

## 2.9.3. Control of S4 Medications.

### Standard

Are S4 medications kept in a locked secure area?

*May be unlocked during working hours, there however needs to be demonstrated security controls for outside working hours. S4 use remains subject to relevant State licence control conditions.*

### Purpose

To have adequate controls in place for the appropriate handling and storage of S4 medications.

### Reason

Medications cause unsafe contamination from drug-carryover into a non-medicated animal feed, a different medicated feed or the same medicated feed at unsafe levels.

Certain animal species or stage in production, are particularly vulnerable to drug carryover. Access and storage control of S4 medications will ensure:

- State license conditions are met.
- Reduce/eliminate inappropriate handling.
- Provide appropriate lockable storage of medications.

### What is Acceptable?

#### Procedures for handling S4 medications

The operator shall have controls in place for the receipt, processing and storage of S4 medications. The storage inventory/register shall specify S4 medications to be stored in a lockable secure area. The procedures shall also specify:

1. Handling of partially used S4 medication.
2. Demonstrated security control of S4 medications outside work hours.

#### Zoning and Labelling

The labelling of all storage bins and storage areas, including locked cupboards shall be clearly labelled and identified (See Fact Sheet 2.3.2 & 2.3.3). The operator shall also consider the zoning of S4 medication in secure area.

#### State License Conditions

The operator shall determine the storage requirements and provisions required by regulatory authorities or license conditions.

#### Recommended Reading:

Therapeutic Goods (TGA) Poisons Standard latest release.

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