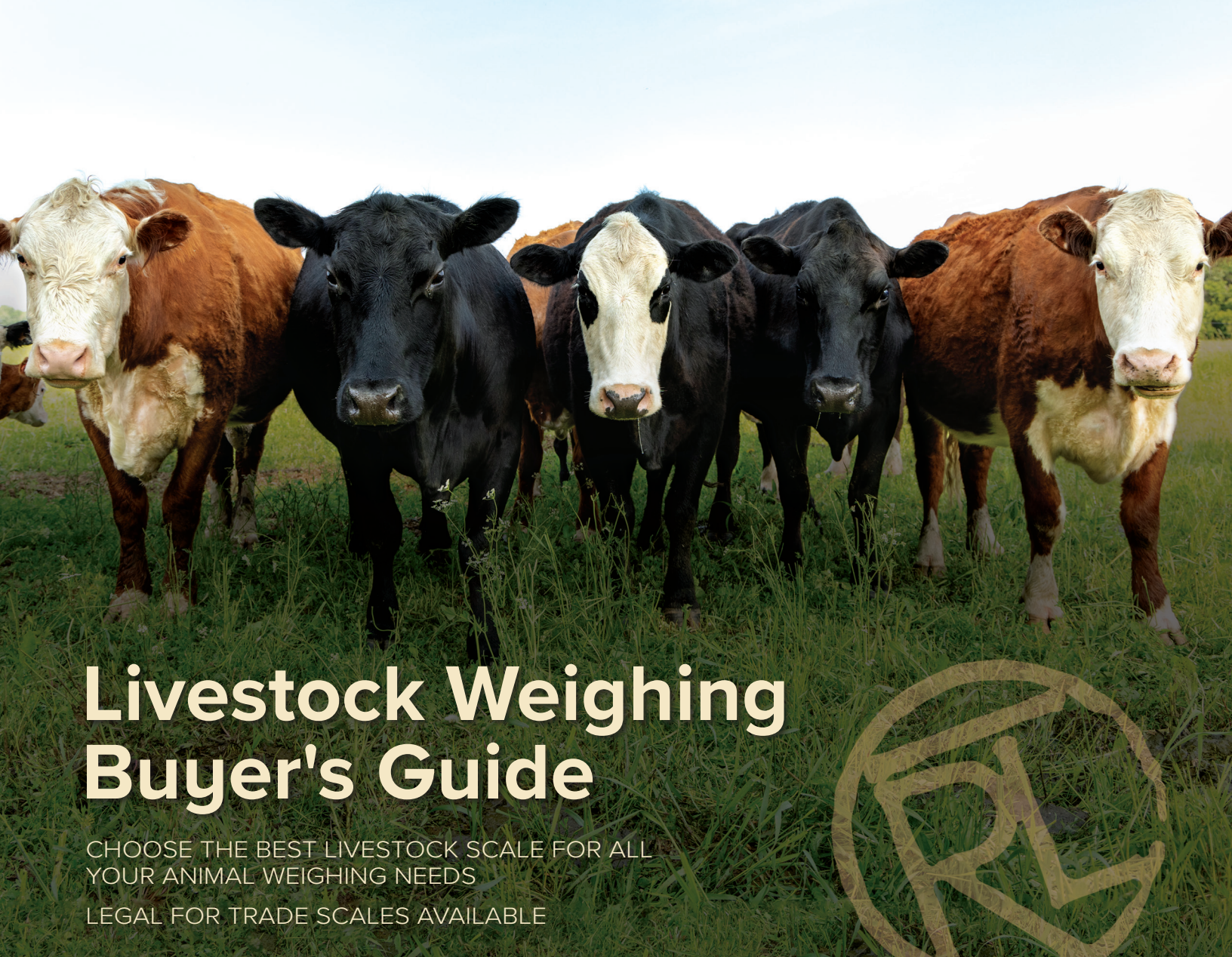




Livestock Weighing Buyer's Guide

CHOOSE THE BEST LIVESTOCK SCALE FOR ALL
YOUR ANIMAL WEIGHING NEEDS

LEGAL FOR TRADE SCALES AVAILABLE



RICE LAKE[®]
WEIGHING SYSTEMS

800-472-6703

www.ricelake.com

Benefits of Owning a Rice Lake Livestock Scale

Rice Lake Weighing Systems' livestock scales have a proven reputation for turning investment into profit and can make a measurable difference on your farm or ranch.

Combine the most durable weighbridge design with Legal for Trade approval, and Rice Lake livestock scales are ready to maximize your investment while keeping safety, quality and performance at the forefront.

There are many types of livestock scales to consider, and they vary based on application requirements. Whether you are planning to sell cattle or simply monitor their health, this guide can help you choose the scale that best fits your needs.



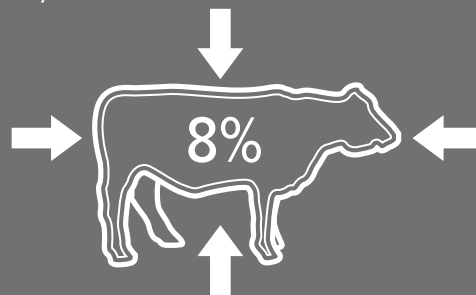
Determine the best livestock scale for your application by exploring your livestock weighing goals.

Before purchasing a livestock scale, consider the following:

SHRINK LOSS

1

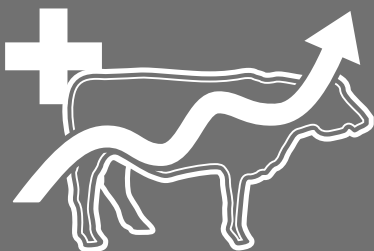
Minimizing shrink is a major factor in stretching profit. When transporting livestock, consider the amount of weight the animal will lose on their way to the destination.



ANIMAL WELFARE

2

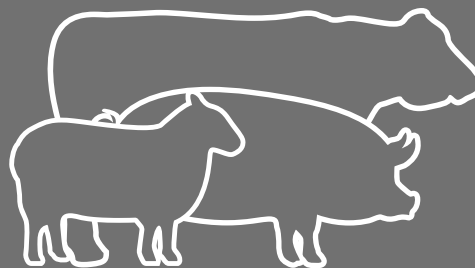
Having a scale on-site is beneficial to keeping animals healthy. An easily accessible scale can monitor any abnormal fluctuations in animal weight. When an animal is sick, the vet can visit you on-site and capture an accurate weight, putting less stress on the animal by avoiding excess travel.



SCALE SIZE

3

It is important to know if you need a scale that can weigh a single animal or multiple animals at a time.



CERTIFICATIONS AND REGULATIONS

4

To legally sell livestock, the scale needs to be Legal for Trade and have NTEP Certification or Measurement Canada Approval. If a scale is being used only to monitor the health of the livestock, then Legal for Trade approval may not be needed.

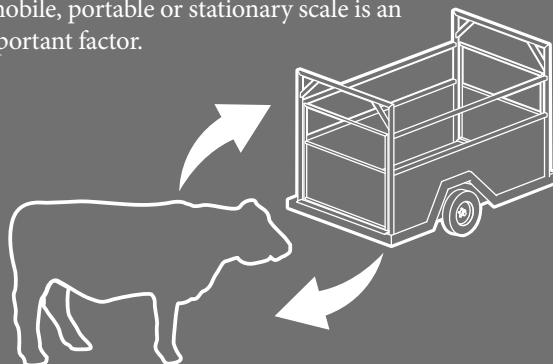


Measurement
Canada
Approved

MOBILITY

5

A mobile and portable scale can be transported to the animal's location, while a stationary scale requires animals to be transported to the permanent location. Determining if you need a mobile, portable or stationary scale is an important factor.



Stationary Scale Models

A stationary livestock scale is permanently installed on a concrete foundation and is best for weighing animals at a central location.

This can be beneficial to monitor the health of your livestock.



MAS-LC

STATIONARY LIVESTOCK SCALE

The MAS-LC provides dependable weighing for farmers and processors who prefer to weigh livestock in groups using a load-cell-based system.

** Shown with optional indicator box and pedestal*



MAS-LM

MECHANICAL STATIONARY LIVESTOCK SCALE

The MAS-LM provides the same accurate weighing but for ranchers and processors that prefer an electro-mechanical pipe lever weighing system.



SAS

SINGLE ANIMAL SCALE

The SAS single animal scale is Rice Lake's heavy duty answer for livestock weighing environments that feature single animal weighing.

** Shown with optional indicator box*



ROUGHDECK® SLV

SINGLE ANIMAL LIVESTOCK SCALE

The SLV offers the durable features of a RoughDeck floor scale modified to meet the demands of livestock weighing.

SURVIVOR® LV

LIVESTOCK RING SCALE

The LV livestock ring scale delivers a total system for use in new or existing livestock barns or processing plants. Each NTEP Certified, Legal for Trade scale is custom built to fit the exact specifications and requirements for your application.

MAS-LC DESIGN SHOWN

A scale's strength and reliability are about more than just design. A high-quality livestock scale must also be manufactured by specially trained welders and fabricators who use cutting-edge techniques. Each Rice Lake livestock scale is manufactured by highly skilled individuals who complete a comprehensive 480-hour, 12-week fabrication training program before they begin working on scale construction. This training program is required for all Rice Lake fabricators regardless of previous experience. This ensures your livestock scale is manufactured by only the best fabricators.

EXTRA TALL SIDE PANELS

Keep animals calm as they move through the weighing process.

SILICONE BUFFER

Reduce noise and vibrations for animal welfare considerations.

REVERSIBLE GATE

Swinging gate that opens left or right. Pull cord opening latch for operation on either end of the scale gate.

ADJUSTABLE KICK PLATE

Ensure animal safety by preventing their hooves being trapped under a gate's open area.

POLYCARBONATE JUNCTION BOX

Create easy exterior access.

SIDE MOUNTED LOAD CELLS

Provide ease of access for serviceability.

CABLE CONDUIT

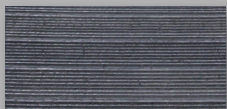
Cables run through scale conduit for rodent protection.

FLOORING

Choose from either X-Lug or X-Plank rubber flooring made from recycled materials which makes it eco-friendly and superior to wooden decks that can rot and harbor bacteria.

REMOVABLE FLOORING HOLD-DOWNS

Make changing out sections of flooring easy and allow access below the scale for maintenance and cleanout.



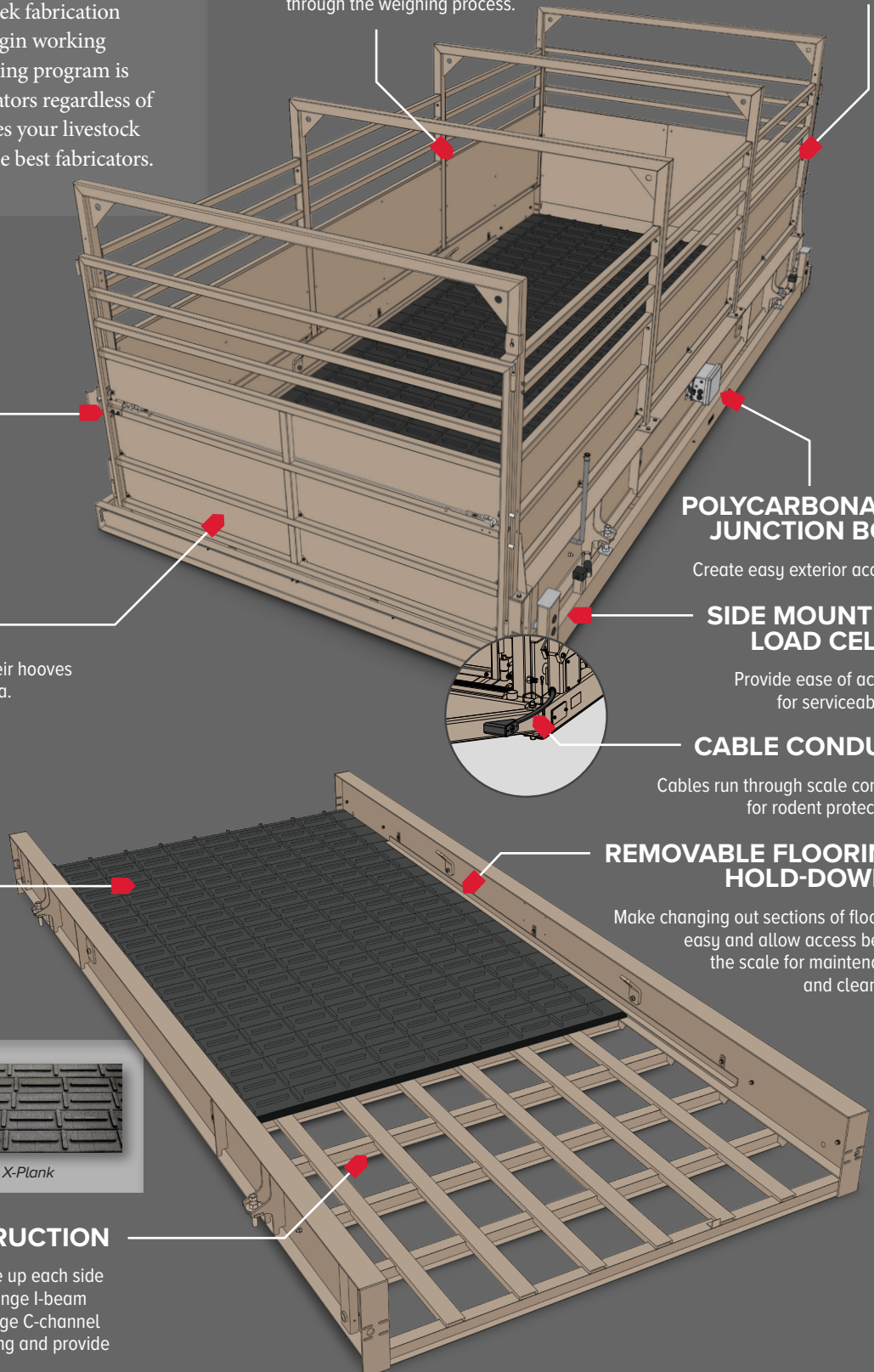
X-Lug



X-Plank

WEIGHBRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

Reinforced wide-flanged I-beams make up each side of the weighbridge. Additional wide-flange I-beam cross members topped with heavy gauge C-channel steel stand up to constant heavy loading and provide superior strength and longevity.



Portable Scale Models

A mobile livestock scale with wheels is an efficient way to transport the scale to your livestock by simply attaching it to the hitch of a vehicle.

A portable livestock scale is similar to a mobile scale, but it must be loaded onto a trailer and then transported to the livestock.



MAS-M2

MOBILE GROUP LIVESTOCK SCALE

Rice Lake's mobile design features a low-profile weighing platform to enable faster, easier multisite livestock weighing. This scale can be towed by a vehicle and is available in two lengths: 13 feet (single axle) and 18 feet (tandem axle). It provides Legal for Trade measurements even when the scale is placed off-level by up to 3° (6%).



MAS-P2

PORTABLE GROUP LIVESTOCK SCALE

The MAS-P2 can be loaded onto a trailer for easy relocation to multiple locations. The suspension lockdown feature prevents cage movement and load cell damage during transportation. When it's in weigh mode, the deck is low-profile to ensure safe weighing. In the AC and DC-powered models, Legal for Trade weights can be obtained in locations where the scale may be off-level by up to 3° (6%).

REVERSIBLE GATES & HIGHER GATE PANELS

Gates prioritize animal and operator comfort and safety, and open from either side.

OPERATOR SHIELD

Helps conceal the operator from the cattle, keeping animals calm.

15-INCH TIRES

Large tires provide greater stability for traveling over uneven terrain.

TAILLIGHTS

New taillights provide additional visibility.

RUGGED WEIGHBRIDGE

Durable PolyCleave® flooring hold-downs can be easily removed for cleaning and maintenance.

QUICK CONNECT

Towing arms can be removed once the scale is transitioned into weigh mode.

SAFETY BAR

The safety bar can be used in an emergency for a short towing distance.

Safety bar installed

Safety bar stored

CONVENIENT BATTERY BOX AND JUNCTION BOX

The battery box includes a large solar panel, compressor, battery and new junction box location.

ADJUSTABLE HITCH AND SIDE CRANK JACK

The adjustable hitch allows the scale to be modified to suit different vehicle heights for flexible towing.

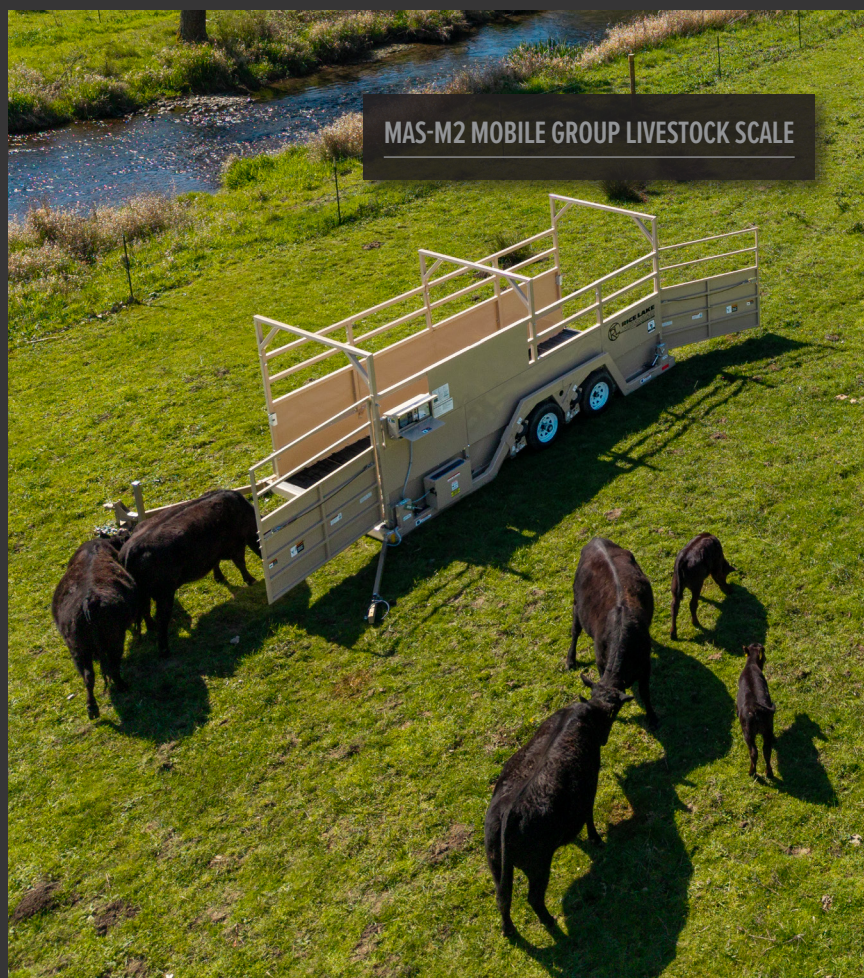
LOAD CELL TOWERS

Easily transition the scale from weigh mode to transport mode.

We've taken our proven, highly durable instrumentation line and tailored it to meet the specific needs of the ranching industry.

Our livestock scales are paired with instrumentation packages perfectly suited for the toughest ranching jobs around.

Rice Lake livestock instrumentation can be used on many scales, including non-Rice Lake models. In Legal for Trade applications, both the scale and instrumentation need Legal for Trade certification.



Shown with Group Weighing software

920i® WEIGH CENTER

The 920i weigh center is an all-in-one system that features a built-in 920i digital weight indicator and ticket printer in a weatherproof enclosure. Ranchers can print Legal for Trade tickets on-site, enabling immediate and accurate data for herd management.

Suitable for single- and multi-animal weighing, the 920i can be equipped with Group Weighing software or single animal Rate of Gain software to help ranchers make informed decisions based on weight data over time.

When used with Rice Lake's MAS-M2 and MAS-P2 scales, the 920i weigh center eliminates the need to recalibrate the scale after relocation.

GROUP WEIGHING SOFTWARE

- Reports batch, average weight, total weight, headcount and shrink

RATE OF GAIN SOFTWARE

- Reports daily rate of gain and average gain with up to three captured weights for up to 500 animals

SCALE COMPATIBILITY

GROUP WEIGHING

- MAS-M2 multi-animal mobile scale
- MAS-P2 multi-animal portable scale
- MAS-LC multi-animal stationary scale

RATE OF GAIN

- SAS single animal scale

5/1/2026		11:34 AM	
#Hd	Weight	UM	Avg Wt
4	3335	lb	834
7	6670	lb	953
13	13335	lb	1026
24	23340	lb	973 Gross
	22757	lb	948 Net
			2.50% Shrink

Print Legal for Trade tickets on-site

Livestock Weighing Buyer's Guide

CHOOSE THE BEST LIVESTOCK SCALE FOR ALL YOUR ANIMAL WEIGHING NEEDS

Calibration and Maintenance

Maintaining your scale is essential to ensure its accuracy. It is necessary to work with a state-licensed scale service company to ensure the scale is in proper operating condition for fair market pricing based on animal weight.

Most Legal for Trade scales must be calibrated at least once every year, but different regions may require more frequent calibrations.

It is also important to maintain the scale's condition while it is in use to help ensure accuracy. After each weigh-in is complete, and before the next animal is led onto the weighing platform, verify that the scale has returned to zero. A scale that does not return to zero will not provide accurate weight and may need to be re-calibrated.

By working with a nationwide certified dealer network, Rice Lake can help ensure your livestock scale is professionally installed by experienced scale technicians who can also provide routine maintenance throughout your scale's life.

Additional Products to Consider



RICE LAKE FARM BARS

These heavy-duty, electronic load cell scales can be mounted under most cattle squeeze chutes, hog crates, feed hoppers and custom platforms. Rice Lake Farm Bars are non-Legal for Trade.

Indicators

920i INDICATOR

The 920i is easy to navigate and clearly displays weight data in both bright and low-light conditions. The NEMA Type 4X stainless steel enclosure ensures longevity and protects it from rough environments. Compatible with single-animal and multi-animal scales, the 920i can be equipped with Group Weighing or single animal Rate of Gain software to optimize weight tracking.



Shown with Rate of Gain software

GROUP WEIGHING SOFTWARE

- Reports batch, average weight, total weight, headcount and shrink

RATE OF GAIN SOFTWARE

- Reports daily rate of gain and average gain with up to three captured weights for up to 500 animals

SCALE COMPATIBILITY

GROUP WEIGHING

- MAS-LC multi-animal stationary scale
- MAS-LM multi-animal mechanical scale

RATE OF GAIN

- SAS single animal scale
- SLV single animal livestock scale

380 SYNERGY SERIES INDICATOR

The 380 Synergy Series indicator is designed for basic livestock weighing on single animal scales. Ideal for simple operations, the 380 is battery-powered, easy to operate and cost-effective. The durable enclosure withstands tough conditions while maintaining accurate measurements.



SCALE COMPATIBILITY

- SAS single animal scale
- RoughDeck® SLV single animal livestock scale
- Farm bars