

Requirements continued:

The following two items are optional:

1. Veterinarian signature certification of vaccinations
2. Age Source verification through USDA recognized Age Source Programs

Sale Day Inspection

All lots of cattle will be inspected on arrival at the sale by an inspection committee to identify and remove any cattle that do not meet program specifications.

Decisions of the inspection committee are final. BADGER VAC 45 Tags will be removed and it is the decision of the sale committee if those calves are sold at the end of the sale or sent home.

Traits that will disqualify cattle include but are not limited to:

Bad eyes, excessive mud and manure, open wounds, lame, sick, below allowable weight.

For More Information:

If you or your organization would like more information on the BADGER VAC 45 program and how to set up a local sale committee or where upcoming BADGER VAC 45 sales are being held contact:

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Building Added Demand and
Generating Enhanced Revenue
with Value Added Cattle
weaned 45+ days

**Wisconsin's Premier
Feeder Calf
Pre-Conditioning
Program**

Program Overview:

The Badger VAC 45 Pre-Conditioned Feeder Calf Program is designed to provide Wisconsin beef cow/calf producers a **uniform** system to work together to access the widest possible market regardless of the size of their operation.

BADGER VAC 45 is intended for producer groups to work with a marketing partner (sale barn) to organize and conduct special feeder calf sales where all calves at the sale are BADGER VAC 45 pre-conditioned calves.

Studies have shown that there can be price advantages when producers work together to bring large numbers of similar managed feeder calves together for sales.

Cattle requirements of the program are those management traits that the cattle feeder segment of the beef industry has indicated they are looking for through their feedback and feeder sale price analysis.

Beef breed and dairy steer feeders are eligible to participate in the program.

Requirements:

1. Owned by seller a minimum of 60 days
2. Weaned a minimum of 45 days
3. Minimum weight of 300 pounds
4. Seller must be Wisconsin BQA certified before processing of cattle
5. Vaccinated and boosted* against
 - a. Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis (IBR)
 - b. Bovine Viral Diarrhea (BVD)
 - c. Parainfluenza III (PI 3)
 - d. Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus (BRSV)
 - e. 7-way clostridial
 - f. Optional vaccines; *Haemophilus somnus*, *Mycoplasma bovis*, *Mannhaemia haemolytica*, *Pasteurella multocida*, *Moraxella bovis*
 - g. All vaccines must be given according to product label and BQA guidelines

*Products labeled as single dose immunization may require only one injection of product to provide adequate immunization. It is recommended that a modified live product be utilized when appropriate for respiratory viruses.
6. All vaccines and boosters must be given not more than 90 days and not less than 21 days before the sale
7. Dehorned** and healed
8. Males castrated** and healed, knife cut preferred, and mandatory if castrated at over 4 months of age

9. Dewormed with a product that kills *Ostertagia* within 90 days of the sale
10. Treated for grubs and lice
11. All processing (vaccinations, worming, etc.) must be recorded on a body map and chart on the processing sheet
 - a. vaccination purchase receipts and original boxes with serial numbers must accompany processing sheet if veterinarian does not certify they administered the vaccines
12. Growth promoting implants, if used, must be recorded with product used and date administered on processing sheet
13. Must be trained to eat from a bunk and drink from a watering trough. All groups of cattle will be inspected by a representative of the local sale committee to verify that calves are bunk and waterer broke and appear to be weaned prior to the sale
14. Animals must be identified with an official BADGER VAC 45 ear tag. Tags will be available through the local sale committee for a fee. The fee covers tag expenses, and promotional expenses. Fees in excess of expenses will be returned to sellers
15. Heifers are guaranteed to be open and steers not to be bulls or stags. Sellers will pay \$100 penalty for any pregnant heifers and bulls/ stags found within 5 months of sale with proper veterinarian documentation

**dehorning and castration must be completed a minimum of 45 days prior to sale date