Lameness Scoring Sheet for Dairy

A lameness scoring sheet for dairy herds to rate cows' walking and posture by pen so lame cows are found early and sent for hoof care.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

Farm and pen name _____

Date and observer _____

Scoring system used _____

Cows observed in pen _____

Cows with normal gait _____

Cows with mild lameness _____

Cows with moderate lameness _____

Cows with severe lameness _____

Cows flagged for trimming _____

NOTES / CALCULATIONS

TIP Score cows on a firm, flat surface while they walk calmly, and use the same observer for comparisons over time.