

# Advanced Cow Management for Robotic Milking

8 88 COW PATH

Efficient and Safe Flow Control for Production





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Proper flow control and cow comfort are critical factors for higher milk production and quality, especially in today's Automated Milking Facilities.

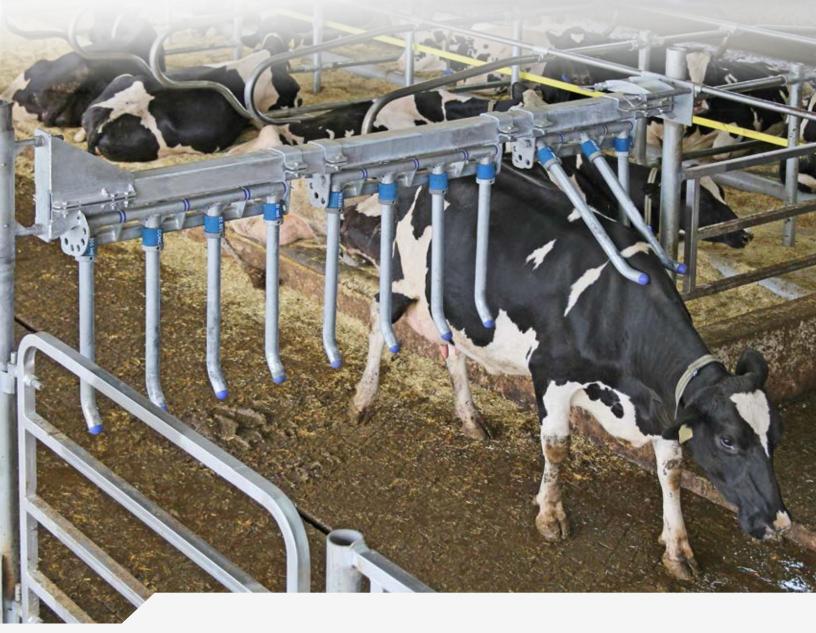
Sturdy Built offers a full line of cow flow solutions that will improve the efficiency and functionality of your Robotic Milking Facility. Browse these pages for a closer look. Feel free to contact us; we are here to assist you!



Patented US 7,810,450 B2

# **One-Way Flow Control Gates**

Increase Flow Efficiency and Cow Comfort in Robotic Milking



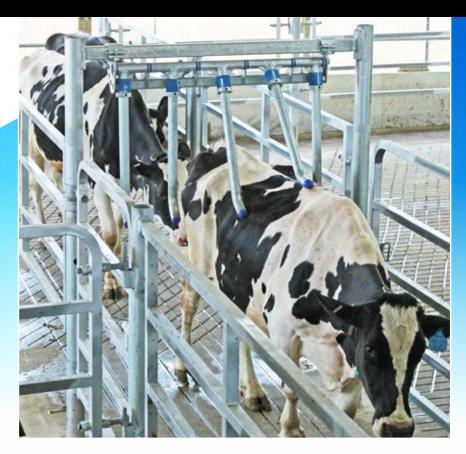
- Curved, vertical fingers signal cows to naturally lower their heads in passage
- No horizontal bars to convey a restricted appearance to cows
- · Boss cows cannot block flow with the vertical fingers spanning entire alleyway

### **Gallery of One-Way Flow Control Gates**

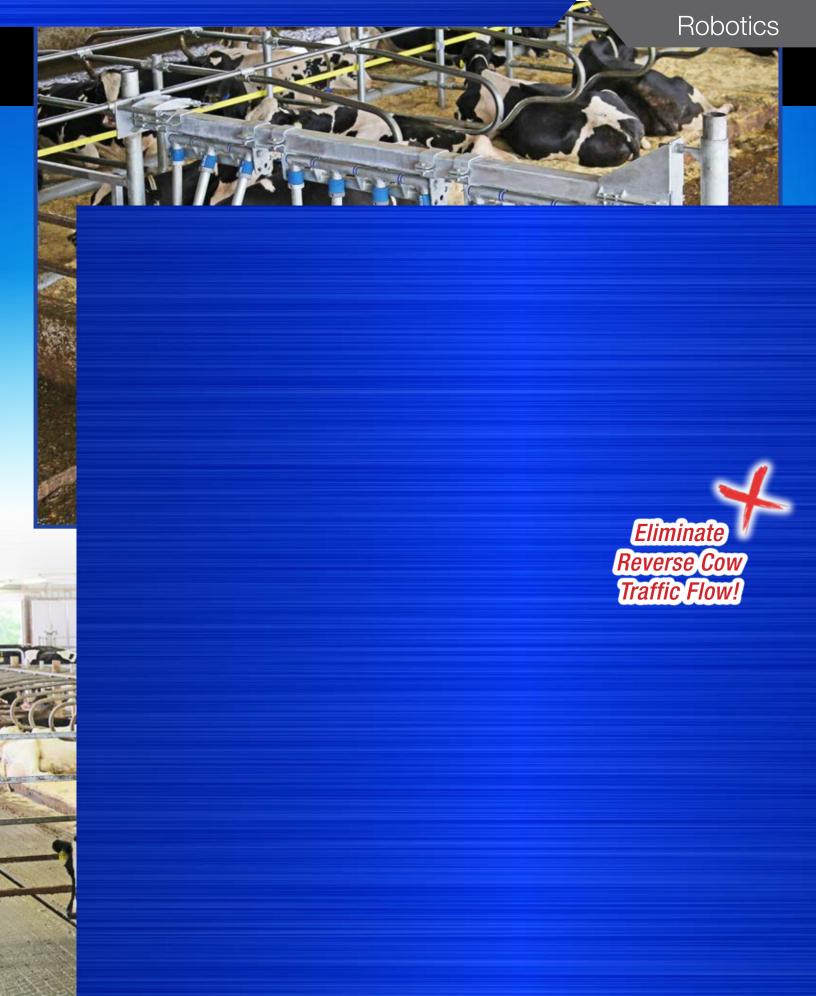


Flow Control Gate by Sturdy Built Patented US 7,810,450 B2











- 1 Curved gate fingers with poly cushion provide greater cow safety
- 2 Padded, noise-reducing gate fingers
- 3 Gate fingers rest securely in down position, restricting reverse cow flow
- 4 Square horizontal beam provides exceptional weight support and stability
- 5 Clamp-on unit allows rigid mounting and field adjustment
- 6 Convenient, double spring bolt latch design to rotate fingers to various positions for training, open access, or everyday operation
- 7 Heavy-duty linkage for responsive control



Wide Open Access - Rapidly position a section or all gate fingers completely up out of way





Rugged Frame Construction Consistent, reliable operation



**Cow Training Mode** Fingers tipped partially forward

### **Stationary Mount**



Sturdy Built Stationary One-Way Flow Control Gates feature convenient telescopic inserts that slide securely inside the main beam assembly. This solid design allows for width adjustment and on-site installation flexibility. Mount with your choice of weld-on, clamp-on or bolt-on hardware.

NEW ADJUSTABLE WIDTH



### **Hinging Mount**



Hinging Flow Control gate rotated on post allowing loader access for alleyway scraping



Swinging Flow Control Gate back into position





Adjustable Hinges - Precise installation with easy maintenance

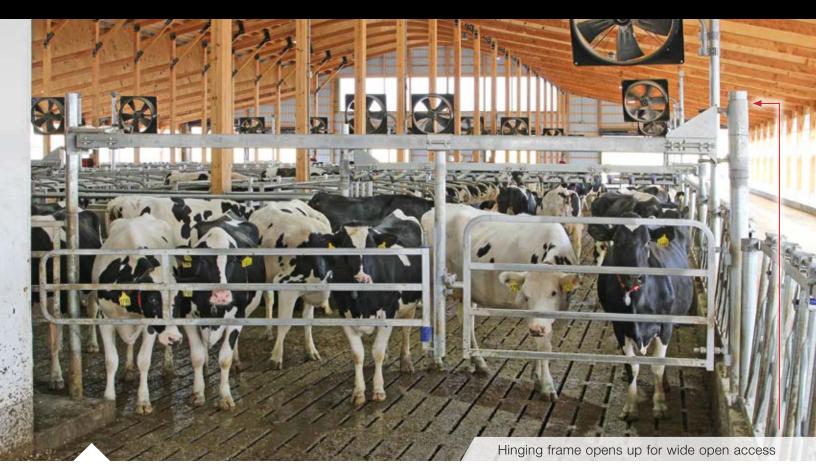


**Double Spring Bolt Latch Design** 

Hinging One-Way Flow Control Gates are the solution for scrape alleys and areas where equipment access is necessary. The high-strength lubricated hinge point allows for one person to swing the gate. The double spring bolt latch assembly is rigid and quick to operate. Mount with your choice of weld-on, clamp-on or bolt-on hardware.



### **Telescopic Horizontal Flow Control Gates**







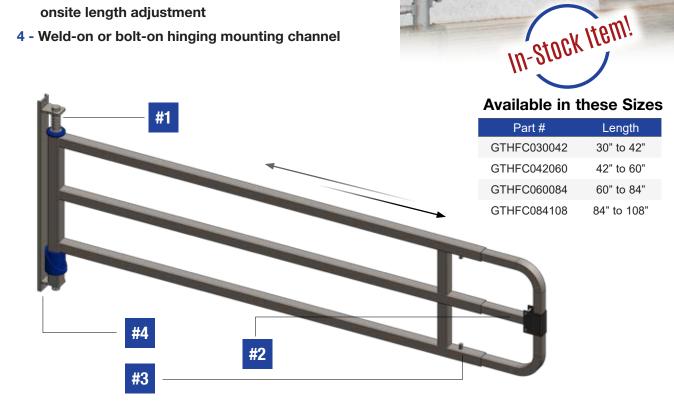
The above gate performs an essential role in robotic milker facilities. The large frame pivots on the hinging post, allowing wide open access for any large equipment. The heavy-duty hinge assembly carries the weight in large openings evenly. Inside the large frame is our popular 2-way entrance gate which allows cows to enter the robot from either pen. The standard interior gate in the opposite end allows workers to pass through easily and to lock it securely with the selflatching 2-way latch.



Horizontal Flow Control Gate in Parlor Exit Lane

### **Features**

- 1 Compact, spring-loaded poly hinging design allows gate to swing both directions
- 2 Rubber bumper reduces noise during daily use
- 3 Set screws allow for fast onsite length adjustment
- 4 Weld-on or bolt-on hinging mounting channel



#### **Custom Fencing & Gating for Various Robotic Layouts**





The proper flow of cows is essential to success with robotic milking systems. Sturdy Built works closely with the dairy industry to develop free stalls, feeding systems, and specialized gates designed for the specific challenges of robotic milking systems.

# **Pneumatic Sorting Gates**



Built to fit various parlor and robotic layouts, Sturdy Built's economical, pneumatically-operated sorting gates allow cows to be sorted into multiple pens. Contact us today for assistance in determining the best design for your operation.



Galvanized construction. Posts feature stainless steel rust protection at floor level.



#### Suspended Sorting Gate over Scrape Alley

This suspended sorting gate is built right into a hinging framework. The entire assembly swings out of the scrape alley readily when equipment access is required. Custom built to fit any robotic layout and opening measurements.



For Various Robotic Milker Stations

## **Telescopic Sorting Gates**



- 36" O.C. adjustable hinge pins allow for additional adjustment and are compatible with clamp-on, weld-on, or bolt-on male hinges
- 2 Rubber bumper reduces noise during daily use
- 3 Set screws allow for fast onsite length adjustment
  - 3-Bar (20.75" high)
  - Pneumatic cylinder included in kit



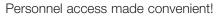
# **Clean Access Man Walks**



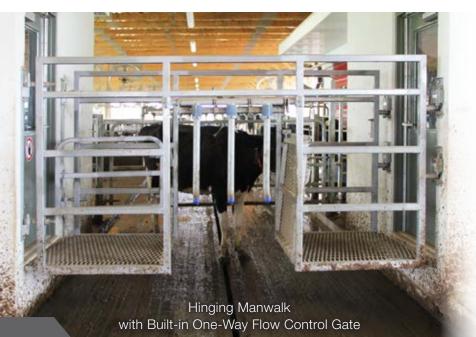
Hinging gate with folding deck allows the manwalk to swing aside for scraping and to allow equipment access











# **Scissors Gates**

- Hinge design allows gate to rotate on post, providing wider openings
- Lift-assist gas springs with dust guard
- Integrated latch locks the gate in closed position



Handily open and close









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