

# Management tips for starting feedlot cattle

## **Water**

Provide a good, clean supply of water. Use waterers with open tops. Cattle coming into yards have been drinking from stock tanks and streams; they do not know how to push down a ball.

## **Long-stem hay**

Provide 4 pounds per head per day of long-stem hay. It offers a palatable feed the cattle are used to and teaches the cattle where the feedbunks are.

## **Vaccination**

Work with your veterinarian to decide on the proper vaccination program for your cattle and operation.

## **Receiving pen**

The receiving pen should hold no more than 150 head. Provide a minimum of 200 square feet per animal. The distance from the bunk to the back of the pen should be no more than 100 feet. The receiving pen should be well-drained and dry, but not dusty. Provide adequate shelter from climate extremes.



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### ***34% All Natural***

This product is formulated with all-natural, all-vegetable protein sources for outstanding palatability and performance. This pelleted supplement provides the protein, minerals, vitamins, and trace minerals required by growing and finishing feedlot cattle, and will encourage optimal performance and body condition. Recommended for cattle on forage-based starter/grower diets.

### ***40/14 Concentrate***

This pelleted feedlot supplement provides the protein, vitamins and minerals needed to balance feedlot cattle diets. This product allows for cost savings by incorporating NPN at a level that will result in fewer handling and adaptation problems associated with high levels of urea.

### ***40/29 Concentrate***

This pelleted feedlot supplement provides the protein, vitamins and minerals needed to balance feedlot cattle diets. This product incorporates higher levels of NPN at a level that will result in lower out-of-pocket cost and yield more economical gains.

### ***Beef Grow/Finish***

This highly fortified premix provides the minerals, vitamins, and trace minerals required to balance corn silage-based growing diets and finishing feedlot rations that receive sufficient protein either from forages or high-protein commodities.

### ***Beef Finisher 50***

This highly fortified premix provides the minerals, vitamins, trace minerals and supplemental protein (50 percent protein equivalents from NPN) required to balance high-energy feedlot finishing rations. Protein is economically supplemented in the form of urea. Beef Finisher 50 should be fed to cattle eating high-energy finishing diets or growing cattle fed low-calcium-low-protein roughages like corn silage.

### ***Co-Product Starter Pellet***

This is a nutrient-dense protein, mineral, trace mineral, and vitamin supplement for starting cattle on diets supplemented with corn co-products, such as corn gluten feed, corn distillers grains, and condensed corn distillers solubles. Co-Product Starter Pellet is a 30-percent crude protein supplement (all-natural). High levels of vitamins, organic sources of Zinpro trace minerals, high level of electrolytes, B-vitamins, and yeast make this the product of choice for adapting incoming calves to feedlot diets supplemented with corn co-products during this stressful period.

### ***Co-Product Grower Pellet***

This is a nutrient-dense protein, mineral, trace mineral, and vitamin supplement for cattle on growing diets supplemented with corn co-products, such as corn gluten feed, corn distillers grains, and condensed corn distillers solubles. Co-Product Grower Pellet is a 30-percent crude protein supplement (12 percent protein equivalents from NPN). It is ideal to utilize this product when higher levels of protein are needed that may not be supplied by some co-products from some locations.

### ***Co-Product Balancer Pellet***

This is a nutrient-dense protein, mineral, trace mineral, and vitamin supplement for feedlot rations containing corn co-products, such as corn gluten feed, corn distillers grains, and condensed corn distillers solubles. Co-Product Balancer Pellet is a 25-percent crude protein supplement (18.5 percent protein equivalents from NPN).

### ***Co-Product Mineral Pellet***

This is a nutrient-dense mineral, trace mineral, and vitamin supplement for feedlot rations containing corn co-products, such as corn gluten feed, corn distillers grains, and condensed corn distillers solubles. Co-Product Mineral Pellet contains no added protein, which allows the producer to utilize on-farm protein sources and reduce out-of-pocket cost.

### ***Co-Product Balancer Mineral***

This is a nutrient-dense mineral, trace mineral, and vitamin premix for cattle on growing diets supplemented with corn co-products, such as corn gluten feed, corn distillers grains, and condensed corn distillers solubles where no supplemental protein is needed.

### ***Co-Product Balancer Mineral-Urea***

This is a nutrient-dense protein, mineral, trace mineral, and vitamin premix for feedlot rations containing corn co-products, such as corn gluten feed, corn distillers grains, and condensed corn distillers solubles. Co-Product Balancer Mineral-Urea is a 35.5-percent crude protein supplement with all equivalents coming from NPN.

### ***WCP Balancer Mineral***

This nutrient-dense mineral, trace mineral, and vitamin premix is for cattle on growing and finishing diets supplemented with wet corn co-products, such as wet corn gluten feed, wet corn distillers grains, and condensed corn distillers solubles at levels of 25 percent or greater on a dry matter basis.