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CLINICS ARE CLOSED SUNDAY and NO DELIVERY SERVICE SATURDAYS AND HOLIDAYS

Orders for Delivery: Please, call BEFORE 9:30 am, for same day local delivery Monday to Friday

24 Hour Emergency Vet Service - call 519-698-2610 519-323-9002 519-699-0404 1-800-663-2941

SEPTEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

October Holiday

Monday October 10th there will be no delivery service on Thanksgiving Day. Vet will be available for emergencies. Clinics will be open only in the morning for pick ups and early residue tests.

Bovikal[®] Fall Promotion – Sept 1 2022 to Oct 31 2022 apply for a \$40 prepaid gift card with each case purchased.

RECALL NOTICE:

Calcium Borogluconate 23% 500 ml from Vetoquinol

Recall details: A type 1 recall, defined as a situation in which there is a reasonable probability that the use of or exposure to, a product will cause serious adverse health consequences or death, is being conducted on Calcium Borogluconate 23% lot B2008041. This is due to the presence of sub-visible particulates above specification values detected in some units. As the particulates are sub-visible, they cannot be detected visually. This product was manufactured in August of 2020.

The presence of particulates administered through IV infusion may lead to undetermined complications. **No adverse drug reactions have been reported for this product** however the particulate levels do not comply with the established specifications for veterinary drug products administered intravenously.

Please check any **Vetoquinol brand Calcium Borogluconate 23% 500 ml** that you have on hand for **Lot B2008041** with an **expiry of August 2023**.

The clinic purchases show we received product from this lot from June 2021 through Oct 2021 and subsequently sold to farms.

Revisions made to the Ontario Maedi Visna Flock Status Program



Maedi Visna is a chronic viral disease of sheep. It primarily affects the respiratory and nervous system. Clinical signs include chronic progressive pneumonia, hard udders and/or neurologic disease. Unfortunately, there is no cure for this disease therefore humane euthanasia is required for clinically affected animals.

The Ontario Maedi Visna Flock Status program (OMVFSP) is a voluntary program that allows sheep producers to determine the disease status of their herd. Protocols in place aim to lower the risk of infection through herd biosecurity, regular serological testing and removal of test positive animals.

Recently updates to the OMVFSP have been made to improve the program for producers and veterinarians. Some of the changes have been highlighted below.

Protocols:

- ◆ When submitting test samples, a flock health declaration will be signed by both producer and herd veterinarian. This will ensure a valid client-patient-relationship has been established.
- ◆ For sheep leaving and returning to the flock: isolation and testing is required for all herd status levels
- ◆ For new additions to the flock: animals originating from an A status flock must have one negative test while in isolation before entering the flock
 - tests taken prior to entry are only acceptable if the animal originates from a flock enrolled in the OMVFSP and the sample was taken while the animal was in isolation
- ◆ For removal of lambs born to positive ewes: it is *recommended*, not required, that lambs <180 days of age born from and raised by positive ewes are removed from the flock
- ◆ It is recommended to avoid sampling during periods close to lambing and vaccination

Whole Flock Program:

- ◆ For Enrolled or Enrolled-negative flocks: less than or equal to 2% of the flock can test positive to be eligible for retesting these positive animals
- ◆ All “A” status flocks must sample the flock every 180 to no more than 395 days to qualify for “A” status.
- ◆ For flocks qualifying for B status: less than or equal to 2% of the flock can test positive to be eligible for retesting these positive animals
- ◆ Herds are considered Monitored Low Risk after 3 consecutive negative monitored tests

Questions?! If you are looking for more information on establishing a negative Maedi Visna flock reach out to us today and visit <https://www.ontariosheep.org/maedi-visna>.