Regulations for Entry to South West & Cork club Heifer Sale

Heifer sale will take place on Saturday Sept 6th, 2024 at 1.30pm at Roscrea mart. Auctioneer George Chandler.

Open to breeders in the South West (Limerick and Kerry) and Cork Clubs.

This is a sale for breeding females from 8 months old.

Minimum Weight on sale day			
Up to 12 months	360kg	16 months	440kg
13 months	380kg	17 months	460kg
14 months	400kg	18 months	480kg
15 months	420kg	19 months	500kg+

Maiden heifers, in-calf heifers and first calved heifers with calf at foot are eligible.

Animals must be in vendors herd for a minimum of 6 CONSECUTIVE months prior to sale.

Breeding sale

The sale is specially a breeding heifer sale. The expectation is that all heifers presented are fit for purpose. If there is a problem where a heifer does not go in-calf it is likely the heifer will be returned to the seller. It is advisable, where possible, to validate in advance of the sale that the heifer is suitable for breeding. The Society' Terms of Condition (see page 3) will be adhered to.

Herd Health

Veterinary proof of a negative Johnes test **from the animal itself if aged 24 months** or over or from the **dam if under 24 months** must be supplied to the mart on sale day. If you are **not** participating in a herd health scheme, and a heifer is under 24 months, and the mother cannot be tested for any reason, then all animals in the herd over 24 months must be tested.

Note: the onus is on you the herd owner to ensure all information is up-to-date in advance of sale day.

All animals entered for sale must have tested negative for the BVD Virus once within their lifetime.

All animals must have a valid pedigree certificate at time of submitting entry form to sale.

Use of narcotics or pain suppressants is strictly forbidden at all sales.

Any animal with a white spot larger than a 1-euro coin should **not** be entered to the sale and will be rejected.

Heifers must be halter trained for the sale. A heifers with docility issues will not be allowed into the sale

Entries will close on **Fri July 18**th. We will require a min of 30 heifers catalogued to go ahead with the sale. We plan to have the printed catalogues available to distribute at Tullamore show.

In the event of a heifer being sold for export (and are not export tested on the day of the sale) this will have to be arranged after the sale. Arrangement of transport to the north, any costs of same (transportation, export testing etc) or issues arising from same, will need to be addressed by the buyer/seller.

The onus is on the seller to ensure the parentage of the heifer is correct. It is advisable to have your heifer parent verified.

Depending on the number of entries we may place a max number of entries per breeder.

Society Terms and Conditions

Female Fertility Guarantee

Any cow or heifer that is stated by the vendor as having been served or artificially inseminated not less than 12 weeks before the date of the sale shall be guaranteed in calf to the service date or date of artificial insemination and to the bull stated, unless any alteration to the service particulars is announced from the rostrum or by the vendor at the time the animal is sold. The term "running with the Bull" implies no guarantee of pregnancy unless specifically stated by the vendor at the time of sale, neither shall the provision by the vendor of a certificate of positive pregnancy diagnosis imply any such guarantee this being merely an expression of opinion.

Every heifer sold as unserved shall be so guaranteed and all such heifers (unless sold suckling their dams) shall carry a guarantee that they are capable of breeding. Calves sold suckling their dams are given to the purchaser free and no guarantees apply unless specifically stated by the vendor at the time of sale.

No claim under these Rules will be effective unless made to the Auctioneers or to the vendor within the following time limits, as applicable, viz:

- (a) In the case of a cow or heifer sold as being in calf which proved NOT to be in calf, within 49 days of the date of sale.
- (b) In the case of a cow or heifer which, although in calf, does not calve to the stated service or insemination date, within TWO CALENDAR MONTHS of the date that the animal should have calved according to the particulars of service or insemination stated in the catalogue of sale, in all such cases, no claim will be admissible unless there is an interval of more than four weeks between the presumed due date (according to the stated particulars of service or insemination) and the actual calving date.
- (c) Where a cow or heifer calves at a later date than the due date the onus of proving the identity of the service bull shall be upon the vendor.
- (d) Where a heifer is sold as unserved and which subsequently proves to have been in calf at the time, within SIX CALENDAR MONTHS of the date of sale.
- (e) In the case of a maiden heifer which proves incapable of breeding because of malformation or abnormality of the genital system, not before the animal attains the age of TWENTY SEVEN MONTHS and no claim under this rule be admissible after the animal has attained the age of THIRTY SIX MONTHS.

NOTE: Any female (cow or heifer) that has been flushed for embryo transplant will be EXCLUDED from the terms of this guarantee but individual vendors of such animals shall have the option of giving their personal guarantee to be announced at the time of sale. No claims will be admitted under these rules where it can be proved that a cow or heifer is carrying a mummified calf, or has aborted or reabsorbed a foetus and no guarantee is given or implied that any cow or heifer will carry a calf full term. All claims must be submitted to the vendor and the Secretary of the Society and shall be resolved in accordance with the provisions of clauses (i) and (j) under the Bull Fertility Guarantee section of this agreement.