

## DESCRIPTION OF NATIONAL PUBLICATION POLICY

<b>Country (or countries)</b>	Japan
<b>Breed(s)</b>	HOL
<b>Address(es) of official web-site(s) of your country, where bulls receiving an official breeding value can be found</b>	Japanese: <a href="http://www.nlbc.go.jp/hinshu/j32xjoho/j322milk/j3224koh/j3224koh_hol.htm">http://www.nlbc.go.jp/hinshu/j32xjoho/j322milk/j3224koh/j3224koh_hol.htm</a> English: <a href="http://www.nlbc.go.jp/english/science/evaluation/results.htm">http://www.nlbc.go.jp/english/science/evaluation/results.htm</a>
<b>Number of updates per year of webpage with breeding values</b>	3
<b>Are minimum requirements (in e.g. reliability/number of daughters) the same for domestic and import bulls? –and if not, please specify the difference</b>	No  The minimum requirements are at least 15 daughters from at least 10 herds for domestic bulls. For foreign bulls, at least 75% of reliability for milk and at least 60% of reliability for overall conformation are required.
<b>Are there multiple lists for selected bulls and all bulls (e.g. incl. waiting bulls, bulls below requirements)?</b>	Yes
<b>If multiple lists – are all lists accessible on your web-site?</b>	Yes
<b>If multiple lists – what is the difference between the lists?</b>	The domestic bulls and foreign bulls are listed separately, because different requirements are used for each list. List 1 contains active domestic bulls. List 2 contains active domestic bulls, inactive domestic bulls those were active within the last 12 months, or young bulls that have been evaluated but have never been active. List 3 contains top foreign bulls actively marketed. List 4 contains foreign bulls less than ten years old or whose semen has already been imported and used in Japan.
<b>If multiple lists – how many bulls are on the selected list?</b>	Each list contains 67 active domestic bulls (List 1), 496 domestic bulls (List 2), the top 40 foreign bulls (List 3) and 955 foreign bulls (List 4).
<b>Do you publish Interbull breeding values?</b>	Yes
<b>Are Interbull proofs blended with domestic proofs?</b>	No
<b>If blending of international and national proofs – how is the blending done?</b>	-
<b>Are bulls on your web-site published according to a total merit index (TMI)?</b>	Yes

<b>Minimum requirement for a bull for TMI to be put on the web-site</b>	For domestic bulls, active bulls with at least 15 daughters from at least 10 herds are listed. For foreign bulls, top 40 TMI active bulls with at least 75% of reliability for milk and at least 60% of reliability for overall conformation are listed.
<b>Minimum requirement for a bull for production traits to be put on the web-site</b>	-
<b>Minimum requirement for a bull for conformation traits to be put on the web-site</b>	-
<b>Minimum requirement for a bull for udder health traits to be put on the web-site</b>	-
<b>Minimum requirement for a bull for longevity traits to be put on the web-site</b>	-
<b>Minimum requirement for a bull for calving traits to be put on the web-site</b>	-
<b>Minimum requirement for a bull for female fertility traits to be put on the web-site</b>	-
<b>Other comments</b>	The bulls are required information as to whether they carry recessive genes (BLAD and CVM) for publication.
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