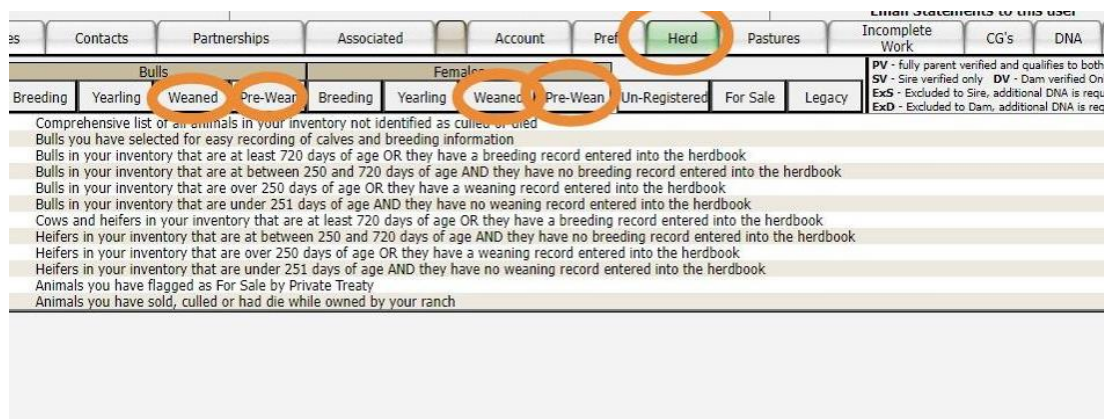


MEMBERS GUIDE TO WEANING DATA ENTRY

Weight on the date the calf is weaned. This is typically at about 200 days of age. The recommended maximum age at which a calf should be weaned in order to be used in a performance recording program (e.g. genetic evaluation) is 250 days, and the recommended minimum age is 160 days of age.

1. Navigate to <https://cla.digitalbeef.com> and log in
2. Click Herd tab, then weaned Females/bulls, pre-wean females/bulls, these will bring up calves in the weaning window with no data attached to them



The screenshot shows the CLA Digital Beef website interface. The 'Herd' tab is selected and highlighted with an orange circle. Below the navigation tabs, there are two main sections: 'Bulls' and 'Females'. Each section has four sub-tabs: 'Breeding', 'Yearling', 'Weaned', and 'Pre-Wean'. The 'Weaned' tabs for both 'Bulls' and 'Females' are highlighted with orange circles. To the right of these sections, there are additional filters: 'Un-Registered', 'For Sale', and 'Legacy'. Below the navigation tabs, there is a legend for various status codes: 'PV - fully parent verified and qualifies to both', 'SV - Sire verified only', 'DV - Dam verified Only', 'ExS - Excluded to Sire, additional DNA is requ', and 'ExD - Excluded to Dam, additional DNA is req'. Below the legend, there is a list of criteria for the 'Weaned' filter, such as 'Bulls in your inventory that are at least 720 days of age OR they have a breeding record entered into the herdbook'.

3. Check the wean box beside each animal you want to enter weaning data on, this will add them to your weaning queue

Addresses		Phones		Contacts		Partnerships		Associated		Account		Prefs		Herd		Pastures		Incomplete Work							
All		Quick Sire List		Breeding		Yearling		Weaned		Pre-Wean		Breeding		Yearling		Weaned		Pre-Wean		Un-Registered		For Sale		Legacy	
2 Pre-weaning Bulls (has no weaning record and under 250 days of age)																									
Season	Tattoo	Reg #	Name	Born	Wean	Year	Scan	PV	Options																
S	VLE2M	URM4123733	VENTURE MASTERMIND	02/01/24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				View Edit Upgrade Dispose																
S	VLE8M	URM4123739	VENTURE MATRIX	06/01/24	<input type="checkbox"/>				View Edit Upgrade Dispose																

4. Click "Work Queues"

A screenshot of a software navigation menu. The menu items are: Search/Find, Animal, Ranch/Person, My Account, View, Herd Mgmt, Customers, Suppliers, Reports, Tools, and Work Queues. The 'Work Queues' item is circled in orange. Below the menu, there is a section titled 'For your information' containing links for Cattle Evaluation (Genetics Trends, Percentile Ranks, Proven Sires, Proven Dams, Young Sires), Genetic Conditions, Adjustment Formulas, By-Laws (Jan 2021), and a Calendar Calculator with the date 16/04/2024 and a calculate button.

5. Click "Weaning"



6. Go to this queue

me	Total	Work Order	WO Date	Origin	WO Age	
INTERPRISES	1	202404160011	2024-04-16	Member	Today	Go to this Queue

7. Enter weaning date

Error Descriptors	Reg No	Name	Prefix Tattoo	Sex	Weaning Date	Age	Weight	Adj	Temper	Height	Premise/Pasture
	URM4123733	VENTURE MASTERMIND	VLE 2M	M	dd/mm/yyyy			N/A			

Delete ALL Add row Validate

Error Descriptors:

8. Enter weaning weight

Subject Animal											
Reg No	Name	Prefix Tattoo	Sex	Weaning Date	Age	Weight	Adj	Temper	Height	Premise/Pasture	CG
M4123733	VENTURE MASTERMIND	VLE 2M	M	dd/mm/yyyy			N/A				

ptors:

9. Enter Temperament

Subject Animal											
Name	Prefix Tattoo	Sex	Weaning Date	Age	Weight	Adj	Temper	Height	Premise/Pasture	CG	Feed
VENTURE MASTERMIND	VLE 2M	M	dd/mm/yyyy			N/A					

date

10. Enter Height

Hip height converted to frame score is a linear measurement that helps cattle producers evaluate lean-to-fat ratio potential of an individual animal in a performance program.

Frame score is a convenient way of describing the skeletal size of cattle. With appropriate height and growth curves, most animals usually maintain the same frame score throughout their life, regardless of when they are evaluated.

However, frame scores may change for animals that mature earlier or later than average for their breed. The recommended site for hip height measurement is a point directly over the hooks. This measurement should be adjusted to a weaning age endpoint of 205 days

Subject Animal											
Prefix Tattoo	Sex	Weaning Date	Age	Weight	Adj	Temper	Height	Premise/Pasture	CG	Feed	EID
ERMIND	VLE 2M	M	dd/mm/yyyy		N/A						

11. Enter premise/pasture

Subject Animal											
Sex	Weaning Date	Age	Weight	Adj	Temper	Height	Premise/Pasture	CG	Feed	EID	
M	dd/mm/yyyy			N/A							

12. CG contemporary group

Weaning contemporary group is a group of calves that are of the same sex, are similar in age, and have been raised in the same management group (same location on the same feed and pasture, at the same time) and weaned and weighed on the same day. Contemporary groups should include as many cattle as can be accurately compared. However, if, for example, first-calf heifers are given preferential treatment (better feed) prior to weaning their calves, then these calves should be designated into a separate contemporary group than the calves from mature cows.

Weights should be taken on the same day for an entire contemporary group. Especially for large contemporary groups, water should be provided to calves penned-up prior to weighing so that there is no effect due to differences in dehydration between the first and last calves weighed.

While the recommended age range for collecting weaning weight on calves is 160 to 250 days of age, some organizations may choose to allow weights outside of the age range by grouping the calves into a separate contemporary group (younger calves together and a separate group for the older calves).

Subject Animal											
e	Age	Weight	Adj	Temper	Height	Premise/Pasture	CG	Feed	EID		Sta
y			N/A								

13. Feed, select what feed the calves were on prior to weaning.

Subject Animal							
Adj	Temper	Height	Premise/Pasture	CG	Feed	EID	Status
N/A							

14. If you have disposed of an animal after weaning, enter the disposal code here. If no weaning weight available, then dispose of the animals on a different disposal queue.

Subject Animal						
Weight	Premise/Pasture	CG	Feed	EID	Status	

Complete and correct.

- 1 - Active
- 415 - Culled / castrated - other reasons
- 408 - Died / before yearling - other
- 406 - Died / before weaning - other
- 417 - Sold - for slaughter
- 409 - Died / other
- 418 - Sold - commercial
- 420 - Sold - for feeder
- 405 - Died / before weaning - disease
- 407 - Died / before yearling - disease
- 410 - Culled / castrated - physical defect
- 412 - Culled / castrated - performance/productivity
- 413 - Culled / castrated - disposition

15. Enter Dam information

Dam					
EID	Status	Status	Weight	Height	B
			0	0.00	

16. If the dam has been disposed of at weaning of the calf, enter that disposal code here.

Dam				
Status	Status	Weight	Height	Body Condition
▼	▼	0	0.00	▼

17. Enter dam weight at weaning

Dam				
Status	Status	Weight	Height	Body Condition
▼	▼	0	0.00	▼

18. Enter dam height if available

Dam				
Status	Status	Weight	Height	Body Condition
▼	▼	0	0.00	▼

19. Body condition score

The BCS scale ranges from 1-9 with 1 being emaciated and 9 being obese. Cows that calve in a BCS of 5 or greater breed back earlier, have more vigorous calves at birth and have more, higher quality colostrum. Ideally, scores should be recorded 60-90 days pre-calving, at calving and at weaning

Dam				
Status	Status	Weight	Height	Body Condition
▼	▼	0	0.00	▼

20. Once all data has been entered, click the Validate button. It will show you any errors that need to be corrected.

Error Descriptors	Reg No	Name	Prefix Tattoo	Sex	Weaning Date	Age	Weight	Adj	Temper
	URM4123733	VENTURE MASTERMIND	VLE 2M	M	dd/mm/yyyy			N/A	

Error Descriptors:

1. Registration # cannot be located or the animal does not have a valid pedigree (sire/dam). Please verify that the registration number is complete and correct.
2. Animal already has a weaning record. Updates for these animals are not possible thru this screen.
3. Changes the animal from a male-to-female or female-to-male.
4. **Critical Out-of-Range (prevents records from being committed to registry):**
 - a. Date: The date cannot be AFTER today.
 - b. Date: The date cannot be greater than 365 days from birth.
 - c. Date: The date cannot be before the birth date.
 - d. Weight: Valid measurements are between BW+60 and 1500.
 - e. Hip Height: Valid measurements are between 20 and 60.
 - f. Dam Hip Height: Valid measurements are between 35 and 60.

21. Once validated and no errors you can Commit to Registry. This will enter all the data into Digital beef and bring up a yearling worksheet option.

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See: 4.a, 4.d	URM4123733	VENTURE MASTERMIND	VLE 2M	M	dd/mm/yyyy			N/A			

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5. **Advisory Out-of-Range (data can be committed to registry but does not conform to BIF guidelines)**
 - a. Date: Valid weaning range is from 100 days to 310 days.
 - b. Weight: Valid measurements are between 331 and 1199.
 - c. Hip Height: Valid measurements are between 35 and 53.
 - d. Dam Hip Height: Valid measurements are between 35 and 53.