Calf Housing Questions

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1. Circle all of the choices that apply to where are calves born
   a. Designated maternity area that is occupied by more than one cow
   b. Individual cow box stall
   c. Pasture
   d. Dry lot
   e. Calving area is in the freestall, tie stall or stanchion barn.
   f. Calving area is in a separate facility.
   g. Calving area houses all close up dry cows.
   h. Calving area houses only calving cows.

2. Circle the responses that apply to observation of the calving cows or maternity area.
   a. Cows are observed once daily
   b. Cows are observed twice daily
   c. Cows are observed three times daily
   d. Cows are observed four or more (but not continuously) each day
   e. Cows are observed more than four times daily
   f. Calving cows are always under observation
   g. Calving cows are the responsibility of a single individual dedicated to that area or group.
   h. Calving cows are the responsibility of several people who have other responsibilities.

3. Is the maternity/calving area shared with other – lame, treated, or sick – cows?
   a. Yes
   b. No

4. How often is bedding added to the calving/maternity area?
   a. Daily
   b. Weekly
   c. Monthly

5. How often is bedding removed from the calving/maternity area?
   a. Daily
   b. Weekly
   c. Monthly
   d. Yearly
6. After calving, where are calves moved first?
   a. To a drying, warming, or temporary holding area
   b. To the permanent, pre-weaning home
   c. To an individual hutch
   d. To an individual calf pen
   e. To a group calf pen
   f. Off the farm to a separate facility or calf raiser

7. Do heifers and bull calves have the same traffic patterns?
   a. Yes
   b. No

8. If calf hutch, crates or individual calf pens are used, how many are on the farm? ______

9. At what age are calves moved to their permanent, pre-weaning home?
   a. Less than 6 hours
   b. 6 to 12 hours of age
   c. 12 to 24 hours
   d. 24 hours or greater

10. How many calves have been born in the last 3 months?
    a. Heifer calves ______
    b. Bull calves ______

11. How many pre-weaned calves are being fed today? ______
    a. Heifer calves ______
    b. Bull calves ______