

# MANURE MANAGEMENT PLAN



DEVELOPMENT: Erection of a poultry rearing unit including silos and associated works

LOCATION: Lynwood

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This manure management plan has been prepared for J Meddins & Co of Lynwood, Church Stoke, Montgomery, Powys, SY15 6TD.

The farm extends to approximately 500 acres (202 hectares) of owner occupied land and rented land. The farm currently has 350 dairy cows, 1350 ewes. The applicants currently buy in fertiliser to spread on the land together with some poultry manure.

The manure management plan has been prepared for the total stock of 350 dairy cows, 1350 ewes and 38,000 pullets with 3 crop cycles per year.

A buffer of 10m has been provided to all watercourses, and no spreading will be done on this buffer zone. The farm has therefore sufficient capacity to dispose of all manure produced by all enterprises in accordance with all the relevant regulations and legislation.

The total amount of manure (N) that can be applied over the spreadable land on the farm would be 192 hectares  $x = 48,000 \, \text{kg}$  N.

The total produced on the farm is 61,550kg N, with 13,550kg N to be exported off farm to other local farmers and AD plants (Table 1).

Table 1:

Stock Unit	Stock Numbers	Kg N per Stock Unit	<b>Total Kg N Produced</b>
1000 pullets	114	125	14,250
1 dairy cow	350	85	29,750
1 ewe	1350	13	17,550
Total Kg N produced		61,550	

The manure storage and disposal will also need to accord with DEFRA's Code of Good Agricultural Practice for the Protection of Air, Water and Soil.

## **Contingency Plan**

There are a number of covered areas on the farm to allow for storing any manure, slurry and dirty water produced at times when spreading may not be possible e.g. due to wet, waterlogged or frozen conditions in accordance with the Code of Good Agricultural Practice. This is to ensure manures and slurry are spread at appropriate times to prevent pollution and maximise uptake of nutrients for crop growth. Manure will also be exported off site to local AD plants. Measures will be put in place for the storage of wash water during and after disease outbreak.

Any contaminated wash water will be stored in containers separate from other manures, and will be disposed of by a specialist contractor licensed to deal with such wastes.

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#### Table 2

Total Manure Production				
Group	<b>Kg N Produced</b>	No of Animals	Total Kg N	
Dairy cow	85	350	29,750	
Ewes	13	1350	17,550	
Pullets 1000	125	114	14,250	
Total N Produced			61,550 Kg N	
Manure exported			13,550kg N	
Spreadable Area			192 Ha	
Total N/Ha			250kg N/Ha	

Areas on which solid manures and slurry should never be spread are: Ditches and watercourses:

• Within at least 10 metres (11 yards) of either side of any watercourse including ditches and piped ditches. This will avoid direct spreading into the watercourse and also reduce the risk of run-off reaching the watercourse. Do not forget to include watercourses that form the boundary of your farm.

Other non-spreading (red) areas:

- Within at least 50 metres (55 yards) of any spring, well, borehole or reservoir that supplies water for human consumption or farm dairies.
- Very steep slopes where run-off is a high risk throughout the year.
- Any areas where you may not be allowed to spread for reasons such as a tenancy agreement, an abatement notice due to smell, set-aside land, Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs) or Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs).
- The surface is rocky or uneven so that your equipment cannot be used effectively or safely.

### APPLICATION METHODS

Manures will be stored and spread in accordance with the water, soil and air Codes of Good Agricultural Practice.

Manures will be stored in field stores and manure heaps at Lynwood on pasture ground and will be densely packed with an 'A' shaped profile.

- Manure heaps will be well away from water courses, drainage schemes and ditches.
- Manure will be spread under suitable conditions
  - Wind direction will be chosen to be blowing with prevailing direction from the west which will blow any odours away from the closest dwellings.

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- The ground to receive the manure will not be water logged or frozen.
- Spreading will be done at least 10 metres away from any water courses or ditches
- There is a covered concrete pad at Lynwood that can be used for emergency storage when conditions are not suitable to store manure on the fields. This shed has a dirty water system and has an impermeable base the shed used to be used for wintering cattle.

• Manure will be incorporated in the soil within 24 hours of application, where this is possible due to conditions.

Manure will be stored to comply with The Water Resources (Control of Pollution) (Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil) (SSAFO) (Wales) Regulations 2010 Standards.

# MANURE SPREADING PLAN

Manure will be spread according to the annual cropping plan.

Manure will be tested and analysed on a regular basis so that quantities applied will mean that applications will concur with crop requirements as laid out in DEFRA document RB209.







