



2027 National Sale Rules

It is the goal of this elite sale to present the best cattle that the ABHA membership has to offer to the buying public. There will be a screening/selection process to ensure the quality of the Sale entries. With that goal in mind, the ABHA Sale Committee has adopted the following rules:

1. Registration number, a copy of the footnotes, and a photo and brief video (10-20 seconds) of the nominated animal(s), must be submitted to ABHA staff no later than **October 1, 2026**. This is for the selection process only, and not the catalog. Consignors will be notified of the acceptance or denial of their nominated animal(s).

2. All nominated cattle must be registered with the ABHA and have a permanent tattoo number in one or both ears that corresponds to the permanent ID number listed on the animal's registration certificate. All nominated cattle must also have BW, WW and YW (if applicable) data recorded in Digital Beef.

3. Once accepted, all Registration/Sale Entry Forms should be completed immediately, and payment made in full. **DEADLINE FOR ENTRY AND PAYMENT IS October 15, 2026**. Credit card payment can be completed by phone with Ernie Dominguez at the ABHA (512-567-7840). You may also choose to mail them in if paying by check.

Mailing address is:

ABHA - P.O. Box 936, Elgin, TX 78621

4. All accepted cattle must have a high resolution, professional photo to be used in the catalog. A 10 to 20 second professional quality video is also required. The deadline for catalog photos, and the videos, is **November 1, 2026**.

5. All cattle, including donors, that are deemed possible carriers of genetic defects must be tested and be clean of any known ABHA recognized genetic defects to be entered in the Sale.

6. It is required that all cattle consigned to the Sale **MUST** be entered with Cattlemen's Congress for stall space. Entries are to be made directly to Cattlemen's Congress.

7. The Sale consignment fee is \$100 per live consignment (this includes "pick")



consignments), and \$100 per embryo package or right to flush consignment. Sale consignment fees will be credited back to the consignor on all cattle sold. Sale consignment fees will not be credited back to consignors for any cattle not sold.

8. A 14% consignment fee will be assessed by the ABHA on the purchase price of all lots. Floored animals that do not sell will be required to pay the 14% commission on the floor price.

9. It is understood that by consigning in the Sale, the consignor is entering into a contract to sell that animal. Cattle are to be withdrawn from the sale for medical reasons ONLY, to be verified by signed Veterinary letter. Consignors who withdraw cattle for any other reason will be fined \$500 per animal and be excluded from future ABHA sales for one year.

10. All bulls consigned must meet the following requirements:

- A. Birth date of November 1, 2025, or BEFORE.
- B. Be an ABHA Approved Herd Sire.
- C. The ABHA is setting a mandatory floor of \$3,500 on any bull consigned.
- D. Bulls are limited to one per consignor.
- E. Bulls must be accompanied by a Breeding Soundness Exam, and a negative Trich test, signed by a licensed Veterinarian.
- F. Bull consignments will be limited.

11. All Open Heifers must be weaned and vaccinated 45 days prior to **October 1, 2026**.

12. All bred Heifers must be confirmed pregnant by a licensed Veterinarian 30 days prior to sale.

13. All consigned cattle must have an individual 30-day Health Certificate that meets the requirements of the State of Oklahoma, and an E.I.D. tag with the ID number reflected on that animal's Health Certificate.

14. Cattle will be allowed to enter the grounds of Cattlemen's Congress starting at 8am central time on Thursday, December 31, 2026, with deadline for arrival to be Friday, January 1, 2027, at 5pm central time. Cattle will be checked in by an ABHA representative. Bedding will be provided by Cattlemen's Congress.



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15. Please note that altering the conformation or appearance of an animal is not allowed. This includes covering white skin, and false hair of any kind, with the exception of tail switches. Graphite, powders, hemp, or other substances used externally are also prohibited, as are steroids, illegal pharmaceuticals, or artificial filling.

16. If the rules of the sale are not met, the ABHA reserves the right to disqualify any entry.

17. All cattle **MUST BE PAID FOR** before being loaded. A paid receipt will be provided to all buyers to be presented at loading. Online buyers will be responsible for making arrangements for payment immediately following the conclusion of the Sale.

18. The ABHA is scheduled to be at Cattlemen's Congress from Thursday, December 31st to Tuesday, January 5th. Cattlemen's Congress staff are working on the event schedule and the exact National Sale date will be announced as soon as it is confirmed.

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