

## Cross-Compliance Checklist 2007 – Update

This Checklist provides an update to the Cross-Compliance Checklist issued in 2006 and should be read in conjunction with the earlier document.

This updates the information set out in the 2006 document in respect of Statutory Management Requirement 5, Protection of Water against Nitrate Pollution (SMR 5) and also supplies a quick guide to the new animal welfare Statutory Management Requirements (SMRs 17,18 and 19) that came into effect for Cross-Compliance purposes from 1 January 2007.

### SMR 5. Protection of Water against Nitrate Pollution

You must follow the measures within the Nitrates Action Programme Regulations. These include not spreading N fertiliser (chemical or organic manures) during specified closed periods, restrictions on the application of N fertiliser, not exceeding the crop requirement for N, not exceeding the N livestock limit across the farm, livestock manure storage requirements, land management and record keeping requirements.

### SMR 17. Minimum Standards for the Protection of Calves

You are required to comply fully with domestic legislation for the welfare of calves kept for farming purposes. You must take all reasonable steps to ensure the welfare of calves you own or keep and you must ensure that calves are not caused any unnecessary pain, suffering, injury or distress. 'Calf means any bovine animal up to six months old'.

### SMR 18. Minimum Standards for the Protection of Pigs

You are required to comply fully with domestic legislation for the welfare of pigs. You must take all reasonable steps to ensure the welfare of pigs you own or keep and you must ensure that pigs are not caused any unnecessary pain, suffering, injury or distress.

### SMR 19. Protection of Animals Kept for Farming Purposes

You are required to comply fully with domestic legislation for the welfare of animals kept for farming purposes. You must take all reasonable steps to ensure the welfare of animals you own or keep and you must ensure that animals kept for farming purposes are not caused any unnecessary pain, suffering, injury or distress.

You should be aware that the Checklists do not provide full details of the Cross-Compliance requirements nor should you rely upon them for assurance that you meet all the Statutory Management Requirements and Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition (GAEC) Measures. For full details you should refer to the Cross-Compliance Verifiable Standards 2005 and 2006 booklet, the Supplement SMR 11 Food and Feed Law, the Cross-Compliance Verifiable Standards 2007 booklet and the Nitrates and Phosphorus Regulations 2007 Summary document.

## Further Information and Contacts

### SMR 5. Protection of Water against Nitrate Pollution

If you require clarification on any of the issues raised please contact:

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For further information on farm animal welfare please contact your local Divisional Veterinary Office.

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