

## Beef Class Structural Assessment System incorporating GTS

### How the Beef Class Structural Assessment System works?

The Beef Class Structural Assessment System uses a 1-9 scoring system.

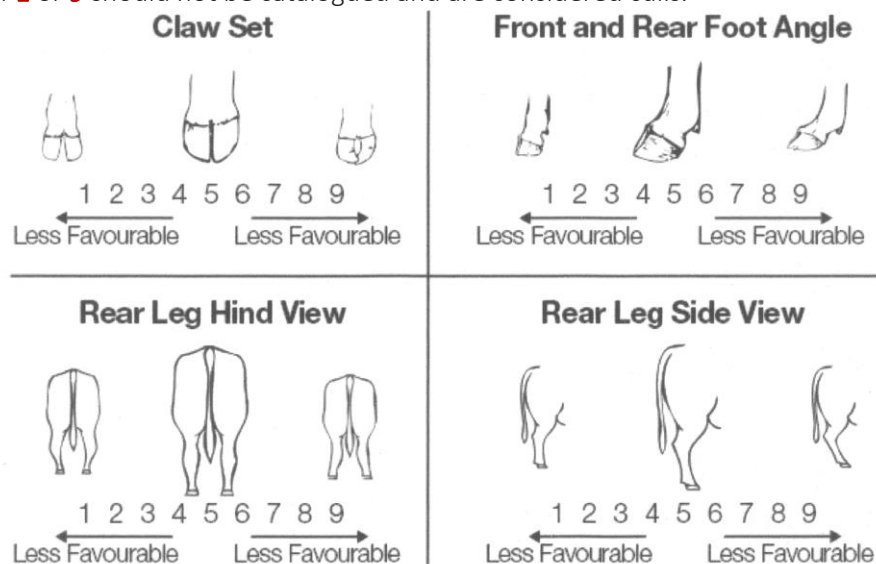
#A score of **5** is ideal.

#A score of **4** or **6** shows slight variation from ideal, but this includes most animals. An animal scoring 4 or 6 would be acceptable in any breeding program.

#A score of **3** or **7** shows greater variation but would be acceptable in most commercial programs. However, seed stock producers should be vigilant and understand that this score indicates greater variation from ideal.

#A score of **2** or **8** are low scoring animals and should be looked at closely before purchasing.

#A score of **1** or **9** should not be catalogued and are considered culls.



### Stature

#Scores higher than 25 indicate larger than average frame.

### Capacity Scores

#An animal evaluation combining depth of fore rib along with spring of rib and width of chest floor, as well as depth of flank. Scores greater than 25 indicate larger capacity.

### Body Length

#An evaluation of body length from withers to pins. Scores greater than 25 indicate longer length.

### Muscle Scores

#Scores higher than 25 indicate above average muscle. More muscle equals more meat.

### Doing Ability/Fat Score

#Scores indicate the ability to lay fat relative to there peers under common management, scores higher than 25 indicate better doing ability.

### Sheath Scores

#Sheaths are also scored from 1 to 5 with **4-5** being ideal for most bulls.

A score of 5 is tight



A score of 1 is loose



***It is important to understand that very few animals are ever ideal for all traits and that some variation is more than acceptable and should not be seen as devaluing an animals' potential worth.***