

# FARM News



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## Farmers please read the following message

This is just to make you aware that we will continue to stay open.

Please don't panic.

The way you will get goods from the practice has changed.

There are two options available to you.

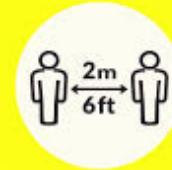
1. Please ring the practice and place your order and we will leave it in the entry for you when you get here (02885567150)
2. We can get a courier to deliver your items for you via Fastway with a £10 delivery charge (covers up to 25kg) in Northern Ireland We will be close from 13:30 -14:00 for lunch throughout this busy time.

Thank you for your custom and stay safe.

If you have any queries please don't be afraid to contact us.

Ballygawley Veterinary centre

## Distance



Keep a safe distance

## Botulism

Botulism is a common poisoning in this area and causes a lot of cattle deaths each year. A vaccine is available but there is a long wait to take it in from abroad. Each farmer must place an individual order, so if you have not done so by now, please ring the practice and place your order.

## Blackleg and Clostridial disease



**Sheep:** Ewes should be vaccinated before lambing. Heptavac P should be given to ewes 4-6 week's pre lambing to afford protection to ewes and lambs in the colostrum. Ewes that have not been vaccinated in previous years require two injections.

Contact the practice for further details.



**Cattle:** Young stock require Bravoxin 10 - two injections 4 weeks apart and this should be done prior to turnout. This will protect young stock for the coming season if it is done in time.

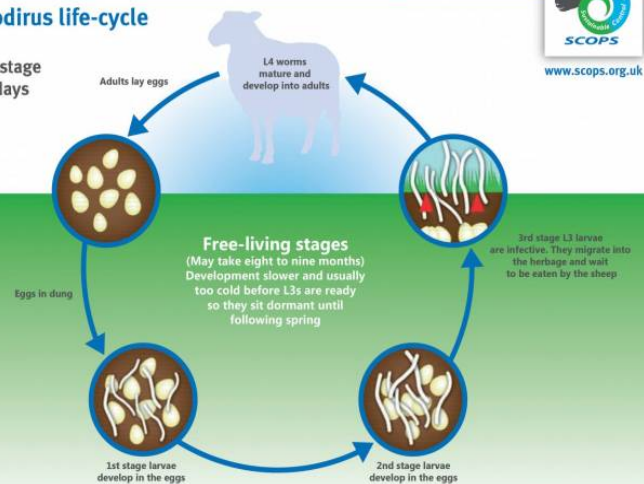
## Nematodirosis in Lambs

Nematodirosis is a particularly nasty disease in lambs, causing a high number of mortalities and stunting the growth of many others. It is caused by the *Nematodirus battus* worm, which has a different lifecycle to other sheep worms. Under certain climatic conditions it can strike very quickly, with little or no warning. **This means sheep farmers have to be on their guard.** SCOPS advises farmers to use a white (1-BZ) drench when treating. These are normally highly effective against this parasite and suitable for young lambs.

Ring the practice if you need any more information

## Nematodirus life-cycle

Host stage  
14 days



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