

Williams Lake Bull Sale Association

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88th Annual Williams Lake Bull Show & Sale Wednesday, April 16th & Thursday, April 17th, 2025

Welcome to the 2025 Williams Lake Show and Sale! Our numbers have decreased but we know buyers continue to count on this great sale, and we hope you will join us in meeting their bull purchasing requirements.

Sifting starts at 8:30 am on Wednesday and the Bull Show is at 1:00 pm that afternoon. We host the Social Evening at the Williams Lake Curling Club on Wednesday evening at 5:30 pm. The Outside Agriculture Display at the Williams Lake Stockyards will be on both Wednesday & Thursday. Sale Day is on Thursday at 1:00 pm.

The sale will be in the BC Livestock Producers Co-op Williams Lake ring and we are using NextLot as the on-line bidding system. A \$25.00 fee per entry will be charged to offset NextLot marketing fees, to come off all entries going through the sale ring.

1. **ALL BULLS MUST BE IN THE BARN BY 6:00 pm, Tuesday, April 15th.** Please ensure your Form 3 is completed, tattoos are read & tags applied when you arrive. Tattoos must be legible & the **original, signed SEMEN PAPER with tattoo verified by vet must be submitted at sale time.** Bulls will be sifted if tattoos are not legible. Please bring all paperwork to the office upon arrival. **SIFTING WILL COMMENCE ON Wednesday, April 16th at 8:30 am.**
2. All entries must be postmarked no later than **January 13th, 2025.** **All entries must be accompanied by an original registration certificate** (transfer signed, transferee left blank). Please include birth weight data on entry form. Please check boxes on entry form regarding **Feed Requirements** and **Halter Show/Pen Show** entry.
3. **Entry Fee:** The entry fee is **\$50.00/bull.** Note that entries are a maximum of 10 bulls per breeding unit per breed.
4. **Sale Order for 2025 Show & Sale** will be as follows: Hereford, Gelbvieh, Angus & Guest. Pens of open yearling heifers for sale will be included in this year's sale. Please refer to **OPEN YEARLING HEIFER RULES** included in the **WILLIAMS LAKE BULL SALE RULES & REGULATIONS** attached to this letter.
5. **Insurance:** A \$20.00 fee/bull (approx.) will be deducted by BC Livestock when bulls arrive at the yards to cover the required BC Livestock Co-op all risk insurance with Hartford Insurance Co., at the Williams Lake Bull Sale Association's Show & Sale. This insurance does not cover bulls left at the Co-op yards after the Sale by contributors or buyers. Such additional insurance coverage may be applied for on-site through BC Livestock Co-op office.

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88th ANNUAL WILLIAMS LAKE BULL SHOW & SALE

APRIL 16th & 17th, 2025

We are in the process of organizing our 88th annual Williams Lake Bull Show & Sale catalogue. The catalogue will list timetables of all events, list all bulls for sale, contain a copy of the Rules and Regulations for the sale and other information of interest to livestock people. 350 catalogues are printed and distributed to ranchers and other interested people in B.C. in early March.

We invite you to take advantage of our low advertising rates and advertise your product or service in our catalogue. For those of you who already use this great marketing tool, please find enclosed a copy of last year's ad. We thank you for your continued support!

Our advertising rates and **ad sizes** are as follows:

\$100.00	Full Page	8 x 7"
\$75.00	Half Page	8 x 3 1/2"
\$120.00	Back Cover	8 x 7" (RBC)
\$110.00	Inside Cover	8 x 7" (TD & MNP)
\$180.00	Two Page Ad	8 x 14"

This year's **advertising deadline** is **January 13, 2025**. Please mail your ad material and payment to:

**Williams Lake Bull Sale Association,
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Advertising copy may also be emailed to: wbullsale@gmail.com in jpeg or pdf format.

Please make cheque payable to the **Williams Lake Bull Sale Association**.
If you have any questions, please call Pam at **(250) 392-0858**.

WILLIAMS LAKE ANNUAL BULL SHOW & SALE

RULES AND REGULATIONS 2025

MANAGEMENT OF SALE

1. The management of the sale will be under the control of the Williams Lake Bull Sale Association, made up of appointees from the following: B.C. Livestock Producers Co-Operative, B.C. Hereford Association, B.C. Angus Association, and B.C. Simmental Association. An Annual Meeting shall be held each year to elect a Chairman and appoint a Secretary.

BIDDING

- Each contributor to the Bull Sale may make one (1) bid if he so desires. Should this bid not be topped and the animal knocked down at the contributor's bid, he must pay the normal commission on his bid.
- When animals which have been passed out of the ring unsold are sold on the premises by private treaty, the transaction shall be handled through the books of the sale and the commission paid.

SETTLEMENT OF PURCHASES

(NOTE: In the following clauses "purchaser" or "buyer" means the person who bids for the animal at auction, unless he (she) while acting as an agent, so signifies when signing the auction-form.)

4. All purchases must be settled for within one hour of completion of Sale. If any purchaser fails to settle for his purchase as stated, the Association reserves the full power to resell the animal to the best advantage, either publicly or privately, without further intimation, and any loss arising from such resale, together with keep and other expenses will be collected from the defaulter.

(a) Contributor acting on behalf of absentee buyers will have their proceeds from that lot withheld until settlement of the purchases.

5. Immediately after each purchase is declared, the risk of the animal shall be exclusively with the purchaser, and it is declared that until a settlement shall be made in the terms of these conditions, the delivery of the animal shall be suspended.

CATALOGUE AND ORDER OF SALE

6. Entries will be catalogued and sold in four alphabetical groups: A to E, F to L, M to R, and S to Z. These groups rotate annually, by moving the group selling last one year to first the next. Further, the letters in each of the four groups will also rotate annually, with the letter appearing last one-year, becoming first the next. The following will be conducted as one letter: "IJK", "PQ", "UV", and "XYZ". In 2025 the entries will be catalogued and sold in the following order:

(L, F, G, H, IJK) (R, M, N, O, PQ) (XYZ, S, T, UV, W) (A, B, C, D, E)

Entries: **Each contributor will sell one bull from his string in the first round, in the order of sale; this shall be followed by the sale of the Champion and balance of that contributor's string, followed by the Reserve Champion and the balance of that contributor's string. The contributor of the Champion & Reserve Champion has the option of not selling one bull in the first round. The sale shall then revert to the sale order with contributors selling the balance of their string.**

The only exception to these rules would apply to the Champion and or, the Reserve Champion, if they were a single entry, in which case they would sell in the Champion or Reserve Champion position respectively.

SIFTING OF BULLS

7. The Bull Sale Association shall nominate two (2) sifters and a veterinarian. These sifters are to work independently. They shall be supplied with a selection sheet, showing only the lot number and date of birth. Reasons for rejection shall be stated on this list. These independent lists shall be signed and turned over to the Bull Sale Association immediately following sifting. The sifting calculation shall be based on the following: Any combination of 2 sifters or 1 sifter and 1 veterinarian giving a bull two (2) H's, the bull goes home. The veterinarian shall have final say in health matters. Where in the opinion of the selection association, the defect is not considered sufficiently serious to warrant an animal being sifted for home, the association reserves the right to announce the defect in the Sale ring before the animal is offered for sale and to allow the animal to be sold either in the regular order of sale after all animals catalogued have been offered or to sift the bull out and not permit it to be sold at the sale. All sifted bulls must be removed from the Sale Barn area forthwith to designated pens. Such bulls may NOT be sold by private treaty on the Williams Lake Co-op yards during the period of the Annual Williams Lake Bull Sale. All papers of sifted bulls will be mailed to the contributor.

SIFTING WILL BE SEVERE- SELECT YOUR BULLS AT HOME

CONDITION OF SALE

- Contributors will be held responsible for any erroneous information respecting the animals entered that may appear in the printed catalogue of the Bull Sale, unless written notice of such error is filed with the Secretary within one week prior to the commencement of such sale and the auctioneer notified as the animal comes into the ring, so that error may be announced to the public before the animal is sold.
- The Association, acting only as a medium between buyer and seller, will not be responsible for any loss of stock following the sale occurring from any cause whatsoever.
- Should any bull fail to prove a breeder after being used on cows known to the breeders, the matter shall be reported in writing to the consignor within four (4) months after date of purchase. The consignor shall then have the privilege of six (6) months on his premises to prove the bull a breeder before refunding the full purchase price or making another settlement satisfactory to the buyer. The consignor is not responsible for damage by foreign bodies after the animal is sold or for sickness not apparent at Sale time.
- Bulls may be loose or haltered. All haltered bulls must be shown and sold with a nose ring or hubbug. Bulls must be tied with a neck rope and halter.
 - All bulls entered in the show must be shown at halter in the ring.
 - The Association reserves the right to forbid exhibition or sale of an uncontrollable animal.

CONDITION OF ENTRY

- All bulls entered must be registered purebreds in the name of the contributor in accordance with the rules and regulations of the respective Canadian breed association. **Registration certificates** and the application for transfer on the proper form, **duly signed** with the name of the transferee left blank must accompany the application for entry.
 - All breeds other than Angus, Charolais, Gelbvieh, Hereford, Shorthorn and Simmental are considered a guest contributor. Guest contributors must submit application and entries by entry closing date. Guest consignors will be advised if accepted. If not accepted, entry fee will be refunded to guest consignor.
 - Maximum of ten (10) bulls per breeding unit per breed.
 - Only bulls entered into Sale are to be in Sale barn area.
- Any bull whose tattoo is illegible or does not correspond with entry form or certificate of registration will not be accepted for sale and must be removed from the premises of the Bull Sale immediately upon discovery of the erroneous tattoo.

CONTRIBUTOR MUST OWN ENTRIES

14. No bulls shall be accepted for entry unless the contributor is a member of the appropriate Canadian breed association in good standing at time of entry.
15. All entries are to be confined to those owned and in B.C. for a period of at least six (6) months prior to the Sale, by the contributor who must reside and operate in B.C. with the exception of bulls on test at out of province feed test stations.
16. The contributor or his agent must present his bull(s) at sifting time, or they will be passed over.
17. All entries are subject to the approval of the Association.

AGE OF BULLS

18. Only bulls less than three (3) years old on January 1st, immediately preceding the sale shall be eligible.
 - a. Gelbvieh, Hereford, Limousin and Shorthorn yearling bulls must have a minimum of 1,000 pounds at 365 days and additional 2 pounds per day up to 18 months of age.
 - b. Angus yearling bulls must have a minimum of 900 pounds at 365 days and an additional 1.7 pounds per day up to 24 months of age.
 - c. All other breeds must have a minimum of 1,100 pounds at 365 days plus 2.2 pounds' average daily gain to 18 months.
 - d. All yearling bulls must be born prior to **April 1st** of the previous year.
19. Animals not properly entered will not be allowed on the grounds.

ENTRIES & FEES

20. An entry fee of **\$50.00** per bull must accompany all entries. The following deductions and commissions will be made: One percent (1%) commission towards Judges Expenses, Advertising and Williams Lake Bull Sale Association Expenses; Half of one percent (1/2%) levy against all Hereford and Angus bulls (B.C. Hereford and B.C. Aberdeen Angus Association's Levies); One percent (1%) levy against Shorthorn and Simmental bulls (B.C. Shorthorn and Simmental Association of B.C. Levies); Five percent (5%) against all bulls for the B.C. Livestock Producers Co-op selling charge. There will also be a \$5.00 per bull levy collected on all Hereford bulls sold at the sale. This is a B.C. Hereford Association levy. A \$25.00 fee per entry will be charged to help offset NextLot marketing fees, to come off all entries (a pen of 3 heifers is one entry) going through the sale ring.
21. The entry fees for animals that are afterwards withdrawn or cancelled shall be forfeited to the Association. A \$25.00 entry fee must accompany any bull entered as a substitute bull.
22. a. Contributors withdrawing bulls after the closing entries without approval of the Association may be barred from future sales. Written notice of cause of the withdrawal must be given to the Association prior to sale sifting.
 - b. A substitute bull will be accepted in place of a bull withdrawn because of injury or illness. A veterinary certificate or acceptable explanation must be supplied before substitution will be accepted.
23. a. Consignors are required to post current weights above the cattle at time of sale. An official of the Sale Association will do this weighing at the Sale Yards and these figures only will be posted.
 - b. The only other permissible weights to be posted are the official Record of Performance Weights.
 - c. Official Williams Lake Bull Sale Stall Cards will be provided free of charge.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

24. Animals must be free from contagious or infectious diseases.
25. Any person offering an animal for sale at the Bull Sale auction certifies said animal to be in sound health and free from physical defects.
26. A qualified veterinarian will conduct all necessary examinations and required tests.
27. All bulls will be subject to a complete breeding soundness evaluation and rated as satisfactory following the criteria set out by the Theriogenology Society and the bulls own breed society standards. This test must have been made between February 15th of the year of the sale and the day before sifting.

GENERAL

28. Sellers will be required to supply all necessary hay and grain for animals until and including the last day of Sale. Baled hay will be sold on the grounds. Stabling and water supplied free.
29. Upon discovery of fraud, deception or dishonest practice which may have affected or have tended to affect the decision of the Judges, the Association has power to withhold the awards and may prohibit the offending parties from exhibiting in any class for one or more years, and may also publish the name of such, if deemed expedient. Fraud, deception or dishonest practice shall include faking an exhibit, altering the natural structure or natural conformation of same by any means whatsoever. Protests must be submitted in writing to the Association prior to or during the Sale.
30. The Williams Lake Bull Sale Association acts only as a Management Organization, as a medium between buyer and seller and will not be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, or any stock miss sent, whether or not through negligence on the part of its officers or servants.
31. The Association reserves the right to decide any point not covered in the Rules which the Association considers necessary in the proper regulation and management of the sale. The decision of the Association shall be final in all cases.
32. Every person who contributes an animal to the Sale, and everyone who bids at the Sale, by so doing agrees to the foregoing terms and conditions as printed on the form of application and the Sale Catalogue.
33. **PERSONS CONTRIBUTING TO THE WILLIAMS LAKE BULL SALE, WHO VIOLATE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THIS SALE WILL BE BARRED FOR A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) YEAR. THIS PENALTY MAY BE INCREASED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ASSOCIATION.**

OPEN YEARLING HEIFER RULES & REGULATIONS 2025

1. Entry open to all Williams Lake Bull Sale contributors.
2. **Entry fee of \$20/head** will be charged. (Add entries to Bull Sale Entry Form)
3. **1** pen of **3-5** females per contributor sold as a group in a single lot.
4. Animals belonging to contributor or producer who uses contributor's bulls may be entered.
5. Heifers would be presented as commercial females, either straight bred or crossbred, **guaranteed open**.
6. Heifers will be sold at the beginning of the sale.
7. Heifers may be subject to inspection.
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