

“The Nation’s Oldest Continuous Graded Bull Sale”

71st Annual

OCALA BULL SALE RULES

SPONSORED BY MARION COUNTY CATTLEMEN’S ASSOCIATION

1:00 P.M. Tuesday, October 13, 2026

Southeastern Livestock Pavilion, Ocala, Florida

1. All bulls must be accompanied by Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued by an accredited veterinarian showing cattle are in good health and have met the following health requirements:
 - (a) Tuberculosis — Bulls may be entered in the sale without tuberculin test provided they are identified on health certificate as originating in tuberculosis free state. All other bulls must be negative to tuberculin within 30 days of the date of the sale.
 - (b) Brucellosis — Bulls may be entered in the sale without brucellosis test provided they are identified on health certificates as originating in certified brucellosis free herds. All other bulls must be negative to brucellosis test within 30 days of date of sale.
 - (c) PI-BVD and **Trichomoniasis (State Law)** — All Bulls must be accompanied by negative Persistently Infected Bovine Virus Diarrhea (P.I. BVD) and trichomoniasis tests.
 - (d) Vibriosis — All bulls which have been exposed to females must be accompanied by negative vibriosis test.
 - (e) All vehicles transporting bulls to the Sale must be properly cleaned and disinfected.
2. All bulls must arrive with clean and legible ear tags with Lot number.
3. All bulls must be in the barn by 5:00 P.M., Sunday, October 11, 2026.
GRADING WILL BEGIN AT 8:00 A.M., Monday, October 12, 2026.
4. Entries should be mailed to: MARION COUNTY CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION, P.O. Box 6696, Ocala, Florida 34478. All entries must be received before August 7, 2026. **Entries postmarked after August 7th will be returned.**
5. A catalog fee of \$100.00 must accompany the registration of each bull in the sale. The fee is non-refundable. The total commission will be 6% of the sale price in addition to the catalog fee of \$100.00 per bull. Please make all checks payable to Marion County Cattlemen's Association.
6. Bulls need not be halter broken but should be gentle enough to handle.
7. Bulls will be graded by a committee composed of four outstanding commercial cattlemen and a University of Florida Beef Cattle Specialist.
8. Bulls will be graded on the qualities most desired by the commercial cattle producers of Florida. Bulls with poor feet or any other physical defect which would hinder their breeding efficiency in a commercial herd will be sifted.

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9. Bulls must be at least 15 months of age, and not more than 48 months of age on date of sale. Bulls must meet a minimum weight of 1,000 lbs. for 15 to 19 months and 1,200 lbs. for 20 to 48 months of age.
10. Bulls will be graded A+, A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C. Bulls grading below C will be sifted from the sale. A permanent record will be kept of the grades placed on the bulls. There will be no sale of sifted bulls.
11. Performance records will be provided to buyers. Submit records on the attached form by the entry deadline of August 7, 2026. All performance information MUST be attached on sheet.
12. Each sale lot will be sold separately to the highest bidder. The sale order will be determined the day before the sale.
13. Any changes from information in the catalog will be announced from the auction block and will take precedence.
14. The auctioneer selling will settle any dispute as to bids.
15. Each animal will be at seller's risk until sold, but as soon as sold will be at purchaser's risk.
16. Terms of sale are cash, and payment is due from purchaser upon termination of the sale. Purchased animals will not be delivered until settlement has been made and released by barn superintendent.

Additionally, by submitting an entry form the consignor agrees to the following terms:

- A. All bulls are guaranteed breeders by the consignor. In addition, all bulls must pass a Breeding Soundness Examination by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days of the date of the sale. A Breeding Soundness Certificate indicating "Satisfactory Potential Breeder" shall accompany all bulls to the sale. **Please have your vet use the Marion County Cattlemen's BSE form provided.**

For bulls to be classified as Satisfactory Potential Breeders, they must pass a physical examination and equal or exceed the minimum thresholds in each of the following three categories as set forth by the Society for Theriogenology:

<u>Scrotal Circumference</u>	<u>Morphology</u>	<u>Motility</u>
≤ 15 mo. 30cm	>70 % Normal Sperm	> 30 % Linear Motility
> 15 - ≤ 18 mo. 31cm		
> 18 - ≤ 21 mo. 32cm		
> 21 - ≤ 24 mo. 33cm		
> 24 mo. 34cm		
≥ 70% normal sperm		
≥ 30% individual motility		

- B. Grades placed on the bulls by the sale committee are final and no adjustments will be made to these grades.
- C. No Semen Testing will be conducted at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion.
- D. All persons who attend the sale do so at their own risk. This association (Marion County Cattlemen's Association) assumes no liability, legal, or otherwise, for the safety of the building or premises, or for the behavior of or future usefulness of the animals. This association acts only as agent for the consignors and assumes no responsibility, legal or otherwise, to the public in general or between buyer and seller.