

Allfarm Benzicare – wormer for sheep and lambs.

Allfarm Benzicare is a benzimidazole group ('white' or 'BZ') drench that is used for the control of mature and immature mebendazole-sensitive roundworms, lungworms and tapeworms in sheep. It can also reduce the output of viable worm eggs in heavily infected flocks. Allfarm Benzicare comes as a liquid and is ready to dose.

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When should you use Allfarm Benzicare?

Benzicare is useful in sheep and lambs with worms that are sensitive to white / BZ drenches. This includes mature and immature mebendazole-sensitive roundworms, lungworms and tapeworms:

- Barber's pole worm (*Haemonchus contortus*)
- Black scour worm (*Trichostrongylus* spp.)
- Hookworm (*Bunostomum trigonocephalum*)
- Intestinal threadworm (*Strongyloides papillosus*)
- Large bowel worm (*Oesophagostomum venulosum*)
- Large lungworm (*Dictyocaulus filaria*)
- Large-mouthed bowel worm (*Chabertia ovina*)
- Nodule worm (*Oesophagostomum columbianum*)
- Stomach hair worm (*Trichostrongylus axei*)
- Small brown stomach worm (*Ostertagia* / *Teladorsagia* spp.)
- Small intestinal worm (*Cooperia* spp.)
- Tapeworm (*Moniezia* spp.)
- Thin-necked intestinal worm (*Nematodirus* spp.)

Benzicare can also help reduce worm egg output in parasites where mebendazole-resistance may exist. Resistance may develop to any drench. Ask your local veterinary practitioner or animal health advisor for recommended parasite management practices for your area to reduce development to resistance. It is advisable that a drench resistance test be conducted before any drench is used.

Active Ingredient:

Mebendazole (50 g/L).

Directions:

Shake well before use, especially for smaller bottle sizes.

Weigh a sample of animals before drenching.

Drench sheep and lambs at a rate of 1 mL per 4 kg of bodyweight. See the table below:

Bodyweight	Dose
up to 4 kg	1.0 mL
5 – 10 kg	2.5 mL
11 – 16 kg	4.0 mL
17 – 20 kg	5.0 mL
21 – 30 kg	7.5 mL
31 – 40 kg	10.0 mL
41 – 50 kg	12.5 mL
51 – 60 kg	15.0 mL
61 – 70 kg	17.5 mL
71 – 80 kg	20.0 mL

Sheep in excess of 80 kg: dose at the same rate, 1 mL per 4 kg bodyweight. A representative sample of animals should be weighed before treatment. Dose the mob to the heaviest animal by liveweight in each group (ewes, rams and lambs).

Do not underdose. Where there is a large variation in size within the group, dose rate should be based on the label directions for each weight range. Drafting into two or more lines may be appropriate, to avoid excessive overdosing.

Check accuracy of drenching gun before and during use. Always insert the drench gun, or delivery syringe, in the left-hand side of the animal's mouth (the animal's left), or under the tongue on the left-hand side. Rinse drenching guns after use.

If any Benzicare remains in the bottle after use, the lid must be securely recapped. If the contents dry and condense they cannot be resuspended by shaking. Do not attempt to reconstitute dried Benzicare with water or any other liquid.

It is important to monitor the worm burden of your animals before and after treatment: initially to determine whether your animals require drenching, and after to determine if the drench was effective. Parasite Diagnostic Services performs worm egg testing of sheep to help you decide if your animals require treatment, or if previous treatment has been effective. See their website for more information, including pricing and contact details: <https://www.parasite.com.au/>

Withholding period and restraints:

- **Meat animals:** do not use less than 7 days before slaughter for human consumption.
- **Export slaughter interval (ESI):** do not use less than 60 days before slaughter for export. The ESI reported here was correct at the time of writing. Before using this product, confirm the current ESI from the manufacturer on (03) 5979 4488 or the APVMA website (<https://apvma.gov.au/node/26536>).
- **Milk animals:** do not use in ewes which are producing or may produce milk or milk products for human consumption at *any time in the future*.
- **Trace element compatibility:** Where addition of trace elements such as Selenium is required your Veterinarian should be consulted. All normal trace elements are compatible with Benzicare Drench.

Storage:



Store below 30°C.

Shelf life:

Check the packaging for the expiry date.

First Aid:

If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or call the Poisons Information Centre on 13 11 26 (Australia).

Ordering:

Allfarm products may be ordered from our website: <https://www.allfarm.com.au>
or by telephone: (03) 5979 4488.

Product	Code
Allfarm Benzicare, 500 mL	W00018W
Allfarm Benzicare, 1 L	W00019W
Allfarm Benzicare, 5 L	W00020W
Allfarm Benzicare, 20 L	W00021W