

## **Instruction Sheet**

#### FOR ROUND BALES

Choose the correct net size for bale. If your bale is 4' high by 5' wide then you need a **MEDIUM SIZED NET** that measures 5' x 7'

If your bale is 5' high by 6' wide then you need a LARGE SIZED NET that measures 6' x 8'

We can make a Slow Feed Net to fit any sized bale—please enquire for pricing

Our nets close with a simple drawstring

\*\*\*If you are using a bale spear please be mindful not to put the spear through the net as this will damage the net and not be covered under any warranty\*\*\*

- ✓ Step 1: \*If using a bale spear\* Spear the bale and elevate it off of the ground a few inches
- ✓ Step 2: Open Slow Feed Net and put it over the end of the bale while walking towards
  the tractor with the drawstring end
- ✓ Step 3: Pull the drawstring tight once on the opposite end
- ✓ Step 4: Tuck excess drawstring back inside the net and place bale in feeding location
- ✓ **Step 5:** Place some loose hay near feeding area for first time users until the animals become used to feeding from the net. It is helpful to pull some hay through the mesh in many spots so the animal learns quickly how to "graze" from the net
- ✓ **Step 6:** If your animal is "shod" please use a feeder or ensure the horse cannot paw at the net with horseshoes
- ✓ Step 7: In colder months please place something under the hay net to prevent it from freezing to the ground (tarp or sheet of ply wood)

#### If you are NOT using a bale spear to handle the round bales

- ✓ Step 1: Open the hay net and drop down open drawstring end over top of the bale
- ✓ Step 2: Pull net down as far as you can so the "stern side" is tight on the end of the bale
- ✓ Step 3: Flip bale over on its side and continue to pull the rest of net to the end of the bale
- ✓ Step 4: Pull drawstring tight and tuck excess drawstring inside of hay net
- ✓ Step 5: Follow steps 5-7 listed above

### FOR LARGE SQUARE BALES with an open end/drawstring

If using a bale spear follow **steps 1-7** listed **above** for Round Bales.

If not using a bale spear but still having the capabilities of incorporating an implement to lift the bale:

- ✓ **Step 1:** Stand bale up on end and open the net with the drawstring side.
- ✓ **Step 2:** Pull net from one end to the other and simply pull the drawstring tight to close the net.
- ✓ Follow Steps 5-7 listed above.

# For large square bale users who have no means of using a farm implement to handle the bales

Please order a "boxed style" slow feed net. This net requires the owner to:

- ✓ **Step 1:** Open the hay net and place the open SIDE over top the length of the bale and pull mesh down on all 4 sides.
- ✓ Step 2: Flip the bale over 2 times on the ground bringing the only side remaining to the top.
- ✓ **Step3:** Flip over the top panel and lash the 3 sides with the string provided.



\*All Slow Feed Nets are warrantied for 30 days against manufacturers defects only. For any warranty related items or to learn how to repair a net that gets a hole in it, please contact your distributor for assistance\*