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Animal Welfare Checklist

Cattle - Dairy

Name of Farm: Rhenosterbos FarmPhysical Address: Rhenosterbos FarmPostal Address: Rhenosterbos Farm, Mro/mobury.Owner: Alwyn Hancken.Cell Telephone: 073 186 7947 Fax: — Cell: —E-mail: —Name of Dairy: Rhenosterbosmyn.Marketing Name: —GPS Co-ordinates: —Directions: —Date 13/10/23Time arrived 11:00Time departed 12:00

		Satisfactory	Comments
2.1.11	Are calves housed indoors and if so does lighting allow for animals to be inspected?	✓	
2.1.12	Is lighting too bright as to cause discomfort to animals?	✓	
2.1.13	What is the lighting period?		H: 0600 - 2030
2.1.14	Is ventilation sufficient to remove toxic gases and dust?	✓	
2.1.15	Does ventilation maintain airflow without causing draughts?	✓	
2.1.16	Are calves tethered or chained? If so, please describe.	✓	
2.2	Food/water		
2.2.1	At what age are calves removed from their dams?		Day 1
2.2.2	For how long after birth are calves fed colostrum?		3 days
2.2.3	In how many feeds is colostrum administered?		2L times 6
2.2.4	If suckling is not possible how much colostrum is given to calves via a stomach tube and in how many feeds?		
2.2.5	Are calves bucket fed?	✓	
2.2.6	Are buckets clean?	✓	
2.2.7	Are calves bottle fed?	✓	
2.2.8	Are bottles and teats clean?	✓	
2.2.9	Are calves given milk substitute?	✓	
2.2.10	Are calves given cow's milk?	✓	
2.2.11	How many times a day are calves given milk?		3 times a day.
2.2.12	How much milk is given per feed?		2L per feed.
2.2.13	At what temperature is milk fed?		35°C
2.2.14	At what age are calves given concentrates?		Day 3

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		Yes	No	
2.2.15	At what age are calves provided with water?			Day 2
2.2.16	Is roughage provided?			
2.2.17	If calves are in groups is there a system in place to ensure that they are all able to drink at the same time?	✓		
3	Adult cattle			
	Food / water			
3.1	Is grazing available and is it adequate?		✓	
3.2	Type of feed in addition to grazing?			Total mix TMR.
3.3	Is supplementation provided?	✓		
3.4	Is water provided?	✓		
3.5	Are troughs/containers clean?	✓		
3.6	Are troughs/containers situated so that smallest animal can drink?	✓		
3.7	Are troughs situated to prevent faecal soiling?	✓		
3.8	Can all cattle drink at once?		✓	
3.9	Is any shade or shelter provided for adult cattle?	✓		
3.10	Are shelters designed to avoid injury to cattle?	✓		
3.11	Does shelter provide protection against inclement weather?	✓		
4	Milking			
4.1	At what times are cows milked?			Am - 4:30 - 11:30 Pm - 16:30
4.2	Do cows have access to food whilst waiting to be milked?		✓	
4.3	Do cows have access to water whilst waiting to be milked?	✓		
4.4	Do cows have access to shelter whilst waiting to be milked?	✓		

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		Yes	No	
4.5	Are cows handled humanely during milking process?	✓		
4.6	Is milk checked to ensure mastitis is not present?	✓		
4.7	How are udders cleaned prior to milking?			Washed + Predip
4.8	How are udders cleaned after milking?			Postdip
4.9	Are all quarters milked thoroughly?	✓		
4.10	What type of equipment is used?			Delandal system
4.11	Is equipment well maintained?	✓		
4.12	Are nipples well maintained?	✓		
4.13	Is floor non slip?	✓		
4.14	Are lactating cows milked prior to removal for transportation or sale?	✓		
5	Health			
5.1	Are routine inoculations and parasite control administered?	✓		
5.2	Are personnel involved in the administration of medicines competent to do so?	✓		
5.3	Are cattle checked daily for sickness/injury?	✓		
5.4	Are sick/injured cattle isolated and treated promptly?	✓		
5.6	Are isolation facilities available?	✓		
5.7	Do isolation facilities provide food, water and shelter?	✓		
5.8	What is the mortality rate?			1.5 %
5.9	Are mortalities removed promptly?	✓		
5.10	Is emergency slaughter performed where necessary?	✓		Describe method

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		Yes	No	
6	Handling			
6.1	Are personnel trained to handle livestock?	✓		
6.2	Is suitable handling equipment available?	✓		
6.3	Are cattle left unattended in crushes or any other restraining equipment?		✓	
6.4	Are cattle handled humanely?	✓		
6.5	Is an electric prod used?			
6.6	If electric prodders are used are they applied to face, anal or genital areas?		✓	
7	Surgical / Routine Procedures			
7.1	Under whose instruction are surgical procedures performed?			The vet.
7.2	Is castration performed?		✓	
7.3	What method of castration is performed?	✓		
7.4	Is tail amputation procedures done and if so, how is it done?		✓	
7.5	Are nose rings used on bulls?	✓		
7.6	Are nose rings smooth and well fitting?	✓		
7.7	How long are cows in difficult birth left before help is sought?			1 hour.
7.8	Is calving induced and if so by whom?		✓	
7.9	How often are cows checked after being induced?			
7.10	How often are hooves checked?			Daily.
7.11	Is dehorning/disbudding performed and if so by whom?	✓		
7.12	Describe method of dehorning/disbudding?			
7.13	Is analgesia or anesthesia administered during routine procedures?	✓		

Veterinary Details:-

Name: Andrieu, Greenewald
Practice: bergzicht Animal Hospital

Address: _____
Telephone no / Cell: 082 414 2358

Emergency A/H no: _____

General comments:

Warning issued? no

Photos taken? yes

Manager / Responsible person (Name & surname) Henning Opperman

Contact Details: 082 771 7751

Signature: 

Inspector (Name & surname): J. OCTOBER

Society: Swartland