## Heat Detection Protocol

Heat detection will involve observation of cows and review of Delpro® and MooMonitor® activity records.

**Observation:** Employees should always watch for signs of heat while working around cows and heifers.

The cow number and a heat detection code are recorded daily in the herdsman's office. The codes are as follows:

Code 1 Mucus, no activity

Code 2 Mucus or alert, active but not seen standing

Code 3 Mounting (Riding)

Code 4 Raw tailhead but not seen standing

In dairy comp 305, heatcheck code 1,2,3,4 is A.

Code 5 Active and standing to be mounted

Code 6 Standing to be mounted. *In dairy comp 305, heatcheck code 5,6 is B.* 

**Monitoring Activity:** Supervisors and weekend personnel will review the following reports.

- 1. Insemination report found in Delpro software program
- 2. Moomonitor Heat report found in DairyMaster Moomonitor program

Once an animal is determined to be in heat check her eligibility in DairyComp 305 and breed as needed. Animals designated as a "NO BRED" will be coded as such in DairyComp 305.

## Record keeping:

1. Record any animals in heat whether bred or not on the daily report. Animals designated as a "NO BRED" will be coded as such in DairyComp 305.

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