

# Food Safety Procedures

### Use of the Farm Dairy

Products and equipment that are not required for use in the farm dairy should not be stored there. Buildings within 20 metres of the farm dairy are considered part of the farm dairy so must be clean and tidy and only used for the storage of products approved for use in the farm dairy.

### Animal Treatments

Any treatment given to a cow must be recorded, regardless of whether it has a withholding time or not. All dockets from vets must be kept. Treated cows need to be marked, securely separated from the milking herd and milked last.

### Sick / Diseased Cows

Leptospirosis	Non-metabolic diseases
Severe weight loss	Brucellosis
Severe diarrhoea	Salmonellosis
Tuberculosis	Yersiniosis
Severe injury or abscess	

All milk from sick, diseased or severely injured cows must be withheld from supply even if they are not under treatment. All records must be kept.

### Milker Health

Any person suffering from a notifiable disease or any other food safety related illness must have no contact with raw milk or cows producing milk. All records must be kept.

### Teat Washing

Dry dirt will be removed from teats by hand. Wet dirt will be washed off using low pressure water. Teat should be dried after washing.

### Milk Storage and Refrigeration

Ensure chillers and agitators are on. Milk must be cooled to MPI regulations. There must be a temperature gauge in a central location so the tanker driver can easily read it at the time of collection.

### Milk Plant Hygiene

You must complete your Monthly Hygiene Assessment in your Dairy Diary or using the Dairy Diary app.

### Reject Milk Disposal

Milk that is unacceptable for supply and is not being fed to other animals must be disposed of. Refer to the Reject Milk Disposal statement in the Dairy Diary for guidance.

### Security of Milk

You are required to have a system for ensuring milk not intended for supply is secured to avoid accidental collection. Lock and label the vat.

### Brought-In Feeds

Ensure feed dockets are kept for all brought-in feeds including feeds from other properties you farm. Ensure feed is suitable for lactating animals and stored to prevent contamination from the environment.

### Pesticide & Herbicide Use

**Do NOT STORE or FILL within 20 metres of the farm dairy.**

Records must be kept for all blanket herbicide applications. Access by lactating animals is to be prevented until pasture is clear of withholding periods.

### Pest Control

Bait can only be in dairy if in a bait station. Bait must not be laid in the milk storage or milk collection area. Keep dairy surrounds clean & tidy.