



American Milking Shorthorn Society

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To: Consignors of the 2019 National Milking Shorthorn Sale

Dear Consignor,

As sale time quickly approaches, we hope all is well with you and your consignments for this year's edition of the Milking Shorthorn National Sale. Please find in this letter important information that will serve as a guide in preparing your consignment for the sale.

Consignors shall have their animals in satisfactory condition when delivered to the sale. The sale committee shall have the right to reject any animal from the sale if the condition of the animal or type of the animal will not represent the breed in a positive manner. If an animal is removed from the sale once delivered for any reason, the consignor will be responsible for any cost incurred while the animal is in the care of the AMSS Sale Crew and until such time as the animal is removed from the grounds. The \$50 catalog fee will be retained by AMSS. All Animals must be accompanied by a health certificate signed within thirty (30) days of sale.

Sale Address:

Hendricks County Fairgrounds
1900 E Main Street
Danville, IN 46122

Health Requirements are as follows:

- All consignments over four months of age must be **officially calfhood vaccinated for Brucellosis**. A **negative Brucellosis test** is required for females over 18 months of age.
- Consignments 6 months of age or older must have a **negative TB test** within 60 days of sale.
- Sale animals must be vaccinated for **BVD/PI**.
- AMSS requires testing for **Anaplasmosis and Blue Tongue** if they are issues in the area the animal resides (primarily Southern and Western states). A positive Anaplasmosis result disqualifies an animal from the sale.
- Any visible sign of ringworm or warts, active or passive, will result in the animal being removed from the National Sale lineup. Vaccination for pinkeye, ringworm, and rabies is encouraged for sale animals.
- Consignors are encouraged to complete further testing including Johnes, Leucosis, Mycoplasma, and Staph.

For Indiana State health updates, questions or concerns, please contact The Indiana State Board of Animal Health at 317-544-2400 for or <https://www.in.gov/boah/2395.htm>.

All animals sold as registered by AMSS can be DNA typed at the discretion of the Executive Secretary at the expense of AMSS.

Embryos: Embryos consigned must have been collected and frozen by an American Embryo Transfer Association certified practitioner. A copy of the recovery sheet must accompany embryo consignments to the National Sale with the practitioner's name clearly printed. Only #1, Stage 4, 5, or 6 embryos will be accepted. The embryo consignment must be a minimum of 3 embryos. Embryos must be present at the National Sale; if not present they will not be sold and the cataloging fee will be retained by AMSS.

Production Transfers: Consignors of milking animals, please provide a copy of the animal's production records. Attention to this detail will provide for much higher buyer satisfaction!

Registration Certificates: Please send the registration certificate with a signed transfer to the sale with consignment. Please complete accurate service information. If the registration certificate is not on hand, please confirm with the National Office that registration is complete and the paper will be delivered to the sale.

Preparation for Sale: Any efforts made in preparation of consignments before leaving for the sale will pay dividends on sale day. This would include:

Break animals to lead. Presentation is key and this will help greatly!

Please ensure animal's head is clipped.

Evaluate hoof needs. If hoof care or trimming is required, please do so. A hoof trimmer will not be available at the sale.

Please wash excessively dirty animals before delivery to the sale.

Pregnancy check is recommended for animals bred over 35 days.

Delivery to Fairgrounds: Animals may begin to arrive at Noon, Tuesday, June 18, 2019. All consignments must be in place by Noon, Wednesday, June 19, 2019. If other arrangements are required, please immediately contact Billy Lattire at 812-209-9588.

Catalogs: Catalogs will be available both hard copy (by request only) and electronically. Please make AMSS aware of potential buyers and a catalog will be sent. Catalogs are available electronically at www.milkingshorthorn.com, www.cowbuyer.com, and www.dairyagendatoday.com. The sale will be broadcast live with live bidding on www.cowbuyer.com.

We are eagerly anticipating this year's sale! We have compiled a great line up of animals and our sale force is hard at work promoting this line up! We look forward to continuing to work with you and your animals. Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance in making this year's sale the best yet!

Thank you again for the support and we look forward to seeing you in Indiana!

Billy Lattire
National Sale Committee Chair
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