* Prevent mating and reproduction after the age of puberty, e.g. For animals with undesirable traits where breeding is to be avoided
* To eliminate the risk of accidental impregnation on farms where breeding at certain times or with certain bulls is to be avoided
* Decreases aggressiveness, mounting activity, injuries (usually associated with testosterone) and frequency of dark-cutting carcasses
* Production of docile cattle that are easier to handle
* Increased safety for animals, producers and employees
* Decrease costs associated with handling facilities compared to bulls
* Avoid discounted price that occurs with bull carcasses
* Provide meat products of the quality consumers demand
* Stops production of male hormones and semen

**Best Age for Castration:**

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| SPECIES | AGE |
| **CATTLE** | 1-2 months |
| Sheep & Goat  | 2 weeks |
| Pig | First week |
| Horse  | 1-1.5 year |

**SEASON:**

Early Spring or Late Fall

Avoid extreme Climates, Fly season