



5th Annual Grass Futurity 2017 Official Rules and Conditions for Consignors

Delivery:

All calves will be delivered to the UI Nancy M. Cummings Research, Extension and Education Center (NMCREEC) anytime between April 30 and May 5, 2017. The Idaho Cattle Association (ICA) will make all pickup and delivery arrangements. ICA will assume ownership of all cattle upon delivery and all calves will be branded with ICA's official, registered iron.

Receiving Program:

All calves will receive the following upon arrival to NMCREEC, or at a time designated by the consulting veterinarian. All products will be provided by ICA and its allied members.

- 8-way clostridial (blackleg) vaccination
- 5-way MLV vaccination for BRD
- Deworming
- Implanting
- Ear notched for PI-BVD
- Ear tag

Weighing Conditions:

All calves will be weighted upon arrival to monitor health. Calves will once again be weighted for their on-test weight, on two consecutive days. Their on-test weight will be an average of these two consecutive weights. Calves will be continued to be weighted on a monthly basis to monitor their gain and overall health. An off-test weight will be the average of two consecutive day weights, taken at the completion of the futurity. Each calf's average daily gain and total weight will be calculated from the on-test and off-test weights.

Nutrition:

All calves will be placed in a secured lot and fed alfalfa/grass hay, free choice, for approximately two weeks prior to the initial weigh-in. Free choice mineral formulated for UI's grazing programs will be provided at all times, as will water. All calves will be grazed on irrigated grass/legume pastures, which are managed using intensive-grazing methods. Depending on the availability of pasture, futurity calves may be grazed with UI's replacement heifers.

Health Management:

The health of all futurity calves will be monitored daily by NMCREEC staff. Calves will be treated, as needed, for foot rot, pinkeye, pneumonia, etc. as determined by the ranch manager. If necessary, calves will be placed in the "sick pen" until they are healthy enough to co-mingle and return to pasture.

Pickup:

All calves will be shipped out within seven days of the end of the futurity period. NMCREEC will provide labor for load out and will make arrangements for brand inspection. ICA will make all arrangements for the pickup and payment for shipment to market.