

Develop a mating plan for a beef herd

Level 4

Credits 3

Purpose People credited with this unit standard are able to develop a mating plan for a beef herd.

Subfield Agriculture

Domain Cattle Farming

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Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference 0052

This AMAP can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Special notes

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes the – Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, Animal Welfare Act 1999, and their subsequent amendments.
- 2 Performance of all aspects of this unit standard should comply with the *Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Dairy Cattle* (Wellington: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, 1992).
- 3 Definition
On-farm procedures – the verbal or written instructions to staff on procedures for animal health, welfare, and management.

Elements and performance criteria

Element 1

Develop a mating plan for a beef herd.

Range before mating, during mating, after mating.

Performance criteria

1.1 Plan includes consideration of calving dates and subsequent mating season following current mating.

Range includes but is not limited to – health, condition, feeding levels.

1.2 Plan identifies monitoring and recording requirements of beef herd mating in accordance with on-farm procedures.

1.3 Plan identifies heat detection and mating strategies for the beef herd to achieve optimum conception rates.

Range one of – artificial insemination, natural mating.

1.4 Plan identifies actions to take in the event of variations from normal procedures.

Range includes but is not limited to – impotent bulls, abnormalities of reproductive cycles.

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Comments on this unit standard

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