

Michigan **SHORTHORN** Breeders Association

January 3, 2020

To: Consignors to the MI Shorthorn Breeders Association MCA Beef Expo Sale

Fr: Carla McLachlan, MSBA President

Re: MCA Beef Expo Sale – Saturday, April 4, 2020

The MI Shorthorn Breeders Association (MSBA) would like to invite you to participate in our spring sale, held in conjunction with the Michigan Cattlemen's Association (MCA) Beef Expo April 3-5, 2020. The sale will be held at the Michigan State University Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education in Lansing, MI.

MSBA is offering you an opportunity to market your Shorthorn and Shorthorn Plus (any percentage) consignments at this event. We encourage you to consign your bulls, bred females, and open heifers to this event. Semen, embryo and flush opportunities are welcome. Early interest in this Shorthorn and Shorthorn composite sale is strong. Please keep in mind, the Beef Expo is also offering a "pen" sale opportunity for cattle that you are not interested in showing. Pens of up to 3 heifers/bred females less than 3 years old are available.

Changes in the format over the last couple of years have made it even easier for potential buyers to participate. The committee is committed to stronger regional and national advertising and has also contracted to post all breed sales online as well as the catalog. This gives us a much stronger opportunity to reach buyers outside of Michigan. We encourage you to forward the very best photos of your consignments, their sire or dam as the catalog will be printed in full color. Only the best quality photos will be considered for printing. Additionally, if you have an opportunity to take video, this can be shared on the MSBA and MCA Facebook pages. Videos can also be posted for view by buyers online.

Please feel free to contact me at 517-242-2395 to discuss your offering. All consignment forms and fees should be forwarded no later than **January 25** to ensure inclusion in the catalog. Feel free to share this consignment information with other breeders in your area who are looking for marketing options.

Please forward consignment information to me by email at mclachlancarla@gmail.com or by mail at 11224 23 Mile Road, Ewart, MI 49631. (Make nomination fee (\$100/lot) payable to MI Shorthorn Breeders.)

It is the Association's policy that all consignors be current members of the MSBA. Consignments have complete genetic testing, unless in the case of "free by pedigree". Testing takes several weeks, if you do not have test results back prior to sale time that information will be announced from the sale block. It is the Association's expectation that you have sent samples and paid for the testing on all consignments in the sale. Results for Sire and Dam that are posted on the ASA website will be made available at the time of sale. We encourage you to review all MCA sale consignment guidelines enclosed with this mailing regarding health and BSE requirements.

We appreciate your consignments and for those of you who do not have any animals to offer, we invite you to join us for fellowship at the sale!

Important information for sale cattle consignors and owners of display cattle at the 2020 MI Beef Expo

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Please refer to the current requirements for Livestock exhibited in Michigan at www.michigan.gov/mda-exhibitinfo.

OUT OF STATE CATTLE: All cattle from out of state must have interstate travel papers. Please contact the Michigan Dept. of Agriculture Animal Industry Division at **800-292-3939** for details about these requirements.

BREEDING SOUNDNESS EXAMS: All bulls born prior to March 1, 2019 must have a complete breeding soundness exam (BSE) as defined by the Society for Theriogenology. Bulls not passing the BSE will not be eligible for sale. All bulls born between March 1, 2019 and April 30, 2019 will be subject to meeting all requirements of a BSE, except they will only need 50% morphologically normal sperm to pass (as compared to 70% for bulls born prior to March 1, 2019). A list of Michigan veterinarians who provide Bull Breeding Soundness Examination services is available at www.MiCattlemen.org. BSE's will NOT be provided on-site.

BOVINE VIRAL DIARRHEA (BVD) TEST: All sale cattle must provide negative test results and documentation for BVD and provide to the sale chairperson/s at check-in time.

RING & BUG: All display and sale bulls (any age) must have a ring or bug in their nose when out of the stall at the Beef Expo.

TIE OUTS: All animals must be double tied while in tie outs.

MEMBERSHIP: All sale consignors must be regular Michigan Cattlemen's Association members.

RFID TAGS: All cattle at the Michigan Beef Expo are required to have RFID ear tags. Tags will be available on site for out of state cattle at a cost of \$2.00 each.

CATTLE ARRIVAL: Sale and exhibit cattle may arrive beginning Thursday, April 2, 2020 after 8:00 am. For out of state exhibitors, if early arrival is necessary, please contact Scott Rancour at the MSU Pavilion, 517-432-5566. Set up of stalling areas may be done on Wednesday, April 1, 2020 between 3:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Doors will be locked at 8:00 p.m.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST: Consignors are required to allow for their cattle to be used for the Livestock Judging Contest if requested.

CATTLE DISPLAY AREA: Take the opportunity to make your cattle display exhibit as attractive as possible. Please be respectful of other exhibitors and guests and keep the aisles clean and keep your possessions within your assigned space. Remember, no grooming chutes are permitted in the display area. **If you sprinkle your bedding with water, please use a limited amount so that it does not flow into adjacent exhibitor spaces.**

TRADE SHOW EXHIBITORS: Be sure to visit the Trade Show exhibitors and let them know how much you appreciate their support. They are a vital part of the success of Michigan Beef Expo. Trade show will be open Friday 11:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

TENTATIVE SALE SCHEDULE: 11:00 a.m. start time - Simmental
Shorthorn
Angus
All Other Registered Breeds
Hereford
Chi-Maine

Contact your Breed Association representative
for catalog deadline.
Consignors can have videos posted through
CCi Live.

HEIFER PENS: Consignors may enter up to three (3) REGISTERED, non-HALTERED **females** that are born on or after **Oct 1, 2018**. These cattle will not be shown in their respective breed show. The consignor must provide certificates of registration from a United States breed registry. Cattle will be penned in a designated area of the MSU Pavilion.



CONSIGNMENT FORM



Animal (Donor) Name: _____

Registered Breed: _____

Birth Date: _____ Reg #: _____

Tattoo #: _____ Location: R L B

Contact your Breed Association representative for entry deadline

Check One: Open Heifer Bred Heifer Bull Cow
 Embryos Semen Flush Pregnancy

Check Appropriate: Polled Horned Scurred Purebred or % _____

AI Bred: ___/___/___ Reg Breed: _____ Sire Reg #: _____

Pasture Exposed from ___/___/___ to ___/___/___ Sire Reg #: _____

Reg Breed: _____

Please include copy of registration certificate.

Sire's Sire: _____ Reg#: _____

Sire: _____ Reg#: _____

Sire's Dam: _____ Reg#: _____

Dam's Sire: _____ Reg#: _____

Dam: _____ Reg#: _____

Dam's Dam: _____ Reg#: _____

Check One: Picture included with form
 Save space in catalog picture which will be sent by: ___/___/___

Name of picture file sent and caption: _____

Name of additional picture files sent and explanation of relationship to consignment: _____

(note: naming your electronic files the same name as the animal's name increases catalog accuracy)

Consignor Catalog Name:	Consignor Contact Name:
Mailing Address:	Email:
Main Contact Phone:	Second Contact Phone:

Description to include in catalog including breeding/due date. Please limit to approximately 55-65 words.

Return this form to your Beef Expo Breed Representative. Please enter footnotes on the back. Make copies as needed.

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