

uslp Membership Guidelines

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The uslp organization is a membership group providing livestock producers access to risk management information and tools for a fee. The uslp membership fee is \$15. The membership fees support research efforts to gather relevant information about risks and risk management approaches and allow members access to risk management tools such as warranty protection against specified diseases. The uslp organization also provides members with information about value-adding activities related to management practices and documentation. The information for members is available online.

Under the uslp Membership Guidelines:

- Members are expected to pay the membership fee annually, and
- Members who are livestock producers are expected to:
 - Comply with government (Federal, state, and local) laws, regulations, and rules regarding their livestock enterprise;
 - Comply with basic, regionally accepted, animal husbandry practices;
 - Provide appropriate supervision of employees and other involved individuals to assure those individuals follow the appropriate herd management practices;
 - Consider any government recommendations related to their livestock enterprise in managing their livestock; and
 - Not engage in any action that purposefully increases the possibility of infection or transmission of diseases in their herd.

Under the current uslp Membership Guidelines, members who are beef cattle producers are required to:

- At all times comply with the rules, guidelines, and other requirements of the uslp Minimum Management Standards;
- Affix a USDA program compliant identifier to beef cattle separated from the herd for any reason.

Under the uslp Membership Guidelines, if a livestock producer suspects their herd has a transmissible disease, they are expected to:

- Notify the appropriate authority immediately if they have reason to know or suspect that one or more of the animals in their herd are infected with any transmissible disease.
- Manage their operation in a way which will limit the spread of the disease.