## **Farm Waste Management Policy**

All farm generated waste must be disposed of as identified below.

This protocol is to support and enhance our Whole Farm Approach to managing our business. The identified protocol will give the following benefits:

- Reduces the risk of pollution.
- Compliance to the Code of Good Agriculture practise for the protection of Water, Soil and Air.
- The Environment Agency fully supports the adherence to waste management protocols.
- These procedures provide evidence that effective waste management practises are in place.
- A positive approach to farm waste management will enhance the farms reputation and integrity with both our customers and the general public.

## **Manure Removal**

The removal and safe disposal the manure and slurry is undertaken by contractors and farmers, who names and addresses are kept in the farm office.

Disposal records showing dates, name of recipient and location must be recorded by the general manager.

## **Disposal Methods of Other Waste Materials**

- 1. **General waste** and packaging must be disposed of in the farms waste skip. This skip is supplied by Hump n Dump and will be emptied when full. It is the duty of the farm manager to inform Hump n Dump.
- 2. **Used needles** are to be put in the farm sharps bin and when necessary returned for controlled disposal. Similarly vaccine bottles are to be thoroughly rinsed after use and they then can also be sent back for controlled disposal.
- 3. **All feed spills** anywhere on the farm must be swept up immediately and disposed of in the general farm waste container.
- 4. **Chemical containers** must be thoroughly washed out and then punctured / cut in half; these can then be disposed of with the general waste.
- 5. **Used plastic** such as shavings bags / food bags need to be bagged up and stored tidily ready for delivery for recycling when possible.
- 6. **Dirty water** is to be collected in accordance with the regulations and stored in the correct manor.
- 7. **Light bulbs** tungsten bulbs should be put in the skip and fluorescent bulbs should be returned to our supplier under the conditions of our purchase agreement.
- 8. **Carcases** should be removed from the pens on discovery and placed in the lidded farm bins. These should then be taken and put into containers specifically identified to hold animal carcases. PDM collect once or twice a week depending on the time of year and the mortality rate. It is the duty of the person responsible for taking the stock to tell the farm manager if the bins are nearly full.