

FARM QUALITY ASSURANCE SCHEME INSPECTION CHECKLIST

During your farm inspection a full inspection of the FQAS standard will take place; the following are aids of preparation for your farm inspection. Full requirements/rules in Standard and rules 2018:

Page references below refer to Farm Quality Assurance Scheme (FQAS) Standard and Rules 2018

1. Husbandry: Stockmanship and Welfare

- Cattle and/or Sheep – checked to ensure that they are healthy and thriving
- Training records (all stockmen) page 59
- Revised (2012) Beef Cattle/Sheep Welfare codes to be available

2. Animal Health

- Veterinary medicines stored in a locked storage facility
- Medicines are checked for expiry dates, sample(s) taken and cross reference with Veterinary Medicine Record Book (VMR)
- Sharps facility available, page 82 for requirements
- Biosecurity equipment including, bucket, brush and DAERA approved disinfectant
- Isolation facilities
- Evidence of attendance/enrolment on approved Antimicrobial course
- VMR; purchase and usage section fully completed. Code of Practice at front of VMR signed
- Vets review of Antibiotic usage template
- Cattle and Sheep Animal Health Plan pages 62-74
- Confirmation of Vet visit within the last 12 months (signed health plan/receipt/TB test card)

3. Animal Nutrition

- Feed storage areas
- 3 years of records of purchased feedstuffs and receipts/invoices for purchased feed
- Farm Quality Assurance Cereal Scheme registration (applies to members feeding home grown grain)
- Warranty declaration for feed purchased from non-assured farms page 102
- Grain passport for purchased cereals
- Home mixing refer to page 32
- Bait plan etc pages 103-105

4. Animal Traceability

- Herd Records/APHIS and Flock records fully completed and up to date
- Identification of animals – all animals must be tagged in accordance with legislation

5. Housing and Handling

- Livestock housing, livestock handling facilities and sheep dipper etc

6. Transport

- Livestock trailer (owned or borrowed) if applicable
- Transporter Authorisation and certificate of competence required for journeys over 65km
- Transport delivery note if using a haulier required, written confirmation or page 115 completed

7. Environmental care

- General housekeeping refer to page 116
- Slurry/farmyard manure storage
- Round Bale/Silage storage
- Diesel Storage
- Certificate of Competence for safe use of Sheep dip, and registration with DOE for land spreading of used sheep dip if applicable. Certificate and receipt/invoice if completed by contractor
- Import/Export of slurry record page 117
- Application record for Plant Protection Products (PPP) page 118
- Certificate of Competence for application of sprays (own/contractor), receipt/letter also required if completed by contractor
- NSTS test certificate for Sprayer if over 5 years old (own/contractor)
- Soil sample results if applicable (if Phosphate is used in previous 4 years)

8. Farm procedures

- Emergency plan (complete and displayed) page 119
- Complaints Record Form page 120
- Farm Safety considerations Signed page 121

Page 128 signed and dated confirming the following have been read and understood: Training Record confirmation, Broken needle policy, Industry Code of practice for on farm feeding, Vermin Control Plan, Guidance on the Welfare of Animals During Transport, Confirmation that human sewage sludge is not spread on grassland or forage crops, FQAS Feed Records Declaration.