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## **UPDATE: Percentages on Pedigrees**

As you may or may not know, the AMSS is in the process of transferring our registration and transfer system to a new database. This new database, known as ABRI, provides some new information regarding pedigrees.

Going forward, owners will now see percentages printed on each pedigree. While this is new to all of us, it does not mean the AMSS is changing its herdbook. The membership voted, and approved, at the annual meeting in Oklahoma (June 2023) that there would not be any changes to the AMSS herdbook unless discussed, and approved, at a future annual meeting.

Percentages are important for some owners/breeders, but not everyone. It is important that the AMSS continually educates everyone about our herdbook and the terminology we use (Full Herdbook, EXP, GE, etc.) The percentages found on newly created pedigrees are just another tool that can be used if you, the owner/breeder choose to do so.