



Important Notice

To Producers of Fed Cattle and Backgrounding Feeder Calves Considering Buying Calves for themselves at Quebec Specialized Auction and Supervised Sales

Madam, Sir:

The purpose of this letter is to remind you of the rules under which you may buy feeder calves for yourself at Quebec Specialized Auctions and Supervised Sales.

To buy feeder calves at Quebec Specialized Auction and for Supervised Sales, a buyer must:

- ☑ Hold a surety bond (specific letter of guarantee) which is entrusted to the Régie des marchés agricoles et alimentaires du Québec or
- ☑ Limit purchases to a maximum of \$25,000 a week or
- ☑ Pay by certified cheque before taking possession of the calves, if purchases are over \$25,000.

However, **producers of fed cattle and backgrounding feeder calves may benefit from an exemption.** To be eligible for this exemption, interested producers must meet the following criteria:

- ☑ **Make the purchase solely for your own use. The total purchases made yearly shall not exceed the producer's yearly production volume**
- ☑ **Authorized purchases may be made only by the owner or by a member of his immediate family**
- ☑ **The exemption allows for a maximum purchase of \$250,000 weekly and is applicable only at Quebec Specialized Auctions and Supervised Sales**
- ☑ **Calves purchased at Quebec Specialized Auction must be paid upon pick up**
- ☑ **For Supervised Sales, payment must be made no later than 48 hours upon receipt of the invoice sent by the auction market. When paying by cheque, the postmark seal certifies that the payment was made within the deadline.**

If the payment deadline is not observed, the producer could be refused any new authorization numbers and thus, no longer be eligible for the exemption.

Producers who meet the above-mentioned criteria and who wish to benefit from the exemption must **contact « Les Producteurs de bovins du Québec » (PBQ) at least 15 days prior to the date they expect to make their first yearly purchase as to create an account. It should be noted that an account is created yearly.** Once the account has been created, the producer will need to contact the PBQ as soon as he intends to buy, and it should be done no later than the day before the auction as to obtain an authorization number. The authorization number is valid for one week only and for a maximum purchase of \$250,000.

In order to open an account or to obtain an authorization number, please contact Ms. Ginette Therrien. Contact details below.

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