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9.3.2. Inspection of Delivery Vehicles Prior to Loading

Standard

Are delivery vehicles inspected prior to loading to ensure they do not contain feed residues which can contaminate subsequent deliveries? If residues are found are cleaning procedures in place?

Emphasis on RAM and medicated feeds and out-loading bins and vehicles where the next load is a non-medicated feed.

Purpose

To ensure checkpoints are in place for inspecting vehicles prior to loading, focusing on inspections where there has been any loading of RAM and medicated feeds in prior delivery.

Reason

Inspection of vehicles previously having carried RAM and medicated feeds is imperative to ensure no subsequent cross-contamination or unsafe carryover occurs. The Ruminant Feeding Ban requires operators to implement the right practices to prevent RAM from entering ruminant feed. Inspection prior to loading is therefore an important checkpoint to verify.

Carryover and contamination of non-medicated feeds or a different medicated feed introduces a risk to the quality and safety of finished product. Inspection of vehicles and declarations of previous loads is imperative to avoid contamination of subsequent batches.

What is Acceptable?

Inspection of vehicles shall be considered an important checkpoint and used in conjunction with *Transport Driver Declaration* and/or *Delivery Notes*. Both documents shall be prepared as described in Fact Sheet 9.1.1. Operators may flag delivery vehicles that have prior loads of RAM and medicated feeds to ensure they contain no feed residues.

Inspection Checklist

Cleaning and inspection requirements should be included in your transport contracts and operators shall ensure training of these requirements is provided to both personnel and transport companies. An inspection checklist may be created that includes, but not limited to:

- 1. Compartment cleanliness: check for no visible feed residues.
- 2. Compartment integrity: check for leaks or cracks between compartments that can result in unintended mixing.
- 3. Inspect tarps and coverings: ensure they are adequate to protect feed during transport.
- 4. Inspect cleaning logs/records: has an appropriate cleaning method been conducted?
- 5. Truck floors and walls: inspect for cracks or crevices where feed residues may accumulate.
- 6. General inspection: Odour, driver hygiene.

Request Transport Driver Declaration

- 1. Contents of feed shall be documented.
 - a. Quantity of bulk or bagged product.
 - b. Type/Formula/Name.
- 2. Feed Movement.
 - a. Order of delivery must be clearly identified and documented.
 - b. Names of site owners.
- 3. Incidents during transportation.
- 4. Cleaning, flushing, or sequencing must be documented.



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Checking of Delivery Note

Delivery notes shall be prepared prior to load leaving the mill and approved by mill manager. Minimum level of information captured:

Table 1. Example Delivery note provided to recipient.

Delivery Note	·		
Date			
Time			
Site Name			
Bulk Finished Product / out-			
loading bin ID			
Net weight loaded			
Truck Compartment No.			
Previous Load Location			
Previous Load			
(Name/formula)			
RAM	Yes	☐ No	
Medicated Feeds	Yes	☐ No	
Clean/Flush/Sequence	c	□ F	S
Loadout Personnel Sign off			

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