

# TAEP Bull Purchase Reimbursement Tool

The TAEP Bull Purchase Reimbursement Tool is an online aid to help in determining a bull's EPD, Index, & Accuracy qualification and potential TAEP reimbursement amount. **This tool is provided by the UT Department of Animal Science and TAEP.**

This online tool is intended to be used as a guide to provide information based solely on **pedigree data** entered by the user.

- This tool is provided without any guarantees of acceptance.
- Pedigree must be submitted with reimbursement request and include EPD, Genomic, Index, Accuracy, and Pedigree Print Date Information – must be printed between October 1, 2025, and the Date of Purchase.
- In addition to meeting Genomic Enhanced EPD (GE-EPD), Index, Accuracy and Pedigree Print Date qualifications, the bull must also have an eligible receipt, BSE, 840 EID tag, and negative test results for BVD-PI.
- The TAEP Bull Purchase Reimbursement Tool webpage also features a “Helpful Links” section which includes links for TDA, UT Extension, and UT Publications (including Suggested Values).

## How to use the TAEP Bull Purchase Reimbursement Tool

1. Print a current copy of the bull's pedigree showing EPD, Genomic, Index, Accuracy, and Pedigree Print Date Information. Pedigree must be dated between October 1, 2025, and Date of Purchase.
2. Go to TAEP home webpage ([www.tn.gov/taep](http://www.tn.gov/taep)).
3. In the sidebar menu, select Producer Programs and then select Genetics Overview or Genetics – Bulls & AI Semen. *Look for the TAEP Bull Purchase Reimbursement Tool section and click on the TAEP/UT Bull Purchase Reimbursement Tool link.*
4. Complete “Bull Information” section using EPD, Genomic, Index, Accuracy and Pedigree Print Date data from pedigree.
  - a. Pedigree Print Date – enter date from pedigree in box or use date menu
  - b. Select EPD Group – GE-EPD or 0.25 Accuracy
  - c. Select Breed - select breed from breed dropdown menu
  - d. EPDs – enter EPD values in appropriate boxes
  - e. Accuracy – enter EPD Accuracies in appropriate boxes; EPD Accuracy range (0 – 1.0); examples include 0.17 or 0.42; *See “Helpful Links” section with questions.*
  - f. Indexes – enter Index values – both Maternal Index & Terminal Index values
5. Click “Check Eligibility” button. Read pop-up “Liability Statement” and click “Ok” button.
6. Review “Reimbursement Eligibility” section to determine bull's status. This section will display if the bull's EPDs, Indexes, & Accuracies are acceptable within each EPD or Index category, identify qualifying bull type, and indicate possible cost share maximum amount. You may select “Print Results” button to print a copy of the results for your records.