



QuietWean



A two-stage, low-stress method for weaning cattle

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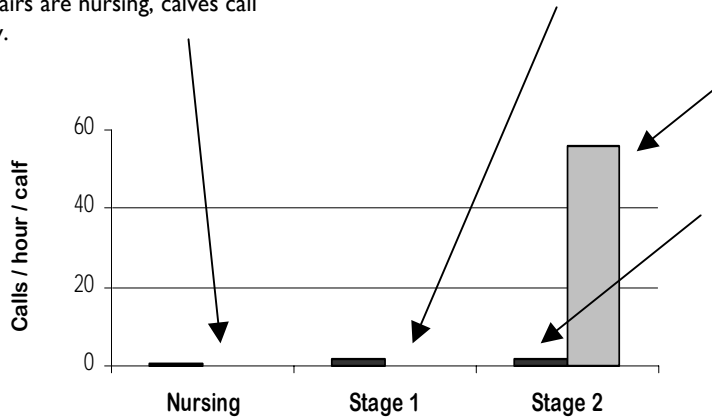
I. How it works ...

Stage 1 – Calves wear a light-weight, plastic *QuietWean* nose-flap, which prevents nursing but allows calves to graze, drink water and engage in other aspects of social interaction with their mothers.

Stage 2 – Remove the nose-flaps after 4-7 days and separate the pairs as you would traditionally, only now without the stress associated with traditional weaning methods!

II. The results ...

A. When pairs are nursing, calves call infrequently.



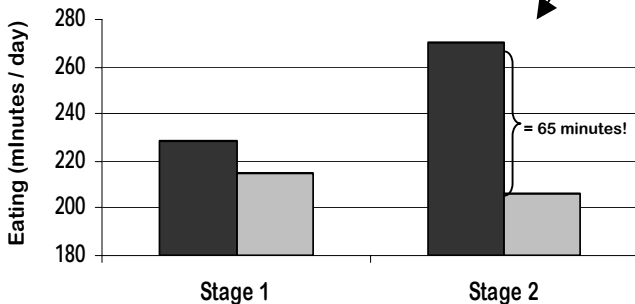
B. Calling is also minimal when nursing is prevented, provided the cow and calf can remain together (Stage 1)

C. Traditional, abruptly weaned calves call continuously when mother and milk are taken away at the same time!

Calves weaned in two stages barely call at all after separation! (Stage 2)

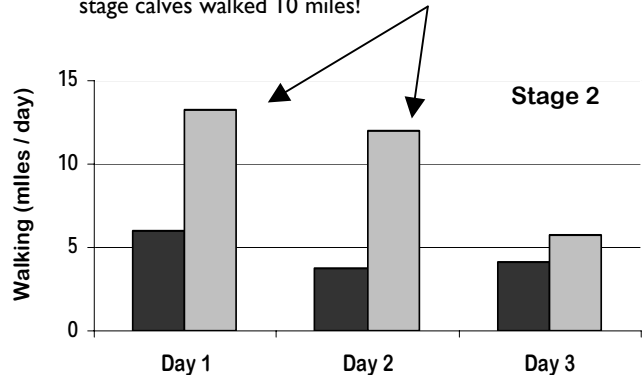
D. When nursing is prevented, two-stage calves increase the time they spend eating solid feed. (Stage 1)

After weaning, on the first 4 days after separation, two-stage calves spend more time eating than traditionally weaned calves, on average one extra hour / day!



E. After separation, traditionally weaned calves walk and pace trying to reunite with their mother.

On the first two days after separation, we found traditionally weaned calves walked 25 miles while two-stage calves walked 10 miles!



Reduce bawling and aimless walking and increase the time your calves spend eating!