

PRODUCT UPDATE

Saving a precious resource, made simple

WATER LEAKS ON-FARM CAN ACCOUNT FOR HOURS OF LOST TIME AND AN ESTIMATED 26 PER CENT OF STOCK DRINKING WATER.



Having water available to livestock allows for optimal animal performance and health. Dry matter intake is directly related to water intake, and the less an animal drinks, the less feed it will consume.

This leads to reduced weight gains, milk production, and animal performance.

Gallagher product manager Brian Rose says it's always a good idea to check for any leaks.

"With animals grazing in remote locations, it often means water sources and tanks are not located close by and so a network of pipes runs to the areas where required, making finding leaks extremely challenging.

"If any pipes leak it can take a while to find and litres of water could be lost before you realise."

Murray Jones, a former farmer and now wool buyer for Carrfields in Gisborne, understood the frustration of finding leaks and so developed the award-winning Water Flow Indicator together with Gallagher Animal Management.

By installing the Water Flow Indicator at im-

portant junctions in water lines, farmers can find leaks quickly by visually checking for abnormal water flow.

If there is no water flowing through the system, the impellor won't spin. You know the water lines are full and you don't have a leak.

"The brilliantly simple practicality of the Gallagher Water Flow Indicator helps farmers identify system leaks, monitor water flow at a glance, and helps farmers to ensure they don't lose huge amounts of this precious farm asset," Brian Rose says.

Farmer and Gallagher customer Kane Brisco says often farmers don't know there's a leak until it's too late.

"You could have pumped 20,000 litres of water into the ground before you know it and it takes a long time to come back from that."

50/50 sharemilker, Colin Beazley, says it puts his mind at ease when he has the right gear in place, "especially last summer with the big drought as we supplied water to many surrounding farms".

For more detail visit gallagher.com.

Heads up – important news for Preside herbicide

IF YOU OR YOUR TEAM HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH PRESIDE™ HERBICIDE 500 G PACKS FROM CORTEVA AGRISCIENCE, THE COMPANY HAS IMPORTANT NEWS FOR BOTH YOU AND YOUR CUSTOMERS.

"Following a recent change in manufacturing method for Preside herbicide in the 500 g bottles, the bulk density of this product has changed," says Richard Brenton-Rule, Corteva New Zealand sales manager.

"This means the graduated volumetric measuring cylinder previously supplied specifically for Preside herbicide 500 g will no longer be calibrated to the bulk density of this product.

"Use of these measuring cylinders on new product manufactured from May 2022 will result in a significant underdose in application, which is highly likely to result in performance issues in the field."

Accordingly, Brenton-Rule says, a newly cal-

ibrated measuring cylinder will be provided with the next batch of Preside 500 g, due to be released in time for spring. The new cylinder will measure up to 210 g of product.

"In the meantime, we ask that retail branches, contractors, and farmers:

1. Check store shelves and spray sheds for any existing Preside 500 g product and Dow AgroSciences or Corteva Agrisciences branded measuring cylinders (calibrated to 260 g).
2. Following sale and/or use of this product, these 260 g measuring cylinders should be discarded.

Preside 500g bottles containing the new density product will have a warning sticker on top of the lid indicating the new measur-



ing devices should be sold and used with the product going forward.

There is no change to the weight of product or active ingredient provided in a 500 g bottle of Preside.

"This change is purely volumetric, so users will note the bottle is fuller than previously."

For further guidance, please contact Corteva Agrisciences customer services on 0800 803 939.