

## FQAS Corner: Minor Changes to NIBL FQAS Product Standard



All members of FQAS should be aware of a few minor amendments to the Standard as recently agreed by the FQAS Standard Setting Committee. The minor amendments are listed below and will be reviewed during FQAS inspections.

1. Use of a DARD Approved Disinfectant – It will be acceptable for the DARD Approved disinfectant to be approved at time of purchase (in the event that the DARD approved disinfectant present on farm on the day of inspection is no longer approved but was on the day purchased). FQAS members should retain the receipt of this purchase, it will then be checked against the approved list at the time of purchase. The current approved lists can be found on both the DARD and LMC websites below:  
DARD <http://www.dardni.gov.uk/pubs-animal-health-and-welfare-approved-disinfectants>  
LMC <http://www.lmcni.com/fqas/documentation/>
2. Use of an ABM Haulier – In the event that an ABM Haulier is used to transport livestock, the inspector will ask to see evidence of an ABM docket/delivery receipt.
3. FQAS participants hauling for neighbours – FQAS participants may now transport livestock for any number of their neighbours (previously limited to 5), provided that the named FQAS member haulier has had a trailer inspected and approved at their own FQAS inspection. The user of this FQAS member haulier must be able to provide the FQAS number of the neighbour they are using.
4. Use of shatterproof light bulbs - There will no longer be a requirement to have shatter proof light bulbs in loose feed storage areas.

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These minor adjustments to the scheme will come into force with immediate effect and will be trialled for a period of time before being reviewed. For any further queries please contact LMC's Farm Liaison Officer on (028) 92 633024 or visit [www.lmci.com](http://www.lmci.com)