

Make Hay

STORE GRASS FOR USE DURING THE DRY SEASON

Grass can be stored as hay or silage. However, in dry areas like Machakos, it is easier to make hay than silage.

- Hay can be made from any amount of grass while silage needs a lot of grass.
- The heat in the dry areas easily spoils silage while hay requires heat to dry.
- To make good silage, air must be removed by pressing (very hard for a farmer without a tractor), while hay just needs a lot of air to dry quickly.

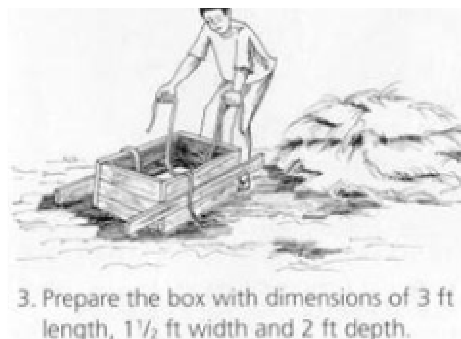
HAY MAKING

Hay can be made from:

- Planted grass
- Natural grass

TIMING

- December/January and April/May, at the end of rains when there is plenty of sunshine.

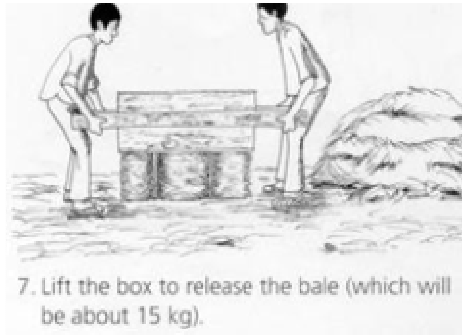




5. Pack the dried grass tightly in the box.



6. Tie the bale.



7. Lift the box to release the bale (which will be about 15 kg).

