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Animal Identification and Registration

Legal Basis

- # SMR6: Council Directive 92/102/EEC of 27 November 1992 on identification and registration of animals
- # SMR7: Commission Regulation (EC) No 2629/97 on EU requirements as regards eartags, holding registers and passports in the framework of the system for the identification and registration of bovine animals
- # SMR8: Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals
- # SMR8a: Council Regulation (EC) No 21/ 2004 of 17 December 2003 establishing a system for the identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals

Summary

SMRs 6, 7, 8 and 8a concern to the identification, registration and traceability of sheep, goats, pigs, cattle.

Requirements concern:

- Tagging
- Registration of animals;
- Passports
- Maintaining records and
- Notification of animal movements.

Requirements - Calves

- # Tag all home-bred calves within 20 days of birth and register within 7 days of tagging or on leaving the herd if earlier
- # Calves >27 days old found at inspection to be untagged/unregistered will be sanctioned on 4 pillars i.e. Tags, passports, CMMS and BHR

Requirements- Lost Tags

- # Tags relating to animals that have lost 1 tag should be re-ordered immediately thereby reducing the chance of animals being unidentified
- # Animals found at inspection to have lost both tags will be sanctioned

Requirements - CMMS

- # In farm to farm sales both buyer and seller are responsible for return of completed notification to SWS within 7 days of the event

Requirements - Passports

- # Each animal moving into a herd from another must be accompanied by a valid passport
- # Surplus passports relating to animals that have left the herd must be returned to the local DVO

Requirements - BHR

- # Update BHR within 7 days of moves into or out of the herd
- # Retain purchase and sales receipts to back up herd register
- # Computerised herd registers must be on DAF approved list

Bovines Summary

- # Notification of farm to farm movements and on-farm deaths
- # Tagging and registration of calves within the specified period. Replacing lost tags
- # Keeping BHR updated
- # Animals moving between herds must be accompanied by valid passports

Requirements- Sheep Tags

- # Home-bred sheep must be tagged in left ear by age 9mths or on leaving the farm if earlier
- # Bought in sheep must be tagged in right ear by May 1st or on exit from farm if earlier
- # Lost tags must be replaced promptly

Requirements- Sheep Register

- # Sheep register must be completed for home-bred sheep (on tagging), purchased sheep, sales and deaths
- # Annual census must be completed and returned by designated date
- # Details of census must be entered in sheep register

Requirements– Dispatch Docs

- # Sheep moving out of or into the flock must be accompanied by a dispatch doc
- # Copies of dispatch docs for inward and outward movements must be kept for record purposes (3 Years) and to complement the Flock Register.
- # Checks will be carried out for compatibility between Dispatch Docs and Flock Register

Sheep Summary

- # All sheep on the holding must be properly tagged
- # Movement of sheep onto or off the farm must be recorded in the flock register
- # Each sheep movement must be accompanied by a dispatch docket.
- # Annual Census of sheep numbers must be carried out.
- # Retain Dispatch Docs for 3 yrs following year of event

Requirements - Pig Database

- # Notify all movements out of herd (exc to factory) at least 24hrs prior to event
- # Notify inward movements within 24hrs of receipt of pigs
- # Movements to factory can be notified on same day

Requirements – Pig Tags

- # Tag all breeding stock with approved eartags
- # Tags are approved by NPI TS (National Pig Identification and Tracing System)
- # Use a visible slapmark to identify pigs moved out for slaughter

Requirements – Dispatch Documents

- # Each consignment of pigs moved must be accompanied by a Dispatch Doc
- # Dispatch docs must be maintained for at least 3 years following year of event
- # Checks will be carried out for compatibility between dispatch Docs and Database

Pigs Summary

- # All breeding stock must be tagged with approved eartags
- # Movements out must be notified 24 hours in advance
- # Inward movements within 24 hours of receipt of pigs
- # Dispatch docket must accompany each batch of pigs moved
- # Herds must be registered with NPITS



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