



## Worksheet 1A: On-site Evaluation

This worksheet is intended to be used during a site visit.

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Please check a box for each item to score:

**1 = Needs improvement**

**2 = Fair**

**3 = Good**

**4 = Excellent**

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### Housing - Lactating Cows

1 2 3 4

- Location
- Ventilation (air odor, moisture, condensation)
- Grouping
- Cow traffic alleys (floor surface, cow flow)
- Water system (access, odor, etc.)
- Lighting (20 fc minimum)

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Feeding System – Cows

#### General:

1 2 3 4

- Fresh and sufficient feed
- Feed quality
- Body condition
- Fecal scores
- Cud chewing

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### Feed bunks:

1 2 3 4

- Surface
- Space / access (linear feet of bunk or number of head locks)
- Access time
- Cleaning management (daily?)

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## Feeding System – Cows (continued)

### *Bunker silo:*

1 2 3 4

- Size
- Face area
- Removal rate
- Pack
- Face management
- Covering
- Moisture
- Odor / taste / pH
- Particle size
- Kernel evaluation

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Milking System

1 2 3 4

- Milking facility
- Milking equipment
- Parlor routine
- Milking procedure

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Cow Comfort

1 2 3 4

- Sufficient stalls
- Cow cleanliness
- Feet / leg condition
- Foot bath usage

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### Dry Cow Management

1 2 3 4

- Housing facilities
- Maternity facilities
- Grouping
- Dry cow cleanliness
- Body condition

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### Youngstock Management

1 2 3 4

- Calf housing
- Calf environment
- Calf health
- Grouping by age
- Heifer cleanliness
- Body condition

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Waste Management

1 2 3 4

- Daily waste management / removal
- Waste storage / application system

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Farmstead

1 2 3 4

- Location
- Drainage
- Environmentally friendly
- Livestock lots
- Livestock building condition
- Machinery storage
- Yard condition

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### Farm Efficiency Factors

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- Cows per full time equivalent (FTE)
- Pounds of milk per year for each FTE
- Production cost per cwt
- Feed cost per cwt

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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