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2.9.7 & 2.9.8. Written Inventory Control & Management for all Non-Raw Material.

Standard

2.9.7. Are all non-ingredient materials managed to ensure they are not mistakenly incorporated into stockfeed? *Emphasis placed on chemicals which are either toxic to livestock or may result in chemical residues if unintentionally included within stock feed.*

2.9.8. Is there a written inventory control system for all non-raw material chemicals used on site? Inventory control is for all chemicals used within or located at the feed mill. Examples are grain treatment chemicals and rodent control. Where other non-feed milling activities take place on the site and these are physically separated from the feed milling operations, they are outside the scope of FeedSafe e.g. chemicals used in vehicle maintenance are not included in the inventory where they are stored and used in buildings separate from the feed mill. Inventory control does not relate to lunchrooms, amenities or other non-feed milling buildings.

Purpose

To ensure ongoing management and inventory control is applied to all non-raw materials/chemicals used on site.

Reason

Active management and inventory control for all non-raw material chemicals should be viewed as a risk reduction activity. These chemicals may be toxic to human or livestock if inappropriately handled or incorporated into feed. The risks can have a significant health and economic impact.

Operators have a regulatory responsibility under Work Health and Safety Act (2017), for the appropriate storage and usage of these chemicals.

What is Acceptable?

Procedures for the safe storage and management of non-raw material ingredients, specifically hazardous chemicals, can be found on Fact Sheet 2.9.10. Requirements for the ongoing management of non-raw material ingredients can be found below.

General Requirements

Chemicals can be used for cleaning, pesticides or flushing and ideally should be stored close to the point of intended use. Where a material is partially used, this should be recorded in the inventory control system to ensure changing stock levels are accounted for.

Computer or Written Inventory Control

A system should be able to track real-time stock inventory. An authorised person shall enter the quantity remaining (scales used where necessary), into stock inventory. With real-time tracking of quantity used for each job/purpose the operator reduces the risk of chemicals being mistakenly used for feed. The system is essential for identifying when stock levels are low and need replenishment, and more importantly, for tracking quantities uses to help detect any inappropriate use.

Procedure for sealing/closing partially used non-ingredient stock

All partially used non-raw material ingredients, should be risk managed in such a way to prevent incorrect use in finished feeds. Procedure should provide a guidance for sealing a bag, bottle, or box. Examples may include, tamper seal stickers, cable tags (with ID), or signed tape.



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