

# GOAT KID RAISING GUIDELINES



	Week 1 - 7	4 - 6 Months
<b>Colostrum</b>	Day 1	Feed high quality colostrum at a minimum of 10% of the kid's body weight. Ex: A 10 lb kid needs 16 oz colostrum total. Feed 50% within 2-4 hours of birth, and the other 50% within 24 hours of birth.
<b>Milk Replacer</b>	Day 2 - 49	Feed <b>Kid-Gro Asure</b> milk replacer following the chart below.
<b>Water</b>	Day 2, Onward	Offer free choice, fresh, clean water at all times.
<b>Starter</b>	Day 2, Onward	Offer free choice <b>Lamb N' Kid Pellet</b> beginning with small amounts, until 100 lbs body wt. OR offer free choice <b>Meat Goat Pellet</b> until they reach slaughter weight. (Both options contain Ammonium Chloride & Decoquinate).
<b>Hay</b>	Day 28, Onward	Introduce good quality 2nd cut hay, starting with a small handful daily (ideally 5-10% of total dry feed).

**Maintenance Goats:** Switch to **Sweet Goat 18%** (does not contain Ammonium Chloride) at about 4-6 months of age, or when they reach 100 lbs body weight. Feed 0.5-1.5 lbs grain per day in addition to forage.

**Lactating Goats:** Switch to **Dairy Goat Pellet** in addition to forage. Feed 1 lb of grain per 2-3 lbs of milk produced daily.

**Meat Goat/ Wether or Buck:** Feed free choice **Meat Goat Pellet** (contains Ammonium Chloride & Decoquinate) until reach slaughter weight (no additional forage is needed). Or use at a lower rate as maintenance for male goats in addition to forage.

**Goat on Pasture or Forage Only Diet:** Offer free choice **Goat Mineral** in addition to hay or pasture.

**Poor Quality or Lack of Forage:** Feed **Forage Extender Mini Bites** to replace up to half of the forage in the diet, pound for pound.

## MILK REPLACER FEEDING SCHEDULE

## MILK REPLACER MIXING

KID MILK REPLACER	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3-6	Week 7 (Weaning)
<b>Feedings per day</b>	3x	3x	3x	2x
<b>Finished Milk Volume per feeding</b>	10 fl. oz.	20 fl. oz.	25 fl. oz.	25 fl. oz.
<b>Milk replacer powder per feeding</b>	1.5 oz (1/3 cup)	3 oz (2/3 cups)	4 oz (3/4 cup + 1 TBSP)	4 oz (3/4 cup + 1 TBSP)

1. Take half the required amount of water at 120-130° F.
2. Add the milk replacer powder. Whisk thoroughly for 1 minute.
3. Add remaining water to required amount of mixed milk.
4. Feed at 105-107°F.

For best results, weigh powder. Cup measurements are approximate. This schedule uses approximately 30.4 lbs of milk replacer powder per kid.



Forage quality, breed and other conditions determine amounts that should be fed.

Contact Poulin Grain for complimentary forage testing and diet balancing for optimal performance!