

Mastitis is a disease all dairy farmers experience and is a major barrier to cow welfare and profitability. Cows with increased cell counts and clinical mastitis in the first 30 days since calving will have picked up infections during the dry period.



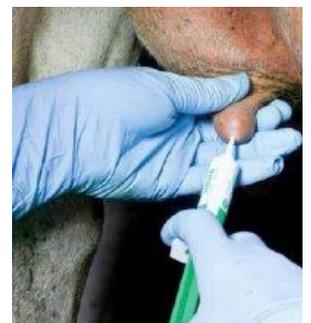
- Poor drying off technique will lead to increased dry period infection rate and decreased dry period cure rate
- Poor technique can lead to cow deaths
- Milk buyers are demanding farmers use teat sealant only on appropriate cows

**Good drying off technique will allow you to use less antibiotic and save money**

If you are experiencing increased mastitis rates in freshly calved cows or considering moving to selective dry cow therapy we offer drying off technique training.

### **A drying off visit involves:**

- Collection of farm history relating to mastitis
- Discussion about drying off protocols and current technique
- Selection decisions for teat sealant only or antibiotics + teat sealant
- Observation of drying off technique
- Recommendations for improvement
- A full report following the visit



**A specially trained vet will visit your farm when convenient; the whole visit usually takes no longer than an hour and a half.**

**If you have any questions regarding drying off technique, or to book a visit, please contact the office.**