

7 Stages of Cow

STAGES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
AGE*	0 - 5 DAYS	5 - 60 DAYS	60 - 90 DAYS	3 MONTHS - 15 MONTHS	15 MONTHS	24 MONTHS +	YEARLY (0-30 DAYS)
PHASE	NEWBORN COLOSTRUM	PRE-WEANED MILKCALF	TRANSITION	HEIFER / STEER	BREEDING	MILKING	DRY PERIOD + MATERNITY
WATCH OUT FOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colostrum Management Safe Spot for Calf Interaction with Mom Hygiene 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respiratory disease Scours Monitor Live Weight Gain? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stress from Change <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - social - environmental - nutritional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Too slow development Poor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - live weight gain - on-heat activity - underdevelopment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At least 2/3 of final body weight at breeding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Give cow same comfort level as pasture Keep cows healthier and longer in herd for better profitability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Right body condition at calving Hygiene
SOLUTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cuddle Box = Safe and hygienic spot for calf, interaction with mom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fresh Air Monitor closely Stop infections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce Stress: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - smaller groups - little age difference - lots of air and feed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Great Environment + Feed = Great Animals Over perfect conditions to let animal thrive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breed at best time <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - body weight - height - age 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optimal rest and feed! Comfortable beds Safe Flooring Fresh Air 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soft bedded calving pen for cow Safe and warm shelter for calf Stress-free calving line for every cow and calf
NEW BUILD / PROJECT 1 ST CONSIDERATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stressfree Calving line Indoor Strawpen for Mom Cuddle Box & NewBorn Station on feeding table 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indoor or Outdoor = Hutches or Pens Buddy or not to Buddy? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Smooth transition" solutions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group Hutches - Grouping in Pens 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lots of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Space - Air - Water - Rest - Feed - Light 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heifer Comfort = low stress facility Heifer Introduction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optimal soft beds Soft, non-slippery flooring Ventilation Slurry Aeration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soft, hygienic calving pen Cuddle Box for Calf