

CAIP BEEF HEIFER REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

BRED Heifers

- ☐ Owned by consigner at time of breeding
- ☐ Weighs a minimum of 850lbs
- ☐ EPDs of sire provided and must meet the following standards:
 - ☐ 2026 CAIP Beef Bred Heifer Service Sire Requirements (see attached)
 - ☐ Calving Ease Direct must have min accuracy of 0.25 or be genomically tested
- ☐ Documentation of vet exam including:
 - ☐ Vet confirmed bred
 - ☐ Vet confirmed pelvic score
 - Yearlings – 150 square cm
 - 18-month-old – 180 square cm
- ☐ Vaccinated for IBR, BVD, PI3, BRSV, Brucellosis, Leptospirosis, (Campylobacter Fetus), and 7-Way Blackleg. Confirmed by signed statement from producer OR vet.
- ☐ Dewormed for external and internal parasites within 45 days of sale

OPEN heifers

- ☐ Owned a minimum of 60 days prior to consignment
- ☐ Weighs a minimum of 700lbs
- ☐ Minimum of 12 months of age
- ☐ Documentation of vet exam including:
 - ☐ Vet confirmed tract score
 - 15 months of age or less – tract score of 2 or greater
 - Older than 15 months – tract score of 4 or 5
 - ☐ Vet confirmed open
- ☐ Vaccinated for IBR, BVD, PI3, BRSV, Brucellosis, Leptospirosis, (Campylobacter Fetus), and 7-Way Blackleg. Confirmed by signed statement from producer OR vet.
- ☐ Dewormed for external and internal parasites within 45 days of sale

2026 CAIP Beef Bred Heifer Service Sire Requirements

For bred heifers to qualify for CAIP cost-share through the Cattle Genetics Program the service sire used to breed the heifers must meet the following Expected Progeny Differences (EPD) for Calving Ease Direct (CED/CE) or Birth Weight (if breed does not have CED EPDs) at the time of service. The service sire must have genomically enhanced EPDs **OR** a minimum Accuracy value of .25 for CED. Also listed is a recommended minimum Index value emphasizing maternal traits.

Breed	Required Bred Beef Heifer Service Sire CED (min) or BW (max)	Recommended Maternal Index (min)
Angus	CED \geq 7	\$M > 61
Beefmaster	CED \geq 5	Maternal > 16
Black Hereford	CED \geq 13	API > 111
Brangus/Ultrablack	CED \geq 6	Fertility > 3
Braunvieh	CED \geq 13	APT > 101
Charolais	CED \geq 12	
Chiangus/Chiangus	CED \geq 11	APT > 105
Gelbvieh/Balancer	CED \geq 15	MPI > 105
Hereford	CED \geq 6	BMI\$ > 362
Limousin/Lim-Flex	CED \geq 15	
Maine-Anjou/MaineTainer	CED \geq 11	
Red Angus	CED \geq 13	HB > 51
Salers/Optimizer	CED \geq 14	
Santa Gertrudis	BW \leq -1	Cow/Calf > 19
Senepol	BW \leq -1	
Shorthorn	CED \geq 14	BMI > 116
Simmental/SimAngus	CED \geq 13	API > 133
Wagyu	BW \leq -2	

**** Please see the 2026 CAIP Large Animal Incentive Area: Heifer Affidavit for full list of requirements**