

## **2012 WHA SPRING SALE RULES**

1. Consignors must be a member of the WHA or WJHA. In the case of partnership cattle, at least one partner must be a member of the WHA or WJHA. All cattle must be registered with the AHA.
2. Nomination forms, a copy of registration papers and a non-refundable screening fee of \$75 are due on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. The \$75 must be paid by each individually paid member/consignor nominating cattle.
3. Screening for the sale will be done by AHA personnel. The screener will make farm visits on a designated 2-day period during December to view all nominations made by the WHA or WJHA member. Cattle should be sorted and be easy to view. Sale management has the right to close entries at 55 lots, with a maximum of 20 bulls.
4. Once the selections have been made, a \$100 non-refundable entry fee per animal, footnotes, and photos must be submitted to the WHA secretary by January 1, 2012. There is no charge for photos sent electronically. There is a \$5.00 fee for photos submitted in hard copy form. The sale management reserves the option of using any photos submitted.
5. No substitutions will be allowed after final selections have been made by the selection committee.
6. Animals are to be in place by 4PM on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012.
7. **ELIGIBILITY:**
  - BULLS** – must be born after January 1, 2009. The sale committee will strive to hold as close as possible to 20 head to maintain a strong bull market. A consignor may consign one bull only. For each additional bull, a minimum of one female for each bull must be consigned and sold through the sale.
  - HEIFERS** – Members are encouraged to have females bred to calve by 30 months of age. All cattle are encouraged to have positive milk EPD's. Bred heifers must be pregnancy checked by a veterinarian and verified on the health paper.
  - COWS** – Must be 5 years old or younger. They must have a natural calf at side or a guaranteed pregnancy. Calf may be sold separately at the discretion of the consignor and the sale management. The cow/calf will be sold as one lot.

8. Animals that are off-marked (extra white on the back, a tick, or line back) must be so stated in the footnotes.
9. All consignments need to be identified as polled, horned, or scurred in the footnotes.
10. EPD's will be included in the sale catalog as calculated from the AHA as of the catalog print date. Only animals with EPD's will sell.
11. HEALTH – all cattle are required to have separate, official interstate health papers at sale time. DO NOT PLACE MULTIPLE ANIMALS ON ONE FORM. Suggested tests are Bangs, Anaplasmosis, Tuberculosis, and BVD – PI. Females that have not been calfhooD vaccinated must have a blood test and be so noted in the footnotes. Breeders on a whole herd Johnes classification program must disclose their Johnes status in the footnotes. Non-tested herds are listed as maximum risk for Johnes.
12. Sale guarantees will follow AHA recommendations. The WHA makes no warranties or representations of the animals. All guarantees are between the buyer and the seller. WHA acts ONLY as the agent in the sale of the animal.
13. SEMEN TEST – All bulls over one year of age must pass a semen and breeding exam by a certified veterinarian or a professional semen collection service. Testing must be done within 30 days of the sale. An official form must accompany all bulls. Bulls born after January 1, 2011, will also need to provide verification of being DNA tested with the AHA. This is a new AHA requirement needed to register offspring from any bull.
14. SALE EXPENSES – All sale expenses related to the sale will be divided equally by each sale lot. Any animal that enters and fails to show will forfeit their entry fee. Animals that go through the sale ring, but do not sell (for any reason) are required to pay their share of sale expenses. The WHA will receive 2.5% of the gross sales for each lot that goes through the sale.
15. All the paperwork has to be completed by the consigner before checks will be issued. All required information on cow-calf pairs and bred heifers regarding AI, service sire, dates, and calf information must be completed on the back of the pedigree.
- 16.** Pregnant females carrying the service of an A.I. sire will not need an AI certificate for the unborn calf. The purchase of the A.I. certificate will be the responsibility of the buyer.