

## Decision: Do I Lime this Paddock?

Timing (Trigger) Before the start of the growing season

Critical factor	Condition	Points	Your Score
Topsoil acidity (pH <sub>Ca</sub> at depth 0 to 10cm)	Below 5.0	6	
	5.0 to 5.5	4	
	Above 5.5	0	
Subsurface acidity, (pH <sub>Ca</sub> below 5.0 at depth greater than 10cm)	Yes	3	
	No	0	
Other soil or fertility factors limiting lime responses	No	4	
	Yes	0	
Type of species present in rotation or pasture	Most species acid sensitive	6	
	Some species acid sensitive	2	
	All acid tolerant	0	
Likely return on investment within 5 to 10 years	Highly likely - positive return greater than 5%	8	
	Likely - positive return up to 5%	6	
	Slightly unlikely - slight negative return	2	
	Unlikely - strongly negative return	0	
<b>Max Points</b>		<b>27</b>	

Decision	Score
Yes, apply lime at the recommended rate	Greater than 14
	11 to 14
No, do not apply lime at this point in time	Less than 11

You can access this decision matrix online through the Decision Wizard <https://decisionwizard.sfs.org.au/>  
 More information and resources on liming are available at <https://sfs.org.au/project/lime-assistor>