

The 2012 OCA Seedstock Improvement Bull Sales

Friday, March 30, 2012 - 7:00 PM
Muskingum Livestock, Zanesville, OH

Saturday, April 14, 2012 - NOON
Union Stock Yards, Hillsboro, OH

Requirements for Consignments:

- Consignments for bulls must be postmarked by **Tuesday, January 31, 2012**. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!
- Consignors must send the attached consignment form and provide a **photocopy** of the registration paper for each bull. The **original** registration paper must be delivered with the bull to sale location.
- Bulls must be registered and have current Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs).
- Bulls must be born between **January 1, 2007 and March 1, 2011** to sell in the sales.
- Consignors must be a member of the Ohio Cattlemen's Association (OCA). Dues are a minimum of **\$60.00** and must be paid by **January 31, 2012**. Consignments will be rejected if membership dues are not current by **January 31, 2012**.
- A non-refundable consignment fee of **\$100.00 per head is due by January 31, 2012**. **Make consignment checks payable to the Ohio Cattlemen's Association**. Consignment fee is forfeited if the bull does not make it to the sale.
- A **5% sale commission** will be charged to cover all sale expenses such as promotions, catalogs, facilities, auctioneer, sale management, transit insurance, etc.
- **Minimum floor bid of \$1,000 for all bulls. Sale expenses for "No-Sale" bulls will be \$50. Bulls that fail to reach \$1,000 will be released from the sale facility once the no-sale fee is paid.**
- Cattle will be assigned stalls upon delivery. The Seedstock Improvement Sale Committee will make stall assignments. All of a consignor's cattle will be stalled adjacent to one another.
- **All consignments and fees must be mailed to the Ohio Cattlemen's Association.**
- No more than 6 bulls may be consigned by one single owner to a sale. Therefore, the maximum number of entries consigned to both sales may not exceed 12 bulls per consignor. However, if there are less than 50 head consigned to one sale, the sale manager reserves the right to allow more than 6 bulls to be consigned from one individual owner and to allow more than 12 bulls in both sales.
- If one sale location has more bulls consigned than the other sale or there are an excessively large number of bulls consigned, the sale manager reserve the right to require consignors to adjust the number of bulls consigned to the sales.
- **New for 2012: Consignors will be allowed to substitute bulls for entries made to the Seedstock Improvement Sales. Substitutions must meet all entry, health, and other sale requirements and cannot exceed the original number of entries from the consignor. All substitutions must be submitted to the Sale Manager no later than one week prior to each respective sale date.**

Delivery Day and Sale Requirements:

- Bulls must be delivered to Union Stock Yards on **Friday, April 13th, 2012, from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**.
- Bulls can be delivered to Muskingum Livestock on **Thursday, March 29, 2012 by calling ahead to make delivery arrangements**. Bulls must be in place by **9:00 AM on Friday, March 30th**.
- The following requirements must be met. Bulls that do not conform to these standards will not be allowed to sell.
 1. *Upon arrival, bulls must pass the Seedstock Improvement Sale Committee's evaluation for conformation, disposition, soundness, weight and completion of health requirements to be checked by onsite veterinarian.*
 2. **Bulls must pass a Breeding Soundness Examination (BSE).** *The BSE can be performed ahead of the sale date by a licensed veterinarian, or the test will be done on your bull(s) on delivery day at the sale facility. If the BSE test is performed at home, proper documentation must be provided upon arrival to sale facility and the test must have been performed within 30 days of the sale. The cost for a BSE at the facility will be approximately \$45.00 to \$55.00 per bull. Bulls that do not meet the following BSE minimum criteria will not be allowed to sell.*

The minimum criteria for individual sperm motility must = 30% and/or fair gross motility.

The minimum criteria for sperm morphology must =70% normal cells.

The minimum acceptable scrotal circumference measurements are:

<= 15 months 30 cm.

>21<=24 months 33 cm.

>15<=18 months 31 cm.

Older than 24 months 34 cm.

>18<=21 months 32 cm.

- 3. Yearling bulls (1/1/11-3/1/11) must weigh at least 1,100 pounds.
Fall bulls (7/1/10-12/31/10) must weigh at least 1,300 pounds.
Two year old and older bulls (1/1/07-6/30/10) must weigh at least 1,500 pounds.**

- Producers are strongly encouraged, but not required, to provide any on-farm rate-of-gain performance data on each bull and/or the bull's progeny data, such as birth weight, weaning weight, yearling weight, carcass data, carcass EPDs, etc. Footnotes in the sale catalog will be limited to performance data only. Any announcements made during the sale shall take precedence over any material printed in the sale catalog.
- All bulls selling must be proven free of any known genetic defects by either pedigree or genetic testing when necessary.
- Home fitting of bulls is optional but no fitting can be done at the sale site. Bulls need not be halter broken.
- **Consignor or representative must remain present throughout delivery and processing and during through the completion of the sale.**
- Bulls will be evaluated by a four star grading system using **EPDs** for Birth Weight, Weaning Weight, Yearling Weight, Milk, Intramuscular Fat and Rib-Eye Area and where bulls rank within their respective breeds relative to percentile breakdowns provided by the national breed associations. Bulls will be cataloged and sold in order of greatest stars to least stars. If two bulls have the same number of stars, the older bull will sell first.

Health Requirements:

- Each bull, regardless of state origin must be accompanied by:
 1. A certificate of veterinary inspection stating Tuberculosis (TB) and Brucellosis status and showing no visible signs of infectious, contagious, or communicable disease. Bulls must test negative to TB and Brucellosis within 30 days prior to delivery to the sale. Bulls from accredited and certified herds do not need to be TB and Brucellosis tested but certification and accreditation numbers must be listed along with qualifying test dates.
 2. A vaccination record, stating the bull has been vaccinated for IBR-PI3; BVD; Leptospirosis (5 strain); BRSV vaccine; Clostridium chauvoei, septicum, sordellii, novyi, perfringens types C & D, bacterintoxoid, Mannheimia hemolytica, Pasteurella multocida and Haemophilus Somnus all according to manufacturer's recommendations.
*****All vaccinations should be given 21 to 60 days prior to sale.*****
 3. All bulls are required to be tested for Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVD) persistent infection (PI) status. Acceptable tests include and are limited to: Immunohistochemistry (IHC) on skin, Antigen-capture ELISA (ACE) on serum or skin, Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) on whole blood, serum or skin. Animals must be individually tested. Pooled testing is acceptable only if documentation is provided that the animal was specifically included in the pool. Type of test and test result must be listed on the required health certificate.
- Testing for **Johnes disease** is *encouraged, but not mandatory*. Results of this test can be listed in sale catalog if seller prefers.
- Bulls must be free of lice, grubs, ringworm, warts and be dewormed.

Breeding Guarantee:

- A standard breeding guarantee between buyer and seller will apply as follows:
Any bull selling through a 2012 OCA Seedstock Improvement Sale, that is properly cared for by the buyer and failing to prove a breeder, when tried at least sixty days and used on cows known to be breeders, should be reported in writing to the seller. The seller shall have sixty days to prove whether the selection of another bull or return of the purchase price will be considered final settlement.

Sale Terms: Cash / Check

- Each bull will be sold to the highest bidder. The auctioneer will settle all disputes as to bids.
- The buyer must pay for bulls before being released.
- Each bull will be at the buyer's risk immediately after being sold.
- Bulls will be transferred to the buyer at the seller's expense. All registration certificates will be transferred and sent to the buyer by the sale manager.
- Checks from sale of bulls may be picked up 30 minutes after the sale.

MAIL CONSIGNMENTS:

Ohio Cattlemen's Association, 10600 US Highway 42, Marysville, OH 43040 (614) 873-6736