Kansas Criteria for National Animal Enhancement Activity—ANM26

Managing calving to coincide with forage availability

Managed calving for herds primarily utilizing warm-season perennial forages:

Cows should begin calving no earlier than April 1 and shall finish by June 15.

Managed calving for herds primarily utilizing cool-season perennial forages:

1. With forage species capable of producing significant amounts of quality forage in both the spring and fall growing seasons, split calving seasons can be planned.
2. Spring calving herds should begin calving no earlier than March 1 and be completed by April 30.
3. Fall calving herds should begin calving no earlier than August 1 and should be completed by September 30.