

Cattle Facility Safety Checklist



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Date: _____

Site Location: _____ Site Manager: _____

Specific Equipment: _____

Fences and Gates:

- No broken boards, protrusions, tripping hazards, sharp points, nails.
- No broken rails, loose panels or broken/loose posts.
- Gates swing freely and shut properly. Tub ratchet locks working and holding.
- Treads on loading chute/ramp are solid, and free of debris/shadow casting objects.
- Escape routes are free of obstructions.

Catwalks:

- Secure, with no gaps between boards or surfaces.
- Boards are free of rot, debris, and slipping/tripping hazards

Working or Squeeze Chute: (& Scale if applicable):

- Free of debris & distracting/balking/shadow casting objects.
- Anti-back up devices/pole/bars in place.
- Tail/end gate, side rails palpation doors, headgate: all parts move freely.
- Gears and locking parts on levers engage, catch and hold.
- Free motion and movement auto catch working properly.
- Secure to posts and ground, floor/ground surface clear and solid.
- No tripping hazards around head gate/squeeze area.
- Headgate moves freely, quietly, and locks/unlocks.
- Deck is clean and in good repair, sharps stored properly, vaccinations and medications safely and securely stored for use.

Hydraulic Squeeze Chute:

- Inspect the hydraulic hoses and fittings for defects or leaks and assure they are securely attached at connection points.
- Examine and test levers, latches, and moveable chute parts to assure they are not damaged and are functioning properly.
- Review communication system established to safely coordinate employee actions for loading and unloading livestock into the chute with employee operation of chute hydraulics and mechanics.

Name of Employee or Student

Signature

Signature of site manager