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QUEBEC SPECIALIZED FEEDER Calf Auctions Circuit

Hello Everyone,

I am pleased to share with you the new 2024-2025 edition of the Quebec Specialized Feeder Calf Auctions Circuit pocket calendar. I have no doubt you will come across valuable information about the feeder calf marketing.

Over the past year, the Sales Agency guided producers as to implant vaccination of the breeding herd for fetal protection to their management in an effort to meet the new requirement for marketing feeder calves in specialized auctions. For the 2024-2025 season, only feeder calves born from a breeding herd vaccinated for fetal protection will be permitted in specialized auctions. Feeder calves not meeting these criteria will have to be marketed through a different marketing method.

The feeder calves' producers, for several years now, have been able to receive the pocket calendar's literature via email instead of mail, should you wish to choose that option, please fill out the form available at www.surveymonkey.com/r/auctions_circuit.

Our many thanks to our valued sponsors, Merck Animal Health, Attestra and Service Agricole de l'Estrie Inc. for making it possible to produce and send out the pocket calendar. On behalf of the Feeder Calf Marketing Committee (CMMVE), I am confident that you will have a great season with the Circuit.

Martin Drainville

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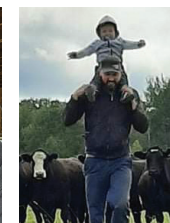
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Considering the current knowledge, only calves from a breeding herd vaccinated for fetal protection and according to one of the following scenarios will be permitted to access the specialized auctions.

SCENARIO 1

- 1 Calves are vaccinated with a modified live vaccine (MLV) after the age of 5 months.
- 2 Heifers are revaccinated with a fetal protection (FP) MLV at least 1 month prior to the first breeding.
- 3 All cows in the herd are vaccinated postpartum with an FP MLV or an inactivated vaccine against the Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus (BVD) approved for FP, and administered according to the label instructions.
- 4 An annual booster shot is administered in accordance with the directions on the label in order to obtain FP.

SCENARIO 2

- 1 Calves are vaccinated with a MLV after the age of 5 months.
- 2 Heifers are revaccinated with an FP MLV at least 1 month prior to the first breeding, then revaccinated over the course of the second trimester of gestation with an inactivated vaccine against the BVD approved for FP.
- 3 Cows receive a FP MLV at least 1 month prior to the first breeding and are revaccinated over the course of the second trimester of gestation with an inactivated vaccine against the BVD approved for FP.
- 4 A yearly booster shot is administered during the second trimester of gestation with an inactivated vaccine against BVD approved for FP.

Following the implementation of one of the vaccination scenarios, new arrivals to the herd with no known vaccination status must receive a FP MLV in the pre-breeding period prior to being integrated into the vaccination protocol.

Feeder calves sold through specialized auctions must be vaccinated against the following diseases:

- Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis Virus (IBR)
- Parainfluenza type 3 Virus (PI3)
- Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus (BRSV)
- Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus (BVD)

Every calf must have received a dose of a modified LIVE vaccine. The vaccine must be administered to a calf of at least 5 months of age, within 2 weeks to 4 months prior to the sale.

Killed vaccines are not eligible under the Feeder Calf Vaccination Protocol.



HOW TO VACCINATE PROPERLY

Selecting and Purchasing

- Seek advice from your veterinarian when purchasing vaccines for your herd.
- Opt for the smallest size to avoid wasting unused quantities.
- Read the label instructions carefully for expiration date, method of administration, dosage and requirements for a booster shot if necessary.

Storing

- Store vaccines at temperatures between 5°C and 10°C Celsius at all times.
- Monitor regularly the temperature of the refrigerator used for vaccine storage.

Modified Live Vaccines (MLV)

- Use a new syringe and needle when reconstituting MLV. Never use a syringe or needle that has been used with other drugs or vaccines.
- Protect reconstituted vaccines from light exposure.
- Vaccines should be administered within 2 hours of reconstitution.
- Avoid mixing vaccines from different bottles into the same syringe.

Inactivated Vaccines

- Use smaller vaccine sizes and always use a new needle to avoid contaminating the solution.
- Prevent freezing of inactivated vaccines. Never use an inactivated vaccine that has been exposed to freezing temperatures.

Administration

- If you have the option to choose an injection type, favor the subcutaneous injection.
- Use needles of appropriate length and diameter depending on the route of administration.
 - 18 or 16 gauge needle X 3/4" or 1" (subcutaneous injections)
 - 18 gauge needle X 1" (intramuscular injections in calves)
 - 18 or 16 gauge needle X 1-1/2" (intramuscular injections in cows and bulls)