



Online Learning for Livestock Farmers

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- **Rotational Grazing Basics:** Rachel Gilker, grazing specialist, and Jenn Colby of the UVM Center for Sustainable Agriculture provide a practical primer on pasture basics for beginning farmers.
- **Starting Right with Sheep:** Chet Parsons, former UVM Extension Livestock Specialist, discusses getting started with sheep, including breeds, housing, fencing and health.
- **Practical Poultry Production:** Dr. Michael Darre, UConn Extension poultry specialist for New England, provides an intro to all things related to raising healthy poultry.
- **Raw Milk Marketing and Best Practices:** Farmers, regulators, and specialists present regulations and best practices for producing and marketing raw milk.
- **Fall seeding of Forage Crops:** UVM Extension Agronomist Sid Bosworth, reviews the species and mixture options, site preparation and post seeding management.

New Farmer Project webinars...are designed for newcomers to online learning.

If you have Internet access and can hear sound through your computer, you should be able to view these presentations. A broadband Internet connection is helpful but not necessary. The UVM Extension New Farmer Project presents webinars every month on topics of production, marketing, and farm finances.

The on-line format allows Extension to provide farmers live interaction with experts regardless of where they live, and all webinars are recorded. They can be viewed anytime. Links to the webinar recordings are posted within a week of their presentation at <http://www.uvm.edu/newfarmer>.

Right now, you can view webinars on past topics,

including-- *Practical Food Safety for Produce Farmers, Intro to Soil Health and Soil Testing, Pricing Your Products for Profit, Selling to Restaurants, and Intro to Plant Diseases.*



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