

## IHBS Show & Sale Rules - 2023

- **As of October 2022 – all Males & Females entered into both the Spring and Autumn Premier Hereford Sales must be tested Hypotrichosis Free (HYF).**
- There will be a Pre-inspection of each animal entered into society sales.
  - Pre-inspection of the quality of all bulls & heifers entered into both premier sales will happen on farm in advance of the sale.
  - Pre-inspection of the quality of all bulls entered into Nenagh, Kilmallock & Bandon will take place on the morning of the sale.
  - All bulls will be weighed on the morning of each sale as usual.
- Weight limits for bulls will remain as follows;
  - Bulls aged 12 – 15 months old = 500kgs
  - Bulls aged 15 – 18 months = 550kgs
  - Bulls aged 18 – 24 months = 600kgs +
- The age limit is two years old (during the calendar month of the sale) & minimum of one year old for each sale.
- All bulls entered into Society Sales must be semen checked with a signed docket presented alongside the blue passport at each sale.
- All stock must be halter trained and led during the sale
- All bulls must be ringed for society sales & bulls must be halter led from the ring.
- All stock must be export tested for Premier Sales.
- Entries close strictly six weeks in advance of Tullamore & two weeks in advance of Nenagh & Kilmallock.
- Bulls must be sire verified on the last day of entry into the sale or they will be strictly refused entry- for each sale.
- Entry fees;
  - Entry fee for both Premier sales is €50 for all bulls and heifers with no refund given following inspections.
  - Entry fee for Nenagh and Kilmallock is €40.
- It will be mandatory to enter bulls into the shows at both Premier sales.
- There will be a minimum opening bid set at €2,000 for the Premier Sales and €1800 for all other sales.
- For Spring Premier sale only – exhibitors are invited to submit videos of bulls & heifers for sale at the Premier Spring sale, to be showcased on the IHBS website & social media platforms. The society will subsidise towards the cost of professional videos. Each breeder must organise a photographer themselves and the photographer will then invoice the society in full. The cost of entry to the premier sales, if a professional video is sought, will be €110. Breeders are also welcome to submit home made videos or no video at all.
- Conditions for 'special' sales (dispersal, production etc.) –
  - For Society hosted sales, the sale name must be passed by the IHBS Council sub-committee in advance of any advertising on the breeder's part.
  - For Society hosted sales; IHBS will organise the mart, auctioneer (who must be the society appointed auctioneer), advertising & catalogues in return for half of the 5% commission (mart will require the other half to hold the sale) and the breeder must cover the cost of external advertising i.e. IFJ, catalogues and the auctioneer.