**Open Covered “Open-Close” method**

In this technique/method the vaginal tunic is not opened, the peritoneal cavity is not exposed neither are the testes. A haemostat is placed proximally to the testes followed by a knot to ensure no bleeding after ligation. The emasculator is not used in this method because of fear that it will the testicular artery of the crushed tissue. This procedure should be done in a sterile environment.

Points to notes:

* Ensure the use of antibiotic is used along with sprays against flies
* Wash hands before attempting to make any incision
* Ensure no bleeding after surgery
* Enlarge incisions to prevent “pockets” from forming to allow proper drainage
* Horizontal incisions vs vertical incisions

**References:**

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