

# SHOOF FACT SHEET

## ROPES / CHAINS / STRAPS

**CHAINS** are strong and the easiest to disinfect and clean. They are easily washed in a bucket of disinfectant and simply dried in between calving. All calving chains will corrode and should be stored in a clean and dry location. If chains become rusty they can be cleaned by soaking in a 1:10 solution of surgical instrument cleaner for a minimum of two hours. It is recommended that they be coated with 'INOX' spray.

**ROPES** are recommended for use with the mechanical calf pullers as the excessive pressure from pullers can do serious damage to the calf's legs. Ropes are less abrasive than chains on the area around calves legs. Ropes are difficult to disinfect, they have to be well washed and soaked so that all parts between fibres are cleaned. They must also be 100% dry before use and this is often difficult during calving in the wet winter months.

**HEAVY DUTY STRAPS** are a great option for spreading the pressures of the pull out. Similar to the ropes, the straps need to be well cleaned and dry in order to be 100% disinfected.

**LOW TRAUMA STRAPS** are a very universal tool. It can be used on a calf puller and as a manual hand puller. The straps eliminate leg damage and trauma to the calf that chains commonly cause. The extra rings allow for different pulling lengths.

**HEAVY DUTY LONG COMFORT STRAPS** are a great manual aid. They allow the user to use their own body weight as a lever and features two convenient handles for extra purchase. Similar to the other straps, they eliminate damage to the calves legs and can be used in any situation.



Calving Ropes



Calving Chains



Shoof Code  
201 064 Heavy Duty Strap



Shoof Code  
201 065 Heavy Duty  
Comfort Straps

Calving Straps



Shoof Code  
201 032 Low Trauma Straps

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## CALVING ROPES

FEATURES	BENEFITS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Soft and gentle on animal</li></ul>	Less abrasive and won't cause damage to the calf leg
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Flat braid rope</li></ul>	This model has a stitched flat area that creates a flat pad around the ankle of the calf to prevent any tissue damage

## CALVING CHAINS

FEATURES	BENEFITS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Easily disinfected</li></ul>	Dunked and scrubbed in a bucket of antiseptic and easily dried
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strong</li></ul>	160kg tested breaking strain. Chains are not recommended for use with mechanical calf pullers due to potential excessive pressure being applied to calf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Manual hand pulling</li></ul>	Option of use with chain handles allowing pulling from any link on the chain, which alters the length of the chain

## CALVING STRAPS

FEATURES	BENEFITS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wide contact at pressure points</li></ul>	Eliminates leg damage and trauma to the calf leg commonly caused by traditional chains and some ropes