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Ducks Standards



How to use this booklet

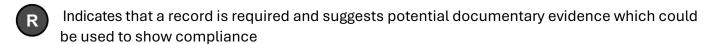
Our standards are organised in sections. All of the words against each standard, including the column 'How you will be assessed', form part of it.

Standard coding begins with a two-letter prefix which identifies the section (e.g. EC for Environmental Protection and Contamination Control). You may notice that the codes are not always consecutive – rest assured that no information is missing from this guide.

Assessors will use this code together with one to identify the enterprise to which it relates (e.g. DR for Dairy) to record any non-conformances on the report at the end of the assessment.

Look out for the **guidance boxes** throughout this guide – these offer useful tips to help you meet the relevant standard.

- **Key** While all standards must be met, particular attention should be paid to these as they can have implications for your certification
- **Recommendation** This is not a standard and a non-conformance raised will not affect your certification. However, these are recommended actions to undertake to help demonstrate working to Red Tractor and industry core principles
- New A completely new standard which the member must now adhere to, or a new recommendation
- Revised A standard that has changed and requires the member to take some different or additional action to before
- Upgraded The standard has been upgraded to a Key standard or from a Recommendation to a full standard
- **Appendix** Indicates that additional information is provided. Appendices can be found by visiting: redtractorassurance.org.uk



Visit our website: redtractorassurance.org.uk for additional help and templates.

Read the Red Tractor Membership Rules on the Red Tractor Assurance website: redtractorassurance.org.uk/member-rules/

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Enterprise

KG	Grower
KL	Breeder Layers
KR	Breeder Replacements
KF	Free Range
KH	Hatchery

DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
DP.1 (KEY) The farm, as a whole, must present an acceptable and tidy appearance to the general public. The site management must not present a food safety, animal welfare or environmental risk	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	DP.1.a The external areas around buildings are kept clear of rubbish, non-esse other debris DP.1.b Loose wire, scrap machinery, scrap containers and disused tyres are m	ntial equipment and o metal, PPP
DP.1.1 A farm map must be in place	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	DP.1.1.a Map shows, where applicable: - position and size of bird housing - access points to bird housing - any auxiliary bird areas and their purpose - the designated biosecure area areas - General site biosecure area - Bird biosecure area(s) (plus associated range where applicable) - For multi-age sites this shows segregation of each bird biosecure unit/house(s) and where applicable, staff facilities - first aid kit - fire extinguishers - water sources available for firefighting (if available) - OS map reference or What3Words location of site for emergency services - watercourses, including ditches and ponds - boreholes, springs and wells, including any on neighbouring land, within 50m of the boundary - any areas of high pollution risk	• Farm/hatchery map

- bait points
- all fields, including area (hectares/acres)

GUIDANCE: One or more maps may be used and this may be held as a hard copy or as an electronic document

DP.2

A documented plan for the effective management of serious incidents and potential emergency situations that threaten the welfare of livestock, food safety or the environment must be in place and known to those involved in farm/hatchery tasks

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

DP.2.a

You have considered the risks to your farm and documented the actions to be taken in the event of:

- feed and/or water equipment or supply failing
- fire
- extreme weather
- disease outbreaks which have the potential to affect other farms/the general public
- reporting activist activity
- pollution incident, e.g. slurry spillages or leaks
- other site-specific risks (where applicable)



Contingency/ Emergency Plan

DP.2.b

An Avian Influenza contingency plan is in place and is:

- reviewed annually
- updated when necessary
- and for free range production, contains details for how to house the birds for the duration of the crop cycle without compromising the welfare standards expected for housed birds



Al contingency plan

DP.2.c

Up-to-date relevant contact details are displayed (including out of hours phone numbers) e.g. vet, electricity supplier, Environment Agency hotline, feed and water supplier.



 Emergency contact list

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		DP.2.d Key staff have access to plans	
DP.2.1 You must contact Red Tractor and/or your Certification Body immediately if a serious incident or emergency threatens the welfare of birds (e.g. stocking density breach), food safety or the environment occurs on farm.	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH		
DP.3 Systems must be in place for recording, investigating and resolution of any complaints and/or sampling results that are relevant to the requirements of the Red Tractor Standards (REVISED)	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	 DP.3.a System includes recording the: complaint investigation result action taken to prevent/stop the issue happening again 	• Complaint/ Sample records

GUIDANCE: Includes complaints made by local authority, general public, customers or other, including but not limited to those related to food safety and environmental protection. Includes results of any relevant analyses carried out on any samples that have importance to human health, e.g. microbiological testing, residues, environmental sampling

DP.5 Farms must record if their business	KL, KR, KG, KF	DP.5.a Permit numbers should be available on site
requires an Environmental Permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations		DP.5.b Permits are reflective of the species and maximum number of that species that can be placed on site

PERSONNEL

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
PL.1 (KEY) Systems must be in place to ensure all personnel are effectively trained and deemed	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	PL.1.a No person starts work without an induction, supervision and explanation of the tasks they will carry out	Induction record
competent to carry out the activities they are required to do		PL.1.b Induction record to include as a minimum: - Activities role will undertake - Health & Safety information - Reporting lines	
PL.2 Records of training must be kept	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	PL.2.a A training record is available for all, including: - name - details of training/events attended - date of training - who provided the training (inhouse or external provider)	Training Record
		PL.2.b Where workers are trained to undertake specific tasks, these are listed in their record	
		PL.2.c Records kept for 2 years after person has left the business	
PL.3 The performance and competence of employees must be regularly reviewed and refresher training	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	PL.3.a Working arrangements allows for observation of workers discharging their responsibilities. The frequency of observation is proportionate to risk	Training record
implemented as required		PL.3.b Gaps in competence are addressed by recorded refresher training, implemented	

immediately or within defined timeline

GUIDANCE: It is recognised that some roles may involve ongoing supervision and for other workers, particularly those with specialist skills, supervision may be much less common. Frequency of performance review shall be proportionate to the level of risk present and with reference to relevant, external training credentials. Such factors may justify a decreased frequency of performance review.

PL.3.1

Producers must adopt British Poultry Training – Poultry Passport or Poultry Training Record, as the formal route for industry training and training recognition KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

PL.3.1.a

The mandatory training requirement specified on the Poultry Passport is delivered by providers or in-house tutors that have been approved by British Poultry Training

PL.3.1.b

New personnel without a Poultry Passport are enrolled within six months of starting their position

PL.3.1.c

Personnel demonstrate progression in Poultry Passport Training by completing at least two modules every 12 months until complete. - Courses are in date and not expired

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Training record

PL.4 Where labour providers are used, they are licensed and a documented agreement is in place

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

PL.4.a

All labour providers used hold a valid Gangmasters & Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA) licence

PL.4.b

A Service Level Agreement is in place between the business and the labour provider

PL.4.c

The agreement confirms that any workers provided are suitably competent

PL.4.d

The agreement confirms any training completed by the labour



- Evidence of GLAA licence
- Service Level Agreement

provider as an alternative to the businesses' own training systems

PL.4.e

The agreement confirms that all workers are legally permitted to work within the UK

PL.4.f

The agreement defines allocation of Health & Safety responsibilities between labour provider and labour user

GUIDANCE: The GLAA defines specific circumstances which are excluded from the licensing requirements – refer to GLAA website for further information. This standard does not apply where workers are supplied outside of the scope of licensing requirements.

PL.5 Written Health and Safety Policy in place

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

PL.5.b

Policy is effectively communicated to all relevant workers



 Health & Safety Policy

PL.5.c

Language and learning style is given due consideration to ensure all workers understand information

GUIDANCE:

Definition of worker (taken from https://www.gov.uk/employment-status/worker):

A person is generally classed as a 'worker' if:

- they have a contract or other arrangement to do work or services personally for a reward (your contract doesn't have to be written)
- their reward is for money or a benefit in kind, for example the promise of a contract or future work
- they only have a limited right to send someone else to do the work (subcontract)
- they have to turn up for work even if they don't want to
- their employer has to have work for them to do as long as the contract or arrangement lasts
- they aren't doing the work as part of their own limited company in an arrangement where the 'employer' is actually a customer or client

HSE - How to write your Health and Safety Policy (including link to example template): https://www.hse.gov.uk/simple-health-safety/policy/how-to-write-your-policy.htm

TRACEABILITY AND ASSURANCE

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
TI.1 (KEY) Birds/ducklings/ eggs must be identified and records kept to maintain traceability KL, KG KH	KL, KG, KF, KH	TI.1.b Scheme registration number is included on dispatch notes	Traceabilityrecords including
		TI.1.c Systems are in place that deliver traceability of product throughout the operation, including catching and transport certified to the relevant scheme standards	records including records of duckling origin • Delivery tickets
		TI.1.d Records are kept of the origin of ducklings and/or eggs and, where necessary, this information passed on to the processor to allow accurate origin labelling of the final product	
	KR	TI.1.e Delivery tickets are kept for the current and previous flock and include numbers, date of delivery and origin	
		TI.1.f Records are kept of the origin of ducklings and, where necessary, this information passed on to the processor to allow accurate origin labelling of the final products	
TI.2 (KEY) Eggs and/or ducklings must be sourced from Red Tractor Assured breeder farms/hatcherie s certified to the relevant scheme standards	KL, KG, KF, KH		

WHERE TO FIND HELP: Red Tractor Checker service to complete assurance checks on other farms, hatcheries, catching and transport companies and abattoirs: https://checkers.redtractor.org.uk/rtassurance/services.eb

VERMIN CONTROL

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
VC.1 (KEY) There must be effective control of vermin	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	VC.1.a No build-up of vegetation close could harbour vermin	to farm structures that
vermin		VC.1.b A site survey is completed at least quarterly, detailing: date of inspection locations inspected findings actions required date actions completed	Site surveys
		VC.1.c Dead/trapped vermin are searc when bait points are checked	hed for and disposed of

GUIDANCE: A site survey is a record of every inspection and/or survey undertaken to look for signs of rodent activity and/or environmental management requirements.

VC.2 Toxic bait must be used responsibly KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	VC.2.a Prior to treatment with baits the control methods is considered toxic alternatives (see Appendix	first followed by the least
		VC.2.b An Environmental Risk Assessment is undertaken in accordance with the Appendix before bait is laid	Environmental Risk Assessment
		VC.2.c Where baits are used a Bait Plan identifies: - location of bait points - bait used - bait point inspection - replenishment dates	Bait Plan

VC.2.d

Non-target animals do not have access to baits

VC.2.e

Bait is prevented from contaminating animal feed

VC.2.f

Permanent baiting is not routinely undertaken and toxic bait is removed when treatment is finished

VC.2.g

Product label directions are followed

VC.2.h

A documented COSHH assessment is carried out where there are 5 or more employees



 COSHH assessment (where applicable)

GUIDANCE: Permanent baiting is the application of a rodenticide product when no active infestation is present. Permanent baiting is strictly limited to sites with a high potential for reinvasion when other methods of control have proven insufficient and can only be carried out by professional users and only with products authorised for this use.

HOUSING, SHELTER, AND HANDLING FACILITIES

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
HF.1 (KEY) Housing/hatchery must be KL, KR, KG, KF,		HF.1.a Housing securely contains birds	
constructed and maintained to provide a safe and secure		HF.1.b There are no sharp edges, projections presenting a hazard to birds	s or other features
environment for birds/ducklings		HF.1.c Electrical installations are inaccessit	ole to birds/ducklings
		HF.1.d Repairs and maintenance are carried production cycles except where delawelfare	
HF.1.1 The sound level in	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	HF.1.1.a Ventilation fans, feeding machinery a	and other equipment is

housing must be minimised		constructed, placed, operated and maintained in a way that causes the least amount of noise	
HF.2 Housing/hatchery must be appropriately and effectively ventilated KL, I	KL, KR, KG	HF.2.a Ventilation minimises high humidity, build-up of odours and maintains a comfortable temperature	Ventilation plan
		HF.2.b In controlled environment housing a documented ventilation plan is in place	
		HF.2.c Concentration of Ammonia should not exceed 25ppm	
	KF	HF.2.d Ventilation minimises high humidity, maintains a comfortable temperature	· ·
		HF.2.e Pop-holes are evenly distributed arou	und the house
		HF.2.f Pop-holes make up a combined length 100m2 of floor space	th of at least 4m per
		HF.2.g Pop-holes are a minimum height of 4	50mm
	КН	HF.2.h Ventilation minimises high humidity, build-up of odours and maintains a comfortable temperature	Records of filter cleaning/ changing
GUIDANCF: When the	e outside temp	erature exceeds 30°C in the shade the i	nside temperature

GUIDANCE: When the outside temperature exceeds 30°C in the shade the inside temperature should not exceed the outside temperature by more than 3°C

HF.2.1 Temperature records must be kept	KL, KR, KG, KF	HF.2.1.a Records kept of minimum and maximum daily temperatures at bird/duckling level	Temperature records
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	КН	HF.2.1.b Duckling holding areas are to be temperature controlled and monitored		
HF.2.2 A written policy must be in place outlining recognition of and procedures to be followed in the event of heat or cold stress occurring	KL, KR, KG, KF	HF.2.2.a Heat stress policy and ventilation plan is implemented	Heat and cold stress policy	
		HF.2.2.b Policy reviewed in the event of bird losses due to an exceptional weather incident	on our policy	
HF.3 Floors must be constructed and maintained in a manner that minimises the risk of injury	KL, KR, KG	 HF.3.a Floors in fixed housing are made of concrete or asphalt: where slatted flooring is provided under water facilities it makes up no more than 25% of the total floor area HF.3.b Floors are well drained, and floor surface is above outside ground level 		
	KF	KF HF.3.c Floors in fixed housing are made of concrete or as		
		HF.3.d Floors are well drained		
	КН	HF.3.e Floors are sealed and in good condition HF.3.f	ion	
		Floors are hygienically managed		
HF.4 (KEY) Conditions within the housing must be maintained in a manner that ensures birds are able to keep clean	KL, KR, KG, KF	 HF.4.a A written cleaning and disinfection policy in place, which contains: cleaning and disinfection procedures for house, house furniture, egg storage facilities, water tanks and bulk feed bins handling of waste materials; litter, packaging, feed spillages details of Defra approved disinfectants and detergents 	 Cleaning and disinfection policy Cleaning records Environmental bacteria test records 	

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		used, including safe usage, storage and dilution	
		HF.4.c Whenever bird accommodation is emptied it is thoroughly cleaned and disinfected in accordance with the policy	
		HF.4.d Swabs are taken for environmental bacteria and are cultured in a government approved laboratory - records are kept of these tests	
	KH	HF.4.e Environmental swabs for TVCs are carried out monthly and records maintained	 Environmental bacteria test records
	KL, KR, KG, KF	HF.4.f Bedding/bale stores are cleaned and disinfected whenever they are emptied	 Cleaning and disinfection policy Cleaning records Environmental bacteria test records
	KF	HF.4.g Non-bird biosecure areas have a full clean-down between flock cycles, areas include but are not limited to: - feed stores/buildings - the range	
	KH	HF.4.h A written cleaning and disinfection policy in place	Cleaning and disinfection policy
HF.4.1 Surfaces within housing/hatchery must be in good condition and must be able to be	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH		

cleaned and disinfected			
HF.4.2 Flocks are provided with clean, fresh bedding to a	KL, KR, KG, KF	HF.4.2.a Products which expand to a minimum depth of 2cm can be used	
minimum depth of 2cm		HF.4.2.bBedding is not re-used:areas around water facilities and slats may be free of bedding	
HF.4.3 Bedding must remain in a dry, friable condition	KG	HF.4.3.a Birds are bedded daily	
HF.4.4 Bedding stored in the open is stored on pallets and is covered	KL, KR, KG, KF	HF.4.4.a The cover provides protection from water, birds and vermin HF.4.4.b Damaged or wet bales are not used	
HF.4.5 Bedding is traceable	KL, KR, KG, KF	Record of origin of bedding	
HF.4.7 Ducklings must be loaded into clean duckling boxes	КН	HF.4.7.a Duckling boxes are cleaned, dried and sanitised after every delivery	
HF.4.8 Drains in production areas are accessible and cleanable	KH		
HF.4.9 (Recommendation) It is recommended that bales are stored in buildings which do not allow for the ingress of wild birds or rodents	KL, KR, KG, KF		

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HF.5 Housing/hatchery must be lit to allow normal behaviours, rest and effective inspection of birds/ducklings	KL, KG, KF	HF.5.a Lighting intensity is at least 20 lux, measured at least once per crop, at bird eye level and illuminating at least 80% of the useable area, during lighting periods	 Light level records Lighting pattern records
	KR	HF.5.b Lighting intensity is at least 10 lux, measured at least once per crop, at bird eye level and illuminating at least 80% of the useable area, during lighting periods	
	KL, KR, KG, KF	HF.5.c Reductions in lighting made only on advice of vet	
		HF.5.d Lighting patterns are recorded	
	KH	HF.5.e Levels of natural or artificial lighting in duckling grading areas is of a level that all ducklings can be seen clearly	
		HF.5.f Holding rooms should be lit with controlled or blue lighting	
HF.5.1 Lighting follows a 24-hour rhythm	KL, KR, KG, KF	HF.5.1.a This occurs within 7 days of the duck building	s being placed in the
		 HF.5.1.b 24 hour rhythm includes: period of uninterrupted darkness lasting at least 6 hours a minimum of 8 hours natural daylight or artificial light 	
		HF.5.1.c Transition between light and dark per period of at least 30 minutes	iods occurs over a
HF.5.2 Birds must have access to the	KF		Pop-hole opening records

KL, KR

HF.6.d

Birds are not kept in cages

Alarm systems are checked daily and records kept of: - checks - malfunction - rectifications

HF.8.2.c Alarm system tested every 7 days and results recorded

equipment failure

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		HF.8.2.d Alarm system works without mains power supply	
HF.8.3 Alarms must be responded to within 15 minutes	КН	HF.8.3.a When an alarm is triggered the following are recorded: - time - date - response	• Alarm records
HF.8.4 Incubation equipment is alarmed for high and low temperatures and mains failure	КН	HF.8.4.a Incubation equipment includes both setters and hatchers	
HF.8.5 All incubators in operation must be checked twice daily for temperature, humidity and direction of turn	КН		 Incubator records kept and displayed
HF.8.6 Duckling and egg disposal equipment and bill treatment equipment must be checked daily by trained operators to ensure it is working effectively, and a record kept of the outcome	КН		• Check records
HF.9 Fire prevention measures must be	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	HF.9.a Safe use and storage of flammable	e/combustible materials
taken		HF.9.b Every building exceeding 30m in le	ength has two doors and

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	complies with relevant building regulations, particularly with regard to fire escape exits
	HF.9.c Access to building is restricted
	HF.9.d Buildings are secure
	HF.9.e Smoking is restricted to designated areas only
	HF.9.f Machinery undergoes routine maintenance
	HF.9.g Escape routes and passages are kept clear at all times
	HF.9.h Notices are displayed in all main houses of the nearest telephone point

FEED AND WATER

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
FW.1 (KEY) Birds must be provided with sufficient feed	KL, KR, KG, KF	FW.1.a The diet is adequate and suitable to the production status and body condition of the bird	
FW.2 Birds must be provided with sufficient access to feed	KL, KR, KG, KF	FW.2.a Feed delivery systems are free of sharp edges, parts capable of causing injury and are adjustable to provide a comfortable feeding level FW.2.b Feed delivery systems are checked daily for correct performance and cleanliness	
access to reed			
		FW.2.c Feed space allowances are as - day old to 8 weeks 50cm feed - 8 weeks and over 60cm feed	eeding space/100 ducks

	KF	FW.2.d Feed is not provided on the range	
FW.2.1 Controlled feeding programmes must be agreed with a vet or nutritionist and reviewed annually	KL, KR		Record of detail of controlled feeding programme which includes vet/nutritionist sign-off and review date
FW.3 (KEY) Birds must be provided with adequate access to a supply of fresh, clean drinking water	KL, KR, KG, KF	 FW.3.a 50% of water provision is allocated as drinking water, minimum drinker space/ratio allowances are as follows: Troughs – 30cm per 100 birds Bells – 30 cm per 100 birds Nipples 1 nipple per 20 birds before 3 weeks of age 1 nipple per 10 birds, after 3 weeks of age, depending on manufacturers' recommendations, water pressur and flow rate FW.3.b 	
		Trough drinkers are no more the	han 25cm high
		FW.3.c Bell type drinkers are of the wide channel type when used beyond 3 weeks of age	
		FW.3.d Drinker height is checked daily, birds are checked to ensure they are drinking adequately, and drinkers are positioned and maintained in a way that spillage is minimised	 Water consumption records
		FW.3.e Adequate water supply is available right up depopulation	
		FW.3.f Non-mains water is tested every 6 months to ensure it	Non-mains water test results

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		is potable and results are recorded
		FW.3.g Header tanks are covered and hygienically managed; regular cleaning and disinfection of tanks and drinking lines
FW.3.1 A system must be in place to ensure that any water supply problems are identified and rectified within a timescale that does not compromise welfare	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	FW.3.1.a There is an emergency water supply capable of providing water at maximum demand for 24 hours
FW.4 (KEY) Feed must be	KL, KR, KG, KF	FW.4.a Feed is palatable (i.e. not stale or contaminated)
suitable		FW.4.b Feed only includes feed materials and additives permitted by the scheme and UK and EU law
		FW.4.c The composition of all purchased and home mixed feed is known
		FW.4.d Antibiotic or hormonal growth promoters are not used
		FW.4.e Feed does not contain meat and bone meal, poultry byproducts or tallow
FW.5 Bought-in feed must be from an assured source or in specific circumstances with a	KL, KR, KG, KF	 FW.5.a The following materials are sourced as follows: compounds and blended feed - UFAS, or equivalent bagged or sealed compounded or blended feed - from a UFAS merchant a UFAS, or equivalent, compounder straights - UFAS, FEMAS, or equivalent, or a farm that is a member of a combinable crops assurance scheme accompanied by a completed grain passport processed food by-products – UFAS, FEMAS, or equivalent

warranty declaration

FW.5.b

The following materials are sourced with a completed warranty declaration:

- farm-to-farm supplies of any feeds unexpectedly in surplus



Warranty declaration

GUIDANCE: See <u>Appendix</u> for equivalent schemes. Red Tractor warranty declaration template provides details of what information should be included.

FW.6 Records of all feedstuffs purchased must be kept

KL, KR, KG, KF

FW.6.a

Feed records detail:

- supplier name
- feed type including ingredient composition
- date of delivery
- quantity
- load or batch number

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Feed delivery documents/invoices/warranty declarations/grain passports/own records

FW.6.b

Records are kept for 2 years

FW.6.c

Samples of each delivery of feed are taken and kept for three months

FW.7 When mixing two or more feed materials together records must be kept

KL, KR, KG, KF

FW.7.a

For total mixed rations (TMR) that incorporate forages or moist feeds produced on a daily basis, produce a record of the ingredients and quantities and update it when the mix changes

FW.7.b

For home mixed compounds, meals or blends based on dry feed ingredients records of every batch mixed are kept detailing ingredients, quantities, mixing dates



 Home mixing feed records kept for two years

GUIDANCE: Forage only, (forage top-dressed with concentrates) or single feeds mixed with water do not require records

FW.8 When the mix

KL, KR, KG, KF

FW.8.a

Samples of dry feed ingredients (over 3% inclusion) are kept

formulation changes samples must be kept

FW.8.b

For dry mixes, samples of finished feed mix are kept

FW.8.c

Samples are kept for a minimum of four weeks after last use

FW.8.d

Samples are:

- representative (small samples from several different points) of adequate quantity (approx. 0.5 kg)
- free from contamination
- identifiable (labelled with feed details and date)
- stored in a cool, dry area

FW.9 If mixing using 'pre-mixtures', 'additives' or medicated feeds you must have Local Authority approval and meet any associated obligations

KL, KR, KG, KF

FW.9.a

Not applicable to the inclusion of bought in mineral feeding stuffs (labelled as such) used in TMRs

FW.9.b

You have Local Authority approval, a HACCP system in place and a Quality Control Plan if mixing using:

- feed additives (labelled as such); substances such as vitamins, trace elements (e.g. copper, zinc) and preservatives
- pre-mixtures (labelled as such); are mixtures of feed additives at high concentration

FW.9.c

If you are incorporating medicated feeds, you have additional approval from the Veterinary Medicines Directorate (VMD)



- Local authority approval
- HACCP
- Quality Control Plan
- VMD approval

FW.10 Mobile feed milling and/or mixing contractors

KL, KR, KG, KF

FW.10.a

Contractors certified to the NAAC Assured Land Based Contractor Mobile Feed Mixing and Processing



Contractor's NAAC registration number

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must be suitably certified		scheme, or scheme deemed equivalent by Red Tractor	
	KL, KR, KG, KF	FW.11.a All feeding and mixing equipm boxes/buckets used for transpolean condition and are suitable.	porting feed are maintained in a
		FW.11.b Particular attention is paid to cleaning between batches if feed contains additives or medication	
• •	KL, KR, KG, KF	FW.12.a Storage facilities protect again domestic animals, wildlife and	_
		FW.12.b In loose feed storage areas, lig bulbs are used	ghting is covered or shatterproof
		FW.12.c Risk of cross-contamination is readily identifiable and keepin	s minimised by ensuring feed is ng different feeds separate
		FW.12.d Medicated feed is managed in a way which ensures withdrawal periods are met	 Medicated feed use procedure

ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

Standard	Sector	How you will be measured	Records
AH.1 (KEY) A Flock Health Plan to proactively manage and improve health and	KL, KR, KG, KF	AH.1.a Is specific to a farm or group of farms under same company's control	Flock Health Plan
welfare of birds must be established and implemented		AH.1.b Is prepared and reviewed by the vet that has overall responsibility for the care of the animals	

AH.1.c

Is reviewed annually or more often in the event of substantial changes to husbandry practices or poor performance

AH.1.d

Contains a strategy for the prevention and control of common diseases

AH.1.e

Sets out health and husbandry procedures covering the whole of the production cycle/year

AH.1.f

Sets out a vaccination programme, which is tailored to the needs of the farm

AH.1.g

Is available to all members of staff who have responsibility for birds

AH.2 Records of the health and performance of all birds must be maintained

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

AH.2.a

Records are present for current and previous flock/hatchery cycles

AH.2.b

Records are up to date

AH.2.c

Health and performance records contain as a minimum:

- number of eggs, ducklings or birds delivered
- date eggs/ducklings/birds delivered
- origin of flock (hatchery, breeder flock)
- breed
- daily mortality rate and cumulative daily mortality rate, including culls



 Health and performance records

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		 date of sale, number sold and average weight litter used incidence of disease post-mortem records levels of PMI rejections any problems or extraordinary events veterinary advice 	
	КН	AH.2.e cull records for each hatching day	
AH.3 Health and performance records must be reviewed regularly	KL, KR, KG, KF	AH.3.a Regular review of records to identify key issues	 Key issues documented in Flock Health Plan
		AH.3.b If key issues are identified, veterinary advice is sought	
AH.4 The health and welfare of birds must be met at all times	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AH.4.a Any health or welfare issues have being managed	been detected and are
AH.4.1 Environmental enrichment in the form of bathing water and straw is provided at all times from day old	KG, KF	 AH.4.1.a 50% of water provision is allocated as bathing water which equates to 30cm per 100 birds: the water facilities allow the duck to cover their head and take water up by the bill so that they can shake water over the body without difficulty bathing water can be provided in, for example, troughs, 	

GUIDANCE: Access to water for bathing can assist ducks in meeting their biological requirements, such as wet preening. It is accepted that it is often impractical to provide open water for most birds because of risks to health, hygiene and food safety.

bells, baths or showers

It should be possible to observe ducks dipping their heads under the water and being able to take water up by their bill and shaking water over their body without difficulty.

AH.5 The health and welfare of birds must be checked regularly	KL, KR, KG, KF	AH.5.a Regular checks looking for signs of illness, injury and stress	• Flock inspection records
		AH.5.b Flock inspection is carried out at least twice daily	
		AH.5.c Ducklings are closely monitored on arrival	
		AH.5.d Stockmen walk within 3m of every bird and encourage them to move	
		AH.5.e Records of inspections are made and include observations, problems identified and any remedial action taken	
AH.5.1 Records of welfare outcome scores, which are carried out during processing are kept for each flock	KG, KF	AH.5.1.a Welfare outcome scores include: - feather cleanliness - feather coverage - foot health - ocular health - nostril health	Welfare outcome score records
		AH.5.1.b Welfare outcome scoring is carried as per the Duck Welfare Outcome Protocol, available on the Red Tractor website	
AH.6 (KEY) Birds must be handled in a way that avoids injury and minimises stress	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH		
AH.7 (KEY) All persons looking after the health and	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AH.7.a Staff have skills and knowledge in: normal and abnormal bird beh	

welfare of birds/ducklings must be demonstrably competent		 fear reactions signs of good health and poor health and disease correct handling of birds litter management signs of thermal stress in birds and procedures to be followed in event of a problem AH.7.b You are satisfied that any contractors used are competent
AH.7.1 There must be a named Welfare Officer who is	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AH.7.1.a The Welfare Officer's name and contact number are displayed on farm/in the hatchery
Officer who is responsible for co-ordinating welfare on-farm/in the hatchery		AH.7.1.b The Welfare Officer is responsible for: - liaison with vets, Defra, APHA - ensuring all staff are fully trained in welfare issues - monitoring welfare policies, procedures and standards
AH.7.2 (KEY) All poultry farms/hatcheries must retain the services of a named veterinary surgeon or practice	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	
AH.8 (KEY) Sick or injured birds/ducklings must receive prompt attention in order that suffering is not prolonged	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AH.8.a If mortality exceeds 0.5% in a 24 hour period the cause is investigated
AH.9 (KEY) Birds that do not respond to treatment or	KL, KR, KG, KF	AH.9.a Decision to euthanase made by a trained and competent person
require emergency euthanasia must be promptly and humanely euthanased by a trained and competent person		AH.9.b Ducks of 3kg and under are euthanased by neck dislocation
		AH.9.c Ducks over 3kg are euthanased by a percussion killer or equivalent method permitted by legislation and recommended by the Humane Slaughter Association (HSA)

AH.9.d

Staff that euthanase birds are trained

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AH.9.e

Decision to euthanase made by a trained and competent person



Documented method of euthanasia

AH.9.f

Euthanasia is carried out in accordance with a documented method that is recommended by the Humane Slaughter Association (HSA), at no more than 15 minute intervals

AH.9.g

In-shell embryos are macerated in accordance with relevant legislation

AH.9.h

Unviable ducklings are identified and euthanased

AH.9.i

Staff that euthanase ducklings are trained

AH.10 Flocks must be monitored for Salmonella

KG, KF

AH.10.a

Tests are carried out in a Government authorised laboratory

AH.10.b

Where a flock has been confirmed as infected a written cleaning and disinfection procedure is implemented

AH.10.c

Confirmed infected flocks are sent for slaughter at the end of the processing plant's daily programme

AH.10.d

Litter samples are taken two

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- Salmonella testing records kept for two years
- Cleaning and disinfection procedure

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		weeks prior to slaughter and tested	
	KL, KR	AH.10.e Composite faeces or boot samp house at 20-24 weeks and therea	
		AH.10.f Egg supplies cease immediately typhimurium is positively confirm following steps are taken: - all unhatched eggs are recoved disposed of - a slaughter programme is implemented on a partners of the pathogen is implemented on a inputs for subsequent flocks until the farm is confirmed as AH.10.g Parent stock are vaccinated with enteritidis and S. typhimurium value.	ered, destroyed and plemented ection procedure ve eradication of the ce depletion is complete are not brought on farm s Salmonella-negative
AH.10.1 Where a flock has tested positive for Salmonella Enteritidis and/or Typhimurium environmental swabs, representative of the building/housing must be taken and building/housing not restocked until two negative results have been obtained	KL, KR, KG, KF		• Environmental swab test results
AH.10.2 Hatcheries must be monitored for Salmonella	КН	AH.10.2.a Tests are carried out in a Government authorised laboratory	 Salmonella testing records kept for two years

HUSBANDRY PROCEDURES

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
HP.1 Mutilations are not permitted	KG, KF	HP.1.a This includes bill trimming, cas	tration, etc
HP.2 Husbandry procedures are carried out by competent persons in accordance with scheme requirements and only when necessary	KL, KR	HP.2.a Bill trimming is kept to a minimum and written veterinary approval has been obtained	Veterinary approval for bill trimming

BIOSECURITY AND DISEASE CONTROL

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
BI.1 (KEY) A documented Biosecurity policy	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.1.a Policy is specific to the farm/hatchery	Biosecurity Policy
must be in place		BI.1.b Policy details control measures to minimise the spread of disease on farm and between farms, including risks from: - incoming stock - equipment - vehicles - staff and visitors BI.1.c Policy is being implemented	
		BI.1.d Policy is reviewed annually, and where necessary	corrective action taken

BI.1.1 The farm/hatchery entrance and exit for vehicles must be secure	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH		
BI.2 Access to the farm must be limited to essential visitors only and visitor records must be kept	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.2.a A record is kept of all visitors who are not site specific staff members, detailing: - date - time of arrival - name - organisation - contact number (one number acceptable per group) - site name of last contact with poultry within the last 7 days (or within 14 days if visited overseas) - confirmation of no vomiting or diarrhoea, or flu-like symptoms in the last 24 hours BI.2.b Entry is refused if there is	• Visitor record
		significant risk to the health and welfare of the birds	
BI.3 (KEY) The biosecure areas on the farm/hatchery must be defined	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.3.a General and bird biosecure areas are indicated on farm/hatchery map(s)	• Farm/hatchery map
		BI.3.b Biosecure areas include, but are not limited to: - the farm site - each bird area, including where applicable the associated range and brood house - feed stores - litter stores - staff offices	

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	KF	BI.3.d Biosecure area on the range for fixed housing has a clearly defined perimeter fence	
BI.4 Controls on access to the site must be in place and risk of disease spread by vehicles must be minimised	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.4.a Where safety necessitates parking inside the general biosecure area, wheels of all vehicles must be cleaned and disinfected on entry, otherwise designated parking must be offsite	
		BI.4.b Wheels and equipment of all vehicles are cleansed and disinfected on entering and exiting the farm/hatchery	
		BI.4.c There are effective wheel wash facilities and drainage does not cause contamination	
		BI.4.d Defra-approved disinfectants for both General Orders and for diseases of poultry are used at the prescribed dilution rates	
		BI.4.e Disinfectants are used in accordance with manufacturers' instructions	
		BI.4.f The farm/hatchery has an area of clean concrete, metalled surface or rolled stone which is large enough for a collection vehicle or feed lorry to stand	
		BI.4.g Loading areas are level, well drained and are cleaned daily	
BI.5 (KEY) Farm dedicated protective clothing must be supplied to and worn by all when on-farm/in the hatchery	KL, KR, KG, KF	BI.5.a Clothing is washed or discarded between flocks	
	КН	BI.5.b Clothing is changed daily and discarded or washed at the end of each day	
BI.6 (KEY) Risk of disease	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.6.a Foot dips are provided at the entrance to the general	

spread from footwear is minimised

biosecure area and at the entrance of each bird biosecure area

BI.6.b

Foot dips are used by anyone entering the general biosecure area and any bird biosecure area

BI.6.c

All staff and visitors change into clean site-specific boots (capable of being dipped in disinfectant) or use new disposable overshoes on entry to the general biosecure area and any bird biosecure area

BI.6.d

Defra approved disinfectant solutions in foot dips are replaced on a prescribed basis and this is recorded



Foot dip records

KL, KR, KG, KF

BI.6.e

A physical barrier footwear system, that is no less than 30 cm high, is provided at the entrance to each biosecure bird area

BI.6.f

Anyone entering a biosecure bird area uses the physical barrier system to remove outdoor footwear on the external side and put on dedicated footwear on the internal side

BI.6.g

The physical barrier will:

- be removable for washing, or a fixed barrier may be used if appropriate drainage allows effective cleansing of the barrier area at the end of the crop
- offer provision to be seated whilst changing boots

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

BI.6.h

Foot dips are covered when placed outside

BI.6.1 Controls must be in place on the movement of reusable

KL, KR, KG, KF

BI.6.1.a

Intra-site biosecurity is observed and reusable equipment, such as wheelbarrows and buckets are confined to the general biosecure area where possible, or else are cleaned and disinfected between bird biosecure areas

equipment between sheds		BI.6.1.b Vehicles used for bedding up have between sheds and operate on a before use	
BI.7 (KEY) Hand cleanliness is maintained	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.7.a Toilets with means to clean and available	disinfect hands are
		BI.7.b Hands are washed or sanitised prior to starting wo after handling deadstock, before and after meals a after visits to the toilet	
		BI.7.c Hand sanitisers or hand wash factoring within reach of the physical barriesch biosecure bird area	•
		BI.7.d Hands are sanitised or washed be exit of the biosecure bird area	efore entry and after
BI.7.1 Repairs and maintenance to buildings are carried out	KL, KR, KG, KF	BI.7.1.a All buildings are inspected at each turn around for damage that compromises site biosecurity	Maintenance check log
production cycles except where delays could affect bird welfare		BI.7.1.b Bird housing does not have: - leaks - gaps in the fabric of the building allowing for ingress of birds or rodents	
BI.8.2 It is only permitted to move birds to another building where birds are being moved from brood houses to finishing sites	KL, KG, KF	BI.8.2.a In exceptional circumstances, expermissible for birds to be move	-
BI.8.3 Turnaround times between flocks on	KL, KR, KG, KF	BI.8.3.a The turnaround time is defined	R

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farm must be no less than 5 calendar days		as 'last bird out to first bird in' on a per house basis	 Flock depopulation records Placements records
BI.8 (KEY) The farm must operate a period free of all birds between flock cycles	KG, KF	BI.8.a Where farms have multiple age same time, house(s) within separeas are to be single age and	oarate general biosecure
BI.9 Permanent standing water must not accumulate on the farm	KL, KR, KG, KF		
BI.10 Employed and contracted staff must not keep other poultry or any avian species (REVISED)	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.10.a Where staff also work with pigs they must follow an additional farm specific biosecurity protocol before coming into contact with poultry	Biosecurity protocol
(REVISED) GUIDANCE: The proto	and cleanliness,	_	

BI.11 Toilets, offices, stores and break rooms must be kept clean and tidy	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	
BI.12 There must be no smoking or consumption of food within bird areas	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	
BI.13 Pets and other animals must not	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	BI.13.a Naturally ventilated buildings are netted with a gauge of

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have access to poultry houses, service buildings and where applicable, the range		25mm or less, to prevent wild bin housing	rds accessing bird
BI.14 Farms must be capable of implementing a compulsory housing order	KF	BI.14.a A policy for delivering birds for postmortem with particular reference to biosecurity is in place	Documented policy
BI.14.1 (Recommendation) It is recommended that each free- range farm should only rear a single species at any given time	KF	BI.14.1.a If other domestic poultry are pre separation, e.g. a double fence	sent, there is spatial

ANIMAL MEDICINE

Standard	Sector	How you will be measured	Records
AM.1 (KEY) Only authorised veterinary medicines are	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AM.1.a POM-V products are prescribed by a vet	 Approved medicines list with definition of a VMP (i.e. includes vaccines, antimicrobials, anthelmintics, anaesthetic, medicated feed)
used (REVISED)		AM.1.b POM-VPS products are prescribed by a vet, pharmacist or Suitably Qualified Person (SQP)/Registered Animal Medicines Advisor (RAMA)	
		AM.1.c An approved medicines list, compiled in conjunction with a vet, is kept, listing: - storage - administration - active ingredient - withdrawal period - dosage	

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- circumstances for use

AM.1.d

Prescriptions for medicated feed detail all legally required information, including

- the species of animal, the number of animals and their
- the diagnosed disease to be treated or prevented
- name, active substance and amount of product prescribed and inclusion rates (medicinal premix and active ingredient)
- overall amount of feed to be supplied under the prescription

AM.2 (KEY)
Veterinary
medicines must
be used
appropriately

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

AM.2.a

Prescription-only medicines are used in accordance with the prescription

AM.2.b

General Sales Medicines (AVM-GSL) (non-prescription) are used in accordance with manufacturers or veterinary instructions

AM.2.c

Expired medicines and open medicines not used within specified timescale (in-use shelf-life) are not used

GUIDANCE: A Veterinary Medicinal Product is legally defined as:

- any substance or combination of substances presented as having properties for treating or preventing disease in animals
- any substance or combination of substances that may be used in, or administered to, animals with a view either to restoring, correcting or modifying physiological functions by exerting a pharmacological, immunological or metabolic action, or to making a medical diagnosis.

Veterinary medicinal products used to treat and prevent disease in farm animals include, but are not limited to, vaccines, ecto- and endoparasiticides, antibiotics, anti-inflammatories and anesthetics.

POM-V stands for 'Prescription Only Medicine – Veterinarian' and these veterinary products may only be supplied upon prescription by a veterinary surgeon for animals under their care. All antibiotics for food-producing animals are classified as POM-V.

POM-VPS stands for 'Prescription-Only Medicine – Veterinarian, Pharmacist, Suitably Qualified Person (SQP, also known as RAMA – Registered Animal Medicines Advisor)' and these products may be prescribed by these registered qualified persons.

The use of antibiotics as growth promoters is illegal.

'Medicines' includes medicinal premix (a veterinary medicinal product authorised for incorporation into feedingstuffs) and medicated feed.

Subject to their professional obligations to ensure the health and welfare of animals under their care, vets are not permitted to prescribe antibiotics for routine use, or to compensate for poor hygiene, inadequate animal husbandry or poor farm management practices.

AM.3 Veterinary medicines must only be administered by demonstrably competent persons	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AM.3.a Person undertaking task has relevatively training	ant experience or	
	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AM.4.a Kept in a locked storage facility/roo	om	
		AM.4.b Stored in accordance with the mar	nufacturer's instructions	
		AM.4.d Medicines are not stored in the same refrigerator as food/drink		
		AM.4.e Refrigerators are temperature checked at least weekly, whenever medicines are stored in them	 Refrigerator temperature records 	
AM.5 Purchase records for all veterinary medicines must be kept	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	AM.5.a Records detail: - identity of medicine - quantity - date of purchase - supplier name & address - batch number(s) and assigned bottle number if using for administration records - expiry date(s)	Medicine purchase records	

		AM.5.b Medicine purchase records are kept for 5 years	
KL, KF	KR, KG,	AM.5.c Medicated Feeding Stuff Prescriptions (MFSPs) are kept for 5 years	 MFSPs (may be held centrally by parent company

GUIDANCE: Assigned bottle number allows members to assign a bottle number in the purchase records and note the assigned number in the administration records and for those bulk buying medication so individual bottles can be accounted for in records.

AM.6 (KEY) Records must be kept of all administered veterinary medicines (paper and/or electronic)

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

AM.6.a

Records detail:

- identity of medicine
- date of administration
- quantity of medicine administered
- length of withdrawal period for meat and eggs
- identification of the bird or group of birds to which administered
- batch number(s) or assigned bottle number linked back to purchase records
- number of birds treated
- date treatment finished
- date when bird(s)/eggs becomes fit for human consumption
- name of person administering medicine
- reason for treatment

AM.6.b

Medicine administration records are kept for 5 years

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- Medicine administration records
- Veterinary prescriptions

AM.7 Veterinary medicines, their containers and administration equipment must

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

AM.7.a

Expired and unusable medicines awaiting disposal are stored separately to in-use medicines

AM.7.b

Used needles and blades are stored in a dedicated sharps container pending disposal

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be disposed of responsibly

AM.7.c

Records of medicine disposal are kept, detailing:

- identity of medicine
- batch/bottle number
- quantity
- date of disposal
- route of disposal

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- Medicine disposal records
- Waste transfer note/receipt

AM.7.d

Medicines, their containers and administration equipment are disposed of through the supplier, a registered waste disposal contractor or local authority, referring to the product literature for further guidance

AM.8.1
Prophylactic
administration of
antibiotics is only
permitted in
exceptional

circumstances

(REVISED)

KL, KR, KG, KF

AM.8.1.b

The rationale for prescribing a product for prophylaxis is clearly recorded by the vet

AM.8.1.c

When an antibiotic is prescribed for administration to a group of animals for prophylaxis a management review is carried out by the vet to identify factors and implement measures for the purpose of eliminating the need for any future such administration

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- Rationale for prophylaxis (per prescription)
- Management review (group prophylaxis)

GUIDANCE: Prophylactic administration or prophylaxis means the administration of a veterinary medicinal product to an animal or group of animals before clinical signs of disease in order to prevent the occurrence of disease or infection. Clinical signs of disease include visible outward signs of disease as well as sub-clinical disease detected through laboratory testing. Exceptional circumstances include where the risk of an infection or of an infectious disease is very high and where the consequences of not prescribing the product are likely to be severe. Group prophylaxis is when antibiotics are administered prophylactically via a group administration route such as in-feed, in-water, in milk/milk replacer or in liquid feed, to more than one animal at the same time.

AM.8.2 Antibiotic usage must be supported by KL, KR, KG, KF

AM.8.2.a

Use of antibiotics supported by at least one of the following:

- postmortem report



 Medicine administration

veterinary intervention		 site visit report by vet other written instruction from a vet AM.8.2.b	records supported by vet's postmortem report/vet site visit report and/or
		Antibiotics are used only for treatment of disease, following diagnosis and/or clinical signs of disease in all or part of the flock and under veterinary direction	veterinary instruction
AM.8 Total antibiotic used per crop must be	KG, KF	AM.8.a Total amount of antibiotic used per crop known by farm manager	Total antibiotic used per crop
measured as Milligrams active antibiotic per population correction unit (mg/PCU) and recorded		AM.8.b Total antibiotic used per crop calculated using the following method: 'Milligrams of active antibiotic used per crop' divided by '(Number of birds slaughtered including rejects x 1.75kg)'	recorded in medicine
AM.9 (KEY) The use of 3rd and 4th generation cephalosporins, glycopeptides and colistin are not permitted	KL, KR, KG, KF		
AM.9.1 (KEY) Use of macrolides and fluroquinolones must only be as a	KL, KR, KG, KF	AM.9.1.a Use is supported by a veterinary statement outlining the justification for use	 Vet statement justifying prescription
last resort, under veterinary direction		AM.9.1.b Use is supported by written agreement from a director of the company purchasing the birds	Written agreement from company director
AM.10 (KEY) Prescribed withdrawal periods must be correct and complied with	KL, KR, KG, KF		

FALLEN STOCK

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
FS.1 Fallen stock must be removed from housing/pens/fields	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	FS.1.a Evidence that checks for fallen conducted and any found are p	• •
FS.2 (KEY) Carcasses of fallen and euthanased stock and IMD waste must	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	FS.2.a Carcases are stored in a locked container or locked room	
be stored securely and in a manner that protects them from vermin and other animals	KH	FS.2.b IMD and other hatchery waste is containers or containers which removal services	
FS.3 Carcasses must be disposed of correctly, either by a licensed collector or by approved on-farm incineration	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH Carcasses disposed of before they prese infestation/health risk		they present an
		FS.3.b Carcasses collected by a licensed fallen stock collector	Collection records
		FS.3.c No evidence of carcasses being burning or burying (other than b	
		FS.3.d On-farm incinerators are covered by species approval document issued by the relevant competent authority	 Competent authority Incinerator Approval
		FS.3.e Records are kept for 2 years	

ENVIRONMENT

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
EC.1 (KEY) Potential pollutants	otential collutants cust be stored ca manner cat minimises ce risk of contamination corops,	EC.1.a Fuel tanks are bunded where required Appendix)	d by legislation (see
in a manner that minimises the risk of contamination		EC.1.b Agrochemicals are kept in a well-mai for containment of any spillages	ntained store which allows
and pollution to crops, feedstuffs,		EC.1.c Manufactured fertiliser is stored on a	hard, dry surface
animals, soils, groundwater and watercourses	EC.1.d Fertilisers that pose a combustion or accordance with the Safety Data She		

GUIDANCE: Potential pollutants include, but are not limited to, PPPs*, manufactured fertilisers, fuel oil, empty containers, disinfectants and rodenticides.
*PPPs are defined as any product with a current MAPP number.

EC.1.1 (KEY) Organic manures must be stored in a manner that minimises the risk of contamination and pollution to crops, feedstuffs, animals, soils, groundwater and watercourses	EC.1.1.a Organic manures (not including storage within a building) are not stored: - within 10m of inland freshwaters or coastal waters - within 50m of a spring, well or borehole - where there is significant risk of runoff entering watercourses
	EC.1.1.b Manure heap (not including field heaps) effluent runoff does not enter a watercourse, either directly or through land drains, roads, tracks or other pathways
	EC.1.1.c Where manure is stored in temporary field heaps, these must be moved at least every 12 months

GUIDANCE: Watercourse = includes, water courses (ditches, streams, rivers), ponds, lakes, reservoirs, canals, estuaries, coastline

Organic manure = livestock manures, sewage sludge/biosolids, compost, digestates, organic industrial wastes

Risk factors which could lead to runoff, which should be taken into account are: slope (especially if greater than 12 degrees), ground cover, proximity to watercourses or wetlands, weather conditions and forecasts, soil type and condition, presence and condition of land drains

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EC.2 In the case of packaging	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	EC.2.a Container has an appropriate safe closure cap or bag tie	
breakages potential pollutants must be transferred to a suitable container		EC.2.b The original label information is displayed	
EC.4 (KEY) PPPs must be appropriate for	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	EC.4.a Manufacturer's instructions are followed	
their intended use		EC.4.b PPPs are approved for use	
		EC.4.c Unapproved product is kept in a segregated area of the pesticide store, pending collection for disposal at the earliest opportunity; clearly marked with signs/labels stating that it must not be used	
EC.4.1 PPPs are mixed/handled in a manner that minimises the risk of contamination and pollution	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH		
EC.5 (KEY) PPPs must be applied in a manner that	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	EC.5.a PPP application does not occur in areas of high pollution risk, as identified on farm map	
minimises the risk of contamination and pollution		EC.5.b PPP application does not occur in unsuitable conditions e.g. when there is a risk of drift or where soil conditions are unsuitable e.g. waterlogged, flooded or snow-covered soil or where the soil has been frozen for more than 12 hours in the previous 24 hours	
		EC.5.c Buffer zone requirements of the PPP being applied are complied with	
EC.6 PPP application	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	EC.6.a NPTC Pesticide Application	

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must be undertaken by competent operators		Certificates/Lantra Awards Level 2 Pesticides qualification	NPTC/Lantra certificates
EC.7 All PPP application equipment must be maintained and tested	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	Frequency of testing is carried out as follows: - all new trailed/mounted/self-propelled sprayers are NSTS tested before they are 5 years old - subsequently trailed/mounted/self-propelled sprayers with a boom width over 3m are NSTS tested once every 3 years - subsequently trailed/mounted/self-propelled sprayers with a boom width of 3m or under and other application equipment (slug pellet, micro-granular applicators, weed wipers) are NSTS tested once every 6 years - knapsack, handheld and pedestrian equipment does not require an NSTS test but should be checked by the operator at least annually EC.7.b Equipment calibration occurs at least annually	NSTS Certificates Calibration records
EC.8 Records must be kept of all PPP applications	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	EC.8.a Records include: - field/area identifier - crop/variety - total area, where applicable - sowing or planting date, where applicable - date and time applied - justification/target for application - product name and active ingredient - rate of application - water volume	 PPP application records

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		 wind direction and speed - grazing/harvest interval, where applicable first permissible harvest date, where applicable name of sprayer operator EC.8.c Records are kept for at least 3 years	
EC.8.1 Where PPPs are used on crops an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan is completed	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH		IPM plan
EC.9 (KEY) Manufactured fertilisers and	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	EC.9.a Any materials, including waste materials, that are applied to land should have agricultural benefit	
organic manures must be applied in a manner that minimises the risk of contamination and pollution		EC.9.b Exemptions/permits to use waste materials are held	Exemptions/permitsManure Management
		EC.9.c A Manure Management Plan (MMP) is kept and followed when applying organic manures to land	Plan (or records detailing required information)
		EC.9.d MMP includes, at least: - where and when manure can/cannot be applied (detailed on a map) - calculations of total area required to apply volume of organic manure produced by stock at legal application rate	

details of Total Spreadable Area available and outlets for any excess organic manure

EC.9.e

Before application the following factors are considered:

- NVZ restrictions
- soil type
- soil condition
- crop requirements
- slope
- weather conditions
- the location of watercourses
- water supplies and abstraction points (including on neighbouring land)

EC.9.f

Applications are not carried out during high-risk times e.g. on waterlogged, flooded or snow-covered soil or where the soil has been frozen for more than 12 hours in the previous 24 hours

EC.9.g

Biosolids are assured under the Biosolids Assurance Scheme

EC.9.h

Untreated sewage sludge, untreated abattoir or catering derived animal by-products are not applied

EC.9.i

Applications are made in accordance with Appendix

EC.10 All manufactured fertiliser application equipment must be maintained and calibrated at least annually

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH



Calibration record

GUIDANCE: Annual field calibration and records are acceptable

EC.11 (KEY)
All wastes
which cannot
be utilised are
disposed of in
a manner that

KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

EC.11.a

Wastes are disposed of by a registered waste carrier

EC.11.b

Wastes are not burnt, with the



- Waste transfer notes
- Waste carrier name and registration number

minimises the risk of contamination and pollution

exception of vegetation and untreated wood

EC.11.c

Empty PPP containers are:

- cleaned using an integrated pressure rinsing device, or triple rinsed appropriately and the rinsate returned to the spray tank
- stored securely
- not reused
- returned to the supplier or where non-returnable, disposed of via a registered waste carrier

EC.11.d Redundant PPPs are disposed of via the supplier or a registered waste carrier

GUIDANCE: In order to transport your own waste you must be registered (free of charge) as a low tier waste carrier: https://www.gov.uk/register-renew-waste-carrier-broker-dealer-england

EC.12 Systems are in place to manage waste responsibly KL, KR, KG, KF, KH

EC.12.a

Opportunities are considered for:

- reducing the production of waste
- re-using waste
- recycling waste, plastics in particular

BREEDER LAYER EGGS

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
BE.2 Egg collecting staff must sanitise their hands prior to handling eggs and between handling floor eggs and nest eggs	KL		
BE.3 All eggs found to be cracked, defective or dirty			

must be identified and rejected. These eggs must be kept separate from clean eggs

BE.4 Eggs must be collected at minimum frequencies

BE.5
All eggs selected
for hatching must
be placed in clean,
dry trays and
placed into
suitable storage
rooms as soon as
possible

BE.6 Hatching eggs must be marked with a black mark using an indelible pen

BE.7
Each trolley must be marked with the breeder farm and date laid

BE.8 Egg collection records must be kept

BE.4.a

Eggs are collected at least once per day

BE.5.a

Storage rooms are no more than 21°C

BE.8.a

Egg collection records are kept for 3 years and include the following details:

- quantities collected
- quantity of floor eggs
- number of reject eggs



• Egg collection records

DEPOPULATION

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured Records
DE.1 The person responsible for birds must be present at depopulation	KL, KR, KG, KF	
DE.2 A loading area must be available for the loading of birds for transport and must be clean, tidy and hygienically managed	KL, KR, KG, KF	
DE.3 (KEY) Feed must not be withdrawn for more than nine hours prior to catching (UPGRADED)	KL, KR, KG, KF	
DE.3.1 Water must be provided up to transfer and must be available in the destination house prior to unloading the birds	KL, KR	
DE.4 Water must be available up to catching	KL, KR, KG, KF	
DE.5 There must be a system in place for a designated person to inspect forklifts and other catching equipment,	KL, KR, KG, KF	DE.5.b Where catching frames are not farm specific, they are to be cleansed and disinfected before arrival onto farm

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including catchers' transport, for cleanliness and disinfection with a Defra approved disinfectant prior to entry to the biosecure area		
DE.6 Clean and tidy facilities must be made available for catchers to use during breaks	KL, KR, KG, KF	DE.6.a If catchers use their own company vehicle for breaks, controls are in place to ensure it is clean and disinfected on entry to the general biosecure area

HATCHERY EGGS

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
HC.1 Eggs from flocks infected with Salmonella enteritidis or Salmonella typhimurium must not be admitted to the hatchery	KH	HC.1.a Hatchery has ensured that breedi been tested for Salmonella	ng flocks supplying eggs have
HC.3 One way product flow must be maintained from egg receipt to duckling dispatch	KH		
HC.4 Incoming air must be	КН	HC.4.a Filters are cleaned/changed week manufacturer's instructions	kly or in accordance with

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filtered and a positive airflow from eggs to ducklings must be maintained		HC.4.b Records of weekly filter checks are kept	Filter check records
be maintaineu		HC.4.c Exhaust systems will take into ac may go and who may be affected	
HC.5 Differentiation must be maintained	КН	HC.5.a Staff are aware of these requirem dedicated protective clothing and	•
between 'clean' and 'dirty' areas		HC.5.b Equipment is segregated between	n 'clean' and 'dirty' areas
HC.6 All eggs must be fumigated or sanitised prior to setting	KH	HC.6.a Fumigation and sanitising parameters are recorded for each batch	 Fumigation/sanitising parameter records Written fumigation Procedure
HC.7 Incubation hatcher and setter equipment must be easy to clean, in good working order and sealed to the floor	KH		
HC.7.1 Automation and conveyors must not cause injury to ducklings	KH		
HC.7.2 The appropriate incubator or hatchery programme for the machine	KH		 Incubator or hatchery programme

placement details

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		- dead in shell analysis			
HC.12 Eggs and ducklings must be transported in purpose built vehicles	KH				
		Vehicles are fitted with: - a powered ventilation system - a temperature recording system - an in-cab read-out - a load-locking system - a tail-lift (where applicable) HC.12.b Vehicles equipped to regulate temperature by actively regulating airflow and ventilation HC.12.c Vehicles are easily cleanable HC.12.d If carrying ducklings the driver has means of communication in the event of emergency HC.12.e If the load is left unattended it is locked HC.13.a Vehicles are cleaned internally between loads Vehicle sanitation policy			
		If carrying ducklings the driver has means of communication in			
			locked		
HC.13 A vehicle cleaning and sanitation policy is in place	КН	Vehicles are cleaned internally			
		HC.13.b Vehicles are cleaned between loads, unless a split delivery is being carried out			
HC.14 Injured or sick ducklings must not be transported	KH	HC.14.a Injured or sick ducklings are humanely culled immediately	Mortality records		
HC.15 The time between hatch and unloading at the farm must not exceed 72 hours					

HC.16 Ducklings must be placed in clean, dry, ventilated containers	KH	HC.16.a Containers or trolleys are labelled to ensure traceability
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UREA

Standard	Enterprise	How you will be measured	Records
UR. 1 Fertiliser containing urea must only be	KL, KR, KG, KF, KH	applied within any product use by/best before dates • Name and I professiona	 Application records Name and FACTS professional register number
applied where the following requirements are met (NEW)		UR.1.b Protected/inhibited fertilisers containing liquid urea can be applied with the prescribed rate of protector/inhibitor for the application, and within any product use by/best before date	Recommendation sheet for applications
		JR.1.c n England, unprotected/uninhibited solid ertiliser containing urea can only be applied between 15th January and 31st March	
		UR.1.d In England, unprotected/uninhibited liquid fertiliser containing urea can be applied between 15th January and 31st March	and e ast
		UR.1.e In England, unprotected/uninhibited liquid fertiliser containing urea can be applied between 1st April and last application in autumn* only if agronomic justification is provided	

by FACTS-qualified farm personnel** or Advice specific for the crop has been provided by a FACTS-Qualified Adviser and been followed (see EC 9.1)

UR.1.f

In Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales fertiliser containing urea (solid and liquid) can be applied as per relevant legislation

- * All applications should be made before the end of October in accordance with RB209.
- ** A member of the FACTS Professional Register
 - Protected/inhibited means urease inhibitors or treatments to mitigate ammonia emissions
 - This standard includes: All mineral fertilisers for agricultural use, containing 1% ureic nitrogen or more, except urea solution for late foliar application for protein