

# Calf Castration

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Please circle one answer only e.g.  A

**1. Is castration painful?**

- A. Always
- B. Only in calves > 1 week of age
- C. Only in calves > 2 months of age
- D. Only in calves > 1 year of age

**2. Castration tends to:**

- A. Reduce growth rate
- B. Increase lean meat production
- C. Increase dark cutting
- D. Increase feed conversion efficiency

**3. Which of these methods of castration is not allowed in the UK?**

- A. Rubber ring
- B. Injection caustic chemical
- C. Burdizzo
- D. Surgical

**4. Rubber rings are:**

- A. Best in calves > 1 week of age
- B. Not a cause of chronic (long term) pain
- C. Impossible to put on wrong
- D. The quickest available method of castration

**5. When using bloodless castrators (Burdizzo), it is important to:**

- A. Ensure you clamp across the whole scrotum
- B. Clamp both spermatic cords at the same time
- C. Clamp as little of the scrotum as possible
- D. Clamp the second cord above your first clamp

**6. Surgical castration:**

- A. Can be done using a pocket knife
- B. Causes no pain
- C. Is best done in calves > 6 month
- D. Is best done by a vet

**7. Welfare regulations state that:**

- A. All calves > 6 months of age need anaesthetic before castration
- B. Only vets can castrate calves > 2 months of age
- C. Surgical castration must be done by a vet
- D. Rubber rings can be used in calves up to 2 months of age

**8. Which calves will benefit from local anaesthetic?**

- A. None
- B. Only calves over 2 months of age
- C. Only calves undergoing surgical castration
- D. All calves being castrated, whatever method