

3 steps

to avoid Johne's disease in your goat herd

Implementing this 3-step plan is your best defence against spreading Johne's disease during kid rearing.

Step 1

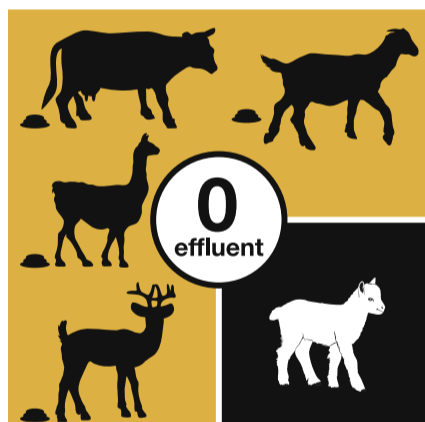


Deliver and Separate

Prepare a clean birthing pen for does.

Remove newly born kids from their dams as soon as possible after birth (no later than 12 hours) and place in a clean rearing pen.

Step 2



Rear and Wean

Feed newly-born kids on pasteurised colostrum from a herd with a high rating score for Johne's disease (colostrum can be frozen).

Rear kids on pasteurised milk, artificial milk replacer or the milk of a doe from a herd with high assurance rating for Johne's disease.

Step 3



Introductions

Avoid contact with adult animals and contaminated fodder and water.

Only accept goats into the herd which have a current GoatMAP status or a high assurance rating on the National Goat Health Statement.

Biosecurity is vital

Remember, Johne's disease is spread with animal movements. Follow these important on-farm biosecurity steps, secure your fences and always ask for a National Goat Health Statement when agisting or purchasing stock to ensure Johne's disease and other diseases are not imported into your herd from outside sources. For more biosecurity information visit:

www.farmbiosecurity.com.au

The National Kid Rearing Plan has been developed by Animal Health Australia and the Goat Industry Council of Australia on behalf of the national goat industry and the state departments of primary industries.

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