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Cascade Fresh

Animal Standards Policy

At Cascade Fresh our top priority is respect for the animals. Cascade Fresh purchases milk only from farmers who have certified that their cows have not been treated with rBGH (recombinant Bovine Growth Hormone) also known as rBST (recombinant Bovine Somatotropin). Cascade Fresh also pays farmers a premium to not use hormones, steroids or antibiotics. We culture our yogurt in the cup and our carefully crafted products would not culture successfully if there were steroids or antibiotics in the milk.

We purchase our milk from a farmer-owned dairy cooperative that is committed to the best possible conditions for the cows. The cows live in open pasture and graze on fresh grass in the spring, summer and fall and in winter, when weather and grass conditions allow. Depending on the time of year they are also fed hay and grains including alfalfa, barley and corn. Their diet is vegetarian and as such, includes no animal by-products of any kind. If they have any health problems, they are removed from milk production and appropriately taken care of.

At Cascade Fresh we believe that dairy cows should be outside as much as possible to graze and socialize and although the cows live in open pasture most of the time, we do not require a minimum time. All of the farmers we purchase milk from are dedicated to making sure that their animals have a clean environment with ample room to roam, clean water, and fresh air.