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The Canadian dairy industry is committed to supporting dairy research projects across the country. These research efforts, whether provincially- or nationally-supported, work to improve the dairy industry by enhancing farm programs, driving dairy sector innovation, supporting improvement in sustainable dairy production, and increasing understanding of dairy products in human health.

This year, Dairy Farmers of Canada (DFC) is inviting Canadian

## **Research Update & Survey**

dairy farmers and industry stakeholders to complete an **online survey** to update DFC's National Dairy Research Strategy to guide investments in science over the next five years. DFC's first **National Dairy Research Strategy** was published in 2016.

The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete and all answers are kept confidential. Survey participants can choose to enter their name into a draw for Lactanet and DFC Blue Cow Shop gift certificates after completing the questionnaire.

The survey is available from April 1 to 23, 2021 and your input is vital to the long-term growth and innovation in the Canadian dairy industry.

SaskMilk also supports Canadian dairy research independently. Current provincially-supported research includes:

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Industrial Research Chair research (in partnership with other western milk boards and/or DFC):

Dr. Michael Steele, U of GuelphDairy Nutrition (nutrition, gut

physiology, cell biology, microbiology, molecular biology, developmental biology, weaning, metabolism, ruminant management)

- M Dr. Dan Weary and Dr. Nina Von Keyserlingk, UBC Animal Welfare (Calf and Heifer Rearing, Cow health and lameness, Housing facilities and management)
- Dr. Herman Barkema, U of C - Infectious Diseases in Dairy Cattle
- Dr. Jeroen De Buck, U of C - Investigating Solutions for Three Major Production Limiting Infectious Diseases of Dairy Cattle: Mastitis, Digital Dermatitis and Johne's disease
- Dr. Anne Laarman, U of Alberta Dairy Nutrition (Nutrition, Molecular biology, gut physiology, Developmental biology, Ruminant management, Cell biology, Weaning, Metabolism)

Other research, in partnership with ADF, other provincial commodity boards, and external partners:

Treatment of Mastitis In-

fectious in Dairy Cattle-investigation developing novel phytochemical based hybrid antimicrobial agents that can be safely administered to dairy cattle for treating mastitis

- M Dr. Bill Billitegu, U of S Feed Processing to Reduce Ergot Toxicity
- Dr. Ahmad Al-Dissi, U of S Should Livestock Diet be Tested for the Levels of the Epimers of Ergot Alkaloids?
- M Dr. Peiqiang Yu, U of S Alternative feedstuffs for dairy cat-

- tle; whole crop faba bean silage
- The strategies for transition cows in VMS
- Rayner Facility, U of S Cow comfort assessment: deep bedding vs mattresses in VMS freestall facility
- Rayner Facility, U of S Cow comfort- not just for farmers; qualitative assessment of school groups visiting the Rayner Centre
- M Dr. Wendy Wilkins, Ministry of Agriculture Salmonella Dublin

- Surveillance program in Saskatchewan
- Dr. Henry Soita, U of S Comprehensive evaluation of the effect of extended-term delivery of local anesthetic on mitigating the pain caused by castration
- ★ Dr. Henry Soita, U of S Nutritional evaluation of new forage barley and oat varieties as silage sources for high-producing dairy cows





# SAVE THE DATE!

#### **Spring Producer Meetings**

Due to COVID-19, Spring Producer Meetings will also be held online. Registration closes **April 21st at noon.** Please register online **here** or phone the office at

306-949-6999. Please note, these meeting are **PRODUCER** only.

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1:00 p.m.

23 04 21

9:00 a.m.

# **2021 Census of Agriculture**



In May 2021, farm operators will be asked to complete the 2021 Census of Agriculture questionnaire to help update Canada's agricultural profile.

In early May, farm operators will receive a letter with easy-to-follow instructions on how to complete the Census of Agriculture questionnaire online. This user-friendly option will save time by automatically adding totals and limiting the questions to those that apply to the operation. All agricultural operations in Canada are legally required to complete the census questionnaire, according to the Statistics Act. The questionnaire can be completed by anyone who is responsible for, or knowledgeable about, the day-to-day management decisions of the farming operation. The information provided will be kept strictly confidential and will be used only for statistical purposes as mandated by the same act.

Quick Dairy Facts from the 2016 Census of Agriculture:

- There were 1.4 million dairy cows and heifers on Canadian farms
- There were 10,525 farms specializing in dairy cattle and milk production
- The majority of operators (85.0%) did not work anywhere other than on the farm, while 4.0% worked more than 40 hours per week at another job in addi-

tion to their farming duties.

This May, complete the Census of Agriculture questionnaire and be heard amongst Canada's dairy producers!

For more information, please visit Statistics Canada—Census of Agriculture.





# Who Should I Call?



#### Who at the SaskMilk office should producers call? Here's a handy guide!

FOR	CALL	AT
<ul> <li>Sponsorship Requests</li> <li>donation Requests</li> <li>Dairyanna's Costume and Events</li> <li>School Milk Program</li> <li>Nutrition Resource Ordering</li> </ul>	Anita Medl	306-721-9483
Quota Exchange and Private Quota Transfers Leases Transfer Credits Security Applications Projections for production Name Changes Designation of Signing Authority Monthly production numbers for producers	Bev Solie	306-721-9488
<ul><li>School Milk Program</li><li>Marketing Activities</li></ul>	Chelsea Wilcoxen	306-527-0753
<ul> <li>Producer statements</li> <li>Banking info for direct deposit of milk pay</li> <li>Milk pick-up issues -variances in volumes, planning to quit shipping, etc.</li> </ul>	Darlene Weighill	306-721-9491
<ul> <li>On Farm- licensing, facilities, equipment, driveways, yards, animal care</li> <li>Lab testing results</li> <li>Bulk truck drivers- licensing, complaints/issues</li> <li>Bulk tank calibrations</li> <li>Pro Action- Food Safety (CQM), Animal Care, Traceability, Biosecurity, Environment</li> </ul>	Deb Haupstein	306-721-9486
<ul><li>Monthly milk prices paid to producers</li><li>Provincial &amp; National production updates</li></ul>	Doug Miller	306-721-9485
Rayner Dairy Centre & Research  Extension services	Emily Morabito	306-966-6015
SaskMilk Portal Assistance	Jenn Buehler	306-721-9492
<ul> <li>Media or news stories or if you have been contacted by any media agency or reporter</li> <li>Trade agreements, international trade updates</li> <li>DEAP policy/program enquiries</li> <li>Research enquiries or proposals</li> </ul>	Joy Smith	306-721-9482
<ul> <li>Social media enquiries (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook)</li> <li>Website enquiries</li> <li>Newsletter advertising</li> <li>Dairy Conference</li> </ul>	Rigel Smith	306-721-9493



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Comparison of Oxidants  Excellent Good Fair Poor  Oxidants					
	AFP Chemicals	Ozone Injection	Chlorine Compounds	Hydrogen Peroxide	Potassium Permang
Hydrogen Sulphide	<b>Ø</b>	<b>⊘</b>	<b>S</b>	0	<b>Ø</b>
Ferrous lons	<b>Ø</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>Ø</b>	<b>(</b>	
Manganous lons	<b>S</b>	8	8	8	<b>Ø</b>
Colour	<b>S</b>	<b>(</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>(</b>	<b>Ø</b>
Reduce Precursors to CI Organics	<b>S</b>	0	0	0	0
Common Odors	<b>(</b>	<b>(</b>	<b>Ø</b>	<b>(</b>	<b>S</b>
Earthy Musty Odors	<b>(</b>	0	0	0	8
Enhance Coagulation	<b>(</b>	0	<b>Ø</b>	8	8
Residual Maintenance	<b>(</b>	0	<b>Ø</b>	0	0
Overall Rating	<b>Ø</b>	<b>S</b>	8	<b>Ø</b>	<b>⊗</b>

Residuals non-toxic / By-products non-toxic - Products are available in 20, 60, 210, and 1250L quantities



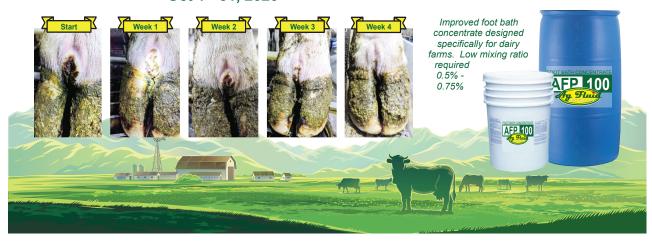
Digital dermatitis case study at a central Alberta 120 milking dairy farm from

Oct 1 - 31, 2020

#### FOOT BATH CONCENTRATE



#### **High Quality Disinfection Concentrate**



# **Quota Exchange**

#### The market-clearing price established for the April 2021 Quota Exchange was \$41,300.

The next Quota Exchange will be held on May 15, 2021. All offers to sell and bids to purchase quota through the Quota Exchange must be submitted by midnight, May 6, 2021. SaskMilk recommends that offers and bids be submitted well in advance of the deadline date to ensure adequate time for corrections, if necessary.

When making bids on the Quota Exchange, the price on offers to sell quota is the minimum price that the producer is prepared to accept for that quota. Only if the market-clearing price is equal to or greater than the producer's minimum price will that producer qualify for participation in the Exchange. Conversely, the price on offers to purchase quota is the maximum price that the producer is prepared to pay for that quota. Only if the market-clearing price is equal to or less than the producer's maximum price will that producer qualify for participation in the Exchange. The clearing price is set at the price where the smallest difference exists between the accumulated volume offered for sale and the accumulated volume bid to purchase. The results of the Quota Exchange are outlined in the following table.

APRIL 2021 QUOTA EXCHANGE RESULTS			
Market Clearing Price per kilogram of butterfat Daily Kilograms offered to Purchase Kilograms offered to Sell Kilograms sold Number of Producers - offered to purchase - purchased quota - offered to sell - sold quota	\$41,300 128.00 71.60 23.00 16 3 10		

	AF	PRIL 2021	QUOTA	EXCHANG	SE CLEAR	ING PRICE	E RESUL'	TS	
Price (\$/ daily kg b.f.)	No. of Sellers	Cumulative Sellers	Daily Kgs b.f. offered for sale	Cumulative sales	Cumulative Sales less Cumulative purchases	Cumulative purchases	Daily Kgs b.f. of- fered to purchase	Cumulative bidders	No. of buyers
\$36,000.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	-128.00	128.00	4.00	16	1
\$36,500.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	-124.00	124.00	10.00	15	1
\$37,000.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	-114.00	114.00	4.00	14	1
\$38,000.00	1	1	0.90	0.90	-109.10	110.00	4.00	13	1
\$38,500.00	0	1	0.00	0.90	-105.10	106.00	25.00	12	2
\$39,000.00	1	2	9.10	10.00	-71.00	81.00	3.00	10	1
\$40,000.00	1	3	0.60	10.60	-67.40	78.00	15.00	9	2
\$40,500.00	1	4	3.00	13.60	-49.40	63.00	10.00	7	1
\$41,000.00	1	5	8.00	21.60	-31.40	53.00	18.00	6	2
\$41,050.00	0	5	0.00	21.60	-13.40	35.00	12.00	4	1
\$41,300.00	1	6	10.00	31.60	8.60	23.00	0.00	3	0
\$41,400.00	1	7	10.00	41.60	18.60	23.00	0.00	3	0
\$41,500.00	1	8	10.00	51.60	28.60	23.00	13.00	3	2
\$41,600.00	1	9	10.00	61.60	51.60	10.00	0.00	1	0
\$41,700.00	1	10	10.00	71.60	61.60	10.00	0.00	1	0
\$42,000.00	0	10	0.00	71.60	61.60	10.00	10.00	1	1

Please contact Bev Solie at 306-949-6999 for inquiries dealing with quota management sheets, the Quota Exchange, for transfer credits, or with any other quota transactions.

TRANSFER CREDIT SUMMARY REPORT				
MONTH	# OF PRODUCERS TRANSFER IN	# OF PRODUCERS TRANSFER OUT	TOTAL KGS OF BUTTERFAT	
March, 2020	17	17	7,531	
April	10	10	6,670	
May	6	6	3,000	
June	8	8	8,328	
July	11	11	13,384	
August	11	11	6,964	
September	30	30	22,918	
October	19	19	13,812	
November	15	15	8,120	
December	20	20	10,452	
January	14	14	7,350	
February	13	13	8,529	
March, 2021	9	9	10,120	

PRIVATE TRANSFERS PROCESSED			
MONTH	DAILY KILOGRAMS		
March, 2020	0.00		
April	232.64		
May	49.00		
June	164.00		
July	410.00		
August	199.00		
September	1,146.31		
October	10.00		
November	96.88		
December	0.00		
January	25.00		
February	0.00		
March, 2021	578.58		

OVER QUOTA (OVER 5 DAYS) REPORT BY MONTH			
MONTH	# OF PRODUCERS	KGS BUTTERFAT	
March, 2020	11	1,008	
April	7	1,286	
May	4	764	
June	3	190	
July	5	216	
August	3	34	
September	2	202	
October	2	174	
November	2	142	
December	4	341	
January	5	1,437	
February	9	1,496	
March, 2021	25	1,690	

SUMMARY REPORT OF CREDITS MARCH 2021 - 156 PRODUCERS			
DAYS	# OF PRODUCERS	POSITIVE CREDITS ACCUMULATED (KGS OF BUTTERFAT)	
+ 5	11	7,954	
0 to + 5	39	19,504	
TOTAL	50	27,458	
DAYS	# OF PRODUCERS	NEGATIVE CREDITS ACCUMULATED (KGS OF BUTTERFAT)	
-15	2	1,009	
-10 to -15	20	47,412	
-5 to -10	41	78,428	
0 to -5	43	17,300	
TOTAL	106	144,148	

LOST OPPORTUNITY REPORT					
MONTH # OF PRODUCERS LOST OPPORTUNITY (KGS OF BUTTERFAT)					
March, 2020	1	648			
April, 2020	4	1,416			
May, 2020	9	2,479			
June, 2020	8	3,531			
July, 2020	10	3,572			
August, 2020	8	2,022			
September, 2020	6	617			
October, 2020	3	491			
November, 2020	3	255			
December, 2020	4	844			
January, 2021	5	1,006			
February, 2021	2	365			
March, 2021	2	522			

WEIGHTED AVERAGE COMPONENT TESTS & PRICES MARCH 2021			
COMPONENTS	AVERAGE TEST	PRICE PER KILOGRAM CLASS 1 TO 5	
Butterfat	4.2257	16.830239	
Protein	3.2586	2.567631	
Other Solids	5.9055	0.708405	

The average butterfat price received per kilogram was \$19.80.

#### **SASKATCHEWAN MILK POOL RESULTS MARCH 2021**

Milk Sale Revenue WMP Revenue/<Expense> \$22,018,968.51 <\$981.990.20>

**Total Revenue** 

\$21,036,978.31

# Changes to the *Milk Producer*Magazine

Dairy Farmers of Ontario (DFO) is changing the way in which it sends *Milk Producer* magazine. In the past, it has been automatically mailed to producers across the country. DFO is now asking individual farms to sign up to continue receiving the monthly printed magazine. The subscription will continue to be FREE. All you need to do is sign up online at <a href="bit.ly/mp-mag">bit.ly/mp-mag</a> or fill out the hard copy subscription form that will be coming in the mail with the April magazine.

*Milk Producer* magazine is proudly owned and published by Canadian dairy farmers, for Canadian dairy farmers. The news and industry perspective of the magazine are an essential resource for farming smarter and more productively.

Check out the magazine's new website at milkproducer.ca.



# **RENEW NOW**

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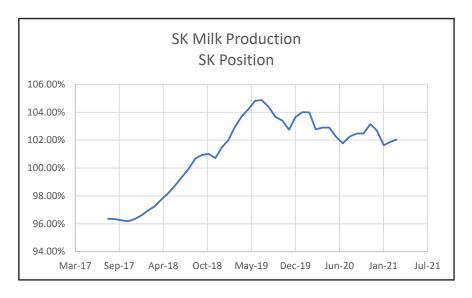
For questions, email milkproducer@milk.org
Check out our new website at www.milkproducer.ca

	(1) Monthly Total Production	(2) Total Monthly CDC Quota Allocation	(3) Monthly Over or (Under) Production	(4) Lower Flexibility Limit -2.00%
	Kgs of bf	Kgs bf	Kgs bf	Kgs bf
			col. 1 - 2 = 3	col. 8 * -1.5%
Mar-20	1,055,461	1,073,511	(18,050)	-245,108
Apr-20	970,693	865,580	105,113	-241,673
May-20	1,020,648	947,006	73,642	-241,096
Jun-20	990,904	989,664	1,240	-242,452
Jul-20	1,023,353	1,044,803	(21,450)	-243,564
Aug-20	1,023,170	1,005,440	17,730	-242,210
Sep-20	1,022,765	1,040,287	(17,522)	-241,699
Oct-20	1,089,543	1,149,939	(60,396)	-241,828
Nov-20	1,048,426	1,077,998	(29,572)	-241,673
Dec-20	1,110,597	1,138,227	(27,630)	-243,172
Jan-21	1,106,333	1,059,133	47,200	-245,941
Feb-21	995,725	864,139	131,586	-245,225
Mar-21	1,065,238	1,064,716	522	-245,049

In March, Saskatchewan had a monthly CDC allocation of **1,064,716 kilograms** of butterfat. Saskatchewan production was **522 kgs** of butterfat over and cumulatively over by **781,441 kgs** of butterfat. On a percentage basis, Saskatchewan is **6.38%** above our CDC allocation flexibility limits based on the Continuous Quota model. The -2.00% lower flexibility limit is in effect.

(5) Upper Flexibility Limit 1.25%  Kgs bf  col. 8 *1.0%	(6) Cumulative Over or (Under) Production with limits  Kgs bf	(7) Cumulative Over or (Under) Production with limits ( %)	(8) Rolling 12 Month Total Quota  Kgs bf
153,192	472,961	3.86%	12,255,382
151,046	578,074	4.78%	12,083,667
150,685	651,716	5.41%	12,054,823
151,533	652,956	5.39%	12,122,607
152,228	631,506	5.19%	12,178,203
151,382	643,715	5.28%	12,110,521
151,062	622,175	5.15%	12,084,970
151,143	561,779	4.94%	12,091,404
151,046	567,629	5.10%	12,083,648
151,983	588,785	4.84%	12,158,620
153,713	635,986	5.28%	12,297,055
153,266	780,919	6.37%	12,261,248
153,156	781,441	6.38%	12,252,453

- (1) Monthly Production in Saskatchewan
- (2) Total Monthly Quota = Class 1 sales + Monthly MSQ + Carry Forward
- (3) Difference between the monthly production (1) and the total monthly quota (2)
- (4) The Lower Flexibility Limit is -2.00% of Rolling 12 Month Total Quota (9)
- (5) The Upper Flexibility Limit is 1.25% of Rolling 12 Month Total Quota (9)
- (6) Previous Month Cumulative Over or (Under) Production + Current Monthly Over or (Under) Production (capped at lower or upper limit if applicable)
- (7) Equal to Column (6) expressed as a percentage basis within the flexibility limits
- (8) Total Monthly CDC Quota Allocation for the previous 12 months



Beta-lactam Drug	Detection Level† (ppb*)	US Safe Level or Tolerance / Cana- dian MRL (ppb*)	Sulfa Drug	Detection Level† (ppb*)	US Safe Level or Tolerance / Canadian MRL (ppb*)
Amoxicillin	3.1	10 / None	Sulfadimethoxine	4.7	10 / 10∞
Ampicillin	7.7	10 / 10	Sulfamethazine	7.7	10 / 10∞
Ceftiofur and Metabolites^	53	100 / 100	Tetracycline Drug	Detection Level† (ppb*)	US Safe Level/ Tolerance / Canadian MRL (ppb*)
Cephapirin	14	20 / 20	Chlortetracycline	54	300 / 100
Cloxacillin	7.4	10 / None	Oxytetracycline	66	300 / 100
Penicillin G	2.2	5 / 6&	Tetracycline	21	300 / 100

<sup>†</sup> Positive at least 90% of the time with 95% confidence.

#### Test stations are located at the following locations:

REGION	LOCATION	CONTACT
Swift Current, SK	Agifoods Truck Bay	675 Cheadle Street W., 306-773-1097 or Roger Ruf 306-741-3261
Star City, SK	Star City Colony	Reuben Tschetter, 306-921-9381
Grenfell, SK		Jim Ross, 306-697-2232
Yorkton, SK	Ford Dairy Farms Inc.	Bud & Margaret Ford, 306-782-7240
Saskatoon, SK	Agrifoods Truck Bay (east of Saputo receiving bay)	Mike V. or Mike K., 306-664-0202 After hours: 306-668-8135

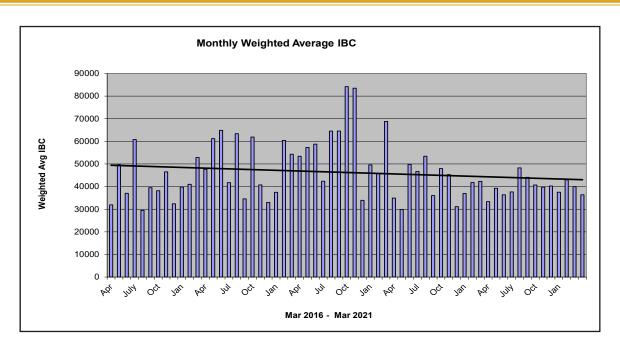
Charm tests strips and Charm testers are now available for purchase through SaskMilk. Agrifoods is now carrying SNAP test kits for tetracyclines as well as beta lactams. For further information contact: Deb Haupstein 306-721-9486

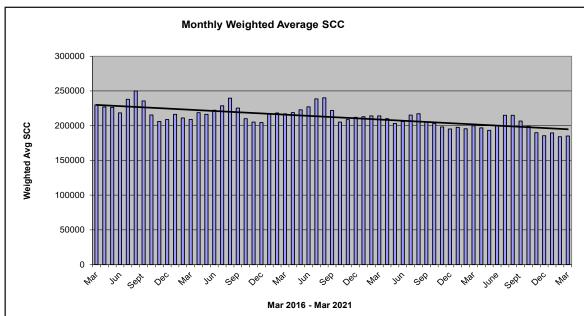
<sup>\*</sup> parts per billion or ng/mL

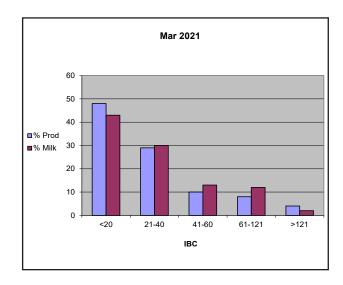
<sup>^</sup> Ceftiofur parent drug sensitivity is approximately 1/2 that reported in the table.

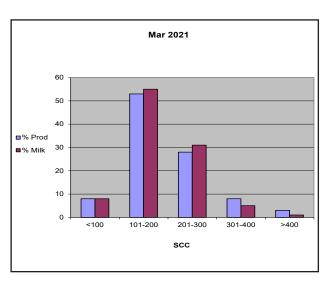
<sup>&</sup>amp; Canadian MRL for penicillin G is 0.01 IU/ml, equivalent to 6 ppb.

<sup>∞</sup> Canadian MRL for sulfa drugs are singly or in combination with other MRL listed sulfonamides.











# **Outdoor Access for Dairy Cattle Study**



SaskMilk and University of Calgary faculty Veterinary Medicine (Herman Barkema and Anne-Marieke Smid) are working together to help understand dairy producers' views on <u>outdoor access for dairy cattle</u>. Recent research has indicated that some producers make use of outdoor access (i.e. pasture and other types of outdoor areas) but others report concerns and have questions regarding the feasibility of incorporating outdoor access into current dairy cattle management practices. The aims of this study are to explore:

- 锅 Current use of outdoor access for dairy cattle on commercial dairy farms, and
- 🎮 Producer's perspective on the feasibility and future of outdoor access on dairy farms.

The questionnaire will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. Questions cover farm management with a focus on outdoor access for dairy cows, perceptions regarding certain barriers and motives for outdoor access, and how you envision outdoor access for dairy cows will look in the future.

For more information on the study please contact.

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### **Code of Practice**

#### 5.2 Loading and Receiving

When loading cattle, shippers should defer to the expertise of the driver who has a general understanding of allowable weight and loading density allowable on each part of the trailer. Drivers are also aware of variations between provincial/state requirements. Commercial vehicles must comply with provincial and state gross vehicle loading limits (e.g., the total weight of the tractor, trailer, and load).

Round crowd pens and curved single file chutes work better than straight ones. Curved cattle chutes are better for handling cattle because they take advantage of the natural tendency of cattle to go back to where they came from (79).

#### **REQUIREMENTS**

Electric cattle prods must only be used in extreme situations, such as when animal or human safety is at risk, and must never be used on the face, anus or reproductive organs of dairy cattle.

Electric prods must not be used on calves that can be moved manually.

The requirements for loading and unloading procedures and equipment as described in the Health of Animals Regulations must be complied with.<sup>2</sup>

Enure cattle that are incompatible are segregated.

#### RECOMMENDED BEST PRACTICES

- ensure animal handlers are trained in proper loading and unloading practices
- ensure roads and loading areas are accessible in all kinds of weather
- ensure loading facilities:
  - nave curved chutes with solid sides
  - sare uniform in color and texture
  - Mare uniformly illuminated (avoid sharp contrasts and shadows)
- ensure ramps are designed to prevent slipping and falling and are free of protrusions or sharp objects
- move cattle in small groups
- load cattle calmly and quietly (do not yell or whistle)
- know how to determine proper loading densities in order to provide more accurate information to transporters when arranging for transport (refer to Transportation Code of Practice) (76).

- 2. The Health of Animals Regulations prohibit loading or unloading an animal in a way likely to cause injury or undue suffering. The Regulations also require that ramps, chutes and other equipment used for loading and unloading animals:
- be maintained and used so as not to cause injury or undue suffering to animals,
- have sides of sufficient strength and height to prevent animals from falling off the ramp or other equipment, and
- have no unprotected gap between the ramp and the vehicle



## **DFC Update**

# Dairy Farmers of Canada supports establishment of a 'Grocery Code of Conduct'



Dairy Farmers of Canada (DFC) welcomes with great interest the 'Grocery Supply Code of Practice for Canada' proposed by Food, Health & Consumer Products of Canada (FHCP) and Empire Company Limited. If adopted, a code of conduct of this nature would bring greater balance to supplier-retailer relationships, improve competition in the grocery retail environment, and foster greater collaboration throughout the food supply chain.

In recent years, some retailers have increased pressure on suppliers by imposing arbitrary and unreasonably harsh fees and penalties and making unilateral changes to supply agreements. If left unchecked, these practices could hamper product innovation, reduce product variety, and generate unnecessary costs, with a negative impact on dairy farmers, processors, independent grocers and consumers alike.

Countries such as Australia, Ireland and the United Kingdom have already recognized the benefits of adopting such codes of conduct, which promote transparency, predictability and openness in the food supply chain.

Dairy Farmers of Canada is supportive of this kind of proposal and expresses its desire to participate in any future consultations on this issue.

# **March Quality Bonus**

To get the quality bonus producers must have:

Monthly Average:

IBC - <= 30,000/ ml

SCC- <= 250,000/ml

FPt- lower than -0.525°Hortvet

No positive inhibitors

\*represent # of months the quality bonus has been received

HUT BRET CHURCH OF BEECHY***	HUTT BRET DINSMORE***	VANGUARD HUTT BRET***
BENCH COLONY**	ROSETOWN FARMING CO***	WHEATLAND HUTT BRET OF CABRI**
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