



Environmental Management System for New Zealand Pork Producers

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Property Title: _____

Owner/Manager: _____

Address: _____

Approved by: _____
(Council officer)

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1. Description of Farm

Type of farm (tick box/es): Farrow to finish
Farrow to weaner
Weaner to pork/bacon

Number of Pigs (tick box)

50-2000 2001 - 2500 2501 - 3000 3001 - 3500
3501 - 4000 4001 - 4500 4501 - 5000 5000+

Accommodation: Type of accommodation _____ Number
Type of accommodation _____ Number
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Types of shed could include farrowing, grower, weaner, or dry sow for example.

Effluent/Manure management system (brief description including collection, storage, processing/treatment, application to land or taken off-farm)

This Environment Management System (EMS) has been implemented on this farm to ensure that all environmental effects relating to farm activities are effectively and efficiently managed. It takes into account the legislative requirements, variability of geography and weather, market forces, and the expectations of the rural community.

Although this EMS has been developed using many of the principles of the ISO 14001 Standard, it is not intended to be eligible for certification and is not applicable for a third party auditing process (other than consultation with relevant local authorities). This EMS encompasses all activities of a pork production operation that has an effect on the environment, including discharges to land, water and air.

2. Environmental Policy

I, _____ (OWNER/MANAGER NAME) _____ will provide the leadership and resources to successfully implement and maintain this EMS. In doing so, it is recognised that the EMS constitutes a commitment to improve the management of the activities on the farm with the goal of achieving environmentally sustainable farming practices in the future. It is recognised that the success of the EMS is dependant on all employees accepting responsibility to ensure compliance with the required management practices at all times.

Signed

_____ Date _____

_____ Date _____

3. Environmental Effects

This EMS has been developed in conjunction with the “Workbook for Identification and Management of Environmental Effects in Pork Production” (hereafter referred to as the ‘Workbook’). The Workbook provides a tool for identifying individual management practices that may need to be improved on as well as giving the producer an opportunity to rank these improvements against the other activities specific to this property.

 (OWNER/MANAGER NAME) has worked through the Workbook and has identified activities that have an impacted on the environment and has identified (ranked) key areas that should be improved upon in the next year. If an activity and/or the management system are changed during the year, the management team will ensure the ranking of the activity (in terms of requiring attention) is amended appropriately. The Objectives/Targets page at the end of each section in the Workbook will be filled out, giving a description of the activities that have been identified as requiring a change in management practices and the management strategies that will be used to enact this change.

4. Legal Responsibilities

 (OWNER/MANAGER NAME) is committed to ensuring compliance with all regulatory requirements that are applicable to the controlling of environmental effects (see appendix in ‘Pork Industry Guide: Minimum Standards for Management of Environmental Effects’ for a list of applicable Acts). This includes all conditions and/or controls as set out in the Resource Management Act (1991) and relating resource consents and local authority plans.

5. Objectives and Targets

(OWNER/MANAGER NAME) will maintain and document environmental objectives and targets for each identified (prioritised) activity as set out in the Workbook (last page in each section). This will be done by developing a programme that includes the appropriate documentation, communication with affected parties, and education of employees.

In setting these objectives and targets, the manager/owner will have regard to the following issues:

1. Impact on the environment
2. Legal requirements
3. Prevention of pollution or any significant impact on the environment
4. Financial and infrastructural viability
5. Requirements of the business
6. Where applicable, the views of other affected parties

6. Training and Competence

(OWNER/MANAGER NAME) has identified the training needs of employees with regard to successfully implementing the EMS. Elements of the training requirements of employees are listed below

1. Areas to be covered in training schedule include:
 - Actual environmental effects of farming activities and how this EMS is designed to mitigate these.
 - Procedures required to fulfil the aims of the EMS as set out in the objectives in the Workbook (also see Toolkit).
 - Consequences (environmental) of failing to complete assigned roles.
2. Following relevant training, the owner/manager will assess the competencies of the employees – based on job performance - to determine the individual responsibilities in ensuring compliance with objectives as set out in this EMS.
3. All employees who undertake activities that impact significantly on the environment will be required to undergo this training.

7. Review

This EMS should be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure that the policies, objectives, management strategies and training are effective and current to the requirements of the farm. This review should also determine the overall effectiveness of the EMS with regard to improving the management of environmental effects.

This review will be carried out by _____
(OWNER/MANAGER NAME) and will include recommendations for further changes to the EMS as necessary. If required, a copy of this review shall be submitted to the local authority.

8. Revision History

Revision Date and number	Revision details