



Maritime Beef Test Society

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To: All Beef Producers

From: Management Committee, Maritime Beef Testing Society

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RE: Fee Payments to Maritime Beef Testing Society

The Test station continues to be the only multi-breed testing facility in Canada which performs this high level of genetic evaluation of bulls. The amount of information collected and analysis provided by using the GrowSafe System is second-to-none in the country. This was evident at the Breeding Stock sale held in April as record prices for bulls and heifers were realized across all breeds.

As you are aware, the last number of years have been challenging and we have made changes to the program and some fees. The Management Committee of the Maritime Beef Testing Society continues to evaluate and make changes to ensure the financial viability and long-term future of the facility.

- Entrance fees are now due, they can be paid by cash, cheque, Visa, MasterCard or American Express.
- Bull entries will only be accepted by breeders who do not have an outstanding balance with the Maritime Beef Test Station.
- All producers who enter a bull must be a member of the Maritime Beef Testing Society, the fee is \$25 (28.75 with HST)
- All entrance fees must be paid by the time the bull arrives at the Test Station. The Yardage Fee is \$150 (\$172.50 with HST), the adjustment period feed fee of \$65.00 (\$74.75 with HST), and \$50 for Entrance Health Treatment. **The total entry fee per bull \$297.25.**
- **A late payment fee of \$100 per bull will be charged for entrance payments not received by November 30, 2015.**
- A payment of \$150 per bull is due by February 1, 2017. This deposit will be counted towards your final billing.
- Bulls of owners with outstanding account balances will not be eligible to the 2017 Breeding Stock Sale.