

## **ROASTING GUIDELINES – BEEF JOINTS**

Please note that the following information should be treated as a rough guide. All ovens vary. Always pre-heat your oven to the required temperature.

All joints should be cooked for the first 20 - 30 minutes at a higher temperature;  $230 \, ^{0}\text{C}$  /  $450 \, ^{0}\text{F}$  / Gas Mark 8, then lowered to the temperatures detailed below. For fan assisted ovens you need to reduce the temperature by the equivalent of up to  $20 \, ^{0}\text{C}$ .

## **COOKING:**

Roasting Temperature:	Joint:	Cooking Time (for medium):
180 °C to 190 °C	Sirloin	25 minutes per lb (454g) + 25 minutes
350 °F to 375 °F	Rib of Beef	
Gas Mark 5	Topside	
	Silverside	
E.g. 4 lb Joint (1.8 – 2 kg)		2 hours 5 minutes

If you like your meat rare reduce the cooking time to 15 minutes per lb + 15 minutes. For well done increase the cooking time to 30 minutes per lb + 30 minutes.

## **NOTES:**

**Baste:** Spoon over the juices from the joint at least 2 to 3 times during cooking.

**Is it ready?** Skewer your meat or insert a sharp knife into the thickest part:

Red juices = rare. Pink juices = medium. Clear juices = well done.

**Rest:** Allow the joint to stand for 20 to 30 minutes after removing it from the oven, and before

carving.