# **Ivermectin Sheep Drench** (ivermectin)

0.08% Solution Parasiticide

### **Description:**

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### Indications:

Ivermectin Sheep Drench provides treatment and control of adult and fourth-stage larvae of the following parasites: Gastrointestinal Roundworms – Haemonchus contortus, Ostertagia circumcincta, Trichostrongylus axei, T. colubriformis, Cooperia curticei, Nematodirus spathiger, N. battus, and Oesophagostomum columbianum; Lungworms – Dictyocaulus filaria; and all the larval stages of Nasal Bot – Oestrus ovis. It also provides treatment and control of adult forms only of the following Gastrointestinal Roundworms – Haemonchus placei, Cooperia oncophora, Strongyloides papillosus, Oesophagostomum venulosum, Trichuris ovis, and Chabertia ovina.

### **Approved For Use On:**

Sheep

### **Active Ingredient:**

ivermectin..... 0.08%

### Product Advantages:

- Unique chemistry-unrelated to existing formulations.
  Because Ivermectin Sheep Drench is chemically different,
  cross-resistance is unlikely in parasite strains which may have
  developed resistance to other wormers.
- **Broad-spectrum effectiveness:** One low-volume dose effectively treats and controls many gastrointestinal roundworms (including Haemonchus contortus), lungworms, and nasal bots.
- Easy administration: Ivermectin Sheep Drench can be administered with any standard drenching equipment or any equipment that provides a consistent dose volume.



### **Direction For Use:**

Ivermectin Sheep Drench may be used in any standard drenching equipment or in any equipment which provides a consistent dose volume. Ivermectin Sheep Drench is administered orally at a dose of 3.0 mL (2.4 mg ivermectin) per 26 lbs body weight or 200 mcg ivermectin per kilogram of body weight.

Coughing may be observed in some animals during and for several minutes following drenching.

### Packaging:

- 240mL, 6 bottles per case, UPC # 7-45801-11067-0 · contains 20 - 100 lb. doses
- 960 mL, 4 bottles per case, UPC # 7-45801-11068-7 · contains 83 - 100 lb. doses

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See booklet for additional information.

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Vermectin Sheep Drench is a liquid, administered orally to sheep, consisting of an 0.08% solution of ivermectin. Ivermectin is a unique chemical entity, and as such, the chances of cross-resistance in parasites that have developed resistance to other wormers is highly unlikely. Additionally, its convenience, broad spectrum efficacy, and wide therapeutic index make Ivermectin Sheep Drench an exceptionally valuable product for parasite control in sheep. Consult your veterinarian for assistance in diagnosis, treatment, and control of parasitism.

#### DOSING

Vermectin Sheep Drench is formulated only for administration to sheep; do not use in other species. The recommended dose level is 3 mL of Ivermectin Sheep Drench, containing 2400 mcg ivermectin, which is sufficient to treat 26 pounds of body weight.

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#### FORMULATION

Ivermectin Sheep Drench is an 0.08% w/v pale amber colored solution of ivermectin.

Ivermectin is derived from the avermectins, a family of highly active, broad spectrum, antiparasitic agents which are produced from fermentation products of Streptomyces avermitilis.

#### PRODUCT INDICATIONS

Vermectin Sheep Drench is indicated for the effective treatment of gastrointestinal roundworms (including Haemonchus contortus), lungworms and nasal bots in sheep.

When used as recommended, it provides effective control of the parasites shown in the table

Gastrointestinal roundworms	Adults	Larvae (4th stage)
Haemonchus contortus	Х	Х
Haemonchus placei	Х	
Ostertagia circumcincta	Х	Х
Trichostrongylus axei	Х	Х
Trichostrongylus colubriformis	Х	Х
Cooperia curticei	Х	Х
Cooperia oncophora	Х	
Desophagostomum columbianum	Х	Х
Oesophagostomum venulosum	Х	
Nematodirus battus	Х	Х
Nematodirus spathiger	Х	Х
Strongyloides papillosus	Х	
Chabertia ovina	Х	
Trichuris ovis	Х	
Lungworms:		
Dictyocaulus filaria	Х	Х
Nasal bots:		
Oestrus ovis	(all larval stages)	

#### DOSAGE

Ivermectin Sheep Drench should only be administered orally at the recommended dose level of 200 mcg ivermectin per kilogram of body weight. Three mL of Ivermectin Sheep Drench contains sufficient ivermectin to treat 26 nounds of hody weight

Volume Weight Dosed Volume Weight Dosed 3 mL 26 lbs 18 mL 156 lbs	
2 ml 20 lbs 19 ml 150 lbs	
3 mL 26 lbs 18 mL 156 lbs	
6 mL 52 lbs 21 mL 182 lbs	
9 mL 78 lbs 24 mL 208 lbs	
12 mL 104 lbs 27 mL 234 lbs	
15 mL 130 lbs 30 mL 260 lbs	

To avoid underdosing, it is important to get the dose according to the weight of the heaviest sheep in a group (eves, lambs or rams), not the average weight. Several of the largest sheep should be weighed, judgment by the eye can be deceiving.



#### ADMINISTRATION

Any standard drenching equipment, or any equipment which provides a consistent dose volume, can be used. Dose rates and equipment should be checked before drenching commences. Be sure the head is properly positioned for each sheep to receive the full dose.

Vermectin Sheep Drench is readily accepted by sheep, but inconsequential coughing may be observed in some animals during and for several minutes after drenching. If slobbering occurs, the dose may be lost, and that sheep should be redosed.

#### FREQUENCY OF DOSING

Resistant parasites are a particular problem in sheep. Please consult your veterinarian, county extension office or animal health supplier for the control program recommended in your area.



**RESIDUE INFORMATION:** Sheep must not be treated within 11 days of slaughter.



The Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) contains more detailed occupational safety information. To report adverse effects in users, to obtain an MSDS, or for assistance call 1-800-821-5570.

#### MODE OF ACTION

The avermectin family of compounds, of which ivermectin is a member, kills certain parasitic nematodes (roundworms) and arthropods. The action is unique and not shared by other antiparasitic agents and involves a chemical that serves as a signal from one nerve cell to another, or from a nerve cell to an unscle cell. This chemical, a neurotransmitter, is called *gamma* aminobutyric acid or GABA. In roundworms, ivermectin stimulates the interase of GABA from nerve endings and enhances binding of GABA to special receptors at nerve junctions, thus interruption nerve impluses - thereby paralvizin and killing the parasite.

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#### STABILITY

Ivermectin Sheep Drench is stable for 24 months when stored under normal conditions. Protect from light SAFETY

Ivermectin Sheep Drench has been demonstrated to have a wide safety margin at the recommended dose level and may be used in sheep of all ages. Ewes may be treated at any stage of pregnancy.

### ACCEPTABILITY

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Studies indicate that when ivermectin comes in contact with the soil, it readily and tightly binds to the soil and Subtes indicate that when intermediate contract with the soin, it reading and upinty bints to the soin and becomes inactive over time. Free ivermeetic imay adversely affect (ish and certain water-born organisms on which they feed. Do not permit water runoff from feedlots to enter lakes, streams, or ground water. Do not contaminate water by direct application or by the improper disposal of drug containers. Spills of lvermectin Sheep Drench should be contained and soaked up with absorbent towels or into loose soil. Gloves should be worn to prevent skin exposure. All the collected materials (contraction and set and soll, set and soll, set and and a drug containers, should be placed in an impervious film bag (plastic) and disposed of by incineration or in an approved landfill.

#### PRECAUTIONS

Ivermectin Sheep Drench has been formulated for use in sheep ONLY. This product should not be used in other animal species as severe adverse reactions, including fatalities in dogs, may result. This product is not to be used parenterally.

Protect from light. Store at controlled room temperature between 15°-30°C (59°-86°F). Keep container tightly closed when not in use

#### HUMAN SAFETY

When used as recommended in sheep, Ivermectin Sheep Drench does not pose a hazard to human health. As a routine precaution, it is advisable to wash hands after use. As with all drugs, the product should be kept out of reach of children. Contact with skin and eyes should be avoided, but protective clothing is not required. For customer service, contact

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#### KEEP THIS AND ALL DRUGS OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

Refrain from smoking and eating when handling. Avoid contact with eyes. Immediately wash hands and any spills on the skin with plenty of soap and water following use.

#### PACKAGING:

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Vermectin Sheep Drench is available in a convenient pack size: The 32.46 fl oz (960 mL) pack contains sufficient solution to treat 83 sheep averaging 100 lbs. The packs are high-density polyethylene containers, colored opaque white, with screw caps and tamper-evident seals. They are shipped in cardboard cartons as follows: 4 x 960 mL containers per case

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