



NEW ROSEDALE FEEDMILL

Steps to choosing the right beef mineral for your herd at New Rosedale Feedmill:

Step 1. Calcium:Phosphorus Ratio

This step is based on what type of total diet that the animals are consuming.

1:1

More than 50% of the diet is Alfalfa. Feeding no grains/cereals.

2:1

Less than 50% of the diet is alfalfa. Fed with grasses, grass/alfalfa hay, cereal greenfeed/silages

3:1

None or very little alfalfa fed. Large amount of the diet is cereal or corn based through either silages, greenfeed extended grazing etc with grass hay. Feeding grains or grain byproducts.

Feedlot

No hay is fed. Cereals/corn make up most of the diet. High level of concentrates fed. No extra phosphorus needed from a premix. Contact a nutritionist to help balance feedlot diets.

Step 2. Breeder Mineral or Standard Mineral

Breeder Mineral

Breeding animal mineral, not just breeding season mineral. With chelated trace minerals and higher levels of vitamins these minerals are recommended to be fed to breeding stock minimum 3 months prior to calving through breeding season. Can be fed all year.

Standard Mineral

No chelated trace minerals and moderate vitamin levels. Can be used for feeder calves or breeding stock from the end of breeding to mid gestation.

Step 3. Medicated or Unmedicated with Monensin Sodium

Mineral medicated with monensin sodium can be fed to any class of beef animal for coccidiosis prevention (not treatment). There is no passive transfer to fetus during gestation. Can also be fed to feeder calves for increased feed efficiency.

Step 4. Salt or no Salt

Salt can be added to the mineral feed or not, but salt needs to be provided in some capacity as an essential nutrient. Salt can be fed separately if a producer prefers or mixed in with mineral on farm. Salt in the mineral feed can help to encourage or regulate free choice mineral intake.

If you still have further questions in choosing the mineral that is right for your operation, please reach out to New Rosedale Feedmill's ruminant nutrition team.