



# Calving Checklist

## To do list

- ☐ Are cows scanned ?
- ☐ Use ICBF expected calving profile to determine calving dates, cows with twins, peak workload.
- ☐ Cows vaccinated against scour, IBR etc.
- ☐ Dry cow minerals for 6- weeks pre-calving
- ☐ Are cows clean ? (Tails/Flank)
- ☐ Have you got frozen colostrum/ biestings ?
- ☐ Are calving cameras clean & serviced ?
- ☐ Are calving sensors working and have new batteries ?
- ☐ Have you ordered sufficient tags?

## Equipment

- ☐ Calving gloves
- ☐ Calving lubricant
- ☐ Calving jack
- ☐ Good calving ropes & spares
- ☐ Iodine
- ☐ Chlorohexidine
- ☐ Stomach Tube/ Feeding bottle
- ☐ Electrolyte/Kaolin Powder
- ☐ Thermometer
- ☐ Warming box/ calf jacket
- ☐ Calciject/Magniject
- ☐ Flutter valve
- ☐ Cow lifter

*flip over* 

*Points to  
Remember*

**Well grown first  
calvers are  
essential**

**Plan your  
calvings to  
minimise  
problems**

**Observe all  
calving's if  
possible**

**Use correct  
navel care  
routine**

**Intervene only  
when necessary**

**Clean pens &  
housing to  
minimise  
disease**