Milking Procedure

1. Pre-spray each teat on first 5 cows. Spray enough to drip a little, but not quickly run off the teats.

2. Clean teats with towel, teat end should be in the palm of your hand. Pay attention to getting teat ends clean! Use two towels for each group of 5 cows.

3. Attach milking units.

4. Hook hoses and level off milker. This avoids squeaks and encourages even milkout.

5. Repeat steps 1 thru 4 with next group of 5 cows.

6. As units detach, post-spray each teat. Pull hook back to indicate cow was sprayed.

7. When all 10 units on a side are off, open front gate. Gently encourage cows to leave, use hose to spray their feet in the exit ally. Minimize use of water, especially in cold weather.

8. Use hose to wash floor and units as needed between groups of cows. Close front gate and open back gate to reload.

Helpful Tips
1. Focus on attaching all units on one side of the parlor before doing anything with the other side.
2. If a milker is kicked off, re-attach or post-spray right away. You rarely need to re-attach.
3. The crowd gate is your friend, use it rather than chasing cows.