

Cross compliance checklist

SMR 4 – Food and Feed Law

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The aim of SMR 4 rules is to ensure the safe production of food for human consumption and food or feed that is fed to food-producing animals. If you are a food or feed producer or keep food producing animals there are rules that must be adhered to.

Answer each question below with a yes, no or n/a to help check if you have adhered to the rules. If the rules are applicable to you, and you are compliant, your answers to the questions should be yes.

- If you have had a food safety incident have you followed the requirements concerning notification, recall and withdrawal?

Traceability

- Do you have in place systems and procedures for the traceability of inputs (i.e. food, feed, food-producing animals and any other substance intended or expected to be incorporated into a feed), that include records of the following:

- Name and address of supplier?
- Type and quantity of inputs supplied?
- Delivery date?

- Do you have in place systems and procedures for the traceability of products when they leave your farm that include records of the following:

- Name and address of customer?
- Type and quantity of products supplied to customer?
- Date products left your farm?

Hygiene of foodstuffs and feed hygiene

- Are your wastes and/or hazardous substances stored securely and handled separately from your food or feed products?

Note: Hazardous substances are any that have the potential to cause an adverse effect on human health or animal health. Waste and hazardous substances may include slurry, dirty water/run-off, silage effluent, waste metal, sheep dip, plant protection products, fertilisers, veterinary products.

- Is your feed stored away from chemicals or any other products prohibited for use as animal feed?

- Are your storage areas and containers clean and dry?

- Where necessary, have appropriate pest-control measures been implemented?

- Is your seed stored in such a way that it is not accessible to animals?
- Are your medicated feeding stuffs clearly labelled and stored and handled separately from non-medicated feeds?
- Do you periodically clean your farm feed transport vehicles and feeding equipment?
- Have you used feed additives, veterinary medicinal products and biocides correctly?

Note: This includes complying with the correct dosage, application and storage as stated on the label or as prescribed.

- Have you taken adequate measures to prevent the introduction and spread of contagious diseases transmissible to humans through food? Including:
 - Ensure that all eligible animals conform to national herd/flock health surveillance and testing intervals for TB?
 - Have a system in place when new animals are introduced on-farm to keep them separate from the rest of the herd/flock?
 - Inform the relevant authority of a disease incident?
 - Report indicators of potential outbreaks to relevant authorities?
- Is your feed for food producing animals sourced from establishments that are registered and/or approved by your local authority?
- Do you have up to date records for the use of veterinary products which include the following:
 - Animal ID?
 - Medicine used?
 - Date of the treatment?
 - Withdrawal period?
- Do you have up to date records for the use of biocides, such as rat poison and fumigation treatments which include the following:
 - Name of biocide?
 - Date of treatment?
- Do you have up to date records for the use of plant protection products which include the following:
 - Spraying date?
 - Products used?
 - Application rate?
 - Harvest interval?

Additional requirements for milk producers

- Has milk and/or colostrum been **excluded** from the bulk tank if:

- Animals are showing signs of ill health i.e. discharge, inflammation, udder wounds?

- Animals have been treated and are still within the withdrawal period?

- Animals have been treated with an unauthorised substance?

- If your herd/holding is **not** free of TB or brucellosis, is the milk and/or colostrum correctly used?

Note: Milk and/or colostrum from non-reactor animals must be pasteurised before being marketed for human consumption; milk and/or colostrum from reactor animals must not be marketed for human consumption.

- If you have animals infected or suspected of being infected with TB or brucellosis, do you have isolation facilities for them?

- Are the facilities used for storing milk and/or colostrum protected against vermin, separate from the livestock housing and have suitable refrigeration equipment?

- Are all the fittings and equipment that come into contact with raw milk or colostrum in sound condition, fit for purpose and clean?

- Is milk and/or colostrum cooled to the appropriate temperatures?

Note: Milk and colostrum must be cooled immediately (i.e. 2 hours) to not more than 8°C if it is collected daily and not more than 6°C if it is not collected daily.

Additional requirements for egg producers

- Are the eggs clean and dry, free of strong odour, effectively protected from shocks and out of direct sunshine?