

Disbudding Calves

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Please circle one answer only e.g. A

1. At what age should you use anaesthetic when disbudding?

- A. Always
- B. Never
- C. 2 months
- D. 3 months

2. Who can dehorn older cattle?

- A. No one
- B. Anyone
- C. The animal's owner
- D. Vet

3. Where should you inject anaesthetic to desensitise the horn bud?

- A. Behind the ear
- B. Around the horn
- C. Halfway between the eye and the ear
- D. Into the jugular vein

4. How long should you wait for anaesthetic to work?

- A. It works instantaneously
- B. 30 seconds
- C. 2 – 3 minutes
- D. Ten minutes

5. How do you check the anaesthetic has worked?

- A. Pull on the ear
- B. Apply a hot iron
- C. With a needle around the horn bud
- D. Take the temperature

6. How long can you keep the hot iron in the same spot?

- A. Doesn't matter
- B. 30 seconds
- C. One minute
- D. Two to three seconds

7. How do you confirm that you have disbudded the calf properly?

- A. The horn bud has been removed
- B. Wait two months to see if the horn grows back
- C. Count to twenty whilst applying the iron
- D. A copper ring is visible around the horn bud

8. What should you do if it is raining and the calves are outside?

- A. Not worry
- B. Keep the calves indoors for 24 -48 hours
- C. Apply an antibiotic spray
- D. Use a chemical disbudder rather than a hot iron