



# Top 5 6

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## CONFINEMENT

It seems everyone is doing it these days and its easy to jump on the bandwagon. Before you do, ask WHY are you doing it? To allow pastures to establish, manage sheep condition score, or manage limited resources (feed, water, labor), increase efficiency? Keep in mind your aim, to keep whatever system you implement in check.

## CONFINEMENT 2

These videos show some simpler set ups being successfully used in the Great Southern, discussing how each set up works, rations and some steep learnings: [Zadow House](#) [Addis](#)

There is no perfect system, but some rules of thumb are:

- Space 2m<sup>2</sup> -5m<sup>2</sup> per head. Most common size is 50x50m for 500 sheep.
- Draft in by size/weight and draft off tail every fortnight
- Induct with Pulpy kidney vac.
- Hay/lupin/barley mix (need calcium salt mix available too)
- Feeding: 15cm/head (2-5cm self-feeder)
- Water 1cm/hd, and away from the feed

If you want more info, get in contact with Ed or Georgia, but we'll keep focusing on confinement in upcoming Top 5s.

## SHEEP 101 COURSES

Are you or a worker needing to get up to speed with all things sheep, pasture and feed? AgPro is running through some of the basics- targeting those who are perhaps fresh back to the farm, or needing more sheep knowledge as their roles shift. Get in contact with us via 0447523110 if interested.

## FOR THE OFFICE

"Top 10 causes of underpayment" by ProcessWorx is worth reading, especially as casuals may be coming on for seeding. It basically comes down to the rules having become more complex, and increased outside scrutiny: [LINK](#)

## CARBON ADVICE: VOUCHERS

Those that are serious about seeking advice around carbon farming and making the right investment decisions should take a look at this voucher program: [LINK](#)

## LISTEN

Top 5 has been quiet, because Ed's voice has been coming over the airwaves via THREE podcasts with Drs. If you haven't listened yet, jump on board-

38. Flies, dags, and genetic change [HERE](#)

37. Repro and antioxidants [HERE](#)

36. Summer issues- Selenium, feed intake and nutrients, footrot, shedding sheep [HERE](#)

39. coming this wkend, all things fodder...