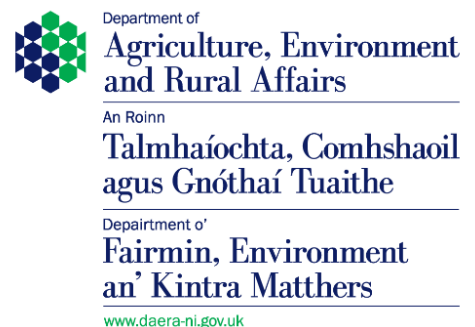


Record-Keeping Requirements For Primary Producer Food and Feed Hygiene Inspections

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Additional copies can be obtained from your local DAERA Direct Office.



EU FOOD AND FEED HYGIENE REGULATIONS

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

REGULATION (EC) No 1831/2003 (as amended) - Laying down requirements for feed hygiene

Food Hygiene Regulations apply to all primary producers (farmers and growers) from the 1st 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.

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Disposal of Veterinary Medicines

The Veterinary Medicines Regulations 2013 (as amended)

Name of Veterinary Medicine ¹	Date of Disposal	Quantity of product disposed	How and where it was disposed of	Batch Number

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

Animal ID	Date	Type of Infection/Disease	Treatment (if applicable) – See Medicine Records	Animal Isolated			Follow-up Notes
				Yes	No	Date	
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 \(daera-ni.gov.uk\)](https://daera-ni.gov.uk)

