

CASTLE VETERINARY GROUP
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Enzootic Abortion & Toxoplasmosis

Enzootic abortion – you could lose up to 25% of your lambs

Vaccinate at least 4 weeks before the rams go in. Pack sizes – 50’s and 20’s

Toxoplasmosis - can cause barren ewes, abortions, stillbirths and weak lambs
 We receive Toxovax deliveries once a week so please give as much notice as possible when ordering. Please be aware that it is a fragile vaccine with a very short shelf life of just 7-10 days. Please bring a cool bag with you to collect your order.



Launceston Show

Thank you to everyone who came to visit our stand at Launceston Show. It is always lovely to see so many faces. We hope you enjoyed the competitions and made the most of the sunshine when it brightened up.

Bluetongue Cattle Vaccine Has Arrived

We have received our first delivery of Zulvac Bovis 50 doses
 Cash Price: £47.45 Ex Vat for 50 doses
 We are expecting Bluevac BTV8 for sheep to arrive imminently

Quick Guide to Bluetongue Vaccine

	Dose	Repeat	Price
Cattle	2ml in muscle	3 weeks later	£47.45 Ex Vat for 50 doses
Sheep	2ml under skin	3 weeks later	£40.60 Ex Vat for 50 doses

Buying in Sheep this Autumn??

With increasing levels of resistance to sheep wormers it is important to vary the type of drug you use. Currently there is no known resistance to Zolvix (group 4 wormer) or Startect (group 5 wormer) in the UK. These can be particularly useful for weaned lambs or farms with triple resistance (to groups 1-3). These wormers are also perfect for quarantine drenching in conjunction with a preventative scab treatment.

There are three elements to effective quarantine:

1. **Isolate** (quarantine) in-coming stock. Yard for the first 24-48 hours and then keep them isolated from the resident flock for as long as possible, 3 weeks being the absolute minimum.
2. **Treat** the sheep against worms, fluke and scab while they are yarded.
3. **Maintain** isolation when they are turned out to field(s) that have carried sheep this season

