

# Proper Calf Handling is Everyone's Responsibility



VEAL QUALITY ASSURANCE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES



Handle calves in a quiet, calm, consistent, non-threatening and gentle manner.



Move calves to their destination by walking them or lifting them safely and efficiently.

For short-distances, gently support the animal from under the neck and under the loin or around the rump.



The use of flags, plastic paddles or a stick with ribbon attached to it are appropriate for stimulating animals to move, slow, stop or turn. However, no equipment should be used as a weapon.



Calves are never dragged, pulled, thrown or caught by the neck, ears, limbs, tail or other extremities.



Never market sick, injured or non-ambulatory animals.



Non-ambulatory animals are provided with access to feed, water, protection from heat and cold for typical climatic conditions, isolation from other ambulatory animals and protection from predators.

THE VQA PROGRAM DOES NOT TOLERATE ANIMAL ABUSE OF ANY KIND.

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