

What can I do about it?

Doing anything to help control BVD is cost effective.
Doing something is better than doing nothing.

To control BVD effectively you need to:

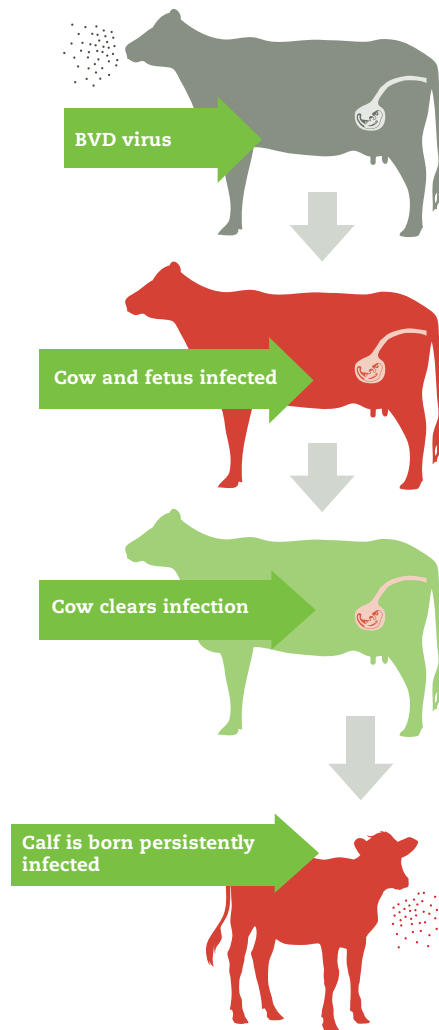
1. Identify and remove all persistently infected cattle on your farm. Seek vet help for this.
2. Virus test all new stock coming onto farm before mixing with others. Remove all virus positive PI cattle immediately
3. and either:
 - vaccinate all breeding stock annually or
 - virus test all keeper calves annually.



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Persistently Infected Carriers

- Non-immune
- non-vaccinated
- pregnant less than 5 month



BVD

Bovine viral diarrhoea

Why bother about it?

- Causes infertility in cows and bulls (later calving and more empty cows)
- Causes the birth of weaker, smaller and deformed calves
- Causes more common diseases like scours and pneumonia in calves and mastitis in cows
- Cattle that are persistently infected with BVD often do poorly and die early
- Impacts on milk production

And the good news?

On farm control is very possible and practical

Vets have the skills to help you!

Steps to control BVD on a dairy farm

