

Green Meadow Farms Training Center for Dairy Professionals Student Maternity Guideline

1. The student(s) are there to observe normal and abnormal calving behavior.
2. The Green Meadow Farms employee assigned to the Maternity Area is in charge. That means the student only does what the GMF employee says that they can do. Under no circumstance are students to intervene on a calving without the guidance of the GMF employee or the Veterinarian in charge.
3. It is the responsibility of the GMF employee to determine if further assistance by the veterinary staff is needed and they will follow proper protocols.
4. Un-professional behavior on the part of the student(s) will not be acceptable.
5. Discussion is encouraged, but remember cows are sensitive to loud noises so keep volume to a minimum.
6. Cell phones are to be left in the student's vehicle. Photos of interesting cases may be taken but must be cleared by Dr. Neuder or Dr. Brester before being taken and they must be used appropriately (i.e. not posted on social media sites). Texting and talking on cell phones (except in the case of emergencies) is not acceptable professional behavior.
7. Alcohol is strictly prohibited.
8. There is no smoking in or around farm buildings. If a student needs to smoke, they can do so inside their own vehicle
9. For biosecurity reasons, students are required to bring laundered coveralls and clean/well scrubbed boots. Tennis shoes and hiking shoes are acceptable as long as they are covered with scrubable rubber boots. Students may want to bring extra coveralls as when working in Maternity, the student can get wet. Please bring warm layering cloths as it can get very cold.
10. Please take care of trash. There are barrels in the area for trash, use them.
11. Restroom facilities are available in the Training Center.
12. If a student should be injured, Dr. Neuder, Dr. Brester or Dr. Koenig need to be notified immediately.
13. Most importantly, have fun and learn. The best tool when it comes to obstetrical work in cows is to understand normal behavior.

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