Dairy Cattle Nutrition Guide

A dairy cattle nutrition guide for producers covering the basic steps for feeding lactating cows, dry cows and heifers, with reminders to work with a nutritionist.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Know the nutrient needs of each group
2. Test forages before balancing rations
3. Work with a qualified nutritionist
4. Feed a consistent mix at each feeding
5. Watch bunk space and refusals
6. Provide clean water at all times
7. Adjust rations for stage of lactation
8. Review body condition and milk results

YOUR NOTES

TIP Review the guide with your nutritionist and update ration steps whenever forages or herd groups change.