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Beef slots spreadsheet

2026 Beef Letter

2026 Cut / Wrapping info

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FREEZER BEEF

As many of you are aware, we own and run a beef and grain farm in southern Carroll county. We'll be posting this same info on our web-site : www.dalehamilton.com, in addition to "snail" mailing this out to past beef customers. As with much of the economy, the beef business is....how about "un-settled".

We sell our beef through two local slaughter houses – Don's Meats in Waynesburg and Kiko Meats in Minerva – attached to this document will be our current slots available for 2026. We sell either half or whole carcasses (if you want smaller amounts, we rely on the buyer to pair up and split the half with someone ??).

The un-settled parts are on both ends – for the meat itself and for the processing. We are currently at \$4.00 per pound of the hanging weight – as high as it has been in our lifetime – plus the buyer is responsible for the cutting / wrapping from Don's or Kiko's – both of which raised their fees throughout 2025, and currently are at \$120 kill-fee and \$0.75 to \$0.80 per pound for the cutting and wrapping..... Great meat, but like everything recently, nothing is cheap – but probably still less than buying, as you go at the super-markets ??

We feed out a wide variety of animals with carcass weights varying from 600 to over 800 – and we can work to match you up with an amount you are comfortable with....Those of you who may have bought last year probably witnessed the price rise – we put out a similar listing last January with the price at \$3.25 for the hanging weight which we honored for those that locked meat at that time, but prices rose throughout the year,

making periodic increases as the year progressed – by the fall of 2025, we were at the posted \$4.00 rate per hanging weight. Your guess may be as good as ours, but we can tell you that the prices for feeder calves (500-600 lbs) are also at record highs – and with the effects of the last two years of drought condition in our area, feed isn't cheap either....

We are posting our 2025 listing and buyers names – it reflects that above price rise, and may give you a source to ask about our beef if you know any of the past buyers ?? And naturally, our 2026 slots and names as we fill them.

We thank you for your business

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