

Visitor and Contractor - Biosecurity Procedure

Effective controls on the entry of visitors, contractors, and equipment are essential to reduce the risk of introducing disease onto poultry farms. All poultry operations must maintain robust systems to manage people's movements and protect flock health.

Relevant Associated Requirements *[delete as appropriate]*

- **Code of Welfare: Meat Chickens 2018** - Example Indicators for Minimum Standard No. 4 - Housing and Equipment: "Access to the premises is controlled and visitor access is recorded."
- **Code of Welfare: Layer Hens 2018** - Example Indicators for Minimum Standard No. 4 - Housing and Equipment Design and Maintenance: "Provisions are in place to control personnel accessing the premises."

Biosecurity Objectives:

- **Limit and control access** to all poultry production areas.
- **Minimise the risk of introducing or spreading disease or contaminants** through people's movements.
- **Prevent the introduction of disease agents or contaminants** into sheds, ranges, or bird environments.

Activity	Farm Procedure
1. Controlled Entry Points Describe how your farm ensures that all visitors and contractors enter production areas only through designated access points. Include details such as: • Clear signage • Gate controls (locks, access codes, automated gates) • Perimeter or boundary fencing	
2. Visitor Stand-Down Requirements Document your farm's stand-down expectations before any visitor may enter poultry areas. Minimum requirements: • Visitors must not keep poultry, caged birds, or pigs at home. • Visitors returning from overseas must wait seven days before entering a poultry farm.	
3. Visitor Induction Procedures Outline the induction steps required for all visitors or contractors entering poultry production areas. Include: • Sign-in process • Stand-down and biosecurity declaration • Handwashing and hygiene requirements • Clothing and footwear requirements (e.g., farm-provided PPE) • Order of shed or batch visits to prevent cross-contamination	