

GVP

Georgia Verified Program

GVP is designed to enhance the reputation of Georgia's feeder cattle through progressive management, genetics, and traceability.

- ✓ GVP is a cooperative effort of Livestock Markets, GCA, and UGA
- ✓ 3rd party verification of health and management protocols.
- ✓ Quality cattle marketed as load lots

Requirements:

- ✓ Consignors are BQA Certified
- ✓ Male calves are castrated and healed. Heifers are guaranteed open.
- ✓ Must grade L1, M1 or L&M2 with flesh score of 4 to 6
- ✓ 45 day Pre-conditioning prior to sale day
- ✓ Adhere to Health and Nutrition Protocol
- ✓ Cattle must meet requirements for quality, disposition and conformity

How to Market through GVP:

- ✓ Contact your local UGA Extension Agent for consignment forms and information.
- ✓ Become a GCA member and get your calves marketed as **Georgia Verified**



Nutrition

- ✓ All calves should be fed a diet to maintain growth between 1.5 and 3.0 lbs. per day. This should be based on the condition of the calves at weaning. Gains of 3.0 lbs. per day should only be targeted if calves are under condition at weaning.
- ✓ A mineral that contains trace minerals and a vitamin pack should be offered free choice, or mixed into the ration to ensure a daily intake of 3 oz per day.
- ✓ Contact your local UGA Extension Agent for information about rations

Vaccinations

- ✓ Two doses of 5-way modified live respiratory (MLV) with *Mannheimia haemolytica* and 7- or 8-way blackleg vaccine must be given prior to weaning. The first dose may be given as early as 90 days of age. The second dose should be given at the time of weaning. Specific products recommended for use in the Georgia Verified Program are in the table below.

	Company		
	Boehringer Ingelheim	Zoetis	Merck
5-way MLV	Pyramid 5 + Presponse SQ	Bovishield Gold OneShot	Vista Once SQ
Blackleg	Caliber 7	Ultrachoice 7	Covexin 8

*The lot and serial numbers of all vaccines used should be recorded and kept for future reference

Deworming

- ✓ All calves should be dewormed ***at the time of weaning*** with a combination of an injectable ivermectin-type dewormer ***and*** white paste dewormer. Specific **products** recommended for use in the Georgia Verified Program are in the table below and any of the injectable and paste products can be used together, regardless of manufacturer. The 45 day weaning period combined with deworming should improve performance and profitability.

	Company			
	Boehringer Ingelheim	Zoetis	Merck	Bayer
Injectable	LongRange	Dectomax	N/A	Cydectin
Paste	Synanthic	Valbazen	SafeGuard/Panacur	N/A

*Specific dewormers used and the dates each were given should be recorded. Follow the label directions on all products used