



# An introduction to worm control and faecal egg counting for sheep producers

## At a glance...

### Customised Provision

Delivery Method: Classroom and practical

Prerequisites: Active Sheep Farmers

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### The finer details

1. Look the main species of worms affecting sheep and seasonal variation in their prevalence.
2. State the impact of worm infection of animal performance.
3. Identify risk factors in the development of wormer resistance.
4. How to carry out a faecal egg count.
5. Identify worm eggs as part of the faecal egg counting process.
6. Discuss other diagnostic methods.
7. Describe the impact of breeding, animal nutrition and grazing on worm burdens.
8. Introduction to the different wormer groups and combination products.
9. Select the most appropriate wormer based on faecal egg count results and time of year.
10. Look at appropriate strategies for developing a sustainable worm control programme within their own flock.

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