**ASSESSMENT OF RISK OF SURGERY**

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| Class | Physical Status | Example |
| I | A healthy patient | Dehorning, Disbudding of a healthy calf |
| II | A patient with mild systemic disease | Essential hypertension, mild diabetes without end organ damage |
| III | A patient with severe systemic disease that is a constant threat to life | Angina, moderate to server COPD |
| IV | A patient with an incapacitating disease that is a constant threat to life | Cardiac Failure |
| V | A moribund patient- not expected to survive the next 24 hrs with or without surgery. | Ruptured aortic aneurysm, massive pulmonary embolism. |
| E | Emergency case |  |

Table 1: Adapted from American Society of Anaesthesiologists.

* Both calves selected for disbudding and dehorning based on their ages had an ASA grading of I.