

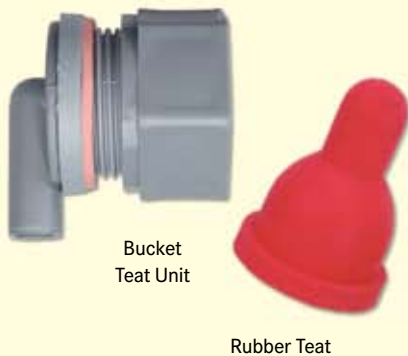
# Getting the Best...

## from Premier's Bucket Teat Unit



The success of this simple device has been remarkable. We first experimented with it on our own sheep flock in 1986 and offered it to the US sheep industry a year later. Over ten thousand sheep and goat producers are now using it.

There are two types of teats that can be used in the bucket unit; rubber and latex. Each type is better in certain areas and each type requires a different method of assembly within the bucket teat unit.



### Bucket Teat Unit

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### Rubber Teat

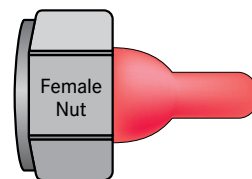
Rubber teats have a flange with sharp "squared-off" edges. The rubber teats last longer, as they will take more abuse from suckling lambs or kids. Rubber teats are the best choice for larger lambs or lambs over 15 days of age.



## Assembling Rubber Teats to the Bucket

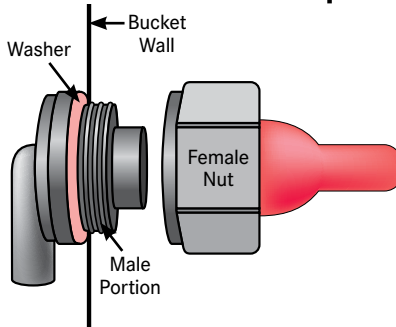
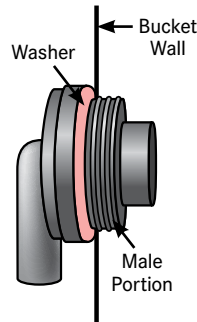
**Figure 1**

Insert the teat into the female nut portion of the gray bucket unit. Pull the teat through as far as it will go.



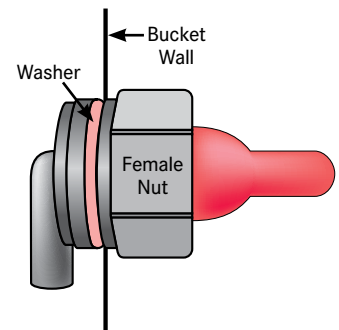
**Figure 2**

Insert the large male portion of the gray bucket unit into the hole of the bucket.



**Figure 3**

Screw on the female nut (with the teat already inserted) onto the male portion.

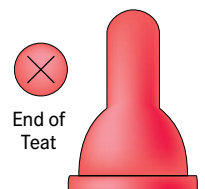


**Figure 4**

If the nut cannot be screwed tightly enough to make a liquid-proof seal on the bucket wall, then a second washer should be added to the male portion of the gray bucket unit. This usually happens when a slightly thinner sidewall bucket is used.

**Figure 5**

If the milk flow seems too slow, take a sharp knife and carefully enlarge the "X" slit in the end of the teat.



*Note: Do not cut the end too large or the milk will constantly leak out.*



## Assembling Latex Teats to the Bucket

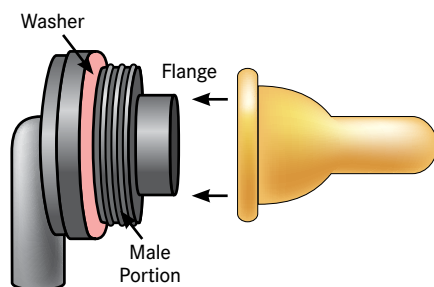


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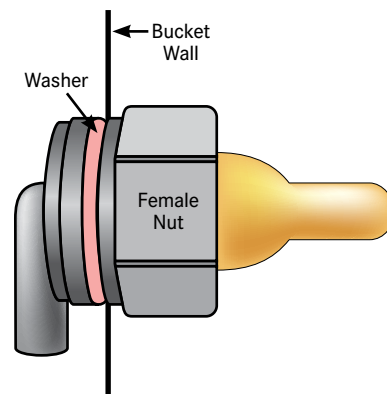
### Latex Teats

In most (but not all) cases it's been found that lambs or kids will "take" to latex teats (either color) more quickly than to rubber. This is because the feel of latex is more like that of real teats on sheep and goats. However, they are less durable so they're best until about day 15.



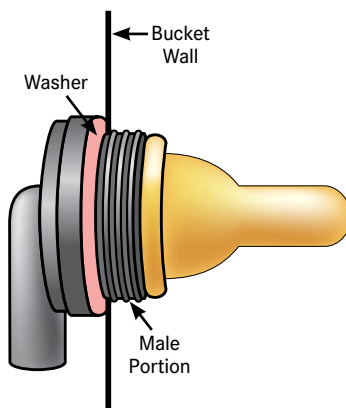
**Figure 1**

Slide the latex teat onto the 1/4 inch flange at the outer end of the male teat assembly.



**Figure 3**

Screw the female nut onto the assembly tightly enough to make a liquid-proof seal. If you have problems creating a seal, add a second washer to the male portion of the bucket unit.



**Figure 2**

With the teat already in place, insert the male portion of the gray teat assembly through the 1-1/2" dia. hole in the bucket.



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