

At a Glance Grazing Calendar



Never graze a wet pasture!

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Dead grass, ok to graze	Watch for green	Coming out of Dormancy Building energy reserves		Only graze if grass has reached 6-8" tall. Best to use cells and move horses when grass is down to 3-4" tall OR 7 days whichever comes first.				Going Dormant, building energy reserves		Dead grass, ok to graze	

Two Essential Rules of Grazing Management

- 1) Avoid grazing until plants have reached an average height of 6 to 8 inches.
- 2) Remove horses and rest pastures when plants have been grazed down to 3 to 4 inches.

Dryland/non-irrigated Pasture Capacity

For pastures with a good stand of grass at 6-8" tall

# of horses	Land Area			
	30 acres	10 acres	5 acres	2.5 acres
1	24 hrs/day	8 hrs/day	4 hrs/day	2 hrs/day
2	12 hrs/day	4 hrs/day	2 hrs/day	1 hrs/day
3	8 hrs/day	2.6 hrs/day	1.3 hrs/day	40 mins/day
4	6 hrs/day	2 hrs/day	1 hrs/day	30 mins/day
5	4.8 hrs/day	1.6 hrs/day	50 mins/day	24 mins/day
6	4 hrs/day	1.3 hrs/day	36 mins/day	N/A
8	3 hrs/day	1 hrs/day	30 mins/day	N/A
10	2.4 hrs/day	50 min/day	24 min/day	N/A



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