

Test Animal Questionnaire

Pasture-finished beef study participants: for the test animal represented by your meat sample(s), please provide the following data, by regular or email to John.Lozier@mail.wvu.edu .

Farm Name _____ Test animal name or number _____

1) ___ steer or ___ heifer? 2) birth date ___ / ___ / ___ 3) slaughter date ___ / ___ / ___

4) breed(s) of animal to the nearest 1/8

5) body condition scale at time of slaughter (circle one): 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

OR check ___ very thin; ___ thin; ___ average; ___ fleshy; ___ very fleshy

6) Describe the forage/feed regimen from birth to slaughter in as much detail as possible.
BEFORE WEANING (e. g. pasture types, supplements, creep grain or grazing):

POST-WEANING grazing and WINTER feed (e. g. pasture, hay, grain, what type and how much?):

FINISHING PHASE – last 30 days before slaughter, as much detail as possible, including size and forage composition of paddocks, number of animals and length of grazing stay, grain or other supplements (what type, how much?):

7) CIRCLE or check all treatments which apply to this animal:

___ dewormer? ___ flies/lice treatment? ___ vaccinations?

___ Rumensin? ___ Bovatec? ___ MGA?

___ growth implants?

___ antibiotics for SICKNESS? ___ antibiotics as FEED ADDITIVE?

8) Number of MILES HAULED TO SLAUGHTER _____

9) Other STRESS FACTORS in the last 24 hours before slaughter?

10) Carcass HANGING WEIGHT _____ pounds; How many days was the carcass AGED? _____

11) OTHER information you feel might be important in predicting MEAT CHARACTERISTICS?

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