



Red Tractor Meat & Poultry Processing Scheme Consultation

STANDARDS PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTATION

TRACEABILITY & INTEGRITY MODULE

| Standard section | Standard proposal | New (N) or Revised (R) |
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| Process controls (abattoir: cattle, sheep & pigs) | TR.c.1 – eAML2 for pig movements is updated in the Destination Details section D and this information provided to eAML2 website (or by calling) within 3 working days of delivery of pigs to the abattoir | R |
| | <p>There must be clear segregation between Red Tractor Assured (or Red Tractor recognised scheme) and non-assured livestock, carcasses and offal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This includes clear segregation of livestock (cattle & sheep) which are slaughtered with no prior stunning (non-stun halal/kosher) from Red Tractor Assured (or Red Tractor recognised scheme) livestock, carcasses and offal | N |
| | <p>TR.c.5 – labelling of carcasses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If Red Tractor Assured, it is labelled as Red Tractor Assured/RT/RTA/Red Tractor or RT Assured • If assured to a Red Tractor recognised scheme, the recognised scheme descriptor e.g. QMS can be used instead whilst the product is a split carcase, sides or quarters | R |



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| | <p>TR.c.7 – labelling of product:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the case of product (i.e. a primal), where it is eligible to be labelled with a Red Tractor Assured claim, but is not of Red Tractor Assured origin i.e. the animal is assured to a Red Tractor recognised scheme (e.g. QMS), the product is labelled clearly with a Red Tractor descriptor i.e. RT, RTA, RT Assured, Red Tractor or Red Tractor Assured <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Red Tractor descriptor can be used alongside a Red Tractor recognised scheme descriptor <p>Proposal also includes revised standards on verification of livestock at intake so that they can be described as Red Tractor Assured:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • for cattle and sheep, the Food Chain Information (FCI) declaration from the producer that the livestock have resided on the assured holding/s for the required residency periods to be described as Red Tractor Assured (or described using the descriptor of a Red Tractor recognised scheme) • verification of RT status (or RT recognised scheme status) at intake of farm, vehicle, market and collection centre (where applicable) | R |
| | <p>The Red Tractor Industry Checker (or recognised Red Tractor scheme assurance checker services) must be used at intake to verify the assurance status of livestock</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assurance scheme certificates are not solely used to verify assurance status • Use of the Red Tractor Tracker or API options are acceptable • Historic date checking, if using the Red Tractor Industry Checker, is used where required • Further details of the permitted methods of verification are outlined in the Appendix | N |
| | <p>TR.c.8 – paperwork requirements in relation to carcass or product which is RTA having to be described as RTA:</p> | R |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where a split carcase, side or quarter [beef, sheepmeat and/or pork] is Red Tractor Assured, it is described as either RT/RTA/RT Assured/Red Tractor/Red Tractor Assured in the product description on all paperwork i.e. invoices, delivery notes • Where a split carcase, side or quarter is assured to a Red Tractor recognised scheme, the Red Tractor Assured descriptor or recognised scheme descriptor is used to describe the product in the product description on all paperwork • Where the product is processed beyond a split carcase, side or quarter e.g. a primal, and is Red Tractor Assured or assured to a Red Tractor recognised scheme, the Red Tractor Assured descriptor is used to describe the product in the product description on all paperwork | |
| <p>Process controls (poultry abattoir)</p> | <p>TR.d.4 – verification of RT status at intake. Proposal is that, at intake, RT status of farms, catching team and vehicles is verified using the RT Industry Checker or Tracker or API options. Historic date checking is used (where required) to verify RT status of farm holdings at the time birds moved off the premises to the abattoir</p> | <p>R</p> |
| <p>Process controls (cutting only)</p> | <p>TR.e.2 – RT claims on product:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where Red Tractor claimed product is received from another site, the supplying site is verified on a risk-based frequency using the Red Tractor online Licensee Checker to establish the site holds a valid Red Tractor Licence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the exception is where product received is a split carcass, sides or quarters [beef, sheepmeat and/or pork] where the supplier is not required to hold a Red Tractor Licence. Instead, the Red Tractor assurance certification status (or Red Tractor recognised scheme) of the site is verified on a risk-based frequency using the Red Tractor online Industry Checker Service or recognised scheme checker service (in the case of the BMPA Pork Assurance Scheme, a | <p>R</p> |



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| | <p>cross-check is undertaken against the public list of approved scheme members available on the BMPA website)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supplying sites' assurance certificates are not solely used to verify assurance status • Where a new supplier of Red Tractor claimed product is used, the risk-based schedule of verifying the claim ensures that the new supplier is established as eligible in advance of the first delivery of product | |
| | <p>TR.e.3 – paperwork relating to RT product.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where the product is Red Tractor Assured, it is described as either RT/RTA/RT Assured/Red Tractor/Red Tractor Assured in the product description on all paperwork i.e. invoices, delivery notes (and not as, for example, Farm Assured/FA) | R |
| Product authenticity | <p>TR.f.1 – VACCP (Vulnerability Assessment and Critical Control Points). Further areas have been added to the list of points that must be considered in a site's VACCP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - risk of substitution of non-assured (including non-stunned) meat for Red Tractor meat - market intelligence e.g. such as a sudden rise in popularity of a product and raw material supply needing to meet demand - economic factors e.g. cheaper raw materials making adulteration and/or substitution more attractive - surplus supply of a raw material in a supply chain - any relevant historic evidence on suppliers relating to fraudulent issues | R |
| Purchased product | <p>TR.g – supplier approval system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - when verifying third-party certification, the certification is checked as valid on a risk-based frequency through the use of online checker services e.g. Red Tractor Industry Checker or Red Tractor recognised scheme checker services | R |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - suppliers of all purchased product labelled with a Red Tractor Assured claim (unless the product is a split carcass, sides or quarters [beef, sheepmeat and/or pork]) are verified as per TR.e.2 using the Red Tractor online Licensee Checker to ensure they hold a valid Red Tractor Licence | |
| | <p>TR.g.2 – product specs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a requirement for all Red Tractor Assured product (including product eligible to be described as Red Tractor Assured due to its assurance status to a Red Tractor recognised scheme*) to be labelled as RT/RTA/RT Assured/Red Tractor or Red Tractor Assured so the recipient of that product (at intake) is made aware of its Red Tractor assurance status <p>*the exception is where the product bought-in is a split carcass, sides or quarters [beef, sheepmeat and/or pork] and where the product is assured to a Red Tractor recognised scheme e.g. QMS, the supplier can label the split carcass, sides or quarters with the recognised scheme descriptor</p> | R |
| | <p>TR.g.5 – site undertaking traces on their supply chain to ensure RTA product is eligible to carry a RTA claim</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applies to purchased product which is received in with a Red Tractor claim, whether the Red Tractor logo is used or not • For beef, sheepmeat and pork, traceability tests go back to farm level to check assurance status and includes a check on livestock transport assurance status and market/collection centres assurance status (where applicable) used since the last farm holding to the abattoir. Red Tractor assurance status is verified using the Red Tractor Industry Checker (or Red Tractor recognised scheme checkers). • For poultry, traceability tests go back to hatchery to check Red Tractor assurance status and include checks on Red Tractor growing farm and Red Tractor catching and | R |



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| | <p>transport assurance status. Red Tractor assurance status is verified using the Red Tractor Industry Checker.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traceability tests use the Red Tractor Licensee Checker (unless the product is a split carcass, sides or quarters [beef, sheepmeat and/or pork]) to verify received in Red Tractor claimed product is eligible to carry the claim • As a minimum, at least monthly trace tests are undertaken, with each species checked at least once a year | |
| <p>Red Tractor licence</p> | <p>New section.</p> <p>If selling product with a Red Tractor claim, the site must hold a valid Red Tractor Licence*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Red Tractor claim is an implicit indication of the Red Tractor Assured status of the product sold. Examples include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - application of the Red Tractor logo/s or Red Tractor descriptor e.g. RT/RTA/RT Assured/Red Tractor or Red Tractor Assured to product - a public statement made by the site or their supply chain customer e.g. text on publicly accessible websites asserting that product sold is Red Tractor Assured - use of the RT logo/s or Red Tractor/RT/RTA descriptor on paperwork e.g. invoices, delivery notes to meet a customers' buying specification, asserting the product is Red Tractor Assured <p>*The exception is where a site (abattoir) is only selling split carcasses, sides or quarters [beef, sheepmeat and/or pork] with a Red Tractor claim</p> | <p>N</p> |