



Suggested Feeding Rates for Goats



Suggested Feeding Rates for Dairy Goats		
Stage	% Protein	Amount Daily (per head)
Pre-weaning/starter feed (up to 4 months)	18%	Free-choice
Growing goats (4 months to 6-8 weeks prior to kidding)	14-16%	1-1.5 lb
Dry does (6-8 weeks prior to kidding)	14-16%	1-2 lb
Lactating does	14-16%	1 lb for each 3 lb of milk produced
Provide free-choice access to forage and ensure goats have unlimited supply of clean, fresh water. Provide free-choice mineral supplementation. *Refer to product labels for complete feeding directions.		



Suggested Feeding Rates for Meat Goats		
Stage	% Protein	Amount Daily (per head)*
Pre-weaning/creep feed	18%	0.25-0.33 lb
Weanlings	16%	0.5-0.75 lb
Growing/finishing	14%	1 lb
Flushing (1 month prior to breeding through 1 month after breeding)	14-16%	1-3 lb
Gestation (2 nd -3 rd month)	14-16%	0.5-1 lb
Gestation (2 nd -3 rd month) Roughage Formula product	16%	1.5-4 lb
Gestation (last 6 weeks)	14-16%	0.75-2 lb
Lactation (avg., single kid)	14-16%	0.75-1.25 lb
Lactation (heavy, twins)	14-16%	2 lb
Replacement does	16%	0.5-1 lb
Billies (adult, non-breeding) feed to body condition	14%	Not more than 0.5 lb
Provide free-choice access to forage and ensure goats have unlimited supply of clean, fresh water. Provide free-choice mineral supplementation. *Feeding rate may vary for medicated feed products. Refer to product labels for complete feeding directions.		

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