



Vet Education Transfer Services Ltd

## **Management Guidelines For good cow flow and less lameness**

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Here are some very brief management guidelines which, if you follow should result in good cow flow and less lameness. You can source more comprehensive operating procedures for your farm at [www.lamecow.co.nz](http://www.lamecow.co.nz) in the Handouts menu. Or better still sit with your team and create your own operating procedures.

### Management Guidelines

- Allow the cows to drift on the track.
- Space in the holding yards (1.3 - 1.8 sq metres / cow).
- Start milking as first cows arrive.
- Delay backing gates use until at least 2 rows (20%) of herd is milked.
- Gate speeds 12 m / minute for round yards.  
6 m / min for rectangular yards.
- Don't use the gate to push cows.
- Call cows into the bails.
- Don't go out of the pit.

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