

Alkalage

Producing Alkalage®

Alkalage is produced by mixing Home n' Dry pellets with the combinable ready cereal crop, quickly releasing ammonia to produce an alkaline, stable forage with increased protein content.

- ✓ Ensure the crop is fully mature before harvest.
- ✓ Make sure that the bags are knocked before use.
- ✓ The cereal crop must be processed at harvest.
- ✓ Extra Home n' Dry on the top of the clamp will protect against moisture under the sheet.
- ✗ Don't spray off an under ripe crop.
- ✗ Don't consolidate the clamp, as the ammonia gas needs to circulate throughout the clamp.
- ✗ Don't harvest any green material - sugars present will cause an adverse reaction in the clamp.

Dry Matter %	Application Rate Kg/T
81 - 85	40
75 - 80	45

**If dry matters are out of these parameters please contact FiveF for advice*

PROCESSING

- ✓ A clean, dry store is required with plastic to seal the sides and top.
- ✓ Home n' Dry application is farm dependent. Most common practise for Alkalage is to top dress using fertiliser spreaders or loader buckets.
- ✓ Level out a weighed trailer load of whole crop onto a clean floor and add the correct quantity of Home n' Dry as a top dress.
- ✓ Fill the clamp in shallow, flat layers.
- ✓ Push into store, sheet and seal away from rain and water.
- ✓ Lightly weigh down the sheet.
- ✓ Leave for a minimum of 2 weeks before opening.
- ✓ Once opened protect the open face from long exposure to rain.

On our website you can find guidance videos of Alkalage production from field to clamp.

If you have any technical and/or nutritional queries, please contact your supplier or one of the FiveF team.