



BRITISH POULTRY COUNCIL

BIOSECURITY & FARM MANAGEMENT

Biosecurity is a system of preventative action for disease control. It is important that bird keepers always practice good biosecurity all year round, and especially during times of disease outbreak.



MAINTENANCE
KEEP IT **SECURE**



BEDDING
KEEP IT CLEAN



RODENT CONTROL
KEEP IT RODENT FREE



STAFF
KEEP INFORMED




RECORD KEEPING
KEEP IT UP-TO-DATE



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BIOSECURITY CHECKLIST

The following measures do not only reduce the likelihood of you getting an incursion of disease, but they can stop you becoming a tracing or dangerous contact.  *Please tick applicable.*



MAINTENANCE

- Is your roof in good shape?
- Is the bird area free from potential water ingress through a leaky roof or flooding?
- Is your building well ventilated?
- Are the pipes ok and the drains unblocked?
- Is your site clear of moss?



BEDDING

- Do you have covered storage for any additional bedding?
- Can you ensure bedding and bale wrapping is removed outside the shed?
- If wrapped bales must be brought inside, have you disinfected the outer wrapping?
- Do not enter the shed with vehicles unless they have been cleansed and disinfected.



RODENT CONTROL

- Do you have access to effective commercial rodent control?
- Is your site clear of vegetation to reduce cover for rodents?
- Are feed spillages cleared up straight away to help discourage rodents and wild birds?
- Can you block up small holes that wild birds and rodents can access?



STAFF

- Is there regular training in place to raise awareness to disease incursion - particularly for weekend and holiday cover?
- Can you ensure consistent use of site-specific boots and clothing?
- Do your staff have access to shed-specific PPE - boots, overalls and disposable gloves?
- Do you have step-over partitions for entry into buildings?



RECORD KEEPING

- Are your site access and visitors' books maintained?
 - ABP disposal and collection?
 - Feed deliveries?
 - Other?
- Do you have access to production records that go as far back as two months?
- Do you update production parameters daily?
 - Feed
 - Water
 - Eggs
 - Mortality

TIP: *If you do this on a whiteboard, photograph it at the end of every day and file it away.*



MISCELLANEOUS MANAGEMENT

- Do you control access to the site and keep doors shut?
- Disinfectant:
 - Do you use approved disinfectant at the correct strength?
 - Do you cover boot dips to prevent dilution by rainwater and dirt?
 - Can you replenish regularly/ especially if it gets contaminated with organic material?
 - Do you use a water/detergent dip to cleanse footwear before using disinfectant?
- Are nearby water bodies netted?
- Do you keep ABP bins outside the premise boundary so vehicles don't have to come on site?
- Can you avoid siting feed mills and hatcheries/egg packing plants on the same premises as the birds to keep them out of restrictions?