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Sheep dip is highly toxic to fish and other aquatic life, birds, animals and wildlife, so it must be handled and disposed of with great care.

Only licenced dip concentrations should be used and instructions must be followed to the letter. Ensure only as much dip as is needed is prepared so there is no surplus to be disposed of. If there is any left over, it should be returned to the supplier or taken away by a specialist contractor.

Remember!

1. The condition of the bath should be examined, a check made to make sure the drain back system is working properly and the drain hole, found in older baths, sealed.
2. Never allow the bath to overflow and position it well away from any river or stream. Freshly dipped sheep must also be kept away from any nearby watercourse.
3. Correct disposal of the used dip is vital. It should never be dumped into rivers or streams or groundwaters, and soakaways are unlikely to be suitable.
4. Dip can be put onto land but the site must be capable of absorbing it. As a general rule not more

than 250 gallons (1,100 litres) should be spread per 0.25 ha. Don't allow livestock to graze after disposal. The land must take the liquid without run-off or the creation of puddles. It must not be on a steep gradient and gravel, coarse sand and peaty soils are unlikely to be suitable.

5. If there is not suitable land then the spent dip must be retained in tanks for disposal by expert contractors. Details are available from your Local Authority Waste Disposal Department.
6. Never re-use empty containers for any purpose. Clean the containers when the sheep dip is being prepared so that the rinsing liquid can be added to, and form part of, the diluted dip wash. After cleaning, containers should be punctured or crushed to make them unusable. Clean, perforated or crushed containers will be accepted at licensed disposal sites where they will be regarded as non-hazardous industrial waste. Most local authorities will collect on request, but there may be a charge.

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Our pollution control staff will be pleased to advise on these matters. Contact your local officer on one of the numbers listed overleaf:



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