

Livestock Biosecurity Checklist

Visitors

- **Control traffic on and off the farm**
- **Post prominent signage** to restrict access and provide directions to the farm office, using words appropriate to your location and operation
- **Discourage unnecessary visitors** - all visitors must be accompanied, and prohibited or limited from accessing structures or pens containing animals, medications or feed.
- **Keep a 'visitor log'** - all visitors, service calls and deliveries (no exceptions); date, name, business, contact information, next farm visit, previous farm visit (see www.animalhealth.ca)
- **Ask visitors to arrive in clean clothes**, footwear and vehicles. On arrival, instruct visitors as to your sanitation practices. Provide clean clothes and footwear if this condition is not met.
- **Discuss visitors from other countries** with your veterinarian or the CFIA, to assess the risk and appropriate measures

Livestock

- **Purchase healthy livestock** from reputable suppliers following good management practices and a recognized on-farm food safety program
- **Isolate purchased livestock** for a minimum of two weeks
- **Purchase quality feed** from feed mills that follow good manufacturing practices.
- **Separate sick from healthy animals**
- **Deadstock** should be removed immediately from other animals; removed promptly from the farm by deadstock truckers; held away from animals, feed and buildings while on-farm, in such a manner that the deadstock trucker does not have to enter livestock buildings; necropsied to confirm cause of death

Sanitation

- **Keep clean...**all personnel, buildings, yards, equipment, instruments, feed storage areas and feed equipment
- **Disinfection:** choose the right product for the job; clean items with warm water and detergent before disinfection
- **Use disposable equipment** once and discard

Wildlife and Pests

- **Control or eliminate vermin**
- **Protect your feed and water supplies** from fecal contamination by wildlife.