

Farrowing

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Production system:

Farrowing crates

Group system

1. Hunger and thirst

Animal-based indicators

Animal Welfare (Pigs) Code of Welfare 2005

a. Sows

- Vocalisation / noise
- Physical appearance
- Behaviour
- Mobility
- Faeces



Minimum Standard No.1 - Feed

- (a) Feeding frequency
- (b) Feed delivery
- (c) Feed quantity to:
 - (i) maintain good health
 - (ii) meet physiological requirements
 - (iii) avoid metabolic & nutritional disorders
- (d) Daily check of automatic feeding systems
- (e) / (f) Maintenance of body condition score at or above 2.5 / remedial action if lower

OK

not OK

Minimum Standard No.3 - Watering Systems

- (a) Accessibility of palatable water to all pigs
- (b) Pigs on pasture: access to sufficient water
- (c) Daily check of automatic watering systems
- (d) Sufficient supply, with reserves to cope with 24 hour demand
- (e) Alternative arrangements in case of equipment failure
- (f) Appropriate height for size of the delivery system for the animals
- (g) Appropriate water temperature

OK

not OK

b. Piglets

- Vocalisation / noise
- Physical appearance
- Behaviour
- Mobility
- Faeces



Minimum Standard No.2 - New-Born Piglets

- (a) Supply of colostrum or appropriate substitute to all piglets within 24 hours of birth
- (b) Remedial action with respect to piglets if a lactating sow dies or her milk supply fails

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2. Interaction with the physical environment

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<p>Comments:</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>Minimum Standard No.4 - Buildings and Maintenance</p> <p>(a) Light of at least 20 lux in all buildings for at least nine hours daily. (b) All pig sheds must have at least 20 lux for inspection of animals. (c) Sharp projections and edges including damaged flooring likely to cause injury to pigs must be removed or covered. (d) Pen fittings must be kept in good working order. (e) Any electrical fittings and attachments to mains voltage must be out of the reach of pigs, or protected from interference by pigs. (f) All mechanical equipment used in pig production must be maintained in good working order. (g) In case of power failure or mechanical breakdown, provision must be made for other means of heating, lighting and ventilation, and for the feeding and watering of stock. (h) In case of power failure or mechanical breakdown, an alarm with a back-up battery system must be installed to warn of any ventilation system breakdown. (i) For deep litter systems, provision must be made to minimise the impact of flooding through water pipes bursting. (j) All pig sheds must contain suitable fire fighting equipment and have a documented fire emergency plan. This also applies to feed milling areas where they are adjacent to pig housing.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; gap: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> OK <input type="checkbox"/> not OK </div> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <p>Minimum Standard No.6 - Temperature</p> <p>(a) Provision of an appropriate ambient temperature range to maintain normal body temperatures of new-born piglets. (b) Heating devices must be securely fixed and protected from interference by the sow and piglets. (c) An airflow, or other measures, that will ensure pigs do not become overheated or cold stressed must be maintained during extremes of weather.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; gap: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Minimum Standard No.7 - Air Quality</p> <p>(a) Ventilation must be sufficient to prevent the build-up of harmful concentrations of gasses such as ammonia and CO₂. (b) If ammonia levels of 25ppm or more are detected within the pig house, immediate and appropriate action must be taken to ensure a return to reduce ammonia levels below 25ppm.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; gap: 10px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> </div> </div>
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2. Interaction with the physical environment (contd.)

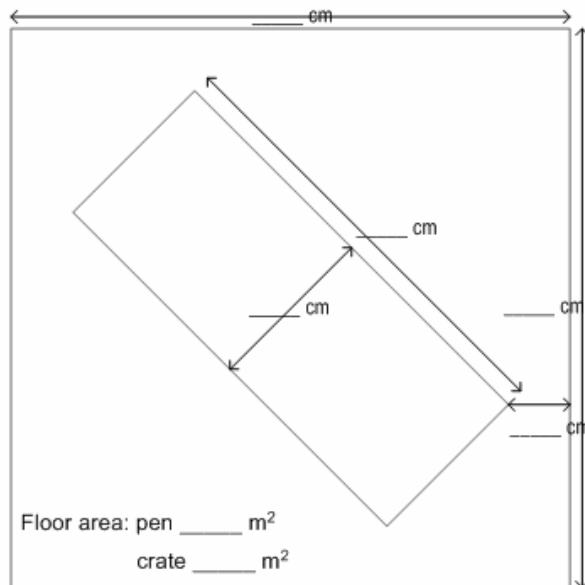
Animal-based indicators

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Recommended pen dimensions:

Measurement (cm)		At 150 kg	At 200 kg
Length	- Lying area	160	185
	- Rump rail	20	20
	- Trough	30	30
Total Length		210	235
Width	- Floor level to 20 cm	80	90
	- 20 cm to 100 cm above floor level	50	50
Bottom Rail	- height from floor	18-22	20-25
	- distance from draught barrier	30	30

Measured pen dimensions:



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Minimum Standard No.9 - Farrowing

- (a) Whatever type of farrowing system is used, it must be of suitable design and size to allow the sow to lie down at full length and without leg restriction. Sows must also be able to rise and stand comfortably.
- (b) If sows are to be confined in farrowing crates, they must be confined for no more than 6 weeks in any one reproductive cycle.
- (c) There must be a space of 300mm width on the narrowest side of the farrowing crate to provide an escape area for the piglets.

OK not OK

If crates are used: plans to reduce duration of confinement / phase out?

yes not yet

Minimum Standard No.5 - Space

- (a) Each pig housed indoors must be provided with the minimum space allowances as specified by the Code.
- (b) A dunging area, as part of a total slab, and/or an open drain, is provided, must be excluded from the total space requirement.
- (c) In hot conditions (over 25°C) steps must be taken to reduce overheating of pigs.

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Minimum Standard No.8 - Outdoors environment

- (a) A warm, dry, adequately ventilated area for sleeping and resting must be provided for all classes of pig.
- (b) Piglets must be provided with a warm dry area which is adequately ventilated and protected from harmful draughts.
- (c) If there is no artificial heating, bedding materials must be available for piglets.
- (d) To prevent heat stroke or sunburn, shelter must be provided from the sun, or a wallow must be provided, or both.
- (e) Effective fencing must be provided to prevent stock from fouling drinking water and gaining access to areas with toxic plants or other hazards.
- (f) Handling facilities must be available to deal with animals undergoing routine procedures or for animals that are sick and requiring treatment.
- (g) Accommodation for lactating sows must be of suitable design and sufficient size to allow the sow to lie down at full length and without leg restriction. The sow must also be able to lie down, rise and stand comfortably without undue risk of injury to her litter.

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3. Health, injury and disease

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4. Sign-off

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