

Whitening Whites Safely since 1883

Animal, Fish, Bird Ingestion

Animal / Fish / Bird Ingestion of Mrs. Stewart's® Bluing

Over the years, we have had many reports of:

- MSB being used in fish tanks and fish ponds
- MSB being used in bird baths
- MSB being used by farmers in drinking watering troughs
- MSB being used by pet owners in their pets drinking water

Customers claim that MSB helps to reduce the algae growth that occurs in fish tanks, ponds and bird baths, keeping them cleaner longer. Farmers claim that it reduces distemper and other diseases. They claim that the flies that carry these diseases won't lay eggs on the water if it is blued. Farmers also use it to prevent disease in young chicks. Dog-owners have used MSB to prevent kennel cough and other diseases as well as to keep the noses of their white dogs from yellowing - particularly with show dogs. Many veterinarians recommend it to their clients. It is put directly on sores, insect bites, ring-worm, etc.

Facts about MSB: MSB is basically a blue iron powder suspended in water and contains a non-toxic amount of a biocide and pH balancer. Even in it's concentrated form, MSB is non-toxic, biodegradable and environmentally friendly. MSB is manufactured under non-sterile conditions and is therefore, not generally recommended for ingestion by human or animal.

Disclaimer: MSB is manufactured and tested as a laundry whitener only. All other uses are "at your own risk". While we advertise MSB for some other uses, we try to remain clear that these other uses come to us from loyal customers and we pass the information on as a public service.

Thank you for your inquiry.

Since 1883, we have never received a report of a sick or dying animal as a result of using MSB in such ways.

However, we must emphasize again that since we have not tested MSB for any such use, and because it is manufactured under non-sterile conditions, we cannot recommend it for ingestion. You are "at your own risk" in using it in this way.

