



Attention

All Pig Owners

Food waste can cause devastating diseases in pigs such as African swine fever, Foot and Mouth disease and Classical swine fever

IT IS ILLEGAL TO FEED FOOD WASTE WHICH CONTAINS MEAT PRODUCTS OR WHICH HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MEAT PRODUCTS TO PIGS

Do feed your pigs

- ✓ Specially formulated, commercial pig feed and grain rations that are supplied by authorised agricultural merchants
- ✓ Fruit and vegetable material that has never entered a kitchen and which has not come into contact with meat, meat products or any products of animal origin
- ✓ Grass, forage and fodder crops

Do NOT feed your pigs:

- ✗ Catering waste from any restaurant or commercial kitchen. (incl. cooking oil)
- ✗ Domestic kitchen waste or scraps. (e.g. meat, meat scraps, pizza, sausage rolls, etc.)
- ✗ Picnic leftovers e.g. sandwiches, food bin waste
- ✗ Raw, partially cooked or fully cooked meat and fish.
- ✗ Dog and cat food

REMEMBER

- ✓ Always dispose of food waste carefully away from animals and livestock
- ✓ Ensure that pigs kept outdoors cannot get accidental access to rubbish or food waste
- ✓ Register your pigs with your local Regional Veterinary Office. You must obtain a pig herd number for your pigs even if you only have one or two pigs (including pet pigs).
- ✓ If you suspect the presence of an exotic pig disease, contact your Regional Veterinary Office during office hours or the National Disease Emergency Hotline at 1850 200 456 outside of office hours

FURTHER INFORMATION.....

Find out more about exotic pig diseases such as African swine fever, Foot and Mouth disease and Classical swine fever at www.agriculture.gov.ie/animalhealthwelfare/diseasecontrol/

Contact details for local Regional Veterinary Offices can be found at www.agriculture.gov.ie/contact/

If you have any queries about what you can feed your pigs, please email the Animal By-Products Division of DAFM at animalbyproducts@agriculture.gov.ie



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