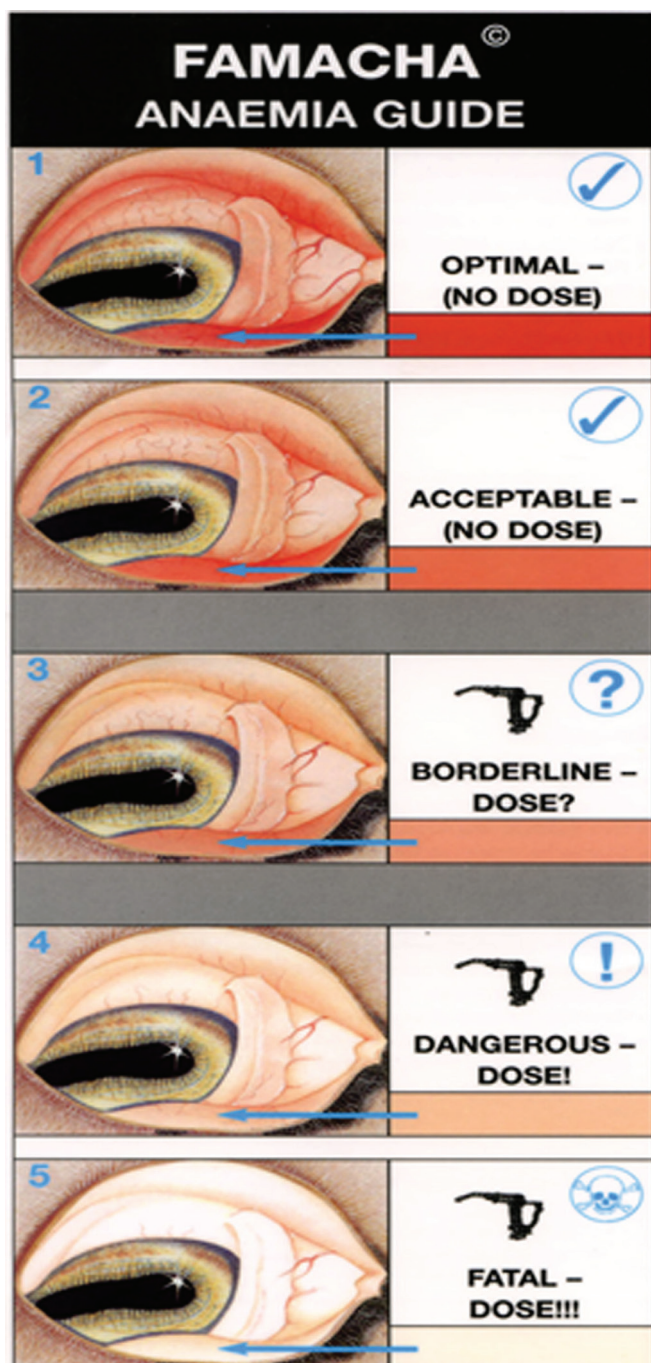


FACT SHEET:

Worm identification FAMACHA techniques in Sheep and Goats



What is FAMACHA?

- A guide for identifying anaemia based on the colour of the lower eyelids of animals.
- Valuable tool used in combination with anthelmintic to manage worms.
- An effective and consistent method for target



- drenching, only those animals that need treatment.
- It allows users to score the level of anaemia on a 5 point scale from 1-5.

How to Use FAMACHA?

Use under Natural Sunlight, open the eyelids and push the upper lid down while exposing the lower lid.

- Do not hold eye open for more than a few seconds.
- Check both eyes
- Carry out FAMACHA scoring every 2 weeks.
- Keep a record of the number of times each animal is treated.

Why to Use FAMACHA?

- This technique is very easy and sufficiently reliable.
- Slows down the development of resistance in worm populations.
- Identifies animals that needs treatment.

Reasons why Farmers should adopt to this worm control strategy

- Saves lots of money using unnecessary drenches on non-infected animals especially when farmers do blanket drenches without considering dosage rate by weights.
- This will slow the development of drug resistance for worms.
- By identifying animals that need to be treated will be able to select for more suitable sheep to be attainable in the long run.

Worm Life-cycle

