

# SHOOF FACT SHEET

## CAPTIVE BOLT SLAUGHTER DEVICE



### Shoof Codes

- 201 078 Captive Bolt Device
- 201 073 Green Activator - Small Pigs, Calves
- 201 074 Yellow Activator - Store Pigs, light cows
- 201 072 Blue Activator - Large Pigs, heavy cows
- 210 217 Red Activator - Large boars, bulls
- 201 075 Cleaning Kit

### FEATURES

- Save time and money
- Firearms license is not required for use\*
- DairyNZ and NAWAC approved for humane destruction

### BENEFITS

- You will not have to feed your bobby calves twice a day for four days, saving you precious time during the busiest time of the year. The milk or colostrum you would have fed the bobbies can go to the factory
- Anyone on the farm can use the captive bolt, and you won't have your staff wandering the farm with a rifle in their arms
- Avoid a \$25,000 fine or imprisonment for the un-humane destruction of animals

*\* Please note that the Captive Bolt Device is considered to be a firearm in Western Australia and is described within the Firearms Regulations 1974 in Schedule 3 - Category E as a "Captive Bolt". Because it is a firearm, a license is required. A license is also required to operate the device in Tasmania, under the Firearms Act 1996.*

### PRODUCT INFORMATION

The Captive Bolt Device is used for safe and humane destruction of animals, from bobby calves to downer cows, pigs and bulls. A retracting bolt is fired into the brain of the animal, so the positioning of the device (as seen in pics below) is very important. It must be between and slightly above the eyes to ensure the bolt hits the brain. Basically draw a diagonal line between the horns and the eyes and aim where the line crosses. It is also very important to hold the device hard up against the head of the animal, this prevents damage to the spring inside and also ensures the bolt goes far enough into the brain. After a couple of charges have been fired the gun will get hot, this is normal and if you have a few calves to do a glove is quite useful. After a number of activators are fired, they can become tight to remove. A hock at the end of the handle helps remove the activator.

We have different strength cartridges for different sized animals. If the wrong sized cartridge is used the captive bolt can become damaged and will void the warranty, or if the cartridge is too small the animal may not be killed. See the activator chart above, but most farmers will need the green activators for bobby calves, and the yellow activators for downer cows.

The captive bolt comes with its own cleaning kit, it is very important that it is used. We recommend cleaning the device after every use, For example if you have 10 bobby calves to do clean the device after the 10th calf. It is also a good idea to use gun oil or inox to keep the device lubricated.



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