

Crops Biosecurity Self-Evaluation Checklist

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Biosecurity practices	Self-evaluation Checklist				Notes
	Always/ frequently	Some- times	Never	N/A	
Biosecurity or restricted entry signs are posted at the entry point to your production area.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Gates and building doors are locked where possible.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
A visitor log book tracks who has been in the production area.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Designated farm boots/footwear do not leave the farm.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Laneways and roadways used by visitor vehicles are kept free of manure and crop residue.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Delivery vehicles, farm implements and/or equipment that enter and leave the farm are assessed for their potential to introduce pests, e.g. soil, plant material or weed seeds.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
The source of planting material (seed, transplants, cuttings, etc.) is certified as pest-free.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Pest and disease resistant or less susceptible varieties are selected when available.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Crop inputs like seed, fertilizer, and crop protection products are purchased from suppliers with a quality assurance program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
A crop rotation plan is in place as this helps to break the pest cycle.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Where possible, you consider the characteristics of the field or production area in relation to possible pest pressures when deciding which crops to plant there.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Routine crop inspection/scouting is done and pest activities recorded, even if nothing is found.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Pesticide applications are carefully managed to avoid drift impacting other crops.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Fields or production areas with known pest issues are worked last.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

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There is a designated, well-drained equipment cleaning area outside the production area through which people or other vehicles will not travel.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
You perform regular equipment maintenance and ensure it is calibrated before performing field work.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Water is tested regularly and treated if required.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Movement of vehicles and equipment over wet soil is limited to minimize the spread of soil and potential pests.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
There are holding and disposal areas for crop waste or residues, compost, and manure.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Manure, if used, is completely composted prior to application to destroy possible pests.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Bins and handling equipment are inspected and cleaned before being used and crop condition is monitored.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Control measures are in place for animals and wildlife.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Weeds are controlled within and around production areas.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Cropping records are maintained for each field or production unit.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
You know who to contact if you see any unusual symptoms of pests or diseases in your crops and you would be diligent about doing so.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Employees are aware of and educated about your biosecurity protocols.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

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