth, continuous tail flicking, defecates and urinates during handling
5	AGGRESSIVE: May be similar to Score 4 but with added aggressive behaviour, fearful extreme agitation, continuous movement which may include jumping and bellowing while in crush, exits crush frantically and may try to attack through crush

Measurement of this trait is voluntary. Where no measurements exist, EBVs will be predicted from relatives' measurements from the correlations that Docility has with the other traits which have been measured.

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