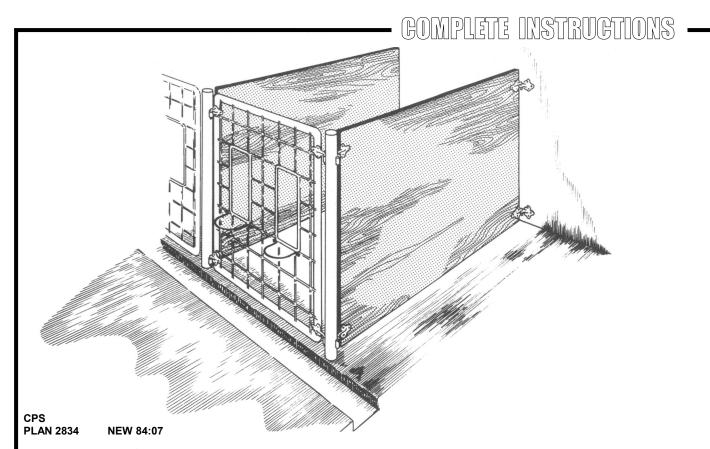
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INDIVIDUAL CALF PEN



This leaflet gives construction details for individual bedded pens suitable for calves up to 3 months of age. Pens like these require more bedding and floor space, and are more expensive than the individual tie-stalls shown in plans 2831 or 2833. However, they do allow the calf more freedom.

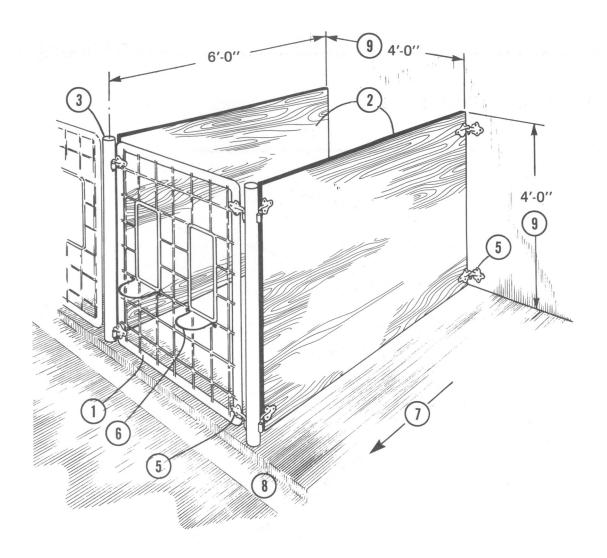
PEN PARTITIONS Partitions of solid material such as plywood are used on the sides to minimize contact between calves; however, front gates are not solid but are made from material such as welded wire mesh or 1 x 4 in. boards to provide better ventilation. If mesh is used, frame it with light pipe or tubing to reinforce it and eliminate sharp edges. If pens back onto each other, the back panel should be solid like

the sides. Pen partitions are removable so that double size pens can be made easily. By bringing two or more calves together after weaning, the calves become accustomed to group conditions. Removable partitions also help when cleaning and disinfecting.

PEN SIZE Pen dimensions vary from 3 x 5 ft. to 4 x 8 ft. on different farms; the more popular 4 x 6 ft. size is shown in this leaflet.

FLOORS Pen floors are usually concrete, sloped to the alleyway where a small 5 \times 2 in. gutter collects washwater used when disinfecting. If enough bedding is used, there should be very little seepage from the pen to the gutter.

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- front gate, welded wire mesh in pipe frame, or 1" x 4' wood slats 1
- 2 solid partitions, 5/8" plywood sheathing
- 1/2" x 4" long galv. pipe, welded to ③ 4
- truck rack hinges or bent steel rod to suit 5
- hoops to hold feed and/or water pails 6
- slope floor 2" to gutter 7
- 8 5" x 2" gutter

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9 dimension varies, max. shown

