

BMB Farm & Creamery

Information for new goat owners:

Moving a goat to a new home can be very stressful on a goat. Here are some helpful hints to help your goat(s) transition.

Feed:

- ❖ All goats should receive hay, water, baking soda and minerals free choice.
- ❖ Your goats have been fed a 16% non medicated GMO free dairy ration from a local feed mill. If you are transitioning your goats over to commercial dairy feed (country max/tractor supply) please make sure that it is for goats (not sheep - not enough copper in this feed) and is around 16% protein. We recommend **Dumor goat dairy ration** from Tractor Supply.
- ❖ Please start slow when introducing grain to your goat(s) - too much grain can make them sick (they will get diarrhea)
- ❖ Graining your ND goats
 - Kids up to 6 months: 1/2 cup twice a day
 - Pet Does: 1/2 cup once a day
 - Milking Does: 2-4 cups once a day depending on milk production
 - Breeding Does: 1/2 cups once a day
- ❖ Bottle feeding your goat
 - Feed 2-3 times a day (whole milk or replacer)
 - Dwarfs 7-8oz per feeding - feel the belly and adjust as needed

Making your barn their new home:

- ❖ Please make sure to give them fresh hay and water upon arrival.
- ❖ Bonding with your goat(s) it is very important. The more social you are with them the more social they will be with you. Please give your goats time to adjust to their new home.

Suggested preventative schedule:

- ❖ Coccidia prevention for kids: We only medicate our goats when indicated. If during the transition to their new home they become stressed they may come down with coccidia. The most common sign is diarrhea and needs to be treated immediately. Please treat with Corrid or Di-Methox - follow the directions on the bottle.
- ❖ Worming 3 x's a year or when indicated
- ❖ Bo-SE - yearly (**not during pregnancy**)
- ❖ CD-T vaccinations give 1 month before kidding for does or for kids 6/8 weeks and again 4 weeks later. Bring back to farm for second dose or by
- ❖ Fleas - use diatomaceous earth as a dust two weeks apart or Ivomec pour on

Websites:

<http://fiascofarm.com/>

www.goatworld.com

<http://goatwisdom.proboards.com/index.cgi>