



The National Dairy Council Quality Milk Awards 2009 On-Farm Checklist

Name of entrant: _____

Reviewed by: _____

On behalf of: _____

This checklist is to assist you to select your entry by assessment on the same basis as that which will be used by the judges. Please submit a completed checklist when making your entry. The final allocation of points will be decided by the selected judges

Maximum score 100

1 DAIRY FACILITIES - GENERAL			Total Value: 25 points
1A. HYGIENE AND MAINTENANCE (12 POINTS)		Please consider the following	
-Access and turning, wide cow entrance -Consider overall cleanliness including building - interior and exterior milk cooler - internal and external bulk tank- internal and external condensing unit -Bulk standing area -Access road - cleanliness and surface, particularly first 100m distance from collecting yard/ parlour			Allocated Scores
1B. STRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT (13 POINTS)		Please consider the following	
-Dairy size -H/C water -Drainage -Storage facilities	-Ventilation -Structural condition -Cooling facilities	-Quality of finishes floor/wall/ceiling -Wash-up facilities -Lighting	Allocated Scores
1. SUB-TOTAL SCORE: A+B =			
2 MILKING PARLOUR FACILITIES - GENERAL			Total Value: 25 points
2A. HYGIENE AND MAINTENANCE (13 POINTS)		Please consider the following	
MACHINE -Internal and external hygiene -Conditions of pumps and motors -Conditions of rubberware -General tidiness of parlour	-Machine servicing records -Bulk tank temperature reading	-Cleanliness -Collecting yard and passageways -Floors/walls/ceiling	Allocated Scores
2B. STRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT (12 POINTS)		Please consider the following	
-Size and layout -Quality of finishes floors/walls/ceilings -Structural condition -General tidiness of parlour	-Udder washing/drying facilities -Teat dipping/spraying facilities -Paper towel dispensers in parlour	-Drainage -Lighting -Ventilation -Hose washing facility	Allocated Scores
2. SUB-TOTAL SCORE: A+B=			

3 UDDER CLEANLINESS			Total Value: 25 points		
3A. UDDER HEALTH (13 POINTS)		Please consider the following			
-Udder Confirmation -Condition of teats -Recording of cases/treatment -Treatment Policy -Management of clinical mastitis cases and teat sores	-Identification of cows under treatment -Somatic cell count monitoring programme -Mastitis control/prevention -Policy at drying off	-Facilities in the parlour for recording udder diseases or treatment -Floors/walls/ceiling	Allocated Scores		
3B. UDDER HYGIENE (12 POINTS)		Please consider the following			
-Pre-milking udder/teat preparation	-Pre-milking udder/teat care routine	Allocated Scores			
3. SUB-TOTAL SCORE: A+B+C=					
4 ANIMAL HEALTH			Total Value: 15 points		
-Age profile of herd -Medication Policy -Performance recording -Calving facilities/routine/ breeding plan	-Illness recording -Culling Policy -Treatment recording -Buying in policy -Separation of dairy enterprise from other activities on farm	-Body sores -General awareness of animal health and welfare -Herd stress -Traceability	Allocated Scores		
5 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT			Total Value: 10 points		
DAIRY	PARLOUR:	SILAGE:	YARDS:	HOUSING:	ALSO:
-Wash water disposal -Vermin control -Odour control -Drug Control -Lighting	-Wash water disposal -Vermin control -Urine drug disposal -Dust control -Odour Control -Meal feeding facilities -Lighting	-Effluent control -Covering NOTE: Use of dung to hold down covers is NOT acceptable	-Solid waste control -Run-off water control -Yard - Adequate for size of herd	-Solid waste control -Liquid waste control -Slurry storage facilities -Lighting	-Slurry/solid waste disposal -Condition of clean waterways -Water analysis report

SUMMARY	SUB-TOTALS
1. Allocated score	
2. Allocated score	
3. Allocated score	
4. Allocated score	
5. Allocated score	
TOTAL:	

Nominator's Final Score	
(maximum 100)	
Name (caps)
Signed
Date