



Ontario Corn Fed Beef Quality Assurance Program Animal Care Checklist

Operation _____ Month _____ Completed by _____

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Additional comments or notes for the month:

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Requirements of the *Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Beef Cattle* are also addressed in other OCFB QA forms and protocols.

Animal Care and Feeding Environment - Standard Operating Procedures

1. Ensure pen conditions provide cattle with appropriate feeding, watering, living and bedding conditions.
2. Pens, yards, wintering sites are designed and maintained to reduce tag build-up. Cattle are denied access to manure storage areas.
3. Protection from extreme weather conditions such as high temperatures, humidity and extreme cold. Providing cattle with shelter is critical.
4. Producer must complete the Animal Care Checklist daily and maintain copies of monthly records.
5. **Behaviour** - Bullers are removed.
6. **Handling** - Animal handlers are trained in proper technique and cattle are handled in a low stress manner.
7. **Cattle ID** - cattle CCIA tags are checked during cattle receiving and cattle shipping procedures.
8. **Pregnancy** - When new cattle are brought in, heifers are pregnancy checked and any pregnant animals are handled appropriately (Heifer groups will be recorded in OCFB QA records including arrival date, pregnancy check date, and course of action taken).
9. **Emergency** - If an animal health emergency arises, prompt action as recommended by the veterinarian is taken and recorded.