

RECOMMENDED HUSBANDRY FOR PURCHASED CALVES

HEALTHY CALF CHECKLIST

Buy healthy calves - Clean tail.



Healthy coat.



Bright eyes.



Introduce calves to Vitalac gradually over 3-4 feeds taking due allowance for calf's age and weight.



Feed 1 : 75% electrolyte 25% Vitalac.



Feed 2 : 50% electrolyte 50% Vitalac.



Feed 3 : 25% electrolyte 75% Vitalac.



Feed 4 : Full Vitalac concentration.



Give multivitamin injection.



Vaccinate for pneumonia – Intranasal.



Place calves in a dry well bedded pen that is draught free and yet adequately ventilated.



Keep clean fresh water available at calf's head height.



Place fresh palatable concentrate with calves.



A high flaked maize level (20%) is a recommended ingredient.

Keep a good 'stockmans' eye on purchased calves particularly for the first ten days.



Deal with any signs of sickness promptly.

