

Reporting Calf Related Health and Disease Events

This sheet can be used to record health events in real-time and then entered into the ICBF website or farm management systems. We recommend keeping it in your remedies cabinet so that events can be recorded as they happen so that we can have an accurate picture of herd health. This chart will help in future sustainability programs, aspects of which are focused on cow diseases.

This sheet focuses on calf diseases, events such as calving difficulty, abortion, stillborn, malpresentation and genetic defects should be recorded through Animal Events (for calving performance) and/or on the ICBF website, or on farm management systems for other calving related events. If you have any questions on any aspect of recording, please contact ICBF **HerdPlus on 1850 600 900** or e-mail **Health@ICBF.com**.

This system is based on farmer identification of calf diseases. To ensure that we receive the most uniform data, we have compiled a list of symptoms associated with the various diseases listed at the bottom of the Calf Health and Disease Sheet.

Code	Condition	Health and Disease Event Descriptions
PN	Pneumonia	Any calf that has been treated in response to one of more of the following clinical signs: increased respiratory rate/laboured breathing/open mouth breathing, snotty nose (a considerable amount of cloudy or greenish/yellow snot), and repeated coughing
SC	Scour	Any calf that has been treated (including treatment with an oral electrolyte solutions) in response to the repeated passing of loose (soup-like) or watery faeces, of normal or abnormal colour, with or without blood content
JL	Joint Ill/ Navel Ill	Swollen, painful navel that does not dry up. An abscess containing custard like pus may develop. Calf may go off feed and have a fever. This may turn into Joint Ill which will present as swollen joints that are warm/hot to the touch. Calf will go off feed, become depressed, and have a fever
NE	Neurological	Abnormal behaviour of the calf such as tremors, throwing its head in the air, bumping its head against the wall, or blindness. The calf could be described as, “a bit stupid”

Each time a calf becomes ill, record the 2 letter designation that best describes the illness and date the diagnosis. For example, if calf IE1234567890 came down with pneumonia, 2 months after that it got scour the sheet would be filled out as below:



2014 Calf Health and Disease Recording Chart



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