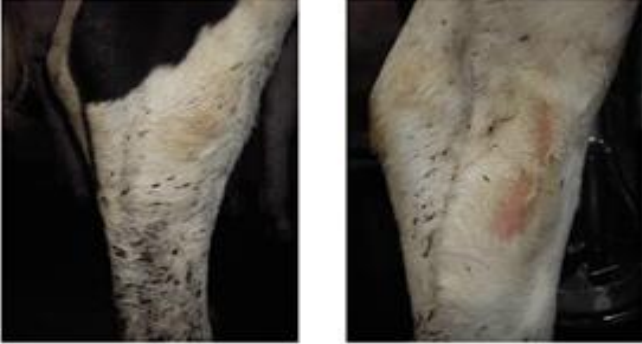







# Animal Assessments Scoring Chart

Sept 2016

Measure	Acceptable		Requires corrective action	
<b>Hock injuries</b>				
	No swelling or minor swelling (<1 cm); may have some hair loss, broken hair or bald area		Medium or major swelling and/or lesion	
<b>Knee injuries</b>				
	No swelling; may have some hair loss, broken hair or bald area		Broken skin or scab, lesion and/or swelling. May have bald area	
<b>Neck injuries</b>				
	No swelling, may have visible bald area		Broken skin or scab and/or swelling. May have bald area	
<b>Lameness</b>	<b>Acceptable</b>		<b>Monitor</b>	<b>Requires corrective action</b>
	<b>Loose housing or gait scoring:</b> Cows with a lameness score of 1 and 2* <b>Tie-stall:</b> Max. one indicator** present		<b>Loose housing or gait scoring:</b> Cows with a lameness score of 3*	<b>Loose housing or gait scoring:</b> Cows with a lameness score of 4 and 5* <b>Tie-stall:</b> Two or more indicator(s)** present
<b>BCS</b>	<b>Acceptable</b>		<b>Requires corrective action</b>	
	BCS is over 2		BCS is 2 or less	

\*Based on the five-point Gait Scoring System referenced in the Dairy Code of Practice.

\*\*Lameness indicators: Edge, weight shift, uneven weight, uneven movement.

Source: Animal Care and Livestock Traceability Farmer Manual, Dairy Farmers of Canada (DFC), July 2015.