

BABY GOAT POOP CHART

YOUR HANDY GUIDE TO ALL THINGS POOP

● MECONIUM



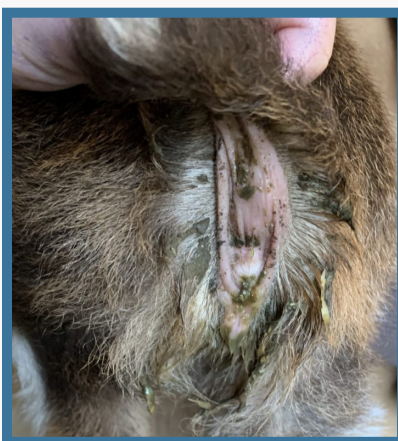
Baby goat's first stools are called meconium, and are very dark, almost black, thick and very sticky. Expect to do some clean up if you're not dam raising or if mom isn't doing a good clean up job her baby's backsides.

● NORMAL MILK POOP



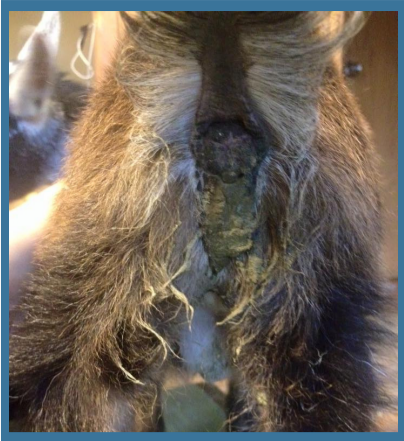
Babies will have a yellow pasty poop that progresses to yellow pellet logs after a few days. Once kids start nibbling hay and grain, their poops will change over to pellets and start to change over to brown.

● DARK, SMELLY SCOURS



If your kids develops dark, foul smelling scours, possibly containing blood, you may be dealing with Enterotoxemia. The kid will be in visible pain - hunching, teeth grinding, crying - and will go downhill fast. Treat with antitoxin, activated charcoal and fluids immediately. Call a vet.

If the kid is over 3 weeks old, dark, smelly scours can also indicate coccidiosis. This is common in goat kids and can kill them quickly. All kids who are suspected of being exposed to the one showing symptoms should be treated with appropriate medication, preferably sulpha based, and any with scours given something like kaolin pectin to stop the scours.



● **WATERY YELLOW SCOURS**

One of the main causes of runny yellow poops in baby goats is overindulging on milk - this is called "milk scours". If the kids are on a bottle, that means cutting them back on the milk you're feeding. If they're with mom, try pulling mom out and milking her down at least once a day. If the scours persist or get worse, consult a vet as soon as possible.



● **GREEN, GREY, YELLOW, BLACK SCOURS**

Profuse, oddly colored scours can be a sign of Ecoli, Salmonella or worse. Check the baby's temp, look for other symptoms and call your vet immediatly.



● **NO POOP**

Sometimes, kids can get constipated. Usually this happens if they're not eating enough and get dehydrated. Usually a kid will act a bit out of sorts and not eating well. A gentle enema of warm water and a drop or two of soap will help move along any blockage. You should also make sure the kid gets extra hydration to keep it from happening again.