## Mississippi Beef Cattle Improvement Association Bull Designations

## What are the bull designations based upon?

Balanced Trait, Terminal, and Calving Ease designation requirements are the same as those for the same respective bull types in the Tennessee Agricultural Enhancement Program Cattle Genetics Program for Fiscal Year 2016 to 2017:

http://tn.gov/assets/entities/agriculture/attachments/FY16-17\_CG\_TAEP\_EPD\_REQUIREMENTS\_-\_093016rb.pdf

An additional Carcass Merit bull designation uses the requirements listed in the table below.

Carcass Merit	Must meet or exceed EPD requirements for: Calving Ease, Growth, YG, and QG			
Bulls	Calving Ease	Growth	Yield Grade	Quality Grade
	Minimum Maximum	Minimum	Minimum % Rank	Minimum % Rank
Breed	CED EPD or BW EPD	YW EPD	REA EPD	IMF/MARB EPD
Angus			50	60
Beefmaster			40	40
Brahman			40	40
Brangus/Ultrablack			40	40
Charolais			60	50
Gelbvieh		Same	60	40
Gelbvieh Balancer	Same requirements as for	requirements as	60	40
Hereford	Terminal bull designation	for Calving Ease	45	50
Limousin		bull designation	65	50
Lim-Flex			65	50
Red Angus			50	55
Santa Gertrudis			40	40
Simmental			60	50
Simmental Hybrid			60	50