



Trader Notice 11/2010

To: Each Feed Manufacturer
Grain Intake Depot
Food Recyclers
Irish Grain and Feed Association

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EU Regulation 183/2005 laying down the requirements for Feed Hygiene and The European Communities Food and Feed Hygiene Regulations of 2009 (SI 432 of 2009)

Further reminder on requirements for drying grain / feed.

Dear Sir/Madam

As a registered Feed Business Operator you are reminded that EU legislation places primary responsibility for feed safety with the feed business operator.

Such registration obliges your company to *inter alia* ensure that the production, storage facility and equipment used must be designed and maintained to suit the feed business activity carried on within the premises and ensure the safety and quality of feed produced.

As part of this process you must have in place, a quality control plan and permanent written procedures based on HACCP principles to ensure compliance with Annex II of EC Regulation 183/2005.

If your feed business activity involves a drying process you must ensure that

- (i) the drying of feed / grain is included in your HACCP Plan. The HACCP Plan must assess and address all potential hazards associated with the drying process,
- (ii) the grade of fuel used to generate heat for the drying of grain or other feed is clearly identified in your HACCP based procedures and must be fit for the intended use. Consequently, only the following types and specification of fuels should be used: *Marked Diesel (IS 251 / EN 590); Gas Oil (IS 251 or BS 2869 Class A2, D); Kerosene (BS 2869 Class C1, C2); or Gas (BS 4250):*
- (iii) the fuels do not contain any recycled or waste ingredients, and
- (iv) in the case of each fuel delivery, the grade of fuel is clearly stated on the delivery document and recorded by you. **The delivery document must**

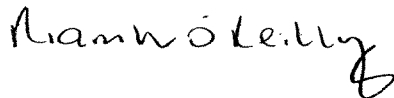
state that the fuel does not contain waste or recycled ingredients. Such records should be maintained by you for a period of at least 12 months.

- (v) the drying equipment used is designed and maintained to a standard that guarantees the safety and quality of the feed produced. **The equipment must be serviced at least once a year by a qualified person, and a receipt for each maintenance service should be obtained and retained for at least twelve months;**

You are again reminded to ensure compliance with the provisions of EU and national feed hygiene legislation.

Please note that failure to put HACCP based procedures in place for feed drying and implement such procedures is an offence under the Feed Hygiene Regulations.

Yours sincerely,



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