

## Contribute to bio-security in livestock holding in food operations

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### Overview

This standard covers the skills and knowledge needed to contribute to bio-security in livestock holding in food operations.

You must understand how to and show you can maintain bio-security and prevent cross-contamination by wearing the correct clothing, and using equipment in accordance with company regulations. You must also understand how to and show you can report any concerns you have within agreed timescales and to the appropriate people.

This standard is for you if you work in food operations and the associated supply operations and your role requires you to enter areas where livestock are kept.

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### Performance criteria

You must be able to:

#### **Prepare to enter the site**

1. use personal protective equipment in compliance with company regulations
2. seek advice from the appropriate person if further explanation is required concerning specific tasks

#### **Maintain bio-security while on site**

3. work to your organisation's regulations on bio-security while on site and when entering and leaving the site
4. use personal protective equipment in accordance with organisational requirements
5. take steps to avoid unnecessary contamination and cross-contamination of the site

#### **Report any concerns on bio-security**

6. communicate in a way that encourages effective working relationships
7. pass on any concerns to the correct person or people as quickly as possible

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### Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

1. tasks and activities for which you are responsible
2. how to carry out tasks and activities
3. who to go to for further information and advice on specific tasks and activities
4. the importance of seeking further information or advice on how to do specific tasks and activities and the risks involved if you do not do this
5. what clothing, footwear and equipment is suitable and required by your organisation
6. bio-security procedures on site and when entering and leaving the site
7. how contamination and cross-contamination occurs, and the possible effects on livestock
8. standards of bio-security for the work area
9. health and safety procedures regarding bio-security
10. methods of working with others
11. methods of communication
12. the reasons why effective communication is important

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