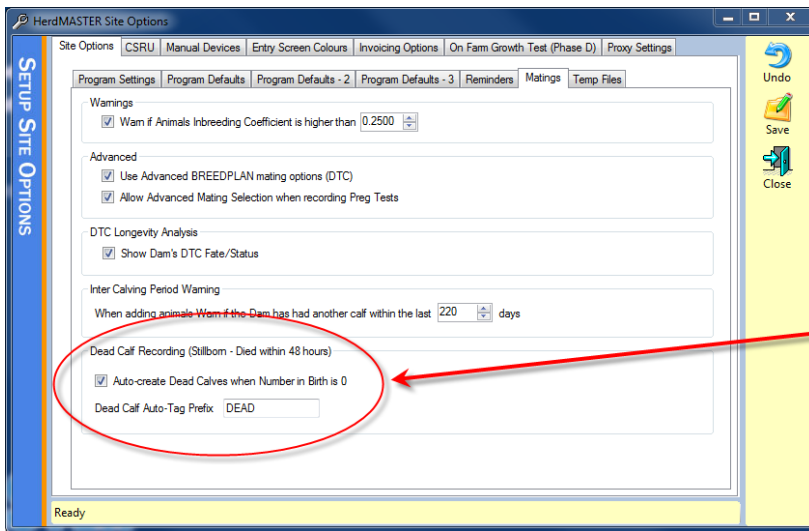


HerdMASTER 4 Tip Sheet

RECORDING STILLBORN AND ABORTED CALVES

There are situations where you will want to record calves in HerdMASTER but not actually give them a tag as they died before birth. HerdMASTER 4 allows users to do this by automatically assigning them with a dummy tag. The settings for the dummy tag are located in the Site Options.

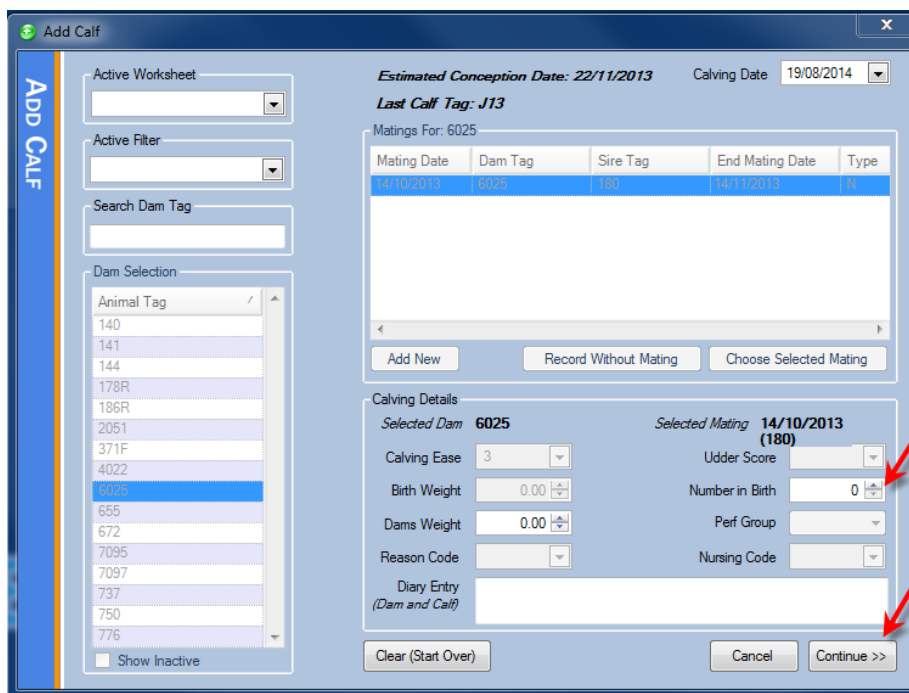


You need to have Auto-create Dead Calves checked in order to record a dead calf using the Add Calf option.

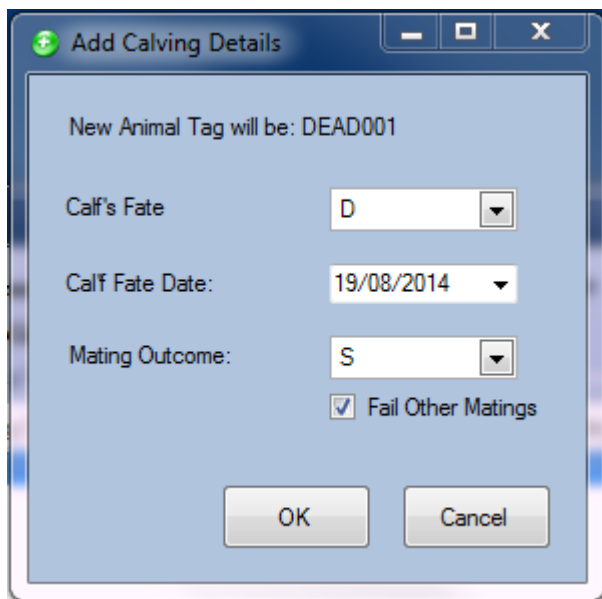
The Dead Calf Auto-Tag Prefix is the tag prefix that HerdMASTER will allocate to dead calves when adding them.

RECORDING A STILLBORN OR DEAD CALF

To record a stillborn or dead calf you will need to choose 0 (zero) as the number in birth on the Add Calf screen then click continue.



The Fate information screen will then be displayed, allowing you to enter the details of what happened. Choose the fate of the calf and check the date (change if it's not the same as the calving date) and mating outcome. At the top of the screen you can also see the 'dead' tag that HerdMASTER is going to apply.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Add Calving Details". At the top, it states "New Animal Tag will be: DEAD001". Below this, there are three dropdown menus: "Calf's Fate" is set to "D", "Calf Fate Date:" is set to "19/08/2014", and "Mating Outcome:" is set to "S". There is a checked checkbox labeled "Fail Other Matings". At the bottom of the dialog are two buttons: "OK" and "Cancel".

When you hit the OK button the animal will be created. It will be set as inactive and off-site.

To record an animal that died shortly after birth you can choose either to record as the above tip sheet recommends or you can assign it a tag yourself and fate it using the animal details screen.