



ALLBITE™

AllBite™ is a molasses-based block designed to discourage vice behaviors, such as tail-biting, in pigs. Its unique design and delivery system attract pigs and encourage them to chew on the block. Timely use of AllBite blocks can round out a sound animal welfare program.



How much are vice behaviors costing you?

Vice behavior — tail-biting, in particular — can affect a single pig or an entire pen of pigs, and it can be either very sporadic in nature or a chronic problem. Tail-biting is one of the top behavioral problems among grow-finish pigs and can lead to economic losses as a result of carcass condemnation, secondary infections, reduced gains and death loss.

Studies have shown that vice behavior (tail-biting, in particular) can be a behavioral response to the sight, smell and taste of blood. Natural behavior, however, is only one piece of the puzzle. Numerous contributing factors have been shown to increase the prevalence of tail-biting, including:

- Lack of tail docking, or docking to inconsistent lengths
- Nutrition (e.g., out of feed events, salt deficiency, etc.)
- Increased stocking density and overcrowding
- Extreme temperatures
- Poor ventilation (poor air quality, drafts, humidity)
- Light (too dim/too bright; less than six hours of darkness per day)
- Health challenges

AllBite: A solution for vice behaviors

AllBite adds a new stimulus to the pigs' environment, thus allowing pigs to exhibit foraging behaviors and to bite and chew on the block instead of their pen-mates. It can be used in antibiotic-free systems.

AllBite offers a more reliable, cost-effective method by only supplementing the pens that exhibit vice behaviors.

Benefits of AllBite:



23-pound
biodegradable
container



Hang on fence or from
ceiling with chain
provided



Quick and convenient



Block stays clean

Recommended usage:

Hang a minimum of 1 block for every 25 grow-finish pigs.

AllBite should be hung from the fence or ceiling with a chain using an attachment that allows the block to move freely. The result is uniform consumption, which prevents AllBite from detaching from the chain.

Depending on the situation, additional blocks may be beneficial.

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