

**Mississippi Beef Agribition**  
**Bull Sale**  
**Rules and Regulations**

The minimum standards for bulls to qualify for this sale are outlined in the rules and regulations section.

- 1) **Date of Sale – Saturday, March 24, 2018**
- 2) **Location – Pontotoc County Agri-Center, Pontotoc, MS.**
- 3) **Regulations**
  - A) **All bulls must be born between September 1, 2015 and February 15, 2017 and tagged with the lot number tag furnished by the Mississippi Beef Agribition. (Tags will be mailed to consignors when nominations forms are received)**
  - B) **Health – By order of the state Veterinarian’s office Mississippi producers are no longer required to blood test for brucellosis. Normal and routine vaccinations are suggested to include De-Worming, IBR, BVD, PI<sub>3</sub>, BRSV, and Leptospirosis & Vibriosis. All non-Virgin bulls must have passed a trich test before being accepted in this sale. Health papers and a negative Trich test report (for non-virgin bulls only) obtained from your Veterinarian must turned in to the sale manager at unloading.**
  - C) **Fertility – All bulls must have a breeding soundness exam, including scrotal measurements, within 30 days of the sale performed by a licensed veterinarian. The minimum scrotal circumference measurements that will be accepted are as follows:**
    - 12 – 16 month old bull – 32 cm
    - 17 – 23 month old bull – 34 cm
    - 24 – 30 month old bull – 38 cm
  - D) **Bulls will be screened and weighed when unloaded at the sale site. The screening will take into consideration:**
    - 1) **Structural soundness in their feet and legs.**
    - 2) **Good vision.**
    - 3) **If other physical defects are present.**
    - 4) **Disposition**
  - E) **Minimum 205 day weight as reported by the respective breed association shall be:**
    - 1) **a) 575 pounds or**
    - b) 550 pounds with at least a 95 ratio within a minimum of 5 contemporaries.**

**F) Nomination form information needed:**

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| 1) Birth weight                          | 8) Registration Number             |
| 2) Tattoo                                | 9) Name, address, phone number     |
| 3) Birth date                            | 10) Contact person                 |
| 4) Weaning weight and ratio              | 11) E-Mail address ( if available) |
| 5) Yearling weight and ratio             |                                    |
| 6) Actual ultrasound data (if available) |                                    |
| 7) Breed                                 |                                    |

**G) EPD's and accuracies from the respective breed association is required for all bulls consigned. Carcass ultrasound EPD's and actual data is encouraged and will be printed in the catalog where available**

**H) A copy of the performance pedigree must accompany the nomination form on each bull consigned.**

**I) The minimum qualifying sale weights shall be:**

	<b>AGE IN MONTHS</b>	<b>AGE IN DAYS</b>	<b>WEIGHT/ DAY/AGE</b>	<b>MINIMUM ACTUAL WEIGHT</b>
February, 2017	13	393	2.65	1040
January, 2017	14	448	2.55	1142
December, 2016	15	479	2.47	1185
November, 2016	16	509	2.50	1275
October, 2016	17	540	2.33	1260
September, 2016	18	571	2.26	1290
August, 2016	19	602	2.19	1318
July, 2016	20	633	2.14	1354
June, 2016	21	663	2.08	1379
MAY, 2016	22	694	2.03	1408
April, 2016	23	724	1.97	1426
March, 2016	24	755	1.92	1449
February, 2016	25	783	1.86	1456
January, 2016	26	814	1.80	1465
December, 2015	27	845	1.75	1478
November, 2015	28	875	1.73	1513
October, 2015	29	906	1.72	1558
September, 2015	30	936	1.70	1591

**Note:** At weigh in, all bulls will be allowed a 5 % shrink if they are below the Minimum Actual weight required. Bulls that do not meet this minimum weight requirement after the 5% shrink is applied will not sell unless the owner wants to sell them with the agreement that the bull did not meet minimum weight requirements and this is announced from the sale block. These bulls will be sold after the bulls that met all sale requirements. Any bulls 10% or more under the minimum sale weight will not be sold.

J) A committee of three will set the sale order based on the bull's individual performance data, EPD's, general conformation, and quality. A selection index based on the individual bull's score in the following categories will be used to rank bulls for the determination of sale order. The highest scoring bull will sell first. The ranking system assigns a score as follows: WWT EPD – max of 10 points, YWT EPD – max of 10points, Visual Appraisal – max of 40 points, Scrotal Circumference – max of 15 points, Weight per day of age – max of 15 points and Ultrasound data – max of 10 points.

K) Processing for the Sale

- 1) Bulls should be delivered to the sale location by 1:00 PM on the day before the sale. (March 23, 2018)
- 2) All bulls will be weighed and screened as they are Unloaded.