

Proper Halter Placement





Halter Orientation:

Open the halter to properly orient the halter. The middle "fixed" bar is the nose piece and should have two loops, one on each side. Orient the halter so the loose end of the rope will tighten underneath the calf's chin on the left side.

Halter Placement:

Place the halter on the calf, dropping the halter over the ears, slipping it over the nose and under the chin. The fixed bar should be over the nose, in between the eyes and nose. The loose end should be on the left side, pulling up from under the calf's chin.

Properly Restraining a Calf for Treatment with an Assistant





Holding the calf on the left side, the assistant should back the calf into a corner or against a wall.

The assistant holds the head while leaning against the calf to restrain it.

The veterinarian will work from the right side of the calf to provide treatment or collect blood samples.

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