

OBI Salers Breed Testing Information 2008-2009

Please read the attached rules and regulations for Oklahoma BEEF, Incorporated. These procedures apply to all breeds evaluated at OBI, unless otherwise noted. Specific details and policies for your breed are listed below.

SALERS TESTING DATES

Test	Calves Born	Delivered			Pick-Up	
No.	(Birthdates)	to OBI	On-Test Wt	Final Wt	Date	Notes
82	Dec '07-Feb 2008	3&4-Oct-08	Oct. 17, 2008	Feb. 6, 2009	Feb. 12, 2009	Stay Over
83	Mar- June, 2008	5&6-Dec-08	Dec. 19, 2008	April 10, 2009	April 16, 2009	

*Salers breeders should contact the OBI office with the number of bulls they intend to test (Test No. 83).

1. Salers test groups have a warm-up period of 14 days. The ages of all bulls within a pen must be within the 90-day group. No 28 day weight will be taken.
2. Salers Test index is computed as follows:
(.5 x Final Cumulative ADG Ratio) + (.5 x Final Adjusted 365-day Weight Ratio)
3. Salers bulls completing test must be picked up by owners during the period of, Thursday or Friday between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm or Saturday between the hours of 8:00 am and 12:00 noon, following the official off-test weigh day.
4. If a large group of bulls cannot be arranged for scanning, no scan data will be collected due to the cost per bull being too large. Scanning services and a certified technician will be selected by the OBI Executive Secretary and Test Station Manager.
5. EPDs are requested from the American Salers Association to place on the bull reports.
6. Salers bulls are fed at non-member rates.
7. **A rule requiring that all bull(s) tested at Oklahoma BEEF Inc. must be BVD-PI negative has been imposed. We recommend that you test your bull(s) before delivery to the station. If they are delivered without a negative BVD-PI test, you will be charged \$25 for the BVD-PI testing to be performed on your bull(s). If the test comes back positive you will be required to pick up your bull(s) immediately.**
8. A minimum 20 bulls are required for any test to be conducted. Please call the OBI office with the number of bulls you plan to bring. (405-624-1181 or 405-744-9287)