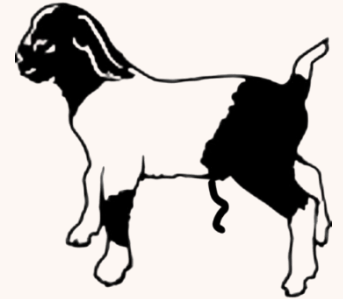


GET LAMBS & KIDS OFF TO A GOOD START

CLIP • DIP • STRIP • SIP

① CLIP

Clip means to shorten (to 1-2 inches) a long umbilical cord to keep it from touching the ground. *Some cords do not require shortening.*



② DIP



Soon after birth, dip the navel in **7% iodine** or an iodine alternative to help dry the cord and prevent bacteria from entering the body through the umbilicus. *Dipping is usually superior to spraying.*



③ STRIP



Strip the teats to remove the thick wax plugs and ensure the colostrum is flowing. Make sure the dam has enough milk to feed her offspring. Little or no milk may indicate **mastitis**.

④ SIP

Make sure newborns consume enough colostrum and as soon as possible. The rule of thumb is at least **10 percent** of their body weight in the first 24 hours, e.g., 16 ounces for a 10-lb. baby, spread out over several feedings.

