

# Heifer Raising Contract

(Version 2.1)<sup>1/</sup>

The following agreement is made between:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Owner

\_\_\_\_\_ (owner address)

and

\_\_\_\_\_  
Custom Raiser

\_\_\_\_\_ (Custom Raiser address)

1. *Feeder* is responsible for transportation to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. *Owner* is responsible for insurance protection of his/her cattle. *Feeder* will have liability insurance.
3. *Owner* agrees to pay \$\_\_\_\_\_ per day for each animal housed at heifer raising facility. This includes transportation provided by the *Feeder*.
4. *Owner* will pay the bill from *Feeder* within two weeks of receipt of the bill.
5. *Feeder* will provide a balanced ration, water, and a clean, well-ventilated facility for *Owners* animals.

The goal is to grow heifers that are:

- ✓ bred to calve at twenty-three (23) months
- ✓ weigh an average of 1225 lbs. at time of delivery (2 months prior to calving)

*Feeder* is responsible for daily observation, feeding and bedding. \_\_\_\_\_  
is responsible for providing one bullet tag and one large visible tag.

6. *Feeder* will pay \$150 for each calf at approximately 320 lbs. \_\_\_\_\_  
is responsible for any death loss under two percent (2%). Death loss between 2 – 4% will be split 50:50 with both parties. Death loss over four percent (4%) is the responsibility of the custom heifer raiser.
7. Entrance requirements and veterinary work  
*Feeder* retains the right to accept or reject calves within fifteen (15) days of being picked up at \_\_\_\_\_.  
Calves will be vaccinated with *Owner* responsible for the cost of the vaccine.  
The vaccination protocol will be developed by \_\_\_\_\_.
8. *Owner* always has the right to inspect his/her animals at any time he/she feels necessary. Calling ahead to make an appointment is recommended.
9. *Owner* is responsible for semen cost. *Feeder* is responsible for breeding the heifers and for pregnancy checks.
10. *At the time of the delivery, Feeder* will scale the load at \_\_\_\_\_,  
provide the number of heifers on the load along with their identification and calculate an average daily gain per head.

11. If the heifers delivered to \_\_\_\_\_ average less than 1225 lbs., \_\_\_\_\_ will pay \$1.00/lb./head. If the heifers delivered to \_\_\_\_\_ average over 1275 lbs., \_\_\_\_\_ will credit \_\_\_\_\_. \$.85/lb./head. These penalties and incentives will be based on the average of the heifers delivered each month.
12. A six (6) month notice is to be given for the purpose of taking cattle out on the part of the *Owner* except in the case of illness or disaster.  
A six (6) month notice is to be given if the *Owner* is requested to move his/her cattle, except in the case of illness or disaster.
13. In the event of a disagreement where no compromise can be reached, both parties will select a mutually agreed upon person to be the moderator.

Custom Heifer Raiser \_\_\_\_\_

Owner \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_