

Emergency Plan for Staff Feeding Protocol for the Suckler Cow Herd

Location of cattle (shed name): _____

Prepare feed face:

*e.g. Sweep/remove feed refusals to end of passageway/clean out trough.
Instructions for disposal of waste feed from cows (e.g. remixed or offered to
growing or finishing stock):*

Ration information and mixing protocol:

Load wagon in correct order of ingredients as listed in table below.

RPM's and length of time mixer PTO needs to run to mix feed:

RPMs: _____

Mixing Time: _____

Other instructions for feeding and mixing:

*e.g. silage pit face management and cover removal
switching silage pits (gradual change)
bales to use if different stacks*

Mix size (for number of suckler cows): _____

Number of mixes per day: _____

Feeding out time: _____

Feed ingredient	Mixing order (1 is first)	Kgs/cow/day	Total quantity (based on number of cows)

Feeding out instructions:

- Feed should be delivered to cows at the same time each day.
- Tractor RPM's needed for feed out:
- Ensure feed is always in reach.
- Push up feed to cows as required and last thing at night. Timings for push ups:
- Feed out and distribute mix evenly along trough (uniform mix with no unmixed clumps of feed/silage).
- Ensure wagon is empty after feeding out.

Review daily:

- Check feed consumption i.e. are cattle out of feed for a prolonged period of time or is there a significant quality left over? Adjust as required and if unsure discuss with nutritionist. Mix quantity of feed will need to be adjusted to reflect any change in numbers within groups.
- Major changes in feed consumption should be reported to manager/nutritionist.
- Check all cows come to the feed fence and are bright/healthy.
- Assess feed stocks and report to appropriate person for re-ordering in plenty of time.
- Check water troughs are clean and functioning properly (i.e. water pressure is good).

Useful Contact Details:

Nutritional contact:

Name: _____

Number: _____

Company: _____

Feed Supplier contacts (e.g.) for feeds straights and minerals):

Name: _____

Number: _____

Company: _____

Name: _____

Number: _____

Company: _____

Name: _____

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