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Dear Simmental Breeders,

I am sure many of you have heard by now, the Kentucky Simmental Association officers and board of directors voted for the Association to sponsor a State Sale this fall. The sale date is Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The location is in Lexington, Kentucky at the Bluegrass Regional Marketplace. I assume many of you are aware of this excellent Sale Facility. If you have not been to this facility, please stop by and visit this summer, or visit their web site. There always seems to be a lot going on there, such as producer meetings, educational and leadership workshops, and even a cow sale or two. Start making plans to be a supporter or consignor to this KSA sponsored event. As many know several state associations have successful sales and we look for this to be as well and give the membership a place to market their highlights in their breeding program.

So, the next step is for you as a Simmental producer to look at your inventory and select some of your top animals to be a part of the Sale. Naturally, we want you to consign your best. We are looking for performance pedigreed cattle with good epds and exceptional quality. The Sale will consist of bred heifers, pairs, opens, genetics lots to include embryos and pregnancies. The Sale Committee is in the process of finalizing all the guidelines, so if you have additional questions, please call or check in with Chris Allen or members of the Sale Committee. This is a female sale. After you receive this letter and nomination form please call, email, or text or let us know of your intent to be part of the Sale.

Nominations can be made by also printing off a form from at [www.dpsalesllc.com](http://www.dpsalesllc.com) or using our online system on our website. All nominations should be made no later than July 8<sup>th</sup>. Please keep up with the deadlines. Also, remember to call, email, or text with your intent to part of your state association sale. Please send your information in promptly and correctly to insure that the catalog can be done correctly and on time. Cattle should be registered and must be ½ or higher percentage Simmental. All must be clean of all defects, if they are free by pedigree then no testing required, but if not free by pedigree they must be tested. All required health requirements must be met by all and all must have individual health papers. All animals must be tattooed prior to arrival and consignors please check to make sure legible.

Other sale guidelines for KSA fall sale:

All females should be calf hood vaccinated for Brucellosis. Consult your vet if you don't have this practice in your herd health protocol. The sale day vet for the Sale will be Allen/Jolley, so if question please contact.

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All consignors whether in state or out of state must be paid KY Simmental Association members. Your KSA dues can be taken out of your sale proceeds.

All live lots are required to have an 840 EID ear tag (please include on the health certificate) Consignors please do not wait to last minute to obtain or order EID tags.

Cattle are not required to be halter broker, however; disposition will be monitored. Sales Management and the Sale Committee have the right to reject any sale lot that doesn't meet to standards of the sale or have a problem such as condition, disposition or health. We prefer that the age requirement be no older that a seven year old.

The majority of the consignments are required to have a high quality photo. If you need assistance in this area please contact professionals such as Bradley Wilson, Landon Hall, Andy Higgins, Matt Jackson, or Drew Hatmaker. If you are capable that is fine just make sure all photos are high resolution.

Please make note for some of the advertising, the July/August Register is a combined issue with an early deadline of July 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will be advertising in the Cow Country News in the August issue which the deadline is July 8<sup>th</sup>.

Remember this is an opportunity to promote your operation and breeding program and to promote Simmental cattle. Also, as a Simmental promoter if you don't have anything to consign this year come and be a part of the Association. If you are not a member come and join and get your kids or grand kids involved as well. The history of the Simmental breed has always been strong in Kentucky and we all can assist in the continued improvement in this great breed of cattle and our State Association.

Sincerely,

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