





Above adapted from form designed by Kent Allen, K&K Ranch, Andover, MN.

**NOTE:** \*BCS (body condition score) used by Kent is a 9-point list rather than the commonly used 5-point grading system. Below, the 9-point scoring system:

- 1** Emaciated, no palpable fat detected over spinous processes (backbone). Rare.
- 2** Poor, somewhat emaciated, some tissue along spine, sharp to touch.
- 3** Thin, ribs still identifiable, obvious fat along spine and over tailhead.
- 4** Borderline good, individual ribs not obvious and spinous processes feel rounded.
- 5** Moderately good, good overall appearance, spongy fat over ribs and by tailhead.
- 6** High moderate, firm pressure to feel spinous processes and high fat over ribs and by tailhead.
- 7** Good, cow fleshy and carries much fat, very spongy over ribs and by tailhead.
- 8** Fat, very fleshy and rounded, spinous processes hard to feel and very fat by tailhead.
- 9** Extremely fat, no definition, block appearance, tailhead and hips buried in fat.