

Importation Survey Results

The results of the camelid importation survey have several themes:

- 1) You **do not believe** imported camelids are superior.
- 2) You **do not have** confidence in the genealogy of imported camelids.
- 3) The majority **do not support** importation of live camelids or their embryos.
- 4) Two thirds of you **do not have** confidence in ILR's ability to properly screen imports.
- 5) Two thirds of you **do not have** confidence in the registration information on imported camelids.
- 6) Almost one-half say the ILR **should not** return to registering imported camelids, while one-third think **they should**.
- 7) **Less than 40%** have confidence in the ILR's overall registry accuracy.

Summary of Results

Imported camelids are superior to domestically bred ones.

- 73.3% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 16.6% Neutral

I have confidence in the genealogy of imported camelids.

- 84.1% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 15.9% Neutral

I support live camelid importation.

- 50.2% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 33.5% Neutral
- 16.3% Agree

I have confidence in the ILR's ability to properly screen imported camelids.

- 67.4% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 16.7% Agree
- 15.9% Neutral

I have confidence in the registration information provided by ILR for imported camelids.

- 66.9% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 25.0% Neutral
- 16.1% Agree

The ILR should return to registering imported camelids.

- 49.9% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 16.9% Neutral
- 33.2% Agree or Strongly Agree

I support camelid embryo importation.

- 58.3% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 33.2% Agree or Strongly Agree
- 8.5% Neutral

I have confidence in the ILR's ability to guarantee proof of parentage of imported embryos.

- 66.7% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 25.1% Neutral
- 8.2% Agree

The ILR should register imported camelid embryos.

- 58.3% Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- 33.2% Agree or Strongly Agree
- 8.5% Neutral

I have confidence in the ILR's overall registry accuracy.

- 45.5% Neutral
- 36.3% Agree
- 18.2% Strongly Disagree

Survey Comments

"Imported Camelids should be "listed" only until sufficient crias are on the grounds to determine if genetic defects are apparent. Offspring of imported animals should be "registered" at time of final breeding as a "potential listed camelid" until offspring can be verified as to species and genetic problems. Only then should a cria be registered. Maybe 5 to 10 for studs and 3 to 5 for females. Any CROSS or HYBRIDS should be classified as such. Let's not try to change 6000+ years of selective breeding by our South American brothers."

"If imported camelids are to be registered, it should only be with DNA proof ancestry, not a group of backscratcher agreeing that it is a camelid."

"It disturbs me that the MASTER objections to the ILR are coming directly from those individuals actively promoting 'collectible llamas'. With the exception of the incredibly naive, the agenda should be somewhat clear. And when perhaps will there actually be a 'THECLR.ORG' website"

"They're SO crooked. It is so sad to see this industry in such a sad state of affairs."

"I would trust that the majority of people in the ILR are honest individuals with only the best in mind for the llama industry. Good sound democratic principles will ensure that abusers are caught and disciplined as such."

"Call a spade a spade!!! I love suris. But they magically appeared?? Right!!!"