CHECKLIST HIGHLIGHTING CHANGES IN NEW DAIRY STANDARDS (October 2017)

Code	DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES (DP)	YES	NO	N/A
DP.a.2	Do you have a farm map in place? Does it include: all buildings all fields, including area (hectares/ acres) watercourses, including ditches and ponds boreholes, springs and wells, including any on neighbouring land, within 50m of the boundary any areas of high pollution risk bait point locations 			
DP.c.1	Where two or more antibiotic failures are reported in a rolling 12-month period do you notify the prescribing vet? Is the vet involved in the investigation, review of medicine use and do they make recommendations to prevent the issue from happening again? Is the vet review recorded in the complaints record?			

Code	VERMIN CONTROL (VC)	YES	NO	N/A
VC.a Key	Have you ensured that vermin entry points are minimised? Have you ensured there is no build-up of weeds close to farm structures (e.g. feed storage areas) that might harbor vermin?			
VC.b	Is bait used responsibly? - has a written site survey and environmental risk assessment been undertaken prior to treatment with bait? - have you considered non-chemical controls prior to treatment with bait? - if you have 5 or more employees, has a documented COSHH assessment been carried out? Are dead/ dying rodents removed and disposed of?			
VC.b.1	Do you ensure that permanent baiting is not routinely undertaken, with baits only sited where evidence shows they are being continuously effective? At the end of treatments, are baits removed and disposed of in line with manufacturers' instructions?			

Code	MILK PRODUCTION (MP)	YES	NO	N/A
MP.o	Do you ensure that cleaning chemicals which are used in the milk production area do not contain quaternary ammonium compounds (QACs)? Is this stated on the chemical data sheet or in a warranty received form the supplier?			

Code	HOUSING, SHELTER AND HANDLING FACILITIES (HF)	YES	NO	N/A
HF.a	Is housing secure to prevent animals from straying or escaping?			
HF.f.1	Are you aware year-round tethering is not permitted? Are routinely tethered cattle untethered prior to calving? They may be tethered during calving if intervention is necessary Are halters/ collars/ head chains non-tightening and made of non-abrasive materials?			
HF.l	Are there controls in place to minimise overgrazing?			

Code	FEED AND WATER (FW)	YES	NO	N/A
FW.a.1	Is there a documented system in place to ensure that sufficient colostrum (from the dam/ alternative source) is received as soon as possible after birth, but within six hours of birth? Is this Colostrum Policy recorded in the health plan?			
FW.a.1.1	As recommended do you endeavour that colostrum is received within two hours of birth?			
FW.a.1.2	As recommended are calves given 10% of their body weight, or three litres, as a first feed?			
FW.c	Do you ensure that water troughs are kept clean?			
FW.d	Are you aware that materials produced in anaerobic digesters are prohibited for use as animal feed? Do you keep injurious weeds (e.g. ragwort) that animals have access to under control?			
FW.k	Is all feeding equipment and lorries/ trailers/ feed boxes/ buckets which are used for transporting feed maintained in a clean condition and suitable for purpose?			
FW.m	Do you ensure that silage is stored in a manner which minimises the risk of contamination and pollution? Is silage is made and stored at least 10m from watercourses and at least 50m from springs, wells and boreholes? Do silos have an effluent collection system? Do you ensure that effluent from baled silage does not leak into water sources? Is field silage effluent contained?			

Code	ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE (AH)	YES	NO	N/A
AH.c.1	Is the annual herd health and performance review undertaken by a vet? Does it: • look at records and data, including the health plan? • inspect livestock? • consider industry initiatives such as BVD Free England and Action Johne's? • identify key issues and made recommendations to improve identified issues?			
AH.d	Are lame cows identified, treated and managed in accordance with the herd health plan?			

Code	ARTIFICIALLY REARED YOUNGSTOCK (CALVES AND LAMBS) (CR)	YES	NO	N/A
CR.b	Are pre-weaned youngstock given dry, fresh, clean feed and forage daily? Do youngstock receive a sufficient and wholesome diet post weaning?			
CR.b.1	As recommended, is milk (excluding colostrum) which is from cows that are under the statutory withdrawal period for antibiotics not fed to youngstock?			
CR.b.2	As recommended, is the quality of colostrum tested in accordance with AHDB Dairy guidance?			

Code	BIOSECURITY AND DISEASE CONTROL (BI)	YES	NO	N/A
BI.a	Is a documented Farm Biosecurity Policy in place? Does it cover risks from: • incoming stock (bought-in and livestock that have been on grass-keep etc.) • disease transmission from animal to animal within the holding • equipment • vehicles • farm visitors Is the plan relevant to the farm and updated as and when changes occur and does it form part of the health plan? Is disinfectant and cleaning equipment for use on boots, clothing, vehicles, equipment and facilities available for use by staff and visitors?			

Code	ANIMAL MEDICINES AND HUSBANDRY PROCEDURES (AM)	YES	NO	N/A
AM.a.1	As recommended, are the Highest Priority Critically Important Antibiotics (HP-CIAs) only used as a last resort under veterinary direction? HP-CIAs are defined by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) as 3 rd and 4 th generation cephalosporins, flurorquinolones and colistin			
AM.a.2	Do you ensure that udder and hoof care products do not contain quaternary ammonium compounds (QACs)? Do you have a chemical data sheet or warranty declaration from the supplier confirming this?			
AM.b.1	As recommended, has at least one member of staff who is responsible for administering medicines undertaken training and do they hold a certificate of competence? Examples of training courses are: MIlkSure, City & Guilds, veterinary-run training courses			
AM.f	Is the length of withdrawal period recorded in your medicine administration records?			
AM.f.1	Do medicine records contain an annual collation of total antibiotic used on the unit? Are antibiotics collated by product name? Is the collation completed either by the vet from prescription data or by yourself from medicine records?			
AM.f.2	Is an annual review of antibiotics used undertaken by your vet? Does this review: • include a review of medicines and antibiotic purchase and use, including the collation? • include discussion on the use of HP-CIAs? • include a review on any antibiotic failures? • include recommendations for responsible reduction of antibiotic use, particularly in relation to HP-CIAs? • Review overall use of dry cow therapy and protocols and, where appropriate, make recommendations for selective antibiotic use?			
AM.g	Where farm to farm sales occur are animals which are under statutory withdrawal periods accompanied by a withdrawal period declaration?			
AM.i	Are you aware that dewlap tags are not permitted?			

Code	FALLEN STOCK (FS)	YES	NO	N/A
FS.b	Are carcases stored for collection in a manner that does not threaten the biosecurity of the farm, out of public view, in containers or covered?			

Code	RESPONSIBLE USE OF AGROCHEMICALS (AG)	YES	NO	N/A
AG.a Key	Are inorganic fertilisers stored on hard, dry surfaces and not with any flammable materials?			
AG.c	Do you ensure that sheep dip does not run into surface water, drains, ditches or watercourses, or soak into land (unless authorised)?			
AG.c.1	Are manufacturer's instructions followed at all times when handling and filling, application and disposal of agrochemicals?			

Code	NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT (NM)	YES	NO	N/A
NM.b	Is organic fertiliser stored in a manner that minuses the risk of contamination and pollution? • Are slurry storage tanks, effluent tanks, channels and reception pits sited at least 10m from a watercourse? • Are slurry tanks, reception pits, pipes and channels impermeable? • Do slurry tanks and lagoons have at least 4 months capacity in non-NVZ areas and at least 5 months capacity in NVZ areas? • Do slurry stores with drainage outlets have two separate valves that shut off the flow of slurry and are these valves locked when not in use? • Are slurry pits/ lagoons fenced for animal safety? • Are muck heaps at least 10m from a watercourse and 50m from a well, spring or borehole? • Do you ensure that muck-heap effluent run-off does not enter a watercourse, either directly or through and drains, roads, tracks or other pathways?			
NM.c.1	Do you ensure that fertilisers are not applied where fields are waterlogged, flooded, snow covered or frozen for more than 12 hours in the previous 24?			
NM.c.2	Is fertiliser application equipment maintained? Is it checked at least annually to ensure accurate application?			