



# DID YOU KNOW THIS?

## *Agmax Anti Bloat Plus....*

### GETTING THE DOSE RIGHT

When drenching, here's how to make sure you've got the calculations right.

Say you want to give a 4ml dose of bloat concentrate, and your drench gun delivers a 90ml total dose.

4ml is 4.5% of 90ml ( $4 \div 90, \times 100$ ). So no matter how much you mix up at a time, it should contain 4.5% of bloat concentrate. For example, if you are mixing up 60 Litres, the correct amount of bloat concentrate to include is  $60 \times 4.5\% = 2.7$  Litres.

Note that you've got to use three variables for this calculation:

1. The dose rate that you want to give (mls).
2. The total volume your drench gun delivers (mls).
3. The amount you want to mix up at once (Lt).

**Tip:** *CHECK that your gun is really delivering the total volume you think it is!*

### DILUTION RATES & TEMPERATURES

For Agmax Anti-Bloat Plus you can mix it cold, and you should have at least 3 parts water to 1 part Anti-Bloat Plus. In fact, most people use more water than that, because of the set delivery volume of their drench gun, so it's often 8:1 or more. That's not a problem - to some extent, the more water you use with your active dose the better.

### 12 HOURS OR 24 HOURS?

Most Agmax customers use once-a-day doses, for at least some of the time. The products will certainly perform over 24 hours, and they do so every day. However, not every farm or herd is the same. The factors, which influence duration of protection, involve considerably more than just the chemistry of the product you're using. In making your decision to go for 12 or 24 hours, you should consider all the usual indicators - weather, pasture characteristics, herd susceptibility and paddock. You can't beat your own experience of your herd and your farm, supported by regular checks on the herd to monitor effectiveness. It may seem a bit of a cop-out, but our considered advice is to initially err on the side of caution, and then become a bit more adventurous when your confidence level rises.

### WHAT CAN YOU ADD?

Magnesium, Zinc, Molasses and all the common liquid and solid supplements are perfectly compatible with Agmax Bloat products. However, be very cautious about combining bloat drench (any brand) with copper or sodium (salt). These two minerals are both known to sometimes trigger the by-pass reflex, so the dose doesn't go into the rumen at all. Obviously, that means the bloat product can't work. This by-pass reflex problem doesn't happen every time copper or sodium are present, but it does happen sometimes. Not a lot is known about the levels that present a risk, so avoid using large quantities of copper and sodium with your bloat product.

**Available in:**

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