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## Complete Herd Management Guide

This guide is a short reference for day-to-day herd management after setup is complete. Use the first guide for setup instructions. Use this guide as a short reference for maintaining the herd after setup.

### Before You Begin

- Use the Mobile App for quick in-field actions such as turning virtual paddocks on or off, checking notifications, tracking animals, changing mobs, and running association sessions.
- Use the Web App for larger-screen planning and administration such as creating virtual paddocks, managing infrastructure, reviewing animal and neckband lists, creating mobs, and checking overall system status.
- Remember that app times are shown in the local time zone of the device you are using. If you are away from the farm, scheduled times may display differently if your device is set to another time zone.

### Daily Herd Management Routine

1. Open the Mobile App or Web App and review notifications before making paddock changes.
2. Confirm that animals are inside the correct virtual paddock and that no animals are separated from the mob.
3. Check neckband communication, battery status, and recent location updates.
4. Review access to water, paddock allocation, and any scheduled moves that are due to occur.
5. Inspect animals directly in person as part of normal stockmanship. Virtual fencing does not replace regular visual welfare checks.

The Mobile App can send push notifications for critical events such as an animal being still/down or outside a virtual paddock. These alerts are useful for quick field response, while the Web App is better for reviewing the broader herd picture.

### View Animal Location and Movement Track

1. Find the animal on the map. Animals appear using their mob color.
2. Tap the animal on the Mobile App map and choose TRACK to view the movement path.
3. Adjust the date and time range if you need to investigate a different period.
4. Tap points along the track to see the timestamp, paddock, and animal information.

5. Use track history when checking for unusual movement, confirming that a neckband is reporting normally, or investigating whether an animal has lingered near a boundary or watering point.

Mobs are the main way to manage animals as a group. Keeping animals in the correct mob makes virtual paddock assignments easier and keeps the map organized.

### **Maintain animal records**

- Use the Animals menu in the Web App to review VID, EID, neckband assignment, and mob membership.
- Use sorting and column selection to find animals without a mob, animals without a recent update, or animals needing attention.
- Update records promptly when an animal changes groups, loses a neckband, is removed from the herd, or receives a replacement neckband.

## **Update Mobs**

### **Change an animal to a different mob in both the Web and Mobile App**

1. Tap the animal on the map.
2. Choose CHANGE MOB from the animal toolbar.
3. Select the correct mob or remove the animal from a mob if needed.
4. Confirm the change and verify the map color and group assignment update correctly.

You can activate or deactivate virtual paddocks from either app. The Mobile App is useful when you are in the field, while the Web App is useful when planning on a larger screen.

### **Using the Mobile App**

1. Open the app and select the mob you want to manage.
2. Tap the destination virtual paddock from the map or mob panel.
3. Use the toggle or slider to turn the virtual paddock ON or OFF, then confirm the change.
4. Monitor the transition until the mob has reported into the correct paddock.

### **Using the Web App**

1. Open the Virtual Paddock or Schedule menu.
2. Choose the mob and confirm the current paddock assignment.
3. Activate the next virtual paddock or turn off a paddock if animals need to be unmanaged temporarily.
4. Use the Status menu to monitor changeover progress if the mob is transitioning between paddocks.

## Schedule Future Moves

Scheduled moves are useful for planned rotations. They can be created in the Mobile App and in the Web App.

### Schedule a move in the Mobile App

1. Tap Mobs in the bottom toolbar and select the mob.
2. Tap Add New Scheduled Move.
3. Choose the destination virtual paddock.
4. Set the start time and end time or select Until Further Notice.
5. Save the move and recheck it before the scheduled time. Once a move is active, it cannot be edited or deleted, but it can be turned off if needed.

### Important scheduling note

Avoid scheduling a move between virtual paddocks that do not overlap if animals may be left outside the new paddock. Plan changes carefully so animals can transition smoothly.

## Move Virtual Paddocks Between Rotation and Storage

1. Open the Virtual Paddock list in either app.
2. Use In Rotation for paddocks you are actively using.
3. Use In Storage for paddocks you want to keep but are not currently grazing.
4. Select one or more paddocks and move them to Storage to reduce clutter on the map and list.
5. Move them back to Rotation when you want them to be available again.

### Search and filter virtual paddocks

1. Open the virtual paddock list.
2. Use search by name when you need to find a specific paddock quickly.
3. Use filters such as physical paddock or status to narrow the list on large properties.
4. Use sorting options like name, status, or recent activity to keep management efficient.

## Physical Maintenance Checks

1. Open the Neckbands menu in the Web App to review fitted and unfitted units.
2. Look for neckbands that have not updated recently, have low battery, or are no longer assigned correctly.
3. Use the Status menu to monitor paddock transitions and confirm that mob moves are progressing as expected.

4. If a collar is removed, replaced, or stops communicating, update the animal record and investigate before relying on virtual fencing for that animal.

Inspect neckband fit regularly, especially for growing animals or animals that have gained or lost condition. Look for rubbing, looseness, chain wear, damaged clips, or any sign that the collar is not positioned correctly. Check that animals have dependable access to water and are not being forced into narrow or confusing virtual fence layouts. Use direct observation during training, paddock changes, and after any alert or communication loss. Do not use virtual fencing as the only barrier near roads, neighboring property, or other high-risk boundaries.

## Optional Useful Features

- Use map layers in the Web App to show or hide watering points, landmarks, physical paddocks, and other items so the map is easier to read.
- Use heat maps in the Web App to review where animals spend time grazing and identify pasture use patterns.
- If your system includes an Emergency Pause Device, make sure staff know where it is and how it is used before an emergency occurs.

## Helpful Information

This guide was completed using the attached setup guide and Gallagher eShepherd Help Center materials covering the Web App, Mobile App, virtual paddocks, mobs, scheduled moves, and alert-based monitoring.

For more detailed walkthroughs, videos, and updates, visit the Gallagher eShepherd Help Center and review the Quick Start Guide, Mobile App Guide, and Web App articles.

For any questions regarding your virtual fencing collars, herd setup, or day-to-day herd management, contact the numbers or emails at the top of this guide or reach out to Gallagher support.