



# HerdMASTER 4 Tip Sheet

## DTC VALIDATION ERROR ON MATING

When you capture matings and you are using EBVs/BREEDPLAN or you have to use the Advanced DTC Matings options selected in your **Setup | Site Options** always make sure you have a performance group entered.

If you do not have any performance groups created, please add one first before doing a mating. Go to **SETUP | Performance Groups** and add a group.

### WHAT ARE PERFORMANCE GROUPS?

Performance groups are essentially contemporary groups, they are used to compare animals that have been treated in the same way together.

So if you have conducted several matings on your herd but a small amount of animals are sick, then you should put the sick ones into a different performance group from the main group.

### DTC VALIDATION ERROR

If you enter matings and end up with the following error.

**Validation Error: Group is required for all DTC mating events.**

Summary of Operation	
Validation Error	
<i>Record ID</i>	<i>Message</i>
1	Failed to Add Mating to animal MAS971 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
2	Failed to Add Mating to animal KH01-105 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
3	Failed to Add Mating to animal KH01105 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
4	Failed to Add Mating to animal JS94255 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
5	Failed to Add Mating to animal HS93212 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
6	Failed to Add Mating to animal HS75636 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
7	Failed to Add Mating to animal HBZ99327 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
8	Failed to Add Mating to animal CAP97564 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
9	Failed to Add Mating to animal CAP0155 Message: Group is required for all DTC mating events
Total Records: 9	

This occurs when you have the Advanced DTC Mating options checked in **Setup | Site Options -> Matings** and have not included a performance group when entering a mating.





eg. In **Data entry | Matings.**

The screenshot shows the 'Data Entry | Matings' interface. On the left, a sidebar lists various data entry categories, with 'Matings' selected. The main window features a 'Natural Matings (N.P.H)' tab and a 'Perf Options' section with dropdowns for Type (N), Sire (00-0018HK), Date In (29/06/2015), Date Out (08/08/2015), and Perf Group (N). Below this is a table of dam tags with columns for Dam Tag, Type, Sire, Bull In Date, Bull Out Date, Perf Group, and Comment. The table lists several dams, with 'CAP0155' highlighted in blue. A red arrow points from the 'CAP0155' entry in the table to the 'Animal Tag' list on the left. At the bottom right, a toolbar contains buttons for 'Delete', 'Delete All', 'Worksheet', 'Additional', and 'Process', with the 'Process' button highlighted in yellow.

Complete the right side with as much information as you can.

**!! Important Note!!**

If no Performance group is entered when you enter the dams you wish to apply the mating to, you will get the DTC Validation Error.

If you have already 'moved' the animals into the processing list there are 3 ways you may correct this:

1. You could simply delete the animals off the list using the **delete all** button, make sure you have the performance group in the top and then move them across again.
2. You could change the performance group in the top prefill area and hit the **Additional** button at the bottom and apply the value to all the animals in the list. (This bulk changes all the performance groups of the animals to the value that is selected.)
3. You could change each animal's performance group in the list manually.