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Where Your Food Comes From recognized by CRSB as a Certification Body to do combined CRSB/PAACO Audits for Canadian Feedlot Producers

Where Your Food Comes (WFCF) is officially recognized as a Certification Body for the Canadian Roundtable for Sustainable Beef (CRSB) <https://crsb.ca/>. They will work with CRSB and PAACO (Professional Animal Auditor Certification Organization) certified auditors <https://animalauditor.org/>, which could include your feedlot veterinarian, to offer feedlot producers the ability to do combined CRSB and PAACO feedlot audits. Feedlots can be audited at the same time and day by WFCF CRSB/PAACO certified auditors and receive certification to both the CRSB Beef Production Standard and the PAACO certified Canadian Feedlot Animal Care Assessment Standard <http://nationalcattlefeeders.ca/feedlot-animal-health-welfare/>.

The PAACO certified Canadian Feedlot Animal Care Assessment Standard is recognized by PAACO as meeting their international welfare standards. As well, it is recognized by CRSB as fully equivalent to their health/welfare indicators and recognized by the NFACC (National Farm Animal Care Council) as meeting all requirements in the Canadian Beef Code of Practice and Canada's Animal Care Assessment Framework.

The PAACO certified animal health and welfare feedlot audit tool was developed by the Canadian feedlot industry with feedlot producers, technical experts including feedlot veterinarians and beef cattle animal scientists, and beef welfare experts from Cargill, JBS, and Tyson Foods. It was developed based on the request and need of our federal processors and Canadian retailers to have a PAACO certified welfare standard for Canadian feedlots that is reasonable and practical to achieve, whilst continually improving health/welfare standards for feedlot cattle and proving to consumers that we care for our cattle.

Why become certified to both CRSB/PAACO?

Cargill currently has a Canadian Beef Sustainability Acceleration Pilot Project: <http://cbsapilot.ca/> in collaboration with McDonalds, Loblaws, and other retailers/food services which you can participate in and receive premiums for your fed cattle. Cargill recognizes the combined CRSB/PAACO audits as does JBS and Tyson Foods. Producers now benefit from a single credible, combined audit recognized by all three federal processors and Canadian retailers.

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Thank you,

Alberta Cattle Feeders' Association