# Record-Keeping Requirements For Primary Producer Food and Feed Hygiene Inspections

## Includes Cross-Compliance SMR 4 Food and Feed Law Inspections

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#### **EU FOOD AND FEED HYGIENE REGULATIONS**

REGULATION (EC) No 852/2004 (as amended) - Hygiene of foodstuffs

REGULATION (EC) No 183/2005 (as amended) - Laying down requirements for feed hygiene

Food Hygiene Regulations apply to all primary producers (farmers and growers) from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2006.

Feed Hygiene Regulations apply to all farms that feed animals and to all farms that produce crops for animal feed from 1st January 2008.

Inspections for Feed and Food Hygiene Regulations are carried out by DAERA Agri-food Inspection Branch on behalf of the Food Standards Agency in Northern Ireland.

### What are the implications of these Regulations for Farmers (Food Business Operators)?

- All Farms are registered for Primary Production.
- Primary responsibility for the safety of food leaving the farm, feed fed to food producing animals and for the putting in place of **measures to control hazards** rests with the farmer.
- All farmers will be inspected and required to keep and retain records relating to measures put in place to control hazards. These are:
  - a. the traceability of inputs purchased including all food, feed, food producing animals and any substance incorporated into a food or feed, detailing in particular:
    - name and address of the supplier
    - nature and quantity of products supplied
    - date of delivery of inputs on farm.
  - b. the traceability of outputs sold, including food, feed, food producing animals: detailing in particular:
    - name and address of the customer
    - nature and quantity of products supplied
    - date products left the farm.
  - c. veterinary medicinal products or other treatments administered to the animals, dates of administration and withdrawal periods.
  - d. the occurrence of diseases or pests that may affect the safety of food.
  - e. the results of any analyses carried out.
  - f. any relevant reports on checks carried out on animals or products of animal origin.
  - g. the use of plant protection products (pesticides) and biocides.

- Farmers will have a responsibility to prevent the introduction and spread of contagious diseases transmissible to humans through food.
- All facilities, including those used to store and handle food or feed, must be clean.
- Store and handle feed in such a way as to:
  - prevent hazardous contamination, for example, from chemicals/pesticides.
  - prevent animals, vermin and pests from causing contamination.
  - prevent feed spoilage.
  - keep medicated feed separated from other feed.
  - keep pet food containing any meat products separate from other feed.

DAERA Primary Producer Hygiene Inspections will include checks on the above records.

Enforcement procedures will include the use of Hygiene Improvement Notices for holdings where hygiene standards are not being met.

#### **Use of Veterinary Medicines**

The Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2013 (as amended)

Name of Veterinary Medicine <sup>1</sup>	Identity of Animal/ Group	Person Administering Medicine	First Date of Use	Last Date of Use	Withdrawal Period and Date Withdrawal Period Ends <sup>3</sup>		Medicine		Source of the Medicine	
	Treated <sup>2</sup>				Meat	Milk	Other	Used		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Homeopathic products should also be recorded.

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#### **Plant Protection Products (Pesticide) Application Records**

Business owners must be satisfied that all applications (including spot spraying) are conducted by suitably certified and competent operators. All applications must be necessary and carefully planned. The principles set out in the Code of Practice for Using Plant Protection Products should be followed.

Full Product Name and MAPP Number	Date of Use	Site of Application	Crop Treated and Reason for Treatment	Name of Operator	Dilution, Application Rate and Quantity Used	Harvest or Grazing Interval	Weather Conditions (e.g. wind speed/direction)	Start and Finish Times

**Note:** Only products which are approved should be used and these must be used in accordance with the current specified conditions of use. To check if a PPP is currently authorised, expired or subject to withdrawal notices you can use the Health and Safety Executive Pesticides Database accessible at the following link <a href="https://secure.pesticides.gov.uk/pestreg/ProdSearch.asp">https://secure.pesticides.gov.uk/pestreg/ProdSearch.asp</a>. All treatments must be recorded immediately following application by the operator and/or where applicable, obtained immediately from third party/contracting operators by customers. Application records should be maintained for **3 years**.

Record of Disease Occurrences in Herd - eg Tuberculosis, Brucellosis, Salmonella and Other Infectious Diseases to Be Recorded.

Animal ID	Date	Type of Infaction/Diseases	Treatment (if applicable)	An	imal Is	olated	Follow up Notes	
		Type of Infection/Disease	- See Medicine Records	Yes	No	Date	Follow-up Notes	
A400	01/01/ 2024	TB positive.	-			01/01/ 2024	Removed from herd 08/01/2024.	
B405	06/01/ 2024	Salmonella dublin infection.	Injection - see Medicine Records			06/01/ 2024	Returned to herd 06/01/2024.	
C410	05/01/ 2024	Abortion.	Report to DVO. Blood sample taken.			05/01/ 2024	Sampled by Veterinary Service. Reactor - removed from herd 10/01/2024.	

For a full list of notifiable diseases refer to Notifiable diseases in Northern Ireland | Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (daera-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Feed Record Sheet**

A record of animal feed sold and purchased must be kept for 3 years to satisfy the legal requirements under the **Feed Hygiene Regulation (EC)** 183/2005.

\*Feed includes (but is not limited to) forages, cereals, complete or complementary feed, including mineral and liquid feeds and co-products. Examples of documents which can be kept to satisfy this requirement include invoices, receipts, delivery notes and feed labels. Where these documents are not readily available a written record can be kept in the following format:

Date of Purchase	Name of Feed*	Manufacturer of Feed	cereals and co-products	Batch/Invoice Number	Quantity Purchased (wt)	Groups Fed (Number of Animals)
			etc.)			

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Date of Purchase	Name of Feed* Manufacturer of Feed		Supplier of Feed (includes cereals and co-products etc.)	Batch/Invoice Number	Quantity Purchased (wt)	Groups Fed (Number of Animals)			
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