

Poultry Biosecurity Self-Evaluation Checklist – adapted from Poultry Farm Biosecurity Workbook

Biosecurity practices	Self-evaluation Checklist				Notes
	Always/ frequently	Some- times	Never	N/A	
All birds originate from hatcheries monitored under a disease control program.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
All birds originate from flocks with known health status.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Health records of the source flock are available (e.g. vaccination, disease and veterinary inspection records).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
In the absence of an all in/all out practice, there is a designated quarantine area away from the rest of the flock for introduced birds, e.g. non-commercial flocks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Birds of different ages (>7 days difference) are kept in separate barns/enclosures.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Records of movement practices (e.g. new bird receipts, slaughter shipment, addition or removal of birds to or from a flock) are maintained.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
A downtime of 14 days is implemented after the flock has been removed and before the next placement.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Complete cleaning and disinfection (e.g. dry cleaning, washing and disinfection) of poultry housing is done at least once a year.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
The flock's health and performance is monitored at least once a day.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Comprehensive flock health records are maintained (e.g. daily mortality, culls, vaccination, medications, feed and water consumption rates).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
There is an established working relationship with a veterinarian or veterinary clinic.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Mortalities are collected from the production area on a daily basis.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Only manure from the operation is applied on the farm.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Manure is composted or treated before applied to land OR before removal from the premises.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

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All equipment brought into the production unit is properly cleaned before use or dedicated tools are used for each production unit, e.g. catching gate, corrals.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Water delivery systems are kept clean by frequent flushing, descaling and disinfecting water lines and drinkers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
If open drinkers are used, they are cleaned on a regular basis to prevent contamination by feed and litter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Finished feed for birds is purchased from a source with verifiable biosecurity practices, e.g. HACCP.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Feed is monitored to be free from pests, moisture and spills.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Purchased bedding is monitored to be free from pests, moisture and mould.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
There is a 1 metre perimeter strip of gravel or very short vegetation that is free of debris around each barn or production unit.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Bait stations and traps are properly positioned at the barn perimeter, inside the service area and any other possible pest entry points.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Bait stations are monitored regularly and baits are renewed or replaced as needed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Staff are aware of and educated about the established zones, their importance and farm access biosecurity protocols.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Staff are trained to properly collect, store and dispose of mortalities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

Note: The above list does not contain all of the points you should consider in developing a biosecurity plan for your farm. Refer to your National On-Farm Biosecurity Standard and Planning Guide for additional aspects to review.