

RPS SureFoot® Mats can dramatically improve dairy farmers' milk production, can reduce dark cutting in abattoirs by 11% and improve animal welfare in sale yards



Cattle Underpass After



Concrete Surfaces After

Cows Slipping and Spreading

Concrete in milking yards (even cross-hatched) can become very slippery and dangerous at various times of the year. This is particularly troublesome when cows hooves harden.

Cows slipping over in the milking yard is a significant concern for farmers. Impacts include:

- Cows spreading as they attempt to get up causing catastrophic damage to leg tendons and lower spine
- Destruction of the animal (replacement cost and lost production)
- Distress caused to other cows in the milking yard significantly reducing production

How the SureFoot® Mat Solves the Problem

1. It provides a soft and "forgiving" surface that reduces impact and protects the hoof's soft tissue from unnecessary trauma and damage;
2. Its rubber compound improves the grip available to the animals, reducing slippage by as much as 89%;
3. The unique diamond pattern helps provide a secure footing for the animals significantly reducing the incidence of slippage and catastrophic tendon damage.
4. SureFoot® mats are also quicker and easier to clean - saving valuable water and time

Easy Installation

SureFoot® Mats are easily installed over any concrete, metal or timber surface using RPS fixing products.

A Good Investment

SureFoot® Mat is a simple, yet powerfully effective product that helps farmers increase their milk yield without the need for ongoing management or intervention. Once installed, SureFoot® Mats continue to deliver financial and farm management benefits for many years.

Cost Savings to Abattoirs

The study found that animals standing on the SureFoot® mat before being slaughtered between 1 and 5 days resulted in increased sale price of \$20 per head

Positive impact on MSA Standards

The use of the Sure Foot® Mat significantly increased the number of cattle that met MSA standards.

Data obtained by Meat Standards Australia graders showed similar improvements in meat colour and pH.

MLA Verified

The beneficial impacts of the SureFoot® Mats on livestock were verified in an independent research project funded by Meat and Livestock Australia.

Investigations on animal behavior indicated an improvement in animal welfare for those cattle held in pens covered with the SureFoot® Mats. Meat colour and pH readings were both significantly reduced by the use of SureFoot® Mats

Saves up to 67% of water

SureFoot® Mats have been found to reduce water usage during wash down by 67%.

Other applications include:

- Cattle yards
- Cattle Tray Trucks
- Cattle Crushes
- Feed Pads
- Sale Yards
- Scales

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