



Altosid® IGR XRB

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Altosid® IGR XRB?

A single, orally administered bolus to control horn flies for up to 195 days (6.5 months).

Contains 1.5% (S)-methoprene

Each bolus weighs 80 grams

1 bolus for cattle weighing 660 lbs to 1400 lbs

½ bolus for calves weighing 300 lbs to 659 lbs

How does Altosid® IGR XRB work?

Once properly administered, the Altosid® IGR XRB resides in the rumen or reticulum and slowly erodes, releasing the active ingredient, (S)-methoprene, to treat the fresh manure as it is created. Immature horn flies developing in fresh manure from Altosid® IGR XRB treated cattle are unable to develop to mature horn flies, limiting the number of horn flies produced from your herd.

When should Altosid® IGR XRB be administered to cattle?

Altosid® IGR XRB should be administered 30 days before horn flies begin to appear or 30 days prior to the average last frost date in your area. This ensures your herd is protected against an unpredictably early start to the horn fly season.

How long does it take for Altosid® IGR XRB to begin working and how long does it last?

Altosid® IGR XRB is the only bolus labeled to control horn flies developing in manure from treated cattle. As the bolus erodes over time, it continuously releases (S)-methoprene until the bolus is completely passed from the rumen/reticulum. The treatment duration could be up to 195 days (6.5 months).

Is it too late to use Altosid® IGR XRB in my herd if horn flies are already present?

Altosid® IGR XRB can be administered at any time during the horn fly season, but it will not have an impact on existing adult horn flies. It will take up to 4 weeks for the adult horn flies to die off naturally. To gain control over the horn fly population more quickly, an adulticide spray or pour-on application can be made at the time the bolus is being administered to knock down the existing adult horn fly adult population.

Does Altosid® IGR XRB control any other flies?

Altosid® IGR XRB is only labeled to control horn flies on cattle. Horn flies are the most economically damaging fly affecting pastured cattle, costing the industry an estimated \$1 billion each year in lost production and control costs.

When it comes to trusted and proven feed-through horn fly control, choose Altosid® IGR.

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