



CJHA Heifer Lottery Project: Overview

Supporting Young Hereford Breeders in Canada

Introduction

The CJHA Heifer Lottery Project is a partnership between the Canadian Junior Hereford Association, breeders, and sales managers. It helps junior members access top Hereford genetics by funding Heifer Lottery Vouchers, awarded through a draw at Bonanza. These vouchers offset the cost of purchasing young heifers from recognized sales.

How It Works

Breeders across Canada contribute to a fund, which is divided into vouchers for active CJHA members. Vouchers are used to buy registered Hereford or Hereford-Plus females at eligible sales, with current lists available through CJHA channels.

Expanded Opportunities

CJHA has added a Heifer Lottery Show at Bonanza, allowing juniors to exhibit their purchased females nationwide. The project complements other herd-building programs: the Semen Donation Project & Show, and the Bred & Owned Show.

Program Pathway to Multiple Opportunities

Juniors can buy a heifer calf from a Heifer Lottery breeder in the fall, breed it as a yearling with semen from the Semen Donation Project, and show it as a Yearling Heifer in the current year. The next year, the 2-year-old cow and calf may compete in multiple shows at Bonanza.

Rules & Regulations

- Only active CJHA members (with paid membership fee) are eligible for vouchers through the draw held at Bonanza.
- Vouchers must purchase registered Hereford or Hereford-Plus females at recognized sales.
- Vouchers are valid until the next Bonanza event.
- The voucher must be submitted to the seller at purchase and then the seller sends it to the CJHA office for reimbursement.

Contact cjha@hereford.ca for more information.

Rules governing use of Heifer Lottery Vouchers, Transfer/Ownership and Show Eligibility are printed on the back. Questions? Please contact cjha@hereford.ca

Rules & Regulations - Vouchers

1. Must be an active Canadian Junior Hereford member to be eligible to receive a Heifer Lottery Voucher (Current year membership fee paid at time of draw at Bonanza)
2. Heifer Lottery Vouchers may only be used by juniors to purchase a registered Hereford or Hereford-Plus live female.
3. Heifer Lottery Vouchers may only be used at a recognized Heifer Lottery Breeder/Operation sale. An up-to-date list of participating Heifer Lottery Sales and Breeders is available on the CJHA Facebook Page, the CJHA web page or through the CJHA office.
4. The Heifer Lottery Voucher is valid from the time the voucher was awarded and must be used by the following Bonanza.
5. **The Junior must give the seller the Heifer Lottery Voucher upon purchase.** The seller will submit the voucher to the CJHA office for reimbursement.
6. The animal registration certificate must be transferred into the membership number identified on the front of the voucher.
7. If a voucher is not used within the allotted time frame, the funds from the unused voucher will carry over into the following year's Heifer Lottery Project.
8. A Heifer Lottery Voucher cannot be used to purchase a female from a direct family member or family member's herd.
9. A Heifer Lottery Voucher may only be used once.

Rules & Regulations - Heifer Lottery Show

1. The female must be purchased from a recognized Heifer Lottery Breeder/Operation in the year of purchase.
2. The female does not have to be purchased using a voucher to be eligible for Heifer Lottery Shows.
3. The female must be transferred into a junior membership. The CJHA discourages transfer into junior partnerships (no longer available). Any partnership with an adult membership or commercial designation will be ineligible for competition.
4. The female must be transferred to the Junior membership from the original Heifer Lottery recognized seller, before the Bonanza entry deadline, whichever is earliest.
5. Proof of purchase (copy of bill of sale) must be included in entries to the Heifer Lottery Show Committee (Bonanza Committee)
6. Females may not be purchased and transferred from direct relatives or family herds.
7. Junior membership may only enter one animal per division in the CJHA Heifer Lottery Show.
8. The CJHA Heifer Lottery Show will consist of divisions for Heifer Calf, Yearling Heifer and a 2-Year-Old Cow with Calf. An additional division of Hereford-Plus females may be offered depending on interest.