

 The feed requirements of Deer differ depending on there age, stage of growth, seasonal feed quality, enviorment and management objectives.

 To maintain a good level of production through the year the feed supply has to match the stage of production and seasonal requirements in terms of usable or ME, protein and trace elements.

MANAGEMENT ISSUES WITH FEEDING.

- Adult hinds.
- Adult stags
- Yearling hinds
- Yearling stags
- Calves.

Requirements Hinds-Stags

Live wt	Required	Grain/Hay Mix	
50kg	8.9 Mj ME	1.1Kg as feed	
80kg	12.6	1.5	
100kg	14.9	1,8	
120kg	17.1	2.1	
STAGS			
60kg	12.4	1.5	
100kg	18.2	2.2	
140kg	23.4	2.8	
200kg	32.8	4.0	

<u>PLANNING</u>

- OBJECTIVES.
- Age structures.
- Sex ratios.
- Feed Available.
- Financial constraints.
- Labour issues.
- Accessibility.
- Environmental issues.

<u>FEED MANAGEMENT</u>.

- Routine.
- Long Feed lines.
- Tram lines.
- U Shape lines.
- Moving calves towards feed lines.
- Speed of Feeding Concentrate.
- Feed Sites.
- Routine.

FEEDING AMOUNTS - STAGS

- Adult stags
- Middle stags
- Junior stags
- Yearlings.
- = 2.5Kg Head/ Day concentrate.
- + Add Lib Silage.
- + Root Crop Twice Per Week.

FEEDING AMOUNT - HINDS

- Hinds
- Calves
- Yearling hinds
- Young Stags
- = 1kg concentrate/ Head/Day
- + add lib silage
- + Root crop twice per week.

<u>DIFFERENT FEEDS</u>.

- Silage, Maze, Grass, Lucerne. Arable.
- Hay
- Sugar Beet.
- Fodder Beet.
- Carrots.
- Turnips.
- Sugar beet pulp nuts.
- Compound Feed.













OTHER CONSIDERATIONS.

- Objectives.
- Timings.
- Health Problems.
- Hind Culling.
- Venison Culling.
- Trophies.
- Different Species.

<u>CONCLUSIONS</u>

- Understanding of Feed Requirements.
- Only Use best Feed Available.
- Long Feed Lines.
- Different Feeds.
- Observation.
- Be aware of weather conditions and its Effect.
- Flexibility.
- Routine.