WISCONSIN HEREFORD ASSOCIATION SPRING SALE
MARCH 20, 2027 * NOON * Dutch Valley Facility

1. Consignors must be a member of the WHA or WJHA. Consignors must be a current member at the time of nomination. Consignors must also have paid membership for the following year at time of entries. 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 and copies of registration papers need to be *postmarked* no later than **October 4th, 2026.** All nominations must be accompanied by a $100 **non-refundable** screening fee per consignor. Screening fees will be credited to the breeders that sell in the sale on a per breeder basis. Screening fees from breeders not selected will be subtracted from overall sale expenses. Consignors will be notified of screening date and time. Sale management has the right to close entries at 50 lots, with a maximum of 20 bulls.

3. Once the selections have been made, a $200 entry fee per animal, footnotes, and photos must be submitted to the WHA sale manager with a *postmark* no later than **December 6th, 2026**. Sale manager has the right to extend the due date depending on timing of screening. Entry fee will be credited on account upon completion of sale. Entry fee is non-refundable on all no-show sale animals once animal is cataloged. **Consignments, entry fees, and all paperwork not received by the due date will not be catalogued or eligible to sell.**

4. Photos are due no later than December 20, 2026. There is no charge for photos sent electronically. There is a $5 fee for photos submitted in hard copy. Good pictures are needed. No picture is better than a poor picture. No EPD graphs will be accepted as photos. The Sale Manager or Committee has the discretion to use or not use photos submitted. Planning ahead helps ensure the best picture quality and catalog image representation of the animal. It is recommended utilizing a professional photographer for catalog photos. Also, taking pictures in October or November may provide the most ideal conditions for image quality and clarity. Contact the Sale Manager for photographers available.

5. Semen and Embryos: Entry fee $50 per package. Entry deadline will be the same as live animals. Sale expenses will not include vet fees or facility rental fees.

6. Substitutions will be allowed. The substitutions must be screened and declared at the time of screening. Substitutions are only allowed for medical issues or genetic issues. (ie bull didn't pass semen test, bred heifer is open or injury or DNA testing identifies animal as a carrier of genetic defect). Consignor must provide veterinarian letter stating nature of injury and/or problem to the original entry and/or copies of genetic testing result indicting genetic defect. Consignor will be responsible for copies of supplement information at the time of the sale. Substitutions will be as a first come first serve basis. The sale manager has the discretion to accept or not accept substitutions.

7. Corrections to the sale catalog: Consignor will be responsible for copies of supplement pedigrees at the time of the sale. For minor corrections a

supplement sheet will be available at the time of the sale and the consignor is responsible for notifying the sale committee of any corrections.

8. Animals are to be in place by **2PM** on Friday, March 19th, 2027.

9. BULLS – must be born between January 1, 2024 and March 31, 2026. The sale committee will hold as close as possible to 20 head to maintain a strong bull market. A consignor may consign two bulls. For each additional bull, a minimum of one female lot (live or genetic) must be consigned and sold through the sale. All bulls must have a nose lead or nose ring.

10. HEIFERS – Members are encouraged to have females bred to calve by 30 months of age. Bred heifers must be pregnancy checked by a veterinarian and verified on the health paper.

11. 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 consigner and the sale management. The cow/calf will be sold as one lot.

12. **All animals must have a legible tattoo as stated on the registration papers to sell.**

13. All consignments need to be identified as polled, horned, or scurred in the footnotes.

14. 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.

15. HEALTH – all cattle are required to have **separate, official intERstate health** papers at sale time. DO NOT PLACE MULTIPLE ANIMALS ON ONE FORM. **ALL cattle must have a RFID or metal tag per state regulations.** Suggested tests are Bangs, Anaplasmosis, Tuberculosis, and BVD – PI. If your animal(s) sell into a state requiring listed tests, breeders will take the subject animal to its origin, have it tested, and once cleared, arrange shipping to the buyer. **Females are encouraged to be calfhood vaccinated but no longer required.**

    Breeders on a whole herd Johnes classification program will disclose their Johnes status.

16. 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.

17. DNA TESTING – All bulls need to be DNA tested with genomic EPD's and free of all defects. Results cannot be pending.

    All females that have HYP, DLP, IEP, MSUDP, MDP or DBP on their pedigree must be DNA tested for the genetic abnormality. No carriers or pending will be allowed to sell. Please send DNA samples as soon as possible as it takes 4-6 weeks for results.

18. SEMEN TEST – All bulls must pass a semen and breeding exam by a certified veterinarian or a professional semen collection service. Testing must meet these minimum standards:
    Scrotal circumference – less than 15 mo. 30 CM, 15 to 18 mo. 31 CM, 18 to 21 mo. 32 CM, 21 to 24 mo. 33 CM and 24 mo. and over 34 CM.
    Motility -- 30% or fair
    Sperm morphology -- 70% normal cells
    Testing must be done within 30 days of the sale. An official form must accompany all bulls. All bulls need to provide verification of being DNA tested with the AHA.

    All non-virgin bulls and all bulls 24 months of age or older at the time of the sale must have a negative PCR Trichomoniasis test within 30 days prior to the sale.

    Virgin Bulls – Bull(s) under the age of 24 months of age and is "virgin" in that they were not sexually exposed to any female. A statement must be included on the health certificate stating "The bull has not been sexually exposed to breeding-aged females"

19. SALE EXPENSES – All sale expenses will be divided equally by each sale lot. Any lot that enters and fails to show will forfeit their entry fee. All lots that go through the sale ring are required to pay their share of sale expenses. The WHA will receive 2.5% of the gross sale for each lot that goes through the sale, based on the final bid for that lot.

20. All paperwork needs to be completed by the consigner by sale day. 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 and turned in to the sale manager prior to the sale. Pregnant females carrying the service of an AI sire do not need an AI certificate for the unborn calf. This will be the responsibility of the buyer.

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WHA Spring Sale Official Nomination Form – due October 4, 2026

___cow/calf pair ___open heifer(s) bred heifer(s) ___herd bull prospect ___semen/embryo

Name_____ Ranch/Farm Name_____

Address_____City_____State_____

Zip_____

Phone #_____Cell Phone#_____ Email_____

Send this form with copies of registration papers and a $100 screening fee (*per breeder*) to: Melissa Berggren, 506 S Hubbard St., Horicon, WI 53032. ***Make checks payable to: WHA***

No screening fee for semen, embryo lots. You will be contacted regarding screening date/time.