



Practical Biosecurity Programs
Standard Biosecurity Protocol (SBP)
SBP 31

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Livestock Market and Show Protocols

1. **Purpose:** To minimize and prevent the transmission of disease to and from livestock markets and shows.
2. **Responsibility:** Farm Manager/Owner/Staff
3. **Frequency:** Whenever taking livestock to livestock markets or shows
4. **Biosecurity Protocols**
 - 4.1 Refer to **SBP 3 Traffic On & Off the Farm** and **SBP 6 Staying Biosecure Away From the Farm Site**.
 - 4.2 Select only healthy livestock to travel to a livestock market or a show. Show animals usually have to meet a level of health standard set out by the livestock show or exhibition.
 - 4.3 Prevent the farm's livestock from having contact and mingling with other livestock at livestock shows.



Picture 31.1, Sangster, 2006

- 4.4 Use the farm's livestock equipment for your livestock at shows and don't share equipment with other farms.
- 4.5 At shows, ensure manure and bedding is removed from individual pens and taken directly, not crossing other stalls, to a manure heap.
- 4.6 At shows, provide individual drinkers (from your farm) for livestock to prevent cross-contamination.
- 4.7 **Bringing new or returning livestock to the farm**
 - 4.7.1 Isolate/quarantine new arrivals and those returning from livestock shows.



Picture 31.2, Mosley, 2011

- 4.7.2 Use separate housing, feeding and pasture/paddock areas for new, or returning animals.
- 4.7.3 Keep isolated for 21 – 30 days which allows time to test for disease through blood or milk culturing
- 4.7.4 For dairy producers, milk isolated cows last.
- 4.7.5 Observe these livestock for any disease and test prior to joining the rest of the herd/flock
- 4.7.6 Prevent manure cross-contamination from isolated area to rest of herd/flock
- 4.7.7 Where possible, do not let isolated livestock share the same confined air space as the rest of the herd/flock
- 4.7.8 Do not use the same isolation/quarantine pen as a maternity pen
- 4.7.9 In a field or paddock situation prevent fence-line contact between new and existing livestock.

5. Biosecurity Deviation Protocols

6. Biosecurity Records