

Title	Implement and monitor programmes for the care of the weaner and grower pig herd		
Level	4	Credits	7

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: Implement and monitor the feeding programme for the weaner and grower herd; implement and monitor a weaner and grower herd health programme; monitor the weaner and grower environment, and implement remedial action if remedial programmes are identified in the environment; and analyse records, implement procedures to remedy problems and adverse trends, and maintain records on a pig farm.
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Classification	Pork Production > Pork Production Unit Management
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with:
 - Veterinary guidelines;
 - Workplace procedures;
 - Agricultural Compounds and Veterinary Medicines Act 1997;
 - Code of Welfare: Pig 2018;
 - Biosecurity Act 1993;
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 and any subsequent amendments.
- Definitions

Programme the husbandry and management procedures required for feeding, maintaining health, housing and welfare of pigs. It includes implementing and monitoring standard operating procedures which have been developed by the farm employer or manager in discussion with veterinary and nutritional consultants.

Veterinary guidelines – advice received directly from veterinarians, or literature recommended by veterinarians.

Workplace procedures refer to the policies and procedures set by the employer or organisation on workplace safety and conduct.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Implement and monitor the feeding programme for the weaner and grower herd.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Match diet specifications to the class of weaner and grower pigs.
- 1.2 Implement the feeding programme to meet farm production targets for weaner and grower pigs.
- 1.3 Monitor feed distribution and water supply for weaner and grower pigs and take remedial action if required.

Outcome 2

Implement and monitor a weaner and grower herd health programme.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Monitor weaner and grower herd performance records and slaughter health check reports.
- 2.2 Monitor weaners and growers for signs of ill health according to the programme.
- 2.3 Treat weaners and growers using appropriate medication according to the programme.
- 2.4 Implement preventative health procedures according to the programme.
- 2.5 Maintain weaner and grow health records according to the programme.

Outcome 3

Monitor the weaner and grower environment, and implement remedial action if remedial programmes are identified in the environment.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Monitor the weaner and grower facility environments to maintain good health and welfare.
- 3.2 Monitor optimum temperature in the weaner and grower facility environments to maintain good health and welfare.
- 3.3 Monitor and maintain stocking densities in the weaner and grower facility to maintain good health and welfare.
- 3.4 Implement remedial action if environmental problems are identified according to the programme.

Outcome 4

Analyse records, implement procedures to remedy problems and adverse trends, and maintain records on a pig farm.

Performance criteria

4.1 Analyse weaner and grower performance records and identify problems and adverse trends.

Range must include – growth rate, mortality, feed conversion ratio.

4.2 Analyse slaughter sheets and identify problems and adverse trends.

Range must include – backfat, slaughter weights.

4.3 Implement procedures to remedy problems and adverse trends.

4.4 Maintain records of weaner and grower performance.

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Comments on this unit standard

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