



RVC Exotics Service

We know how much rabbits are motivated by food and we all want to spoil our pets. There are ways you can continue to give treats without risking creating an obese bunny! Choosing treats wisely such as fresh and dried herbs and grasses are much better for your rabbit and they love them! Timing the feeding of treats carefully and encouraging foraging can also help to prevent obesity (see later).

One of the most important ways to prevent obesity is to be able to recognise it. The Pet Food Manufacturers Association has a fantastic chart to help you with this called a [rabbit size-o-meter](#). Please feel free to discuss this with one of the team during an appointment as prevention is always better than cure. We also run weight clinics if your bunny needs a little help.

## BRUSHING

During the moulting season – which seems to be all year round in some rabbits! – your rabbit will be shedding their old undercoat and grooming themselves and companions which leads to the ingestion of a lot of hair. This transits through the gut and can often be seen linking

