

FOOD CHAIN INFORMATION: PIGS – DRAFT GUIDANCE

- This document provides guidance to slaughterhouse operators about the information they are required to request and receive from pig suppliers.
- Slaughterhouse operators are advised to use this as a basis for the information their business requires, and to customise, amend or add to it as fits their specific needs. An electronic version of this guidance can be down-loaded from the Food Standards Agency's website – <http://www.food.gov.uk/foodindustry/guidancenotes/meatregsguid/fcipigslaughter>
- Production site details should be provided initially and up-dated when changes occur.

PRODUCTION SITE DETAILS	
Business owner ¹	
Name	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
E-mail address	
Production site	
Name	
Address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
E-mail address	
Herd number	
Assurance scheme name	
Assurance scheme membership number	
Is the herd in the NISS	YES / NO
Does the site operate a batch finishing system (AI-AO)?	YES / NO
Veterinary surgeon responsible for site ⁶	
Name	
Number	
Practice address	
Postcode	
Telephone	
E-mail address	
Production system ⁷	
Born and reared under controlled housed conditions	
Born outdoors and reared under controlled housed conditions since weaning	
Born and reared outdoors	
All other systems	

CONSIGNMENT DETAILS			
Production site			
Name			
Address			
Contact details ⁹			
Name			
Position			
Telephone			
e-mail			
Slaughterhouse to which pigs are being consigned			
Name			
Address			
Approval number			
Intended date of slaughter			
Consignment			
Identification – Slapmark			
Intended number of pigs in consignment ¹⁰			
Type of pigs	Finished pigs	Cull sows or boars	
Is this the last consignment of pigs from the current production batch?	YES	NO	N/A
If the herd is in NISS, please give current NISS score.			
Have withdrawal periods for veterinary medicines and other treatments been met?	YES	NO	
Has the consignment of pigs been treated with any veterinary medicinal products or other treatments in the past 28 days? ¹¹ If 'yes', please provide details on additional document.	YES	NO	
Have any individual pigs been treated with any veterinary medicinal products or other treatments in the past 28 days, or are any pigs showing signs of abnormality? ¹² If 'yes', please provide details on additional document.	YES	NO	
Is the holding or area under restrictions for animal health or other reasons? ¹³ If 'yes', please provide details on additional document.	YES	NO	
Has any analysis of samples shown that any animal may have been exposed to substances likely to result in residues in meat? ¹⁴ If 'yes', please provide details on additional document.	YES	NO	
Reports about previous ante- and post-mortem inspections of pigs from the same site			
The operator will have access to these inspection reports.			

ADDITIONAL FOOD CHAIN INFORMATION, WHERE REQUIRED	
Veterinary medicinal products or other treatments administered to the <u>consignment</u> of pigs in the past 28 days?	
Name of medicine or product	
Date of administration	
Withdrawal period	
Reason for administration	
Veterinary medicinal products or other treatments administered to <u>individual pigs</u> in the past 28 days, OR details of any pigs showing signs of abnormality?	
Identification of pig(s)	
Name of medicine or product	
Date of administration	
Withdrawal period	
Reason for administration	
Description of abnormality	
Details of holding or area restrictions for animal health or other reasons? Slaughterhouse operator and Official Veterinarian must be informed before pigs are transported to slaughterhouse.	
Details about analysis of samples that have shown that any animal may have been exposed to substances likely to result in residues in meat? Slaughterhouse operator and Official Veterinarian must be informed before pigs are transported to slaughterhouse.	

¹ Owner of the pigs

² Official herd number of the site, including any suffix(es) e.g. UK -1ABC

³ e.g. Assured British Pigs

⁴ Northern Ireland Salmonella Scheme (NISS)

⁵ Required to ensure that quarterly NISS testing is carried out for AI/AO producers.

⁶ Contact details of the site's veterinary surgeon are required if the plant operator or OV needs to contact him/her if problems are identified, and to feed back inspection results.

⁷ Information about production systems to determine if testing for Trichinella is required, and to assess eligibility for simplified, visual only inspection.

⁸ Controlled housing conditions: fully enclosed houses, including houses with external runs, that are constructed and managed to prevent the access of pets, wild animals and unauthorised persons.

⁹ The contact person is the person nominated by the owner of the pigs to provide Food Chain Information for the pigs on the site. The contact person must have, or be provided with, all the relevant information about the site and the pigs in the consignment.

¹⁰ This may differ from the number of pigs actually consigned

¹¹ Information about veterinary medicines is required to ensure that withdrawal periods have been respected. It also provides information about the health status of the pigs and about diseases that may affect the safety of meat.

¹² This information is equivalent to that required under Schedule 18 of the old Regulations. All pigs in this category must be identified in some manner.

¹³ If the answer is yes, the plant operator and OV should be contacted before the pigs are consigned.

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