

Breeding for Fertility – When cows should be inseminated

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Please circle one answer only e.g. **A**

- 1) In the cow ovulation occurs:
 - a. 24 hours before oestrus (standing heat)
 - b. At the start of oestrus
 - c. At the end of oestrus
 - d. 24 hours after the start of oestrus

- 2) What percentage of cows stand to be mounted during oestrus?
 - a. 0%
 - b. ~25%
 - c. ~50%
 - d. ~70%

- 3) What is the average length of heat in the modern dairy cow?
 - a. 2 hours
 - b. 5 hours
 - c. 11 hours
 - d. 15 hours

- 4) What is the am/pm rule?
 - a. Cows seen in oestrus in the morning should be inseminated in the next afternoon and vice versa
 - b. Cows seen in oestrus should be inseminated 36 hours later
 - c. Inject the last GnRH in the morning and inseminate that afternoon
 - d. If you give PG injection in the morning the cow will be on heat that afternoon and vice-versa

- 5) When is the optimal time to submit a cow for insemination?
 - a. After ovulation
 - b. Just before oestrus
 - c. 12 hours after the start of oestrus
 - d. Wednesday afternoon

- 6) What is the am/am and pm/am rule?
 - a. Don't inseminate cows in the afternoon

- b. If you're inseminating once-a-day inseminate any cows seen in heat from the previous afternoon onwards
- c. If you're inseminating once-a-day don't inseminate in the afternoon
- d. If you're inseminating once-a-day inseminate any cows seen in heat yesterday in the morning

7) When is ovulation defined as delayed?

- a. If it does not occur before oestrus
- b. If it does not occur before the end of oestrus
- c. If it does not occur within 12 hours of the start of oestrus
- d. If it does not occur within 32 hours of the start of oestrus

8) Which of these treatments may increase the conception rate in cows suspected of having a delayed ovulation?

- a. GnRH at the time of insemination
- b. PG at the time of insemination
- c. GnRH 24 hours after insemination
- d. PG 24 hours after insemination

9) When should you use double fixed time AI after a progesterone/PG programme?

- a. When you are using expensive semen
- b. When the cow shows heat
- c. When you want to maximise the proportion of synchronised cows which get pregnant
- d. Always

10) When using a GPG programme:

- a. The cow should be inseminated before the second G
- b. The cow should be inseminated 32-36 hours after the second G
- c. The cow should be inseminated 16-20 hours after the second G
- d. The cow should only be inseminated when the cow is seen in heat