

PROACTION DOWNED ANIMAL CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Farm Name:		Date:
<p>A "downed animal" is defined as any animal, including a calf, that has been lying down and is unable to rise or remain standing without assistance, regardless of the reason. Animals that have been down for longer the 4 hours warrant immediate attention.</p>		
Contact person:		Phone #:
Veterinarian:		Phone #:
Considerations in ALL Scenarios		Notes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Perform a physical exam to determine cause for animal to be down	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cattle with untreatable conditions or those not responding to treatment will be promptly euthanized. See Euthanasia SOP.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Administer medical intervention if required	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Correct metabolic imbalances (i.e. Calcium deficiency)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Pain control (i.e. NSAIDs)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitor hydration and feed intake	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Contact Vet after _____ hours if not improving or if uncertain of diagnosis/treatment plan. See contact info above.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Move animal to a location that supports recovery and ensures provision of proper care. If the current location is adequate do not move the animal. Avoid moving animals in labour.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure proper footing (i.e. sand applied around the animal) or if in a stall, that the gutter is covered.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure shelter from elements (direct sun/heat, cold, wind, moisture, predators)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure access to food and water	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Isolate from other animals to prevent injury and support recovery	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Roll cow from one side to the other every few hours	
<input type="checkbox"/>	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.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electric cattle prods must never be used on calves that can be moved manually.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Animal handlers must be familiar with cattle behaviour and quiet handling techniques either through training, experience or mentorship	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Apparatus to lift and support recumbent animals must be used with care and according to manufacturers specifications. Animals must be able to breathe freely and not suffer unnecessary discomfort.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Hip lifters	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Bucket of tractor	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Skidder	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Float tank	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Hobbles/ropes/straps	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Assess animal regularly to monitor progress	
<input type="checkbox"/>		
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Considerations Specific to Individual Scenarios		
Animal Down in Stall		Notes
<input type="checkbox"/>		
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Animal Down in Parlour		Notes
<input type="checkbox"/>		
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Animal Down on a Bedded Pack		Notes
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Animal Down in Alley		Notes
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Animal Down on Pasture		Notes
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Animal Down _____		Notes
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