

# 10 Tips for Transition Cows



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**Provide a minimum 75cm of feed space** or 1.2 standard head locks per cow



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<2 group changes during dry period. **Avoid moving cows** to maternity pen 7-2 days before due date



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Provide a **quiet and undisturbed** place to calve



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**Provide 10-12m<sup>2</sup> per cow lying space** or at least 1 deep bedded stall per cow



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There should be **no lame cows** in the transition cow pen



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**Keep transition cows cool** in summer with a cooling velocity of around 2.5m/s



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**Control energy** intake with processed straw (chop length 2.0 cm) and maximize MP (10%DMI)



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Ensure the correct balance of micro and macro minerals in the diet. **Feed Zinpro Performance Minerals** in the dry and fresh groups.



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**Optimise rumen function** and enhance metabolism with isoacids or other specific nutrients



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Ensure **fresh cow checks** are well organised and effective at identifying cows needing intervention

In addition to these tips, it is important to ensure the diet of transition cows is correctly formulated, including trace mineral supply. Zinpro® Performance Minerals® can help reduce transition diseases, improve milk production and enhance hoof health for a smoother transition period. For more information visit [zinpro.com](http://zinpro.com)