Installation instructions

Liquid dosing device

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1 Introduction

These installation instructions enable you to install and operate the liquid dosing device safely and as intended.

- Please read these installation instructions carefully before putting the dosing device into service.
- Keep the installation instructions ready and available at all times and pass them on to the next user.
- > Comply with all warnings and safety instructions in these installation instructions at all times.

1.1 Copyright

The copyright for these installation instructions is retained by Förster-Technik.

1.2 Disposal

All components, liquids and solids must be disposed of in compliance with the official local regulations for waste prevention and appropriate waste recycling or disposal which apply in your country. Also comply with the corresponding safety data sheets.

1.3 Transport

The dosing device is delivered in a box with dimensions of $30 \times 23 \times 19$ cm.

> Check the product for visible signs of damage upon delivery and report them immediately to the carrier.

1.4 Contact details of the manufacturer

Please contact us if you have any questions on our products or require technical support.

Please note down the item number stated on your device to have it ready and available whenever you make a call.

Item no.:

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2 For your safety

2.1 Target group

2.1.1 Necessary qualifications of the owner

The owner must be a trained farmer or have good practical experience in farming. He/she must be familiar with the relevant accident prevention regulations and generally accepted safety regulations.

2.1.2 Necessary qualifications of the service technician

Only trained service technicians are authorised to install the dosing device, put it into service and subject it to maintenance and repairs.

Service technicians are electricians with appropriate qualifications, i.e. they are able to assess the work assigned to them and detect potential risks on the basis of their technical training as well as their knowledge of the relevant standards. This also includes knowledge of relevant accident prevention regulations, generally accepted safety regulations, EC guidelines and country-specific standards and provisions.

2.2 Intended use of the dosing device

Only use the dosing device for storing (during use) and dosage of liquid animal feeds. The liquid animal feed can for example be medicines, electrolytes or feed additives.

2.3 Use of the dosing device other than as intended

Do not use the dosing device for storing and dosing any materials other than those defined at "Intended use of the dosing device" on page 7.

2.4 Safety signs on the machine

The safety signs on the machine are an important part of the safety concept and help prevent accidents.

They indicate danger areas at the machine and warn against residual risks.

Keep all safety signs completely in legible condition and renew them if they become unreadable.



Danger due to live electrical components!

Danger of death by electric shock!

• Always disconnect the mains plug before carrying out any work on the dosing device.



Warning of damaging or irritant materials! Deadly danger from hazardous materials!

 Pay attention to manufacturer's information and national regulations regarding the storage and use of the additive.



Not suitable for human foodstuffs!

The dosing device is suitable only for animal feed.

 Therefore do not use the dosing device for food intended for consumption by humans.

2.5 Indication of hazards

Hazards are indicated by a key word and a corresponding symbol, depending on the severity and probability:



Danger!

For an imminent danger, resulting in serious injuries or death.

	Warning!
/!\	For a potentially dangerous situation which may cause se-
	rious injuries or even death.

Ŵ		Caution!
	/!\	For a potentially dangerous situation which may cause mi-
		nor injuries or material damage.

Attention	For a potentially harmful situation in which the product or
	an item can become damaged within its environment.

Note F	For application notes and other useful information.
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However, it is just as important to comply with any other notes and information which are not highlighted, so as to avoid failures which in turn may cause direct or indirect injuries or material damage.

2.6 Residual risks

The dosing device is state of the art and has been designed in accordance with approved safety-related rules. Hazards and adverse effects may nevertheless arise when using the dosing device.



Warning!

Serious injuries or death may be the consequence of the residual risks stated below!

Hazard:

Poisoning, infection

Danger point:

Bottles, hoses

Measures:

- Pay attention to manufacturer's information and national regulations regarding the storage and use of the additive.
- Wear your personal protective equipment (e.g. safety glasses, protective gloves) when handling additives.
- Do not use the dosing device for food intended for human consumption.

Hazard:

Lethal electric shock

Danger point:

Connection point

Measure:

- Always disconnect the mains plug before carrying out any work on the dosing device.
- A residual current device (RCD) of 30 mA should be installed by the customer.
- The cover of the connection point may be opened only by an electrician.

Hazard:

Direct contact

Danger point:

Connection point

Measure:

• The dosing device must be installed at the specified location within the calf feeder, so that electrical safety is maintained.

Hazard:

Breakdown

Danger point:

Electrical equipment

Measure:

 The dosing device must be checked regularly for electrical safety in compliance with national regulations (periodic inspection).

Hazard:

Indirect contact

Danger point:

Electrical equipment

Measure:

• Fuse protection of 16 A (provided by the customer) and an earth leakage circuit breaker (ELCB) of 30 mA need to be installed in compliance with local regulations for the dosing device.

Hazard:

Short circuit

Danger point:

Electrical equipment

Measure:

• The power supply to the dosing device must be fused in the control unit at a maximum of 6.3 A (see machine circuit diagram).

2.7 Safety devices on the dosing device

The safety devices on the machine are an important part of the safety concept and help prevent accidents.

- Do not remove or change the safety devices unless the corresponding safety instructions have been complied with.
- Put the machine into service only once all safety devices have been fitted and are in the guard position.

2.8 Obligations of the owner

The owner is obliged to:

- Make misuse by children impossible.
- Carefully read and understand these installation instructions before putting the dosing device into service.
- Allow only those operating personnel to work with/on the dosing device who:
 - are familiar with the basic operational safety and accident prevention regulations.
 - have been trained to work with/on the dosing device.
 - have read and understood these installation instructions.
- Operate the dosing device only as intended.

- Keep all safety signs on the dosing device in legible condition and renew damaged ones.
- Do not change the design or functions of the dosing device.
- Operate the dosing device only when it is in perfect operational condition.
- Subject the dosing device to regular visual inspection for possible damage and have it repaired by a service technician if necessary.
- Regularly check the safety devices fitted to the dosing device to ensure they are working correctly.
- Make sure the dosing device is operated only with safety devices fitted.
- Provide the required personal protective devices for the operator.
- Make sure the mains connection socket for the dosing device and the power supply provided by the customer are easily accessible at all times.
- Make sure the dosing device is installed at the specified location within the calf feeder.
- Always make sure the dosing device is installed in a dry, clean, frost-free place, separate from the animal area (e.g. technical facilities room).
- Protect the dosing device and all corresponding cables from exposure to sunlight.

2.9 Obligations of the operator

Before beginning work, the operator is obliged to:

- Comply with the basic operational safety and accident prevention regulations.
- Read and understand these installation instructions.

• Comply with all the safety information and instructions included in these installation instructions.

When using additives, the operator is also obliged to wear his personal protective equipment (safety glasses, protective gloves).

The compulsory accident prevention regulations which apply at the operation site in the country of use and the technical rules for safety-related and specialist work must also be complied with at all times.

2.10 Structural alterations

The dosing device must not be subjected to any unauthorised alterations at any time.

Only original spare parts, wear parts and accessories may be used, since any warranty claims will otherwise lapse.

3 Dosing device components



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- Control unit
 Dosing pump
 Plastic union nut
- 4 Overflow hose
- 5 Pressure side
- 6 Suction side
- 7 Device plug



- 1 Pipe elbow
- 2 Hose (pressure side)



1 Dosing reservoir with screw connection 1.5 ltr

4 Technical data

The liquid dosing device is supplied for customer installation and can be retrofitted to **Vario/Vario+** and **Compact/Compact+** calf feeders.

Height: 100 mm

Width: 125 mm

Depth: 130 mm

Dosing reservoir with screw connection 1.5 ltr

230 V / 50 Hz / 0.7 A

Fuse provided by the customer: 6.3 A

Residual current device (RCD) provided by the customer: 30 mA

5 Putting into service and taking out of service

The dosing device may only be put into service by a service technician.

5.1 Electrical connection provided by the customer

- Have the electrical connection (provided by the customer) installed by a qualified electrician.
- Comply with the local regulations and safety measures.
- A 30 mA earth leakage circuit breaker (ELCB) in the power supply (provided by the customer) is compulsory for the operation of the dosing device.
- The rated voltage and rated frequency must be complied with. The supply voltage stated on the name plate of the device must correspond to that of the mains supply.
- Have excess voltage limiters installed as a lightning protection measure by a qualified electrician in your power supply (provided by the customer).
- Protect the dosing device and all associated cables from exposure to sunlight.

5.2 Lay and connect the control cable (when retrofitting)

If supplied as part of a new system the dosing device is already installed and connected within the calf feeder. If you are retrofitting the dosing device, proceed as follows:

Danger due to live electrical components!
Live electrical components.
Danger of death by electric shock!
 Always disconnect the mains plug before starting any
work on the control box of the calf feeder.

5.2.1 Vario

1. Remove the dummy plug fitted behind the mixer drain valve in the intermediate panel, and replace it with a grommet.



- 1 Dummy plug in the intermediate panel
- 2. Remove the powder hopper including the powder conveyor.
- 3. Feed the control cable between the boiler/heat exchanger and the back of the calf feeder, towards the control box.
- 4. Remove the dummy plug at the control box and fit the M12 cable gland.
- 5. Lead the cable into the control box and terminate it at the main board (see machine circuit diagram).
- 6. Refit the powder hopper and the powder conveyor.

5.2.2 Compact

 A part of the control box extends into the left side space of the calf feeder. Remove the dummy plug at the control box and install the cable gland.



- 1 Dummy plug at the control box
- 2. Lead the cable into the control box and terminate it at the main board (see machine circuit diagram).

5.3 Install the dosing device (when retrofitting)

Note	The tapped holes for attaching the dosing pump to the in-
	termediate panel of the calf feeder are already present.

1. Attach the dosing device within the left side space of the calf feeder. Orient its position as shown in the illustration below.



 Connect the device socket on the control cable on to the device plug on the dosing device. To prevent mistakes, the control cable carries a label with the word "Additive". Push a hose on to the right-hand hose coupling (pressure side) of the dosing pump and secure it with the plastic union nut.



4. Use the securing clip to attach the pipe elbow to the left-hand edge of the powder discharge.



5. Push the hose that is attached to the right-hand hose coupling of the dosing pump on to the lower end of the pipe elbow.



 Push the overflow hose on to the centre hose coupling of the dosing pump and secure it with the union nut. Lead the hose through the opening in the floor of the calf feeder casing.

Note	This hose drains the liquid additive if any additive leaks
	from the dosing pump.

- 7. Push a hose on to the left-hand hose coupling (suction side) of the dosing pump and secure it with the plastic union nut.
- 8. Lead the hose through the hose gland at the left-hand edge of the casing and connect it to the dosing reservoir.

5.4 Registering the dosing device at the calf feeder

5.4.1 Activating the dosing device

- 1. Switch the calf feeder off.
- 2. Press and keep the button pressed while you switch the calf feeder back on. After a short while, the setup menu appears on the display, from which you select:

Setup
Language [English]
Time/date
Machine
▷ Equipment

Equipment

3. Select the line Add. disp. 2 and set the value to yes.

Equipment Mixer drain: yes Feeding pump: yes ▷ Additive disp. 2: [yes] ...

Setup Exit?

4. To leave setup, repeatedly press ^{Esc} until the message on the right is displayed. Confirm with ^{Enter}.

5.5 Software

When using the dosing device, the calf feeder must always be kept updated to the current program version.

5.6 Calibration

Calibrate the dosing device so that the additives are dosed precisely (see chapter "Calibration" on page 27ff).

5.7 Checking the dosage accuracy (calibration)

After a few hours of operation, check the output quantity by recalibrating the additive (see chapter "Calibration" on page 27ff). If the set quantity is not being delivered, you should mix the additive with a suitable carrier or use another additive.

5.8 Taking out of service

If you do not intend to operate dosing device for a long period of time you must take the it out of service.

Proceed as follows to take it out of service:



Warning!

Hazardous or irritant materials!

 Collect the additive residues and dispose of them safely. When doing this be sure to comply with the manufacturer's instructions and national regulations for the use and disposal of the additive being used. 1. Thoroughly empty and clean the dosing device; see "Cleaning" on page 47ff for more details.

6 Calibration

In order that the dosing device can exactly dose the additive, it must be calibrated beforehand.

The volume or the weight of the additive to be calibrated must be determined for the calibration of the dosing device.

6.1 Manually calibrating liquid additives

6.1.1 Without a calibration scale

NoteHave a measuring cylinder graduated in ml. ready for cali-
bration of the additives.

- 1. A > Calibration > Components > Additive
- 2. Use $|\langle | \rangle$ or $|\rangle$ to select the calibration menu **Additive 2**.
- 3. Hold an empty measuring vessel under the pipe elbow.
- Confirm Start? with Enter. The calibration procedure starts. The set value of 20 g will be shown first in the display. The actual value flashes on the display shortly afterwards.

```
<Additive 2>

> Start?

Set qty: 20.0 g

Runtime: 12.00 s

Max. quantity: 99 g/1

Date: 01.01.11
```

```
Calibration
Set: 20.0 g
Actual: 20.0 g
```

Calibration

5. Measure the collected quantity.

```
    Enter the measured quantity in the Actual line and confirm with Enter. You then return to the calibration menu. This will display:
```

- The set quantity
- How long the additive was dosed
- The maximum quantity which can be administered
- The date of the last calibration
- 7. Repeat the calibration procedure in order to check the result.

Set: 20.0 g Actual: 19.5 g <Additive 2>

> Start?
Set qty: 20.0 g
Runtime: 12.00 s
Max. quantity: 99 g/1
Date: 01.01.11

Note	Check the value which is shown in the Max.amount
	line after the calibration of the additive. This value
	corresponds exactly to the maximum amount of this
	additive in the prescription which you can give. If
	you enter a higher amount, the message shown
	here appears. If you confirm this by pressing Enter,
	the Max.amount will be automatically accepted.

Runtime too long? Reduce amount?

6.1.2 With a calibration scale

- 1. A calibration > Components > Additive
- 2. Use \langle or \rangle to select the calibration menu **Additive 2**.
- 3. Suspend the calibration box from the bracket provided for the purpose.
- 4. Confirm **Start?** with Enter. This message appears.
- 5. Confirm with Enter. The calibration procedure starts. The set value of 20 g will be shown first in the display.
- 6. The device now carries out two check weighings without the user having to do anything and shows the result.
- Then the average value of these two check weighings is shown flashing in the Actual line. Confirm this determined value with Enter. You then return to the calibration menu.
- 8. Repeat the calibration procedure in order to check the result.

<Additive> ▷ Start? Set qty: 22.0 g . . .

Calibration box used?

```
Calibration
Set: 20.0 g
Weighing 1: 19.5 g
Weighing 2: 19.8 g
Actual: 19.5 g
```

Calibration Set: 20.0 g Actual: 19.5 g

7 Feeding

7.1 Dispensing of additive

Up to two additional dispensers can be connected to the calf feeder for administration of medicines and electrolytes: one dosing device for powdered additives and another exclusively for liquid additives. Feeding
...
> Additive
...

In prescription plans, define the dosage of the medicine/electrolyte and the duration of the administration. You can create up to four prescription plans for medicine and one prescription plan for electrolytes. Medical preparations are dosed into the milk feed, while electrolytes are generally dosed into water.

Note	Electrolytes can also be dispensed in accordance to a
	medicine prescription plan. The electrolytes are then
	dosed into the milk feed like medicinal preparations.

Note	Comply with the instructions on the enclosed leaflet and
	consult your veterinary surgeon for advice on the dosage
	if necessary.

	Warning!
<u>/!\</u>	Hazardous or irritant materials!
	• Make sure there is no unauthorised access to them. Be
	sure to comply with the manufacturer's instructions and
	national regulations for the use of the additive being
	used.

Feeding > Additive

The Additive menu contains the following submenus:

- Animal
- Group
- Medicine prescription

Additive Animal Group Medicine prescription Electrol. prescription

• Electrolyte prescription

7.1.1 Creating a medicine prescription plan

In order to dispense additives to animals, first create a prescription plan and assign this to the dispenser. You can create up to four different medicine prescription plans.

7.1.1.1 Select dosage

Dosage is performed either:

- According to the feed quantity (in g/litre)
- According to the animal's weight (in g/100 kg)
- As daily quantity per animal and day (g/day)



Dosing additive according to feed amount

Animals that receive a large quantity of feed also receive more additive than animals that receive less feed. The additive quantity is distributed evenly among the feed portions.

Example: animal 1 receives 8 litres and animal 2 receives 2 litres per day. For a medicine amount of 2 g/l, animal 1 receives 16 grams per day; animal 2 receives 4 grams per day.

Dosing additive according to weight

Heavy animals receive more additive than light ones. The weight entered for the animals when they were registered will be

<prescription 1=""></prescription>		
 ▷ Dosage:	[g/100	kg]



```
<Prescription 1>
...
Dosage: [g/l]
...
```

increased automatically every day by the increase and the increase gains.

Note	If no animal weighing scales are available, check the ani-
	mal's weight and correct any deviation as necessary. Oth-
	erwise the amount of additive dosed will not be right for the
	animal weight.

Dosing additive as a daily amount

Example: If you want to administer a certain amount of additive to an animal per day, select **Dosage g/day.**

1. Additive > Medicine prescr.

2. Select the desired setting in **Dosage**.

7.1.1.2 Distribution

If you dose the additives according to weight (**g/100 kg**) or as daily amount (**g/day**), you can distribute this as follows during the course of the day:

- once (daily)
- twice (daily) or
- equal (= evenly distributed to all portions.

Note	The additive is distributed to the "middle" partial portions
	for the distribution types once and twice. The first (unadul-
	terated feed taste) and the last partial portion (prevention
	of medicine residue in the feeding box) are always free of
	additive. Exception: for two partial portions, the additive is
	dosed into the first partial portion.

<prescription 1=""></prescription>	
 ▷ Dosage:	[g/day]

Distribution type, once

The additive quantity is dosed for the first feed consumption of the day in the middle partial portion.

- **Example:** An animal weighing 100 kg has a feed entitlement of 3 litres, the minimum saved amount is 2 litres and 9 g / 100 kg of additive is to be administered. No additive will be put in the first and fifth partial portions of the day's first feed consumption while 3 grams each will be added to the second, third and fourth partial portions.
- **Example:** An animal weighing 100 kg has a feed entitlement of 3 litres, the minimum saved amount is 2 litres and 2 g / 100 kg of additive is to be administered. No additive will be put in the first, fourth and fifth partial portions of the day's first feed consumption while 1 gram each will be added to the second and third partial portions.

Distribution type, twice

Half the additive quantity is distributed to the morning's first feed consumption and half to the afternoon's first feed consumption (always in the middle partial portions).

First half of the day: 0 - 12 hrs, second half of the day: 12 - 24 hrs.

Example: A calf weighing 100 kg can consume 2 litres during its first visit to the feed station in the morning and 2 litres during its first visit in the afternoon. The additive dosage is 9 g / 100 kg. No additive will be put in the first and fifth partial portions of the first feed consumption in the morning while 1.5 grams each will be added to the second, third and fourth partial portions. The same applies to the first feed consumption in the afternoon.

<Prescription 1> . . . Dosage: [g/day] Distribution [once]

<Prescription 1> ... Dosage: [g/day] Distribution [twice] ... **Example:** A calf weighing 100 kg can consume 2 litres during its first visit to the feed station in the morning and 2 litres during its first visit in the afternoon. The additive dosage is 4 g / 100 kg. No additive will be put in the first, fourth and fifth partial portions of the first feed consumption in the morning while 1 gram each will be added to the second and third partial portions. The same applies to the first feed consumption in the afternoon.

Distribution type, equal

Additive is mixed into each feeding portion.

- 1. A Seeding > Additive > Medicine prescr.
- 2. In **Distribution**, select the desired setting.

7.1.1.3 Dispenser

Select 2 in dispenser.

7.1.1.4 Duration of the medicine administration and additive quantity

The prescription plans can be divided into five periods (P 1 -P 5), as is also the case for feed and concentrate plans. This makes it possible for example to increase the amount of additive continuously over a longer time frame and then to reduce it again towards the end of the treatment.



- Enter the length (number of days) of the first feeding period in P 1.
- 3. Use Enter to change to the **from** column and enter the desired value.
- 4. Use Enter to change to the **to** column and enter the desired value.

<Prescription 1> ... Dosage: [g/day] Distribution [equal] ...





<prescription 1=""></prescription>	
days from to g/	
▷ P 1: [3 0 0]	
P 2: 0 0 0	

5. For **P 2** to **P 5**, proceed analogously to **P 1**.

In contrast to the feeding plans, the final value of the previous period is not taken over as the starting value for medicine plans. Every period can be individually entered.

- 6. In **Duration**, you can check the total duration of the dispensing of additive.
- If you want to create further prescription plans, proceed as previously described.

		runcime coo rong.
Note	The message here might be shown if you had select-	reduce quantity?
	ed a high value for Medicine dosages and subse-	
	quently reset the (Dosage) dosage type from for	
	example g/100 kg to g/l.	
	if you press Enter the values which you have entered	
	in the prescription plan will be automatically correct-	
	ed to the maximum possible values. Press Esc if you	
	want to cancel the procedure to correct the values	
	themselves.	

Note	The prescription plans are not coupled to the barn transfer
	date of an animal. The additive will only be administered if
	the prescription plan at additive 2 dispensed has been
	activated by the selection of R1, R2, R3 or R4. If the overall
	feeding duration has ended according to the feeding plan,
	the feed with additive will continue to be dispensed. In this
	case the feed amount last fed at the end of the prescription
	plan will be maintained.

Note	The amount of additive should not, if possible, go below
	the additive quantity of 1 g /portion. If the amount of addi-
	tive is less than 1 g /portion, mix the additive with dextrose
	or milk powder to increase the volume of the additive.

<prescription 1> days from to g/ ▷ P 1: [3 10 20] P 2: 0 0 0

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7.1.2 Creating electrolyte prescription plan

You can create an electrolyte prescription plan.

- 1. A Seeding > Additive > Electrolyte prescr.
- 2. Set the electrolyte quantity (concentration).
- 3. Set the duration of the administration of electrolytes.
- 4. Set how much **electrolyte** feed the animal can consume per meal.
- 5. Set how much **feed** the animal can consume per meal. The amount of feed that the animal can consume each day is limited by the feeding plan.

```
Additive

....

Medicine prescription

▶ Electrol. prescription

▷ Quantity: [30] g/1

Duration: 2 days

Electrolyte: 1.5 1

Feed: 2.0 1

Waiting time: 02:00

Dispenser: 2
```

Note The animals receive alternately electrolyte feed and m	
	feed. If you have set 0 I at feed, the animal will only receive
	electrolyte feed.

- 6. In Waiting time, you set how long the animal must wait until it can consume milk feed after the electrolyte feed or, as the case may be, electrolyte feed after the milk feed. The waiting time also applies if the animal only receives electrolyte feeds (feed = 0.0 l).
- 7. Select dispenser 2.

7.1.3 Setting dispensing of additive

After you have created the prescription plan, you can allocate it to individual animals or to a group and then activate. You can also allocate more than one prescription plan to a dispenser in order to have flexibility in the additive plan.

7.1.3.1 Administration of individual animal's medicine

- 1. 2 > Feeding > Additive > Animal
- 2. Select the desired animal.



- 3. Select additive 2 and press the respective line Enter.
 - 3.1 Select **Dispensed** in the prescription plan.
 - 3.2 More lines will appear. If you press Enter in **Dosing**, you can enter deviations. In the following lines, the **dosage** according to the prescription plan and the corrected dosage will be shown.
 - 3.3 If you press Enter in Weight, you can correct the weight.
 The increase will be automatically adapted to the new weight value.

```
< 21/B > `> 8.0 1

> Additive 2: no

blocked: no

< 21/B > `> 8.0 L

> dispensed: [ no]

< 21/B > `> 8.0 1

dispensed: R2

> dosing: 12 g/100 kg
```

Weight: 60 kg

Additive 2: 1.2 g Additive day: 1

Note If the additives are to be dispensed according to the weight of the animal, it is important that you enter the exact weight of the respective animal. This is so that heavy animals should receive more additive than lighter ones.

- 3.4 In **Additive 2**, the amount of additive is shown.
- 3.5 If you press Enter in Additive day, you can shorten or lengthen the duration of the dispensing of additive. In the following lines, the corrected **prescription day** and the **prescription end** are shown.
- Blocked (see 7.1.4 Handling of residual portions on page 39).

7.1.3.2 Administration of individual animal's electrolytes

- 2. Select the desired animal.
- 3. Select additive 2 and press the respective line Enter
 - 3.1 Set dispensed EL .

< 21/B > > 8.0 1 Additive day: 3 Correction: 2 days Prescr.day: 5 Prescription end: 7 days

Additive
▶ Animal
•••
< 21/B > ¥ 8.0 1
Additive 2: no
blocked: no
< 21/B > ¥ 8.0 1
▷ dispensed: [no]

- 3.2 More lines will appear. If you press Enter in **Dosing**, you can enter deviations. In the following lines, the **dosage** according to the prescription plan and the corrected dosage will be shown.
- 3.3 In **electrol.**, the electrolyte feed amount per meal will be shown. Press Enter if you want to change these.
- 3.4 In **Feed**, you can change the amount of milk feed which the animal can consume per meal.
- 3.5 If you press Enter in Additive day, you can shorten or lengthen the duration of the dispensing of additive. In the following lines, the corrected **prescription day** and the **prescription end** are shown.

7.1.3.3 Dispensing to an animal group

- 1. A seeding > Additive > Group
- 2. Select the desired group in Group.
- The Additive 2 line is variable. If additive 2 was already administered to one or more animals of the group, partly will be shown. If all animals in the group receive the same additive, the respective prescription abbreviation (R1, R2, R3 or R4) or EL will be shown.
 - 3.1 If you press Enter, you can find out from a list how many animals are in the group:
 - > Receive neither medicine nor electrolytes
 - Receive medicine in accordance to the respective prescription plan
 - > Receive electrolytes
 - 3.2 If you want to administer an additive to the group, press Enter in the **dispensed** line and select the respective prescription. This message appears in the display. Confirm the message with Enter if the animals of the group are to

< 21/B > 🖌 8.0 1 dispensed: EL dosing: 0 g/l Electrolyte: 1.5 l Feed: 0.0 1 Additive day: 1



Additive Animal Group . . .

<Group A> Additive 2: [partly] blocked: no

<group a=""></group>
dispensed: [part]
none: 17
P1: 1
P2: 2
blocked: 0

group A additive P1 dispense? receive the additive in accordance with the prescription plan (here: **R1**).

NoteAnimals which are blocked (see 7.1.4 Handling of residual portions on page 39) do not receive any additive. Animals that are already receiving additive will not be "converted" to the prescription plan of the group. If all animals, including those who are already receiving the additive, are to receive the additive in accordance with the prescription plan, you must set no in Additive 1 so as to cancel all animals from the additive. This message appears. Confirm this with Enter. Now you can select the prescription plan which then applies to all animals in the group.

7.1.3.4 Changing the dispensing of additive

- 1. A Seeding > Individual animal > Additive 2
- 2. Select the desired animal.
- The respective prescription plan will be shown in the Additive
 2 line. If you press Enter, you can change the settings:
 - 3.1 You can end the dispensing of additive in the Dispensed line [no] or select another prescription plan (R1, R2, R3 or R4) or EL.
 - 3.2 If you want to change the prescribed amount of the additive for the selected animal, press Enter in the Dosing line. This will take you to the four-lined submenu:
 - 3.2.1 Enter the desired period of validity in **Deviations.**.
 - 3.2.2 Enter how much the currently dispensed additive amount should be increased or decreased in **Amount**.
 - 3.2.3 Here you see the amount of the dosage according to the prescription plan (**Prescription**)

Feeding
Individual animal
...
< 21/B > ≥ 8.0 1

Additive 2: R2

group A

no additive dispense?

3.2.4 Here you see the amount of the dosage after the change (**Dosing**).

Pressing body once takes you one menu level higher:

- 3.3 In weight (only if R1, R2, R3 or R4 is selected in dispensed), the current animal weight is shown. If you want to change this, press Enter. This will take you to another submenu:
 - 3.3.1 Enter the desired value in **Weight**. The increase will be calculated automatically.
- 3.4 The (updated) amount of additive is shown in Additive2 (only if R4, R2, R2 or R3 is selected in dispensed).
- 3.5 The electrolyte feed amount will be shown in Electrol. (only if selected in dispensed EL). Press Enter if you want to change these.
- 3.6 You can change the milk feed amount which the animal can consume per meal in Feed (only if selected in dispensed EL).

If you press Enter in Additive day, you can lengthen (but only after the second day of dispensing the additive) or shorten the duration of dispensing the additive. The corrected **prescrip-tion day** and the **prescription end** are shown in the lines below.

< 21/B > > 8.0 1 dispensed: R2 dosing: 12 g/100 kg > Weight: 60 kg Additive 2: 1.2 g Additive day: 1

< 21/B > > 8.0 1 Additive day: 3 Correction: 2 days Prescr.day: 5 Prescription end: 7 days

NoteIf the deviation plan for the animal is no longer valid, thenit will become an Expire animal and automatically revertto being supplied with additive according to the prescription plan.

7.1.4 Handling of residual portions

Block rem. portion prevents certain calves from drinking residual portions which contain additive (medicine!).

If an animal does not completely consume a feeding portion which contains additive, (the rod electrode is covered), the feed consumption is blocked for those animals that should not receive additive.

Feed consumption for blocked animals can be resumed only

- if the residual portion is drunk by another animal which is supposed to receive additive or is not blocked for residual portion consumption
- or the residual amounts are automatically evacuated via the mixer drain valve (if present).

7.1.4.1 Blocking the residual portion for individual animals

- 1. A Seeding > Additive > Animal
- 2. Select the desired animal.
- In **blocked**, enter whether the animal should be blocked for residual portions which contain additives.

Additive	
Animal	
•••	

< 21/B > > 8.0 1 Additive 2: no > blocked: [yes]

Note	To lift the block for an animal to administer additive,
	you must enter no in blocked . Only then can you set
	the desired prescription plan in Additive 2 . Proceed
	similarly if you want to block an animal which re-
	ceives the additive. Set no in Additive 2 and then
	set yes in blocked .
Note	Blocked animals will not be administered any additive e

Note	Blocked animals will not be administered any additive even
	if the dispensing the additive has been activated for the
	whole feeding group (see 7.1.3.3 Dispensing to an animal
	group on page 37).

7.1.4.2 Blocking of the residual portion for animal groups

- 1. Additive > Group
- 2. Select the desired group.

Additive	
Animal	
▶ Group	
•••	

If you press Enter in blocked, you will open a submenu. There you can block residual portions with additive for the displayed animal group.

<Group A>
Additive 2: partly
blocked: no

 In blocked, select the yes value and press Enter. All animals in the respective group will be blocked for residual portions unless additive is being dispensed at that moment to them.

<Group A>

blocked: [no]

dispensed: 1

not blocked: 5

blocked: 0

Note	Electrolyte feed is also possible if the administration of
	medicine is blocked for an individual animal or for the
	whole animal group (see 7.1.3 Setting dispensing of addi
	tive on page 35).
	Note

Note Residual portions which contain additive are drained off or are fed to an animal that is allowed to have the additive. If an animal with additive entitlement is followed by a blocked animal, the feeding portion will only be prepared after the feeding box has been rinsed with clear water (fully automatic) or after eight portions without additive have been prepared.

7.2 Dosing of extra portions with additive

You can manually start the preparation of feeding portions at anytime. These feeding portions are not deducted from the animal's daily amount which it is entitled to according to the feeding plan.

- 1. Extra portion
- 2. Confirm **start?** with ^{Enter}. The extra portion will be prepared.

The following parameters are considered for the preparation and dosing of the extra portion:

Additive

Enter the concentration for additive 2 and additive 2 here if you want to add additives to the extra portion.

Manual function
 Extra portion
 Mixer: drain?
 ...

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Extra portion

Start?

Output: [bucket]

Quantity: 0.5 1

Temperature: 42.0°C

Concentr.: 150 g/l

Milk ratio: 100%

▷ Additive 2 0: g/l
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Feeding

8 Animal control

You can check the feed consumption with dispensing of additives for each animal in the **Animal control** menu.

8.1 Calling up animal information

After Info \square has been pressed, the following menu appears:

- Animal list
- Entitled
- Alarm
- Expire date
- Additive
- marked
- ...

The number of animals that satisfy this criterion is shown in the display of every menu.

8.2 Information about interrupted feeding procedures

- 1. Additive > Break off
- 2. Select the desired animal.
- 3. In **with additive**, you can see how often the feed with additive has been broken off. In **without additive**, you can see how often the feed without additive has been broken off.

8.3 Information about animals with expire date messages

One day before a temporally limited action (e.g., additive prescription plan) is to end, an expire date message for the action in question is displayed.

The following expire date messages can appear, among other things:

Animal control Animal list Entitled: 15 Alarm: 3 Expire date: 4 Additive: 50 Marked: 2 ...

```
< 20/A2 > > 8.0 1
Additive: R1 no
Break off: 1 0
```

```
< 20/A2 > > 8.0 l
> with additive 1 0
without additive 0 0
```

End of an additive or electrolyte prescription plan

Once an additive or electrolyte prescription plan has come to an end the animals receive no more additives. The relevant expire date message that reminds you of the discontinuation of the plan is displayed on the right.

Deviation plans

When the deviation plan for electrolytes or additive expires, an expire date message is also displayed to remind you that the corresponding animal is being fed again exactly according to the electrolyte or additive plan of the group.

Note	Press C to hide the message. The message is dis-
	played again on the next day and can be deleted by
	pressing The display continues until the mes-
	sage is deleted.

8.3.1 Deleting expire date messages

Navigate to the last line with **delete all?** below all expire date messages and press Enter. All available animal expire messages for the corresponding animal are deleted.

8.4 Information about animals with dispensing of additive

The **Additive** control menu is shown only if at least one animal is receiving additive.

- > At Additive 2, you can see which prescription or electrolyte plan is being or has been used for the administration of additives or electrolytes to the animal.
 - If you open the menu, you can end the additive dosage
 (dispensed no) or set another additive prescription
 plan.

< 20/A1 > > 8.0 1 additive prescr. 1 > delete all?

< 20/A1 > > 8.0 1 deviations feed deviations conc. deviations additive > delete all?

< 20/A1 > > 8.0 1 additive prescr. 2 > delete all?

Animal control . . . Additive: 50 . . .

< 20/A2 >≥ 8.0 1 Additive 2: R1 R1 Break off: 0 0

- In the submenu which now opens you can check and/or change the following values:
 - Relative (%) and absolute (I) feed consumption
 today and yesterday (not for electrolyte)
 - How much additive or electrolyte was given to the animal today and yesterday
 - The dosage of the additive: if you press Enter, you can change the dosage
 - Weight: If you press Enter, you can see or change the weight value of the calf (the latter only if scales are present)
 - You can see how long the animal has already been receiving additives at additive day. If you press Enter, you can lengthen or shorten the administration of additives (correction). The prescription day corresponds to the corrected additive day.

> From **Break off**, you can see how often the feed consumption with/without additive was broken off

For the procedure, see all.

Note

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dosing: 40 g/l
electrol.: 2.0 l
Feed: 1.5 l
Additive day: 3
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¥ 8.0 1

< 20/A2 >

received [el]

< 20/A2 > 🔌 8.0 l
▷ Deviations.: [3] days
Quantity: 10 g/l
Presc.: 40 g/l
Dosing: 50 g/l

< 20/A2 > ¥ 8.0	L
Additive day: 3	
▷ Correction: [1] da	ys
prescr.day: 4	
prescription en	d: 10

< 20/A2 > > 8.0 1
▷ with additive 1 0
without additive 0 0

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9 Cleaning

9.1 Specifications for cleaning

What must be cleaned?

The dosing reservoir, the hoses on the pressure and suction side of the dosing pump and the pipe elbow must be cleaned.

How often must they be cleaned?

The dosing device must be cleaned every time there is a change of additive or if there is a long break out of use.

9.2 Performing cleaning

9.2.1 General safety instructions



Warning!	
Ha	azardous or irritant materials!
•	Collect the additive residues and dispose of them safe-
	ly. When doing this be sure to comply with the manufac-
	turer's instructions and national regulations for the use

- and disposal of the additive being used.
- Always wear personal protective equipment (e.g. safety glasses, protective gloves) when handling additives. Comply also with the specifications of the safety data sheet for your additive.

9.2.2 Perform cleaning every time there is a change of additive or if there is a long break out of use

Δ	Warning!
<u>/!\</u>	Hazardous or irritant materials!
	 Collect the additive residues and dispose of them safe-
	ly. When doing this be sure to comply with the manufac-
	turer's instructions and national regulations for disposal
	of the additive being used.

- 1. Exit automatic mode for the calf feeder.
- 2. Disconnect the suction hose from the dosing reservoir and empty the reservoir.
- 3. Wash out the dosing reservoir with clean water.
- 4. Fill the dosing reservoir with clean water and reconnect the suction hose to it.
- Start the dosing pump and allow it to dispense about half the contents of the dosing reservoir. Separately and safely collect the dosed quantity.
- 6. Run the calf feeder purge program to clean the feeding box.
 - 6.1 Cleaning > Mixer
 - 6.2 Confirm **Start?** with Enter.
 - 6.3 If necessary, change the detergent amount and confirm with Enter.
- 7. When putting out of service:
 - 7.1 Fully drain the dosing reservoir and fully empty the cleaning water from the dosing reservoir.
- 8. When changing additives:
 - 8.1 Pour an additive into the dosing reservoir and start the dosing pump so as to fill the hose.

Mixer cleaning
> start?
Cleaning cycles/day: 2
cleaning 1: 07:00
cleaning 2: 22:00
Drainage mode: [no]

Note	Separately collect the remainder of the cleaning water
	which was in the hose and is dispensed at the start, and
	dispose of it safely. When doing this be sure to comply with
	the manufacturer's instructions and national regulations for
	disposal of the additive being used.
	disposal of the additive being used.

- 8.2 Carry out a calibration (see chapter "Calibration" on page 27ff).
- 8.3 If necessary run the calf feeder purge program to clean the feeding box so as to completely remove all residues of the additive.
- 9. Switch the calf feeder back into automatic mode.

Cleaning

10 Diagnosis

The dosing device and its functions can be checked via the **diagnosis** menu of the calf feeder. This menu facilitates troubleshooting in the event of a technical problem with the dosing device.

Diagnosis		
	Valves	
►	Motors	
	Heating	
	•••	

10.1 Motors

Diagnosis > Motors

Here you can test whether the connected dosing device is operating properly, and test its actuation function.

1. In the **Additive 2** line, press Enter to test the operation of the dosing device.

If the test produces a negative result, please consult a service technician.

Motors
Mixer: start?
Milk pump: start?
Powder: start?
> Additive 2: start?

Diagnosis

11 Failures and warnings

If a **failure** occurs, the **automatic mode of the calf feeder will be interrupted**. A corresponding failure message appears in the hand terminal display and the green LED on the hand terminal flashes.

Warnings indicate problems that do not interrupt the automatic operation of the calf feeder. Warnings are also indicated by the LED flashing on the hand terminal of the calf feeder.

NoteIf the warning messages are deleted or hidden by
pressing Esc, then these will automatically reappear
in the event of a new warning; in ten minutes at the
latest.

Some warning and failure messages will be automatically deleted once the fault is rectified. Others are deleted only when you press or in **Delete failure?** or **Delete warning?** Enter.

11.1 Failures

11.1.1 Calibration

The calf feeder cannot switch to automatic mode if the additive has not been calibrated. This failure message appears if the additive has not been calibrated.

Failure Calibration

> Calibrate the additive. For this see chapter "Manually calibrating liquid additives" on page 27.
Start?
Set qty: 20.0 g
Runtime: 12.0 s

11.2 Warnings

11.2.1 Calibration

The **Calibration** warning indicates that last calibration was 120 days ago.

Warning Calibration

Max. quantity: 99 g/l

Date: 01.01.11

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1. Calibrate the additive. For this see chapter "Manually calibrat-		<additive 2=""></additive>
ing liquid additives" on page 27.		▷ Start?
		Set qty: 20.0 g
2. Delete the warning.		Runtime: 12.0 s
Ū.		Max. quantity: 99 g/l
Note	If you delete the warning but do not then perform a	Date: 01.01.11
Note	If you delete the warning but do not then perform a	
	calibration the message will reappear one day later.	

12 Maintenance/servicing

The visual and functional inspection of the components can be conducted by the owner/operator.

Repair work must **always** be performed by a service technician.

12.1 Safety instructions



12.2 Maintenance intervals and activities

Note	te If you detect any faults or damage to the dosing device	
	tween the maintenance intervals recommended below,	
	you must make sure that they are rectified immediately by	
	a service technician as required.	

12.2.1 Daily

Visual inspection of the components

- A visual inspection of the dosing pump and also the hoses on the pressure side and suction side of the pump must be performed every day to check for wear and damage.
 If any damage is detected during the visual inspection, the faulty components must be replaced before work can be resumed with the dosing device.
- An operational check of the dosing device must be performed every day.

If faults are detected during the operational check they must be rectified by a service technician.

12.2.2 Every 12 months

The pump hose on the dosing pump must be replaced every 12 month.

12.2.3 In compliance with national regulations

This inspection may be conducted **only** by a service technician!

All electrical components must be checked regularly for electrical safety in accordance with the intervals and test methods defined in the national regulations.

If any damage is detected during the inspection, the faulty components must be replaced by a service technician before work can be resumed with the dosing device.

12.2.4 Exchanging the dosing pump hose



1	Housing
2	Impeller cover
3	Pump hose
4	Bracket
5	Plastic union nut

If you wish to replace the pump hose, proceed as follows:

Warning!

Risk of injury due to automatic start-up!

- Disconnect the dosing device from the mains before you replace the pump hose.
- Do not connect the dosing device to the mains unless the transparent cover is in place.
- 1. Disconnect the mains plug for the calf feeder and dosing device control unit.
- 2. Disconnect the hoses from the dosing pump by undoing the plastic union nuts.
- 3. Use a suitable tool to remove the pump cover.
- 4. Remove the impeller cover.
- Position the dosing pump impeller at right angles to the housing opening (so there is only one roller directly on the housing) and remove the bracket together with the pump hose.
- 6. Remove the old pump hose from the bracket and fit the new pump hose.

Attention Make sure the pump hose is not twisted.

- 7. Place the bracket in the guide provided for it in the housing.
- Clamp the pump hose between the housing and the impeller roller. Position the pump hose by turning the impeller in the direction of rotation so that it is central to the roller.
- 9. Fit the cover back on the impeller and fit the housing cover.
- 10.Reattach the hoses to the dosing device and tighten the plastic union nuts.
- 11.Reconnect the calf feeder and the dosing device control unit to the mains.