

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

### EHD/BT Vaccine Guidelines

Which deer should be vaccinated?

All deer should be vaccinated. Both northern and Texas genetics have been affected by these diseases.

How often should my deer be vaccinated?

Fawns- vaccinate at 6,10,and 14 weeks of age.

Does- it's best to vaccinate twice initially. This can be achieved in the fall when most people are handling their deer during reproductive procedures.

Administer the second dose 3-4 weeks after the first. They can then be boosted in late winter or early spring. This dose will boost immunity for the doe and should provide colostral immunity for the fawn.

Bucks- they can be vaccinated at anytime. It would be easiest to vaccinate initially when antlers are being cut in the early fall. They also need to be boosted 3-4 weeks after their initial dose. It would also be appropriate to booster them again in the late winter or early spring. The 2 ml dose would allow one to dart this product as well.

Obviously, the preferred method would be direct injection.

Do I need to vaccinate my deer every year with this product?

Yes. Every deer that has received the first two doses of this vaccine should be boosted every year. It may be appropriate to booster more than once depending on certain risk factors i.e., high risk areas or >25 % northern genetics within your herd.

What serotypes are contained in this product?

EHD 1,2,and 6

BTV 17

Why do I have to buy this product from a veterinarian?

The use of this product is closely regulated by the state and federal government. You must also have a veterinary/client relationship from a veterinarian to have this product dispensed for use in your herd.

What is the expiration and shelf life of this product?

This product will expire 18 months after the isolates have been killed during the production process at Newport labs. The first produced product will therefor have a longer expiration date.

The shelf life will be the same as the expiration date as long as it is kept under stable refrigeration.

Is this product safe on pregnant deer?

Like other killed vaccine products there is very little risk with administering this product to pregnant deer. As with any foreign substance injected into a deers' body there is a slight risk of an allergic reaction. Probably the biggest risk is creating a stress response late in the pregnancy secondary to handling the deer. When adrenaline is released it could induce spontaneous abortion.

Will there be any benefit to administering one dose of this product?

One vaccination dose will probably not create a protective response to these diseases. As with most vaccinations there is usually little immune response until the second dose is administered.