

2.9.4. 2.9.5 & 2.9.6. Record of Veterinary Chemical Products in Manufacture.

Standard

2.9.4. Are veterinary chemical products in use registered by the APVMA?
This can be confirmed through matching products to APVMA PubCRIS data.

2.9.5. Are veterinary chemical products used according to label instructions or veterinary prescription?

2.9.6. Are veterinary chemical instructions (prescriptions) provided by veterinarians kept on record?

Purpose

To ensure veterinary chemicals used in the mill are stored and applied according to label instructions, maintaining both product integrity and safe usage.

Reason

Veterinary chemicals registered with the APVMA typically include a specific claim and contain active constituents that require regulation. These chemical products are evaluated by the APVA to ensure they meet safety and efficacy standards, preventing unsafe use and harm to the target species. The trade and labelling criteria are approved by the APVMA to ensure international trade and commerce is maintained. More importantly, a duty of care lies with the end-user (Mill) to use product according to label instructions or veterinary prescriptions.

Regulatory responsibilities under Work Health and Safety Regulation 2017, require adequate storage and control of chemicals products. This may be achieved by creating a register containing the hazardous symbol and relevant chemical information. The register should be made available to all staff using the chemical product.

The use of veterinary chemicals listed in Schedule 4 of the Poisons Act 1971, must be adequately controlled and only used according to label instructions. The storage of these chemicals must also be in an area segregated from other material.

What is Acceptable?

Risk Assessment

An assessment should be conducted on all veterinary chemicals stored and used in the Mill (Fact Sheet 5.2.1 to 5.2.4). The assessment shall consider:

- Legible, clear label instructions.
- Quantity stored and duration of storage.
- Hazardous group; toxicity risks and employee exposure.
- Spillage control; appropriate spill control kits located in area of use.
- Fire risk; contact with ignition source, incompatible or inappropriate storage.

List of products

Ensure veterinary chemical products are registered according to the criteria regulated by APVMA ([Animal Feed Products](#)). The list of products or register should have a category that indicates to staff if a product is registered with the APVMA and requires regulated use and storage according to label instructions. Registration can be confirmed through [APVMA PubCRIS](#) database. Example of register headings can include:

General					Type	Expiry		Operator	
Batch Number	Location (specify if lockable or cold storage)	Material Name	Hazard Symbol	Quantity (KG)	<input type="checkbox"/> Vet Chem <input type="checkbox"/> Med <input type="checkbox"/> Other	DOM	DOE	Date	Initial

Record of Veterinary Prescriptions

The operator shall have the in date prescription provided by Veterinarian and stored electronically or hard copy on file. The prescription should have the full product name and a means to trace the batch number to internal records.

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