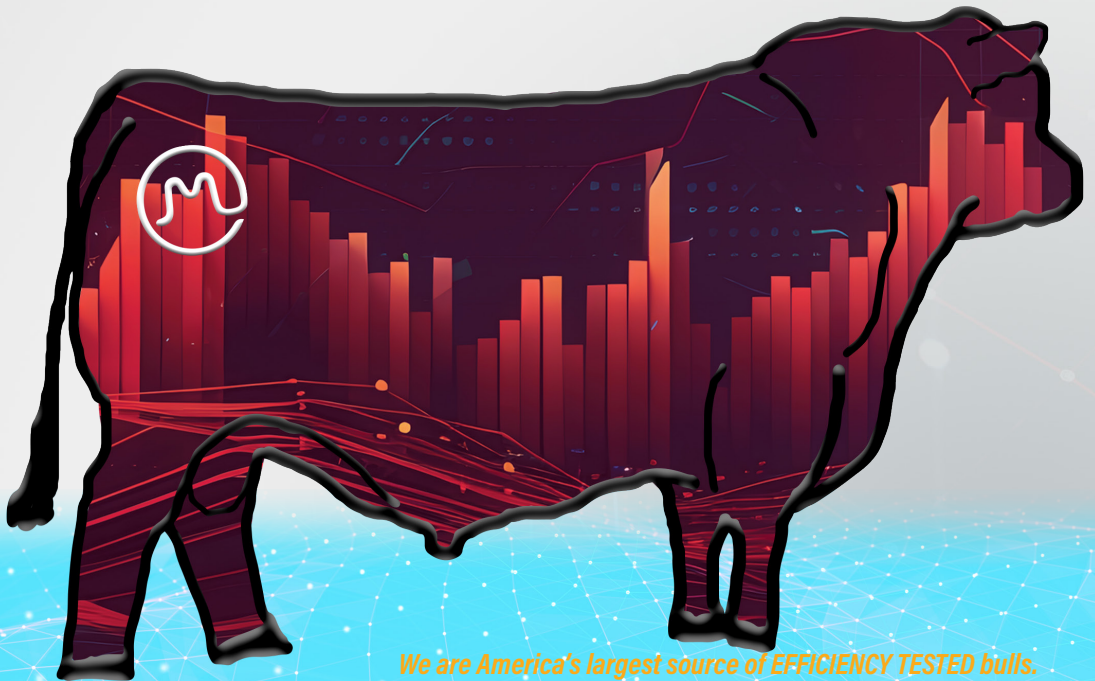


MIDLAND BULL TEST

2024 Test Guidelines



We are America's largest source of EFFICIENCY TESTED bulls.



Why **MIDLAND** BULL TEST

Midland Bull Test (MBT) Final Sort is a longstanding, proven program that measures the actual performance of individual animals. The MBT performance test tracks a bull's weight progression over a predefined number of days, utilizing pounds of gain, days on feed and days of age to compare like animals within a similar group. During the gain period each animal's individual feed intake is measured using an electronic ID at our enhanced feed bunks. The data is captured 24 hours day and then evaluated at the end of the test period resulting in a specific Residual Feed Intake (RFI) for each bull, a true feed efficiency measurement. Feeding a realistic high roughage ration, our program is an optimal bull test environment to emphasize the development of herd sire prospects and progeny groups into sound, functional bulls that will go to work breeding stock in a *real* environment.

Our volume of test bulls, allows you to compare individuals and potential of sire groups. Midland has proven multiple trait leaders in the major breed sire summaries. Our unique and true "total performance" test has created an elite set of MBT graduates that consistently top the sales across the US.

Midland Bull Test boasts many repeat sale consignors and buyers who assert their loyalty to proven results year after year. We are a family operation dedicated to the improvement of the beef cattle industry as we identify superior performing individuals and bloodlines within specific breeds. Whether you are bringing bulls to Midland or buying bulls from Midland you will be satisfied knowing that every bull receives superior care and attention. You won't find anywhere that can offer more.

WE DO ONE THING BULLS

Join us for the FINAL SORT BULL SALE APRIL 4 & 5, 2024

Access off I-90 **5 BULL DRIVE**
at Columbus, 6 miles East on Old Hwy 10
at Park City, 12 miles West on Old Hwy 10

RECEIVING DATES

9/13/2023 to 9/23/2023

RECEIVING FOR GROUP 1
1/2 Spring-Born Angus Bulls

ALL FALL BULLS:

Charolais, Chiangus, Gelbvieh, Hereford,
Red Angus, Salers, Simmental,
South Devon, Wagyu & Additional Breeds

10/11/2022 to 10/21/2023

RECEIVING FOR GROUP 2
1/2 Spring-Born Angus Bulls

ALL SPRING BULLS:

Charolais, Chiangus, Gelbvieh, Hereford,
Red Angus, Salers, Simmental,
South Devon, Wagyu & Additional Breeds

FIND FORMS & TEST INFO AT: www.MidlandBullTest.com



Congratulations to the Wiley Fanta,
2023 Champion Junior Consignor

Invitation to **JUNIOR CONSIGNORS!**

We invite consignors (21 years of age and under as of January 1, 2024) to consign their bulls to the test in a special program. These individuals receive a discount on the entry fee and the opportunity to compete for a \$500 scholarship. Bulls must be registered in the junior consignor's name with their birthdate. We encourage junior consignors to be active in following each component of the test by participating in feedback sessions with Steve and their peers throughout the test season.



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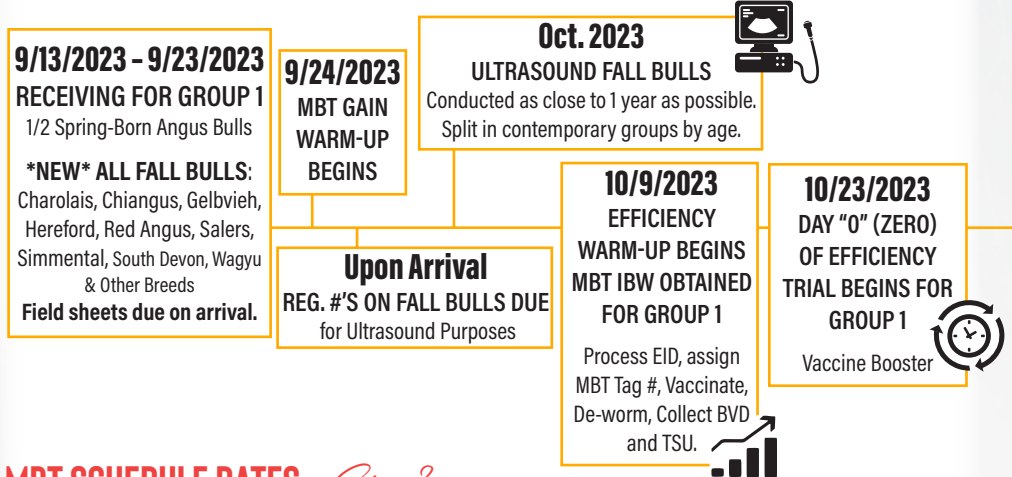
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CONSIGNOR *Deadlines*

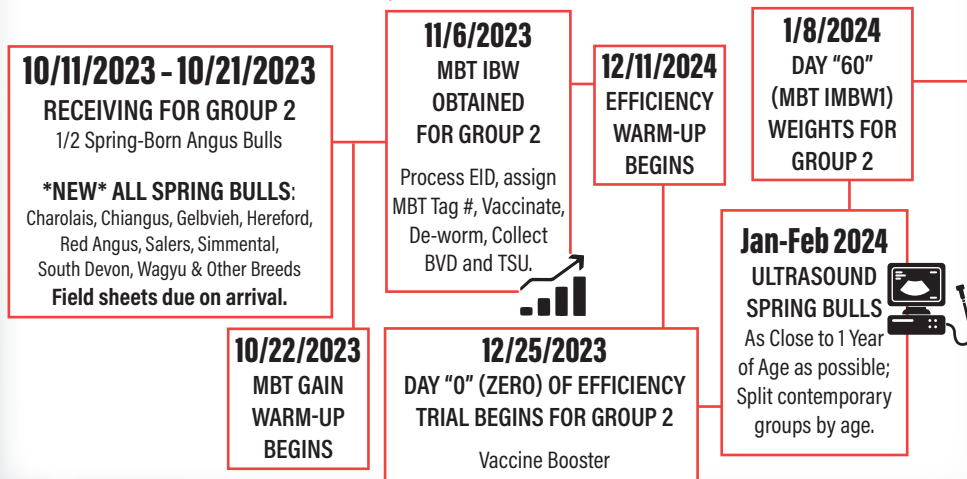
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MBT SCHEDULE – *Group 1*



MBT SCHEDULE DATES – *Group 2*



2/23/2024
REPORT YOUR
EPD DATA TO THE
ASSOCIATION FOR
LAST CATALOG
DATA PULL

3/1/2023
CATALOG FOOTNOTES/
PHOTOS/RETAINING
SEMEN INTEREST DUE
(Please enter your data on
your portal.)



3/25/2024
NOTIFY MBT OF
INSTRUCTIONS FOR
OUT BULLS
(Please enter your data
on your portal.)

4/4/2024
SALE DAY 1
Charolais • Chiangus,
Gelbvieh • Hereford
Salers • Simmental
South Devon
Red Angus • Wagyu



PHOTOGRAPHING BULLS (OPTIONAL)
For best results, schedule photographs after clipping.
Those dates are: approximately **3/1/2024 for Group 1**
and 3/8/2024 for Group 2 (See page 13 for details.)

4/5/2024
SALE DAY 2
Angus

12/11/2023
DAY "60"
(MBT IMBW1)
WEIGHTS FOR
GROUP 1
(Day 49 of
Efficiency Trial)



1/8/2024
DAY "90" (MBT IMBW2)
WEIGHTS FOR GROUP 1



Jan-Feb 2024
ULTRASOUND
SPRING BULLS
As Close to 1 Year
of Age as possible;
Split contemporary
groups by age



1/29/2024
FINAL BODY WEIGHT
(MBT FBW) FOR GROUP
1 - END OF MBT GAIN
TRIAL FOR GROUP 1

BEGIN SEMEN TESTING
FOR GROUP 1

2/20/2024
VIDEOING OF
GROUP 1 BEGINS,
(Weather permitting)



2/06/2024
CLIPPING FOR
GROUP 1 BEGINS



2/5/2024
DAY "90" (MBT
IMBW2) WEIGHTS
FOR GROUP 2



2/12/2024
DAY "49" OF
EFFICIENCY TRIAL
FOR GROUP 2



2/26/2024
MBT FINAL BODY WEIGHT
(FBW) FOR GROUP 2 -
END OF MBT GAIN TRIAL
FOR GROUP 2

3/6/2024
CLIPPING FOR
GROUP 2 BEGINS



2/28/2024
SEMEN TESTING FOR
GROUP 2 BEGINS



3/15/2024
VIDEOING OF
GROUP 2 BEGINS
(Weather permitting)



PHASE 1 TEST SELECTION *and* PREPARATION

ACCEPTED BREEDS AND ELIGIBLE BIRTH DATES

REGISTERED ANGUS:

All must be born between December 1, 2022 and April 1, 2023.

CHAROLAIS, CHIANGUS, GELBVIEWH, HEREFORD, RED ANGUS, SALERS, SIMMENTAL, SOUTH DEVON, WAGYU & OTHER BREEDS:

Spring Born Bulls must be born between December 15, 2022 and April 15, 2023

Fall Born Bulls must be born between August 1, 2022 and December 14, 2022**

Registration Numbers on **Fall Bulls are **DUE ON ARRIVAL** for ultrasound purposes

PRECONDITIONING AND WEANING:

BACKGROUNDING – In order to reduce excessive shrinkage and stress on your calves, please begin feeding your bull calves supplemental feed prior to delivery to MBT. It is highly beneficial that your calves be weaned at least two weeks and be “bunk broke” prior to being shipped to MBT. However, calves should be fed so that they remain in green condition at the initiation of the test.

PRE-CONDITIONING – It is essential that calves consigned to MBT be vaccinated appropriately to mitigate the risks associated with shipping and yarding in an “assembled herd” environment. Evidence suggests that calves undergo less stress if vaccinated at least 3-4 weeks prior to weaning and then receive a round of booster vaccine at weaning. It is good practice to take weaning weights and administer pre-conditioning vaccines in one session, and then return the calves to pasture with their mothers. This practice also allows you to determine your weaning ratios prior to making the final selection of bulls. Please refer to the following section for the “Midland Bull Test Suggested Herd Health Program.” **TO MINIMIZE STRESS ON YOUR CALVES, PLEASE DO NOT VACCINATE IN THE WEEK PRIOR TO SHIPPING TO MBT!**

SUGGESTED HERD HEALTH

At Midland, we do everything we can to keep your bulls healthy after arrival. Based on historical data, bulls that are on a solid modified live vaccination (MLV) plan typically have a much lower morbidity rate than bulls that have been vaccinated with killed vaccines. We strongly recommend a modified live vaccination (MLV) program. Please note: Not all vaccines that are mixed together are MLV. You must read the label and consult with your local veterinarian.

Ideally, each calf should get two doses of MLV vaccine labeled for protection against IBR, BVD 1 & 2, BRSV, Pasteurella and PI3. The first dose should be given 3-4 weeks prior to weaning and the second dose at weaning. Again, it is highly recommended that your calves be weaned at least two weeks and be “bunk broke” prior to being shipped to MBT. Remember, in order to comply with vaccine label indications, cows also need to be on the MLV program in order to vaccinate their suckling calves with MLV. If you are not on a MLV program, use killed vaccines until you are able to get them switched over.

We have listed a suggested vaccination program on page 7. Please consult with your local or preferred veterinarian before beginning any vaccination protocol.

A well-rounded vaccine program and a mineral program custom to the needs of your area are critical to your developmental success in a mixed herd environment.

PHASE 1 TEST SELECTION *and* PREPARATION

RECOMMENDED FULL FALL WEANING PROGRAM

3-4 WEEKS BEFORE WEANING:

- MLV vaccine for IBR, BVD 1 and 2, BRSV, PI3
- Clostridial 8-way vaccine
- Injectable dewormer (use Valbazen in areas with flukes)

AT WEANING:

Booster with

- MLV vaccine for IBR, BVD 1 and 2, BRSV, PI3
- Clostridial 8-way vaccine

IF YOU CHOOSE PRE-WEANING ONLY VACCINATION PROGRAM

- MLV vaccine for 5 WAY VIRAL (IBR, BVD 1 and 2, BRSV, PI3)
- Clostridial 8-way vaccine
- Injectable dewormer (use Valbazen in areas with flukes)

BREEDING COW PROGRAM

PRE-BREEDING PROGRAM (MINIMUM 30 DAYS BEFORE BREEDING)

- MLV 5 WAY VIRAL (IBR, BVD 1 and 2, BRSV, PI3) PLUS VL
- Oral or injectable dewormer

PREGNANT COW PROGRAM (AT PREG CHECK)

- L5 SQ (inactivated Lepto)
- Oral or injectable dewormer

ENDOVAC-BEEF

At MBT, we have found success with Endovac-Beef. This is how we cover for Pasteurella. You may choose to add it to your current program as follows:

- **CALVES** - dose calves twice; preferably at branding and preconditioning or weaning.
- **COWS** - Dose cows twice in the first year (ideally one month apart); annually thereafter

PHASE 1 TEST SELECTION *and* PREPARATION

BASIC REQUIREMENTS

ACTUAL BIRTH WEIGHT (BW) – Be aware we have a strong buyer resistance to bulls that have an actual birth weight of 95 lbs or greater. Red Angus buyers prefer calves less than 90 lbs actual birth weight.

NURSING RATIO/WEANING RATIO (NR) – We recommend selecting bulls with a weaning ratio of 100 or higher. NR is capped at 115. If higher, 115 will be utilized for index calculations; actual NR will be published. All embryo transfer bulls will be marked "ET" in publications but the donor dam's average NR will be used for calculating the MBT index for ET calves.

WEIGHT PER DAY OF AGE (WDA) – Bulls entering the test should have a 2.9 or above WDA.

GENETIC DEFECT CARRIERS – Genetic Carriers (AM, NH, CA, OS, M1, and DD) are ineligible. Genetic carriers (OH) are eligible, no requirement for testing. If bulls were tested prior to arrival, please provide results.

BVD TESTING – Bulls must be tested BVD-PI negative to be eligible for sale. We encourage BVD testing prior to shipping. It can be added to most genetic testing. If your bulls have been BVD tested, please mark the Field Sheet appropriately and include a copy of the test result with your submission. If the bulls have not been tested, or if bulls arrive without a certificate, we will test them upon arrival.

HERD TAGS/EID – We will attempt to leave herd tags in, if they are located in the **RIGHT** ear. Tags in the left ear will be removed for correct placement of their new electronic ID tags and new MBT tag. If you place your own EIDs, they must be half duplex (which is WHITE) with premise EID (840 series #s) placed in the left ear (preferably All Flex or DataMars). If your cattle arrive with different EIDs, they will be replaced.

REPORT DATA TO THE BREED ASSOCIATION – Collect and report initial data (DOB, BW, WW, date of weaning and number of contemporaries) on calves to the respective breed associations. It is IMPERATIVE that you submit COMPLETE and ACCURATE data in a timely manner to your respective breed association. Our report data comes from the association, and it is very difficult to market and sell bulls with incomplete data. Please become familiar with the process that works for you (telephone, or online) as you will be reporting multiple times throughout the season.

HEALTH CERTIFICATES – Out-of-state consignors are required to have a valid health certificate and import permit to ship cattle into the State of Montana. **MBT will not accept out-of-state cattle without a health certificate.** It is imperative that the correct/current owner is listed on the certificate. Please read below for details on no-brand states. For further questions, please visit: <https://liv.mt.gov/Animal-Health/Import-Requirements/>. These documents must accompany your livestock in transit. These papers will be retained by MBT.

BRAND INSPECTIONS – All bulls are required to have a valid brand inspection upon delivery to MBT with two exceptions: 1) Bulls are "in county" (Stillwater County) or 2) You reside in a "No Brand" state. PLEASE NOTE: Bull proceeds must be issued to the name on the brand papers. *See Bull Proceeds on page 14. It is IMPERATIVE that the brand/health paper that accompanies the bull/s to Midland has the correct and current owners name. The "owner" on these forms is the person who will receive the proceeds checks due to the post sale brand/health traceback.

INSURANCE – If you are interested in insuring your bulls, we encourage you to do so before transporting them. Please contact MBT and we will put you in contact with an agent.

TRANSPORTATION – MBT assists consignors with inbound trucking at the cost of the consignor. MBT will collect bulls at CENTRAL LOADING POINTS throughout the US. Please indicate on the entry form if you would like assistance with transporting your bulls to MBT. We will contact you with pick up locations and rates.

PHASE 1 TEST SELECTION *and* PREPARATION

ENROLLMENT

ENTRY FORM – To reserve your slot for testing, please complete an ENTRY FORM prior to receiving. If you are an active consignor, you can complete your form online. You may also print the MBT Entry Form by visiting www.MidlandBullTest.com under “forms” or you may choose to use the “MBT Entry Form” found on the back page of this TEST GUIDELINES booklet. Please remember the capacity at MBT is limited and your spot is not guaranteed. We will respond to your submission prior to receiving, if you have indicated that you are interested in trucking assistance.

MBT FIELD SHEET – You will not be officially enrolled in MBT until we receive your “MBT Field Sheet.” (*Please note that test results are optimal when sire groups of 3-5 head are tested*). The MBT Field Sheet is now simplified, as we will pull all phenotypical data from your breed association. The Field Sheet includes your personal contact information, along with an email address which will be used for invoicing and communication. **Please ensure these documents list the “owners” as the legal name under which your cattle are held. CHECKS WILL BE ISSUED TO THE NAME ON THE BRAND/HEALTH DOCUMENTS.** If you are entering cattle in multiple breeds, you must submit a separate Field Sheet for each breed. Visit our website: www.MidlandBullTest.com under “forms” to find instructions for printing or completing your field sheet.

REGISTRATION PAPERS – Registration papers must be submitted for each bull by 12/31/2023, after which a \$50 charge will be assessed on each outstanding registration certificate. Bulls not validated with an official registration certificate by 2/1/2024 will be deemed ineligible to sell in the Midland Bull Test Sale. We now accept E stored registration papers. Please indicate if your papers are stored electronically on your field sheet. **All Angus registration papers will be electronically stored upon consignment to Midland Bull Test.**

REGISTRATION FEES – Entry Fee - \$200 (\$225 if the fee is collected AFTER the receipt of the bull); Junior Consignor Entry Fee – \$175



Congratulations to the Moore Family: 2023 Champion WDA Angus - 2023 Champion High-Indexing Angus
2023 Champion Pen of 3 - 2023 Champion Sire Group



Congratulations to Shane Schwenke, of Thornhill Ranch: 2023 Champion ADG Angus - 2023 Champion High Efficiency Angus



Congratulations to James Knight of Riverside Ranch, Utah - 2023 Champion High Efficiency Angus



Atlas Bar crew serving at the banquet.

PHASE 2 *The* TEST PHASE

TESTS

MBT PERFORMANCE TEST – The MBT performance test is a 112-day test utilizing pounds of gain, days on feed and days of age. The MBT Performance Test tracks a bull's weight progression with weights and report updates at 60 and 90 days. The MBT Weights are utilized to calculate MBT ADG, MBT WDA, Adj 365 Weight, Yearling Ratio, and ADG Ratio. Please note that while MBT captures this data, **you must submit your data to your breed Association for in herd contemporary group ratios.**

EFFICIENCY TEST – The efficiency test utilizes a calibrated bunk weight system, which allows only one individual to eat at a time. Through the individual's EID (electronic ear tag) feed consumption is monitored and tracked. The data is utilized to calculate the RFI (Residual Feed Intake.) RFI is relevant and important to producers as it correlates the pounds of gain to the pounds of intake and therefore the increment cost of gain. As such, RFI allows producers to determine those individuals who have the capacity to gain quickly and most cost effectively. This is so important in today's market.

The Residual Feed Intake (RFI) defines the incremental pounds of feed required for 1 pound of gain above or below the average (the MBT contemporary group). Efficient animals eat less than expected and have a negative or low RFI, while inefficient animals eat more than expected and have a positive or high RFI.

- Full RFI analysis results will be available on the portal to consignors for all bulls tested. RFI for sale bulls will be available on the website and in the catalog.
- *GrowSafe weights are used for RFI and may vary slightly from MBT weights and calculations.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Three "Progress Reports" will be published throughout the efficiency testing period. Progress Reports will be issued as follows:

- **1ST PROGRESS REPORT** – (60-day data for Group 1) available online only
- **2ND PROGRESS REPORT** – Following G1 90 Day/G2 60 Day Weights
- **3RD PROGRESS REPORT** – Following G1 120 Day/G2 90 Day Weights
- **FINAL PROGRESS REPORT** – Following G2 120 Day Weights – includes efficiency ratio and scrotal circumference for both groups.

- **ULTRASOUND REPORT** – Available online mid March
- **DETAILED EFFICIENCY REPORT** – Available online late March

*** Reporting criteria** is 2.5# ADG for the first report and 2.75# ADG for the second and final reports. Bulls not performing at this level will not be listed on Performance Reports. Reporting criteria does not determine sale eligibility; this is determined at the end of the weight period and is based on 365 day weight ratio and ADG ratio. Please allow one week following the last weigh date for report preparation.

INDEX & RATIO CALCULATIONS

BIRTH WEIGHT CLASSES – The class splits for both groups will be determined on EPDs as of February 1. Breeds with over 40 head on test will be indexed in two birth weight classes –

Class 1 (green tag) = low birth bulls

Class 2 (white tag) = average or above birth weight bulls.

- **Angus** bulls will split at +1.2 and less for BW EPD and a birth weight of 84 lbs and under.
- **Red Angus** bulls will split at -1.9 and less for BW EPD and a birth weight of 84 lbs and under.
- **Salers** bulls that are 7/8% PB and greater will be indexed separate from bulls that are less than 7/8% PB. If there are fewer than 30 bulls that meet these criteria, the break will move from 7/8% PB to 3/4% PB, then be split at breed average birth weight and BW EPD.
- **Simmental, Hereford, South Devon, Gelbvieh and Charolais** bulls will be split at breed average birth weight and BW EPD (if there are greater than 30 bulls in the breed).

GS EFFICIENCY RATIO – The GrowSafe Efficiency Ratio is calculated using the GrowSafe ADG Ratio and the RFI Ratio. The Efficiency Ratio creates a balance between the necessity of efficiency and gain; great feed efficiency is only beneficial if it accompanies acceptable gain!

MBT INDEX (ranking top to bottom within each breed – MBT INDEX determines Sale Order) – Combined MBT ADG, Nursing Ratio, Yearling Ratio and Efficiency Ratio ($\frac{1}{4}$ ADG + $\frac{1}{4}$ NR + $\frac{1}{4}$ YR + $\frac{1}{4}$ ER). All embryo transfer bulls will be market as (ET) in publications. Donor dams average NR will be used for calculating MBT index for ET calves.

PHASE 3 *it's* SALE TIME

BULLS ELIGIBLE FOR THE "FINAL SORT" SALE

THE "FINAL SORT" SALE – Only the Top 70% - 80% of initial entries qualify, based on performance (MBT Average Daily Gain Ratio and MBT 365 Day Ratio) in their respective groups. Classes are per breed and broken based on calving ease. Please check your portal link to follow the status of your bulls.

BREEDING SOUNDNESS EXAM (BSE) – All sale bulls must successfully pass an MBT BSE. Each bull receives a vet exam which includes scrotal measurement and semen evaluation. Criteria for passing includes no persistent frenulum, no warts, full penile extension, and a minimum of 70% morphology with adequate motility, no white blood cells, or evidence of puss (infection). Minimum passing scrotal circumference must be 32 cm at 365 days of age (unless breed has a published guideline that states otherwise). Adjusted scrotal is used for sale qualification, actual measurement is published. Bulls that have had frenulum's clipped, warts removed or have been treated for infection can be retested ONE more time during the retest period. The vet will determine eligibility for retest related to morphology/motility and age correlation.

MBT SCREENING – MBT reserves the right to remove any bull from the sale exhibiting soundness, structure, or disposition problems. Please be diligent and discerning in your selection with a thorough examination/assessment of overall soundness, feet/legs, disposition, scrotum, and poll/scurs (for Angus cattle.)

DATA REPORTED TO BREED ASSOCIATIONS – *Consignors must report Yearling Weights and Efficiency Results to respective Breed Associations. MBT does not report data to breed associations on your behalf (with the exception of ultrasound data in which the laboratories processing the data will send directly to the respective associations.)*

ANTICIPATED TEST & SALE EXPENSES

PRESALE ADVERTISING EXPENSES: Consignors must notify MBT if they do not intend to keep their bull in the sale by February 1 or all pre-sale advertising expenses will still be charged.

APPROXIMATE EXPENSES – Breeders will receive a cost accounting every 30 days via email unless paper invoices are requested on the MBT Field Sheet. Invoices are due monthly and unpaid balances are subject to finance charges after 30 days with no payment. Unpaid balances (>30 days) will incur interest and will be deducted from the final proceeds check. The following is a breakdown of ESTIMATED cost/head expenditures:

- Entry Fee - \$200 (\$225 if the fee is collected AFTER the receipt of the bull); Junior Consignor Entry Fee: \$175
- GrowSafe Feed Efficiency Test - \$75 (All bulls on test at MBT will be included in the GrowSafe Feed Efficiency Test)
- Feed, Bedding, Medicine, Ultrasound, Semen Test - \$600* per bull
- Marketing and Sales - \$300* + 7.75% Sales Commission *

*Prices are estimates – All expenses are billed on a pro-rated per head basis.

BULLS THAT DO NOT QUALIFY FOR THE SALE

Bulls that do not fall in the top 70-80% for Average Daily Gain Ratio and/or 365 Day Ratio will not be eligible for the sale. Consignors must report what they want to do with these bulls by March 27 or bulls will be consigned to the PAYS All Breed Sale in April. Please check your portal for out bull reasons and notify us of your plan for each bull. Options for bulls not making the sale:

- **PAYS ALL BREED SALE** (feed costs, clipping, trucking payable by consignor)
- **PRIVATE TREATY BY MIDLAND BULL TEST STAFF** for a 5% fee – consignor must designate Private Treaty Price
- **TAKE BULLS HOME** (ALL trucking is the responsibility of the consignor).
- **SELL AT LOCAL SALE BARN** at weekly cattle sale (MBT will deliver)

MARKETING/PUBLIC RELATIONS

MIDLAND BULL TEST IS DILIGENT IN PROVIDING AGGRESSIVE MARKETING AND PROMOTION for the MBT sale. While MBT promotes extensively, our consignors have a tremendous amount of competition in the bull buying market. Test results speak for themselves, but your individual marketing efforts will pay exponentially! It is crucial that consignors engage in marketing activities early for sale day preparation. MBT notes that the most successful consignors are those with broad based marketing activities that provide exposure to their cattle.

Consignors should consider utilizing social media, developing web pages and attending industry events and the MBT sale to promote their cattle! We will provide contact information for local photographers and advertising avenues. If you are unsure about whether you should put additional expenses into independent promotions, please contact our office for assistance.

Sale reports, sale order, catalog, videos, and a bidding link will be posted on our website under "the Final Sort Sale" in the final weeks. Please plan to attend the pre-sale events to promote your bulls and meet your potential buyers. There are many networking opportunities sale week with various vendors and agriculture groups.

50K TEST - EPDS - FOOTNOTES

Consignors who opt to obtain 50K testing will do so at their own expense. Testing should be conducted prior to 1/6/2024 in order to utilize the results in the MBT catalog. We will collect and ship a sample for you at your request and expense. Please order the test of your choice and send us the order information prior to collection.

EPDs will be pulled from breed associations for MBT analysis and utilization. **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONSIGNOR TO ENSURE THAT ASSOCIATION DATA IS ACCURATE AND COMPLETE.** EPDs will be downloaded from the respective breed associations for Birth Weight Class splits the first of February 1 (see details on page 11). Catalog EPDs will be downloaded approximately one month before the sale.

Footnotes and relative photos (no photos of the actual animal may be used in the catalog) are due no later than March 1. Please upload to your portal. Footnote space is limited to approximately 150 words, so please be precise.

Consignors have the option of Selling 2/3 Interest and Full Possession in their consignments. This indication must be reported to MBT by March 1. Please make your selection on your portal.

PHASE 3 *it's* SALE TIME

SALE ORDER • PROCEEDS • TRANSFERS

MBT SALE ORDER – The sale order will be determined by MBT Index (calculated as described on page 11). MBT reserves the right to select or re-order the first 50 bulls.

BULL PROCEEDS WILL BE ISSUED TO THE NAME ON BRAND PAPERS. Those states that do not have brand laws, the proceeds will be written to the name on the health papers. **Consignors must utilize the name under which your cattle are legally held. Checks will be issued to the owner named on the brand and/or health documents.**

We will transfer registration on all MBT sale bulls after we receive payment from the buyers. If you have retained interest in your bull, you will receive a new registration paper indicating your interest.

AWARDS

WE LOVE TO CELEBRATE THE SUCCESS OF OUR CONSIGNORS! MBT Performance Awards are given within each breed to the sale bulls qualifying on performance, semen evaluation, and soundness. The Junior Consignor Award applies to the top bull across all breeds in the junior category.

ANGUS AND ANY BREED WITH MORE THAN 100 HEAD - Champion ADG Bull • Champion WDA Bull • High Efficiency Bull • High Indexing Bull • Champion Low Birth ADG Bull • Champion Sire Group (Top 3 head from one sire - one herd based on MBT Index) • World Champion Pen of 3 (any 3 bulls with the same consignor based on highest average MBT Index) awarded for each group.

BREEDS WITH GREATER THAN 30 HEAD BUT LESS THAN 100 HEAD - Champion ADG Bull • Champion WDA Bull • High Efficiency Bull • High Indexing Bull • Champion Low Birth ADG Bull.

** for 50 head or greater, breed will also be eligible for Champion Sire Group and Champion Pen of 3.*

BREEDS WITH LESS THAN 30 HEAD AND NOW ALL FALL BULLS - qualify for MBT High Indexing Bull • High Efficiency Bull

JUNIOR CONSIGNOR AWARD - Highest MBT Indexing bull from any breed consigned by a Junior Consignor (Junior defined as consignor age 21 and under as of January 1, 2024, bull must be registered in the junior consignor's name).

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2023-2024 MIDLAND BULL TEST *Entry Form*

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Ranch Name _____

Ranch Contact _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Ranch Address _____

Correspondence Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

REQUESTED FEED EFFICIENCY TEST RECEIVING DATE:

September 13-23, 2023 or October 11-21, 2023

Do you need assistance in transporting your bulls to MBT this fall? Yes No

Approx. # of Bulls	Birth Month/Year	Breed(s)	Sire(s)

I have read the MBT Test Guidelines Yes Signature: _____

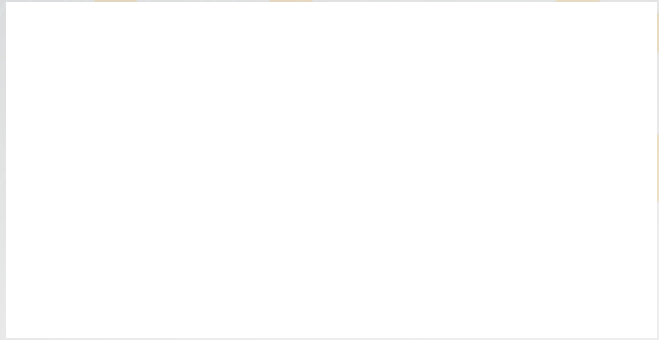
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