



Holstein LINEAR TRAITS

Frame - 15%

STATURE

50	..... Extremely Tall	60+"
45	.....	59"
40	.....	58"
35	..... Tall	57"
30	.....	56"
25	..... Intermediate	55"
20	.....	54"
15	..... Short	53"
10	.....	52"
5	.....	51"
1	..... Extremely Short	50"

RUMP ANGLE

50	... Extreme Slope	5 1/4"
45	.....	4 1/2"
40	.....	3 3/4"
35	..... Moderate Slope	3"
30	.....	2 1/4"
25	..... Slight Slope	1 1/2"
20	.....	3/4"
15	..... Level Rump	0"
10	.....	3/4" high
5	.....	1 1/2" high
1	... High Pins	2 1/4" high

RUMP WIDTH

50	..... Extremely Wide	7"
45	.....	6 1/2"
40	.....	6"
35	..... Wide	5 1/2"
30	.....	5"
25	..... Intermediate	4 1/2"
20	.....	4"
15	..... Slightly Narrow	3 1/2"
10	.....	3"
5	.....	2 1/2"
1	..... Extremely Narrow	2"



Codings:

█ - desirable traits

/// - acceptable traits

▬ - undesirable traits

*Note that these codings, in some cases, will not follow a pattern. For instance, stature is for the majority coded desirable. This is because there is no ideal height although a higher range is preferred in the showing.

Dairy Strength - 25%

DAIRY FORM

50	.....	Extremely Open
45	.....	Open
40	.....	Open
35	.....	Open
30	.....	Open
25	..... Intermediate	
20	.....
15	.....	Tight
10	.....
5	.....	Extremely Tight
1	.....

STRENGTH

50	.....	Extremely Strong/Wide
45	.....	Strong
40	.....	Strong
35	.....	Strong
30	.....	Strong
25	..... Intermediate	
20	.....
15	.....	Narrow
10	.....
5	.....	Extremely Narrow
1	.....

BODY DEPTH

50	.....	Extremely Deep
45	.....	Deep Body
40	.....	Deep Body
35	.....	Deep Body
30	.....	Deep Body
25	..... Intermediate	
20	.....
15	.....	Shallow
10	.....
5	.....	Extremely Shallow
1	.....

Rear Feet & Legs - 20%

LOCOMOTION

50	.....	No Abduction
45	.....	No Abduction
40	.....	No Abduction
35	.....	Very Slight Abduction
30	.....	Slight Abduction
25	.....	Slight Abduction
20	.....	Slight Abduction
15	.....	Definite Abduction
10	.....	Definite Abduction
5	.....	Severe Abduction
1	.....

REAR LEGS - SIDE VIEW

50	.....	Extremely Sickled
45	.....	Extremely Sickled
40	.....	Extremely Sickled
35	.....	Slightly Sickled
30	.....	Slightly Sickled
25	.....	Intermediate
20	.....	Intermediate
15	.....	Slightly Posty
10	.....	Slightly Posty
5	.....	Extremely Posty
1	.....

REAR LEGS - REAR VIEW

50	.....	Extremely Straight
45	.....	Extremely Straight
40	.....	Extremely Straight
35	.....	Nearly Straight
30	.....	Nearly Straight
25	.....	Slight Hock-In
20	.....	Slight Hock-In
15	.....	Definite Hock-In
10	.....	Definite Hock-In
5	.....	Extreme Hock-In
1	.....

FOOT ANGLE

50	.....	Extremely Steep
45	.....	Extremely Steep
40	.....	Extremely Steep
35	.....	Steep
30	.....	Steep
25	.....	Intermediate 45°
20	.....	Intermediate 45°
15	.....	Slightly Low
10	.....	Slightly Low
5	.....	Extremely Low
1	.....

Udder - 40%

UDDER DEPTH

50	.....	Extremely Shallow	7"
45	.....		6"
40	.....		5"
35	.....	Well Above Hock	4"
30	.....		3"
25	.....	Intermediate	2"
20	.....		1"
15	.....	At Hock	0"
10	.....		-1"
5	.....		-2"
1	.....	Extremely Deep	-3"

REAR UDDER HEIGHT

50	.....	Extremely High	7"
45	.....		7.7"
40	.....		8.4"
35	.....	High	9.1"
30	.....		9.8"
25	.....	Intermediate	10.5"
20	.....		11.2"
15	.....	Low	11.9"
10	.....		12.6"
5	.....		13.3"
1	.....	Extremely Low	14"

REAR UDDER WIDTH

50	.....	Extremely Wide	8"
45	.....		7 1/2"
40	.....		7"
35	.....	Wide	6 1/2"
30	.....		6"
25	.....	Intermediate	5 1/2"
20	.....		5"
15	.....	Narrow	4 1/2"
10	.....		4"
5	.....		3 1/2"
1	.....	Extremely Narrow	3"

UDDER CLEFT

50	... Extremely Strong	2 3/4"
45	.....	2 1/2"
40	.....	2 1/8"
35	.....	Strong 1 3/4"
30	.....	1 1/2"
25	.....	Intermediate 1 1/4"
20	.....	1"
15	.....	Weak 3/4"
10	.....	3/8"
5	.....	Flat
1	.....	Extremely Weak -1/4"

REAR TEAT PLACEMENT

50	.....	Teats Crossed	
45	.....	Base of Teats Touching	
40	.....	Extremely Close	0.5"
35	.....		1"
30	.....		1.5"
25	.....	Intermediate	2"
20	.....		2.5"
15	.....		3"
10	.....		3.5"
5	.....		4"
1	.....	Extremely Wide	4.5"

FRONT TEAT PLACEMENT

50	.....	Extremely Close
45	.....	Extremely Close
40	.....	Extremely Close
35	.....	Close
30	.....	Close
25	.....	Centrally Placed
20	.....	Centrally Placed
15	.....	Wide
10	.....	Wide
5	.....	Extremely Wide
1	.....

TEAT LENGTH

50	... Extremely Long	3 1/2"	
45	.....	3 1/4"
40	.....	3"
35	.....	Long 2 3/4"
30	.....	2 1/2"
25	.....	Intermediate 2 1/4"
20	.....	2"
15	.....	Short 1 3/4"
10	.....	1 1/2"
5	.....	1 1/4"
1	Extremely Short	1"

FORE UDDER ATTACHMENT

50	.....	Extremely Strong
45	.....	Extremely Strong
40	.....	Extremely Strong
35	.....	Strong
30	.....	Strong
25	.....	Intermediate
20	.....	Intermediate
15	.....	Loose
10	.....	Loose
5	.....	Extremely Loose
1	.....

Breed Notes:

• **Rugged, feminine qualities in an alert cow possessing Holstein size and vigor.**

• **HEAD** - clean cut, proportionate to body; broad muzzle with large, open nostrils; strong jaw; large, bright eyes; forehead, broad and moderately dished; bridge of nose straight; ears medium size and alertly carried.

• **COLOR** - black and white or red and white markings clearly defined.

• **SIZE** - a mature cow in milk should weigh at least 1400 lbs..

• **UDDER** - equal emphasis is placed on fore and rear udder (7 points each); all other traits are the same as listed on the PDCA scorecard.