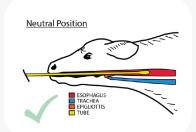
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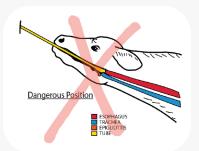
TUBE (ESOPHAGEAL) FEEDING



POSITION

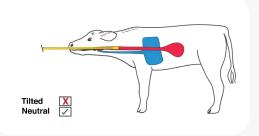
- Restrain the calf in a corner to maintain head control.
- Place the head in a neutral position.





PLACEMENT

- Gently advance the tube. If there's resistance, pull it out and start again.
- Palpate the calf's neck. When the tube is in the correct position, you will feel two tube-like structures (trachea and esophagus).



REMEMBER

- It's important to feed slowly. It can take up to 3 minutes for the stomach to fill.
- Ensure the fluids are body temperature (38°C/100°F).
- Before pulling the tube, kink and pull in one swift motion to ensure no fluid is inhaled.
- To ensure pathogens are not introduced to the herd, use separate feeders for sick and healthy animals.
- Clean the equipment thoroughly.

