Livestock keepers share their experiences of the vaccine

Small holders use & recommend the vaccine:
“ECF vaccination has been very helpful to us. Before we would have to use very expensive treatments. As smallholders, we benefit from the ECF vaccination. My cows no longer get sick and now produce about 25 litres of milk per day.” (A lady smallholder)

Pastoralists use & recommend the ECF vaccine:
“The vaccine gives me a lot of security, my milk standard has improved. I want my children to get jobs in the city or otherwise have cattle or farm in the modern way.” (A pastoralist elder)

Big farmers use & recommend the vaccine

Cattle should NOT be vaccinated in the following circumstances:
- Cattle incubating or showing symptoms of ECF. These cattle should be treated with anti-theilerial drugs e.g. Butalex.
- Calves less than one month of age.
- Cattle in poor condition and/or suffering from other disease, especially those undergoing infection with Foot and Mouth Disease or Lumpy Skin Disease. There is a risk of adverse ECF immunisation reactions in these cattle.
- Cattle in the last three months of pregnancy.
- Cattle treated with levamisole within one month of planned immunisation. There is a risk of ECF immunisation reactions in these cattle.
- Cattle in draught work.

Remember ECF vaccination is one injection for life protection. Controlled spraying or dipping against ticks is necessary to maintain immunity and control other tick-borne diseases.

Safe & effective East Coast Fever Vaccine available in Kenya NOW

One injection protects your calf or cow against East Coast Fever (ECF) for life

How to protect your cattle & increase your productivity & income:
- ECF Vaccination will prevent your cow or calf getting sick from ECF or dying from this disease.
- ECF Vaccination protects, which means no treatment is needed for ECF.
- One vaccination shot protects your animal against ECF for life.
- Reduces death and ensures the survival of your calves against ECF.
- Results in improved production and higher household income.
ECF Muguga Vaccine is a quality vaccine and is used successfully across East, Central and Southern Africa (Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe).

Your animals will be vaccinated by a trained, approved vaccinator.

All vaccinated animals will be specially ear marked to ensure that you and others can tell they have had the ECF vaccination.

The package includes the injection, anti-biotic, de-wormer and ear marker.

Farmers in East Africa have reported that they get a higher market price for vaccinated animals.

The vaccine comes in doses of 40, so gather friends and neighbours and the vaccination will be done by appointment.

Vaccination is much less expensive than paying for costly treatment. Ask your vet for the current price.

It is still necessary to spray against ticks as ticks carry other disease besides ECF. Mild exposure to ticks is important to keep your animals immune for life. Ask your vet for advice on how often to spray against ticks.

Can be used in calves from one month of age.

Please note that vaccinating a cow does not pass protection to the calf.

Just as you need to vaccinate all children against Polio, so do you need to vaccinate all new calves against ECF.