# Burdizzo Use:

**Advantages:**

* It is bloodless.
* No incision is made into the scrotum which reduces the risk of bacterial infection and associated complications
* No risk of myiasis occurring.
* Quicker and easier procedure.
* Causes much less pain and suffering to the animal.

**Disadvantages:**

* The spermatic cord and blood vessels can easily slip away and be missed which leads to an ineffective castration.
* The spermatic cord may be incompletely crushed with use of the Burdizzo without the knowledge of the veterinarian.
* Lack of blood supply to scrotum can lead to gangrene and infection.
* Injury to human / animal due to size and weight of Burdizzo.

# Elastic Banding Use:

**Advantages:**

* It is bloodless.
* Scrotum falls off on its own.
* No incision is made into the scrotum which reduces the risk of bacterial infection and associated complications
* No risk of myiasis occurring.
* Quicker and easier procedure.
* Causes much less pain and suffering to the animal.

**Disadvantages:**

* Rubber ring may become brittle before scrotal atrophy occurs hence loosing effectiveness.
* There are age limitations involved (before 10 days old) (Callicrate bander only for adults)
* Testicles can be missed
* Causes pain and discomfort to animal
* Reduces growth rate
* Risk of tetanus due to wound infection.