

## AHDB Mobility Score - 4 point scale (0 to 3)



### To assess your herd

- Observe each cow individually
- On a hard, non-slip surface
- For 6 – 10 uninterrupted strides

#### Score 0:

#### Good mobility

- ✓ Even weight bearing & rhythm
- ✓ Flat back
- ✓ Long, fluid strides possible

#### Score 1:

#### Imperfect mobility

- ✓ Steps uneven/shortened
- ✓ Affected limb(s) not immediately identifiable

#### Score 2:

#### Impaired mobility

**!! Lamé !!**

- ✓ Uneven weight bearing
- ✓ Affected limb immediately identifiable

#### Score 3:

#### Severely impaired mobility

**!!! Very lame !!!**

- ✓ Cannot keep up with the healthy herd

### Take home messages

- Routinely monitor the mobility of your herd
- Identify lameness episodes **early**
- Treat score 2 and 3 cows promptly