



To: Maritime Beef Testing Society Consignors
From: Management Committee
Date: April 20, 2018
RE: MBTS Animal Capacity Guidelines

Background

The Maritime Beef Testing Society makes every effort to ensure the health and well-being of animals while they are under our care and control. The MBTS has limited physical space as well as limited resources to care for animals beyond the performance testing period. The MBTS also has an obligation to our consignors to promote and market top quality animals through the annual breeding stock sale.

Beyond Capacity Guideline

The MBTS' maximum capacity for the test program is 120 animals, this is based on barn space, feed availability and capacity of the GrowSafe system. In the event of more than 120 animals are consigned to the test program, MBTS management will make every effort to ensure that all consignors have access to the program. This may mean that some consignors will be limited to the number of animals they consign. Preference will be given to consignors who have submitted all requested application and supporting forms by the deadline.

End of Test Animal Removal Guideline

The MBTS is committed to notifying all consignors of sale eligibility within 10 days of the end of the testing period. Once notification is given, consignors are able to remove their animals from the premises. All non-sale animals must be removed within 7 days of sale eligibility notification. Any animals remaining at the MBTS will be charged at a rate of \$25 per day. If any animal remains at the MBTS for a period of 14 days after sale eligibility is announced, Management reserves the right to recover costs by sale of the animal in a manner it deems appropriate.

Atlantic Beef Products (ABP) Direct Shipment Guideline

The MBTS is committed to working with consignors of bulls ineligible to the Breeding Stock Sale to coordinate shipment directly to Atlantic Beef Products.

1. The MBTS will notify consignors of bull sale eligibility as outlined in the End of Test Animal Removal Guideline;
2. Consignors will have forty-eight (48) hours from the time of notification to confirm ABP shipment;
3. MBTS will book animals with ABP;
4. MBTS will arrange for shipment from MBTS to ABP, at consignor's expense;
5. ABP will provide payment settlement directly with consignors in conjunction with their payment policies.