2027 AGA National Sale Rules

ELIGIBILITY

1.) The National Sale Committee of the American Gelbvieh Association sponsors the National Sale. Consignors must be members in good standing of the American Gelbvieh Association.
2.) All animals should be of quality fitting for the National Sale. Performance, pedigree, condition and disposition are of utmost importance.
3.) No gray cattle will be allowed to sell in the National Sale. It is suggested that if animals carry white that it be at a minimum.
4.) There will be a limit of one (1) bull per consignor with a total limit of three (3) head per consignor, i.e., 1 bull and 2 females or 3 females.
Exception: The Breeder's Choice Gelbvieh Bull Futurity Champion
5.) All animals must be properly registered with the American Gelbvieh Association prior to the sale. Each animal must have a permanent ID in accordance with AGA requirements and corresponds with its registration certificate or affidavit.
6.) Bulls entered in the Gelbvieh/Balancer® Pen Bull Show are eligible.
7.) All available EPDs and indices are to be included in the National Sale catalog.

AGE AND FULLBLOOD/PUREBRED/BALANCER® ELIGIBILITY

1.) Any animal eligible for the national show is eligible for the National Sale.
2.) Bulls and females born prior to June 1, 2026, are eligible for sale.

EMBRYOS, FLUSHES AND CHOICE LOTS

1.) A limited number of frozen embryo packages will be sold. Buyers are responsible for the cost of embryo transfer and shipping of embryos. Embryo quality will be guaranteed to be grade 1 or 2.
2.) A limited number of "right to flush" packages will be sold. Buyer has a choice of service sire with seller's approval.
3.) Embryos & right to flush lots will be considered "traditional" lots as defined below.
4.) Consigned pick of herd or choice of two or more animals will be considered "traditional" or "absentee" lots based on the animal(s) presences or absence at the designated sale location.
5.) Parents of embryos, flushes and choice lots must meet the proper donor dam and AI sire DNA requirements.
6.) Donor dams must meet AGA donor dam requirements including GGP 100k, free of conditions (by DNA or by parentage), and be parent-verified as well as a donor permit on file with the AGA by **October 1, 2026**.
7.) AI sires and semen packages sold must meet AGA AI sire requirements including GGP 100k, free of conditions (by DNA or by parentage), and be parent-verified as well as an AI permit on file with the AGA by **October 1, 2026**.

SALE FORMAT/NOMINATIONS/SCREEN/VIDEO

1.) The 2027 National Gelbvieh & Balancer Sale will contain “traditional” lots, cattle that are entered in the designated show being held injunction with the National Sale and are present to be sold. A limited number of semen, embryo and flush lots will also be included as outlined above.
2.) The National Sale will also contain a few select “absentee” lots, representing live cattle that are not entered and not present at the designated show and will be sold freight on the buyer (FOB) from the consignor’s ranch.
3.) All live cattle lots, traditional or “absentee”, need to be photographed for the sale catalog. Video is also recommended.
4.) Pick of herd and choice of two or more animals will be considered a “traditional” or “absentee” lot, depending on the animal’s presence at the sale location.
5.) Sale nominations are due **November 20, 2026**. Please be prompt with your nominations so inspections can be completed quickly.
6.) Consignors will be charged a $350 fee for cataloging a sale lot and then withdrawing that lot prior to the sale.
7.) The sale manager reserves the right to charge a screening fee of the standard government mileage rates. Consignors are responsible for screening expenses if the animal is rejected. This fee is not included in the sale expense. It is anticipated that a National Sale representative will inspect all nominated animals by **November 20, 2026**.
8.) Consignments will be subject to a final screening upon arrival at the designated show and sale location. Sale Management & Committee reserves the right to reject any animal that arrives at the sale site that is unsound and/or has not been fed and conditioned for the sale.
9.) All registration and/or transfer fees are to be paid by the consignor.
10.) By consigning to the National Sale, consignors are agreeing to abide by the National Sale Rules, and AGA Terms and Conditions and agree to perform all duties and obligations imposed by them.

SALE EXPENSE

1.) All consignors will pay sale commission based on the total expenses of the sale. This includes but is not limited to sale management, facility costs, advertising, auctioneer and ring staff. In addition, AGA will be paid 1% of the gross revenue of the National Sale.
2.) Consignors of lots that “no sale” must write a check for their animal at the walked price immediately following the sale for deduction of sale expense and commissions.
3.) Sale management is responsible for coordinating beverage service. Any expenses for beverage will be included in sale expenses to be paid by the consignors.
4.) AGA reserves the right to bill any consignor for unpaid sale expenses, no sale fees, or catalog fees if such expenses/fees are not paid to sale manager within 90 days of sale.

NATIONAL SHOW ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1.) All “traditional” live lots must be entered in the National Gelbvieh & Balancer Show and/or National Pen Bull and Heifer Show. Sale animals must be entered, but they do not need to show.
2.) Entry fees must be paid in accordance with the rules of the designated show by the specified entry deadline.

PERFORMANCE

1.) No animals will be cataloged without complete performance data including birth weight, weaning weight and yearling weight, or present weight on short yearlings.
2.) Performance data must be submitted to Sale Management office by **November 20, 2026**.
3.) EPDs available at catalog deadline will be printed in the catalog. A supplement sheet with updated EPDs may be made available after the catalog is printed and prior to the sale.

4.) Minimum adjusted scrotal circumference requirements will be: 12 months of age, 36 cm.; 15 months of age, 38 cm.; 18 months of age and older, 40 cm.
5.) Birth weights less than 100 pounds are recommended and screening decisions will include birth weight.

BRED FEMALES

1.) Females 24 months of age or older must be safe in calf or have a calf at side.
2.) Bred females must be bred to a registered fullblood, purebred Gelbvieh or Balancer bulls or such that the resulting progeny will be eligible for purebred or Balancer registration. Bred dam must be safe in calf AT LEAST 60 DAYS prior to sale.
3.) No C-section females will be accepted.
4.) Any female that is sold and represented as safe in calf must have a veterinarian's certificate stating that she has been so examined within 30 days of the sale.
5.) Sale Management reserves the right to pregnancy test, at the consignor's expense, any females at the sale site to verify pregnancy status (Bred or Open).
6.) Should any female fail the pregnancy test at the sale site, it shall be cause for disqualification from the sale and the consignor will forfeit the entry fee.
7.) Any female that has been flushed must be identified in the sale catalog.

HORNS/SCURS

Any animals that have had scurs altered or removed will be considered horned.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1.) All stock show health and brand requirements pertaining to live cattle entered at the designated show and sold in the National Sale apply. Please refer to the designated show's health and brand requirements listed in the premium book.
2.) All "absentee" lots are subject to similar health and brand requirements for interstate transport.
3.) All bulls 12 months of age and older must have a satisfactory semen evaluation certificate at sale time.
4.) All animals are to be sold as guaranteed breeders by the respective consignor as outlined in the terms and conditions of the American Gelbvieh Association.
5.) All animals will have to test negative for BVD-PI.
6.) Canadian consignors should check with the designated show for current show and sale health requirements.

DNA/GENETIC ABNORMALITIES

1.) All sale animals must be 100K tested, parent verified, and free of conditions (by DNA or by parentage). This must be completed by the official AGA DNA lab at the consignor's expense prior to the sale. The AGA will make its best effort to resolve any parentage issues prior to the sale for samples received by the DNA lab on or before **October 1, 2026**. All animals will have to test negative for BVD-PI.
2.) The only exception to this rule will be if the breeder can prove that either or both parents of the animal being consigned are deceased and have not been DNA typed.
3.) Donor dams must meet AGA donor dam requirements including GGP 100k, free of conditions (by DNA or by parentage), and be parent-verified as well as a donor permit on file with the AGA by **October 1, 2026**.
4.) AI sires and semen packages sold must meet AGA AI sire requirements including GGP 100k, free of conditions (by DNA or by parentage), and be parent-verified as well as an AI permit on file with the AGA by **October 1, 2026**.
    4a.) The Breeder's Choice Gelbvieh Bull Futurity Champion selling as Lot 1, must meet these requirements.

5.) After selection of “Pick of the Herd”, animal must be parent verified and free of conditions (by DNA or by parentage), before the transfer is submitted to the AGA. The cost is the responsibility of the seller.
6.) All animals consigned to the National Sale must be free of any known genetic conditions (by DNA or by parentage) and only animals free of those conditions will sell in the National Sale.
7.) All animals consigned to the National Sale must have DNA testing completed, and results recorded that meet AGA requirements to qualify for either an AI permit or a donor permit at the time of purchase.

OWNERSHIP

In the event that ownership/possession of a sale animal is not full and complete, such restrictions shall be made in writing on the nomination form at time of application to National Sale. Seller may not further restrict ownership/possession greater than what is printed in the sale catalog.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Sale Committee/Sale Management to determine the acceptability of substitutions and determine whether any additional changes are warranted.

MISCELLANEOUS

1.) Sale cattle will be on display prior to the auction in a designated stalling area. Any traditional consignment failing to stall in the appropriate area will be disqualified from the sale and will forfeit all entry fees.
2.) Proceeds from the sale will be mailed to consignors as quickly as possible following the sale. Each consignor agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of the sale and agrees to release the American Gelbvieh Association, Sale Management and the National Sale Committee from any liability should any purchaser default on payment.
3.) Sale Management, upon approval of the National Sale Committee, will arrange for the auctioneer, advertising, cataloging and promotion of the sale in a manner befitting the significance of this national event. Consignors are encouraged to consider individual advertising, etc., of their consignments to aid in merchandising their animals.
4.) Each entry must be properly fitted and presented to its best advantage in a manner befitting a national event.
5.) Sale management is required to mail sale catalogs at least 14 days prior to the sale.
6.) The Sale Management/AGA National Sale Committee reserves the right to interpret the rules and make any decision regarding the sale deemed necessary in the best interests of this national event.
7.) All lots sold at the National Sale including any no sales, with the exception being the Futurity Bull, must be paid in full at the end of the sale.
8.) Any animal pulled from the stall to be added to the National Sale, the owner must sign a form agreeing to pay all sale commissions on said animal regardless of the testing results. The buyer’s sale proceeds will be withheld until DNA testing is complete.

EXCEPTIONS

1.) List any known exceptions to the sale rules on a supplement sheet at sale time.
2.) Announce all exceptions from the sale block during the auction.
3.) Withhold sale proceeds from consignors with exceptions until remedial action is taken and the exceptions are cleared.
4.) Exceptions need to be reviewed and approved by the National Sale Committee on a case-by-case basis.
5.) The buyer has the right to rescind the purchase if the exceptions are not cleared within 45 days of the sale.

SALE MANAGEMENT SELECTION POLICY

The National Sale Management contract will be awarded on an annual basis. Upon Sale Committee recommendation, the AGA Board may renew the contract for a maximum of one additional year. Thereafter, bids will be solicited to manage the National Sale. In the event the Sale Committee does not recommend contract renewal after the first year, the contract shall become available for re-bidding.