Dairy Cow Handling SOP

A dairy cow handling SOP for farms covering calm, safe ways to move, restrain and work with cattle so both workers and cows stay uninjured.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Plan the move before starting
2. Use quiet voices and calm movement
3. Know the flight zone and balance point
4. Keep clear exit routes
5. Use gates and alleys to guide cows
6. Restrain cows using approved equipment
7. Never stand in a blind spot
8. Watch fresh and protective cows closely
9. Report near misses

YOUR NOTES

TIP Train all staff on low stress handling and review any incident where someone was hurt.