**Antibiotic use in Sheep: Stop, Think, Choose Wisely**



The information provided sets out the prioritisation of antibiotics for use by veterinarians as per Antibacterial Importance Ratings developed by the Australian Government with expert advice from the Australian Strategic and Technical Advisory Group (ASTAG). The antibiotics are displayed in circles corresponding to the colours of a traffic light; green, orange and red.

**LOW IMPORTANCE (in a green circle)**

Amoxycillin

Erythromycin

Neomycin

Oxytetracycline

Penicillin

**MEDIUM IMPORTANCE (in an orange circle)**

Trimethoprim sulphonamides

**HIGH IMPORTANCE (in a red circle)**

Virginiamycin (If not alternative, PREVENTION FIRST, treatment as last resort)

**Prohibited**

Fluoroquinolones

Gentamicin

Chloramphenicol

Metronidazole

Nitrofurans

Injectable streptomycin

Colistin

Note: Only those products registered for use in sheep are included. Products only registered for topical or intramammary use are not included in this list.

**Play your part in preventing antibiotic resistant infections**

For more information visit the Antimicrobial resistant infections webpage of the Agriculture Victoria website at agriculture.vic.gov.au/amr

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