

Parasite Prevention SOP

Work with your veterinarian to develop a parasite prevention program to control both internal and external parasites. Review the plan annually with your veterinarian and the employee(s) responsible for the program.

Farm:							
<u>Age / Management Group</u>	Risk for parasites	<u>Treatment: Product and Application or Practice</u> (based on fecal exam)	<u>Internal Parasite Products</u> <u>Withdrawal time</u>		<u>External Parasite Products</u> <u>Withdrawal time</u>		Responsible Person(s)
			Milk hours	Meat days	Milk hours	Meat days	
YOUNG-STOCK & HIEFERS							
Calves 0-60 days	High for coccidia						
Calves 2-5 months	High coccidia High internal						
Calves 6-13 months	High coccidia High internal						
Pregnant heifers	Moderate coccidia High to Mod. internal						

- Industry guidelines suggest fecal exams should be performed yearly, preferably in late fall, at/or prior to freshening, or when a problem is noted (e.g. diarrhea, low body condition score etc.....).
- To get a representative picture of a group one should obtain 8 to 10 samples per 100 animals in a group. Sample all categories (e.g. cows, yearlings, replacement heifers, calves....).
- If the fecal sample can't be examined fresh, then refrigerate or put in a cooler with freezer packs. DO NOT freeze or leave in heat.

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Adult & Lactating Cattle							
Cows grazing in lactation	High internal						
Rotational grazing cows	High internal						
Cows grazing when dry	Moderate to high internal						
Cows with exercise lot access	Moderate internal						
Cows with dirt lot access	Moderate to low						
Cows on concrete or totally confined	Low to none						

*Source D .Bliss and G.H. Myers, "Parasite control strategies for dairy cattle in the 1990's." Hoeschst-Roussel Agri-vet

*Source D. Bliss and W.G. Kvasnicka, "The fecal examination: A Missing Link in Food Animal Practice." The Compendium April 1997

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