



Trough Treatment for Preventing Bloat - Frequently Asked Questions

Is surface water a problem?

If the cows have access to untreated water (such as a stream or, if you live in Northland, a big flood puddle), trough treatment can be ineffective. Try taking a drink yourself from the stream and then from a bloat-treated trough - which taste do you prefer? Cows do, too!

What about rain?

Another situation that's said to be risky is when the grass is very wet with dew or rain. The cows may not immediately drink, or perhaps won't drink as much, because of the high water content of what they're eating. If so, then they may be unprotected during the critical period right after they first enter the paddock.

How much do they need?

Using Agmax Anti-Bloat Plus, or the new BloatBuster, the normal dose rate per cow is 4ml in each paddock or break. That means you should do the night paddock, too. If there's more than one trough, divide the product evenly between troughs.

How do I dispense it?

One way is to make a premix with water (see label), and pour the premix directly to the troughs. This works well, and ensures maximum concentration when the cows first drink. Or you can use a floating dispenser - also very good, but you need to put an initial charge in all the troughs, so that the initial concentration is adequate right from the start of the "bloat season". Can be used through an in-line dispenser with medium density alkathene pipes.

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