

Module 12 On-Farm Food Safety Programs

Objectives

After you complete this module, you will be able to:

- Describe some of the records required by Canadian Quality Milk Programs and how to use them
- Describe some of the records required by Alberta Beef On-Farm Food Safety Program.

Record keeping is an important part of any management system. The old saying that *We can't manage what we can't measure*, applies.

Canadian Quality Milk (CQM) Program

Examples of the Canadian Quality Milk Programs records related to livestock medicine use are included in Appendix 4. These records, which must be retained for one year, include:

- Standard operating procedures for milking cattle with abnormal milk or treated milk
- Standard operating procedures for treating cattle
- Sample veterinary prescription
- List of medicines and chemicals used in livestock
- Livestock treatment record
- Broken needle record
- Corrective action plans.





More Info

For further details on how to use these documents from CQM, refer to the CQM Reference Manual or contact CQM at: cqm@albertamilk.com

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Alberta Beef On-Farm Food Safety Program (ABOFFSP)

Documents in the national beef on-farm food safety program that relate to the proper use of livestock medicines include the following:

- Processing protocol
- Treatment protocol
- Veterinary prescription
- Drug purchase forms or sales slips
- Drug labels
- Processing records
- Treatment records
- Sanitation plan
- Veterinary feed prescriptions
- Medicated feed purchase orders
- Feed mill truck delivery slips and feed tags
- Ration formulations
- Scales and mixers equipment manuals
- Scale calibration procedures and records
- Mixer efficiency testing procedures and records
- Medicated feed equipment cleaning procedures and records
- Feed delivery records
- Livestock medicated water sanitation plan
- Shipping records
- Training records
- Packer reports of carcass violative drug residues.





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Written protocols should be dated to help keep track of the current protocol, since they may change over time (e.g., vaccination protocol). Livestock medicine use records can be in paper format, such as on a calving calendar, in a notebook, on recipe cards or on a computer program. Records for ABOFFSP should be legible and stored for at least two years.

Summary

You should now have a basic understanding of the record requirements for Alberta Beef On-Farm Food Safety Program and the Canadian Quality Milk Programs.

Examples of some of these forms are provided in Appendix 5.