

**OLD RUSH POULTRY FARM**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

Old Rush Poultry Farm is operated in accordance with the Assured Food Standards (AFS) Red Tractor Farm Assurance Standards for Broilers and has a comprehensive in-house environmental management system (ES) in place that meets the conditions set out in Sector Guidance Note EPR06.09 “How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming” Version 2, January 2010 and in line with the requirements set out in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/302 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017) establishing best available techniques (BAT) conclusions, under directive 2010/75/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council for Intensive Rearing of Poultry and Pigs (**BAT Conclusions**).

The EMS covers all the following areas:-

**Normal Operations:**

Daily records are kept for all activities on the farm including deliveries and collections of livestock, storage and collection, feed and water consumption, deliveries of feed, bedding and fuel, mortalities and collections of deadstock, house temperatures and light levels.

In house environmental parameters and livestock consumption are recorded daily.

Inspections of the houses and equipment are performed daily by farm staff, and any faults or breakdowns are either rectified by themselves or reported to management, who will then call an appropriate contractor to effect repairs. All recording is consistent with the AFS scheme requirements.

The day-to-day activities of the farm in relation to food safety, welfare, hygiene and biosecurity and environmental protection are managed in full accordance with the AFS scheme requirements.

These outline the full range of policies, procedures and records that are required to be in place on the farm to achieve the accredited standard. The directors of Annyalla Chicks (UK) Broilers Limited are committed to the achievement and maintenance of these standards.

Files containing all the relevant policies, procedures, official publications, and records are held in the farm office. These are always available to farm staff and can be viewed on site during visits and audits.

Records are stored at the farm for a minimum of 3 years in relation to these standards.

Copies of the current NSF Red Tractor certificates are displayed in the farm office to verify compliance with these standards.

**Incidents and Abnormal Operations:**

Staff are trained to identify any incidents or abnormalities and to investigate the causes to enable them to rectify the problem and prevent further occurrence. Documented procedures are in place to cover the following situations:-

- **Major Incidents**
- **Fire Emergency**
- **Electrical Failure**
- **Water Supply Failure**
- **Chemical Spillages**
- **Equipment Failure**
- **Site Incursions**

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### **Maintenance programme and recording:**

Comprehensive maintenance is carried out on the farm during periods when the farm is empty between flocks. This covers the fabric of the house, equipment, drainage systems and surrounding areas.

Regular checks of equipment are also carried out throughout the growing periods and maintenance activities carried out as required in accordance with preventative maintenance programmes or response to breakdowns.

Full monitoring and servicing agreements are in place with the alarm monitoring, gas heater inspections.

Details of all farm maintenance activities are set out in the following farm documents:

- Inspection & Maintenance Procedures & Schedules
- Service Agreements
- Maintenance Records
- Non-Routine Events Records
- Equipment Calibration Procedures
- Equipment Calibration Records

### **Ammonia Management:**

In house ammonia emissions levels from livestock are managed through good husbandry and GMP principles.

### **Odour Management:**

Odour levels are monitored and managed in line with the site specific OMP, GMP principles, health & safety at work requirements and in accordance with Assured Food Standards (AFS) Red Tractor Farm Assurance Standards with respect to bird welfare.

Refer to ORPF 07 Odour Management Plan.

### **Noise Management:**

Noise levels are managed and monitored in line with the site specific NMP, GMP principles, Health & Safety at work requirements and in accordance with Assured Food Standards (AFS) Red Tractor Farm Assurance Standards with respect to bird welfare.

Refer to ORPF 08 Noise Management Plan.

### **Dust & Bio-Aerosol Management:**

Dust levels are monitored and managed in line with the site specific DBMP, GMP principles, health and safety at work requirements and in accordance with Assured Food Standards (AFS) Red Tractor Farm Assurance Standards with respect to bird welfare.

Refer to ORPF 09 Dust Management Plan.

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### **Complaints:**

A complaints procedure is in place on the farm, with a recording system to log any complaints along with remedial actions taken, where necessary. A site identification notice is displayed at the site entrance that gives the permit number, the farms emergency phone number and Environment Agency contact numbers and What Three Words location.

### **Accidents:**

The farm has an accident management plan in place. The plan describes possible polluting accidents which could occur and the actions to take in the event of such an accident. Please reference Section 6 “Accident Management Plan”.

### **Flood:**

Procedures are in place to address potential emergencies in the event of a risk of flooding at the site.

Please reference Section 6 “Accident Management Plan”.

### **Staff Training:**

All staff are trained and competent to work on the farm. All staff receive both formal and “On the Job” training from managers and external training providers with records of this being maintained and held at the business offices.

Training on the requirements of Environmental Permitting is provided with particular attention being paid to accident prevention and management. Training certificates can be found in ORPF section 017 Visitors and contractors are made aware of the conditions of the environmental permit against which the site operates.

### **Farm Security:**

All buildings and gates are securely locked out of hours. Staff are trained to be as vigilant as possible for potential intruders and what actions to take in the event of a known or suspected site incursion. The farm manager lives on site for added security.

### **Waste:**

Levels of waste are kept to a minimum and kept under ongoing review to identify opportunities for further elimination or minimisation of waste materials.  
(Reference Sections 14-16 inclusive).

### **Site Closure:**

If the site is to be closed the procedures set out in the **Site Closure Plan (ORPF 010)** will be followed to ensure that the site does not present a risk of environmental pollution following the cessation of the permitted activity. If required, an application will then be made by the operator to the environment agency to surrender the permit. The condition of the site at the point of surrendering the permit will reference the **Site Condition Report (ORPF 010)** as the basis for the agreed condition of the site at surrender.

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