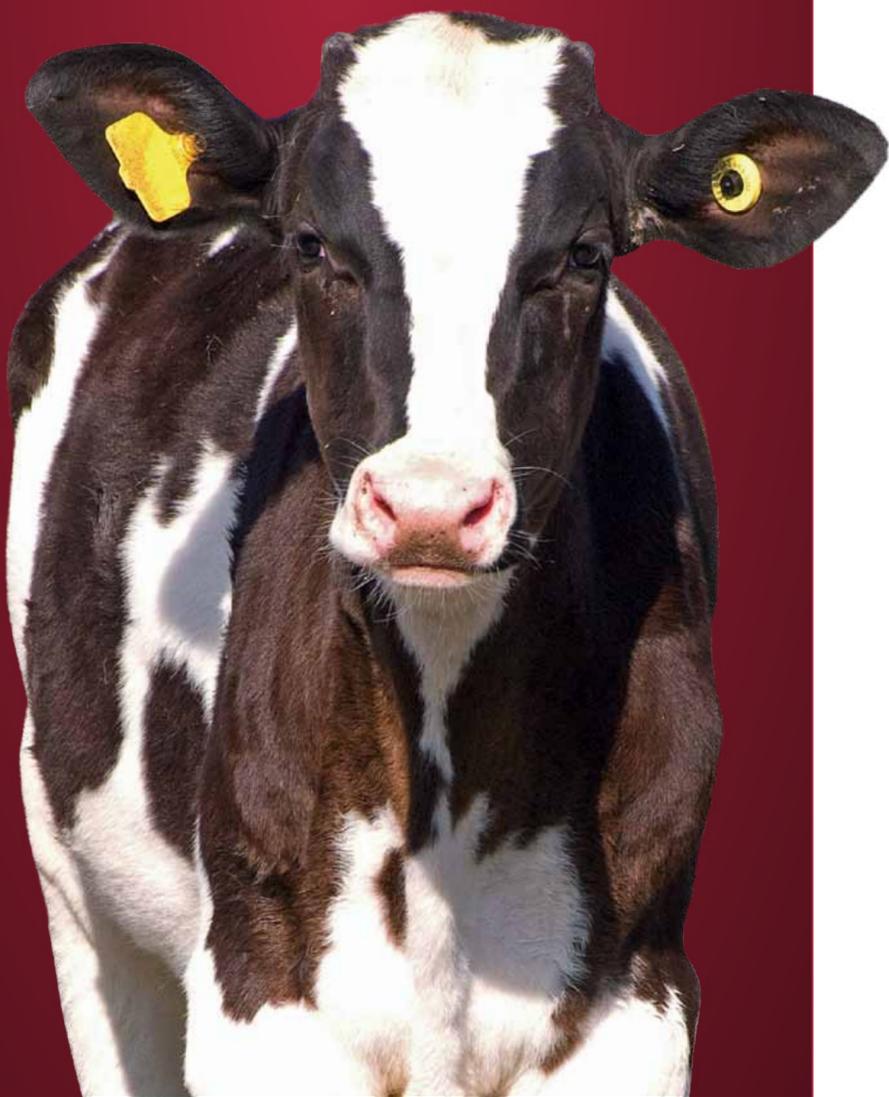


Movement and isolation checklist

VEAL CALVES

A disease outbreak in your herd can result in losses and increased costs. Follow these guidelines when introducing new animals onto your farm—and reduce the risk to your operation by helping to keep disease out.



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Lower the risk of disease transmission in your herd:

- ☑ Clean and disinfect transport trucks and trailers in between loads or ensure that your transporter has an appropriate protocol in place.
- ☑ If possible, avoid commingling calves during transport or sale.
- ☑ Do not transport unfit animals.
- ☑ When receiving new calves, sort them according to size and weight to reduce stress and make it easier for them to adjust to their new environment.
- ☑ Treat and vaccinate calves of unknown health status when they arrive.
- ☑ Observe new calves and their response to the new farm site closely and keep them away from your existing herd when they first arrive.
- ☑ Keep calves in dry, comfortable and sanitary environments to avoid development of scours and give them time to acclimatize to their new surroundings.
- ☑ Avoid nose-to-nose contact between calves to avoid spread of disease.
- ☑ Isolate sick animals and avoid direct contact between them or between healthy and sick calves.
- ☑ Ensure healthy and sick calves do not eat or drink from the same feed or water sources.
- ☑ Implement enhanced biosecurity between sick pens and/or quarantine areas and the rest of your herd.
- ☑ Consider contamination risks when moving healthy and sick animals through common alleyways in the barn. Move healthy animals first to avoid disease transmission.
- ☑ Properly sanitize pails, drenching tubes, balling guns and needles.
- ☑ Provide training for your staff on biosecurity protocols.

For more information, visit www.agbiosecurity.ca or contact the Ontario Veal Association at info@livestockalliance.ca or 519-824-2942.

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