

# P.D. Hook

(GROUP) LTD

## Farm Fire Risk Assessment

Farm Name:

PITCHBECK

Address:

COWARDS LANE PITCHBECK LINDS.

Responsible Person:

PAUL FRIEMOND

Name of Assessor:

TONY LINDCOW

Assessment Date:

14/5/2024.

Review Date:

MAY 2025.



## Introduction

The Group's Fire Safety measures are primarily design to reduce the risk of fire happening. However, should a fire occur, the procedures should ensure that anyone on the site is safely evacuated and the Fire Authority is provided with sufficient information to tackle the fire quickly and safely.

Each Farm must have a Fire Risk Assessment completed every three years (or sooner if there is a significant change to the building(s), operation or personnel). The Fire Risk Assessment should be reviewed annually by the Farm Manager. Management must act on the findings of the Fire Risk Assessment / Reviews.

The findings of the Assessment must be communicated to staff as part of a Toolbox Talk on Fire Safety. A record of such discussions should be kept.

An up-to-date copy of the Fire Risk Assessment should be readily available in the Health and Safety File.



# Section 1 – Fire Hazards

## 1.1 Sources of Ignition

Is NFU Mutual's Floor Burner Permit Checklist complied with (and completed) prior to undertaking floor burning?	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is a Hot Work Permit complied with for hot work (including welding, soldering and grinding)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	CHECK LIST & PROCEDURE FOLLOWED WORKS PERMITTED
Is the electrical installation visually in a good, well maintained condition?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PARSED BY ENGINEERING DEPT WHEN REQUIRED
Is the use of extension cables kept to a minimum?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Y3 FIXED WARE STORED AND REMOVED NORMAL STOREY CHECKS ON TUESDAYS ONLY IN OFFICE AREA.
Are all electrical connections (e.g. plugs and sockets) suitable for the working environment?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ALL SUITABLE SOCKETS IN PLACE
Are all electrical cabinets and control panels kept locked and secure?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	RESERVE SOCKETS LOCKED
Are only suitably qualified electrical contractors allowed to undertake work on electrical installations and equipment?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ALL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS & HBS START FULLY BONDED. TO 18TH EDWARD. RECORDS FILED IN WINDERS DRAWING ROOMS BUILD & FILED GUYMIL
Is the electrical system serviced at the end of each crop and a record kept?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	AN P.A.T. TESTING IS UP TO DATE DATE NEXT DUE JULY 2024
Have the portable electrical appliances been tested by a competent person within the past 12 months and the outcome recorded?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TESTS USED & FILED IN OFFICE IN DOCUMENT FOR REGULAR TEST.
Is the stand-by generator tested weekly (under load) and a record kept?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDS HELD AT GUYMIL. P/A OFFICE
Has the stand-by generator been inspected / serviced by a competent engineer in the last 12-months and a record kept?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ALL SPACE HEATERS CHECKED & CLEANED AND TUNED AS NEEDED.
Are space heaters free from dust accumulations and any visual defects?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	THANOS BURNER CHECKS EACH WEEKEND
Are the space heaters serviced (by a competent person) at the end of each crop?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is a suitable shut-off valve provided at each space heater?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	AT HOME & OUTSIDE SHED LOCKED OFF WHEN NOT HEATING RECORDS MAINTAINED.

Are emergency gas shut-off valves available (externally) and clearly indicated at each shed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	EMERGENCY IS PLACE.
Do only Gas Safe qualified engineers allowed to carry out repairs or alterations to gas installations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	HAS CONCERNS 2 APPROVED CONTRACTORS CARRY OUT SPECIFIC TASKS.
Are all vehicles that enter sheds (e.g. Moffett, Bobcat, etc.) serviced and maintained in accordance with manufacturer's guidance?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	ALL VEHICLES SERVED AUTHORITY OF RECORDS KEPT & FILED
Have the gas appliances in any dwelling houses been serviced within the past 12 months and a Landlord's Safety Certificate issued?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	CERTIFICATES ISSUED APPRO CHECKS COMPLETED FILED AT HENDS OFFICE.
Is the site suitably secured to prevent unauthorised access?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	GATES 2 FENCES LOCATED AT SITE BURNABLE.
Is smoking prohibited inside all farm buildings?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	DISCUSSED SIGNIFICANT AREA IN PLACE
Is the external designated "Smoking Area" safely located and provided with suitable facilities for the disposal of smoking materials?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	BARBER WITH SHED AND NEXT ADJACENT FROM FARM BUILDINGS
Is the lighting of open-fires (e.g. bonfires) prohibited on the farm?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO FIRES ON SITE.

Are the existing control measures adequate for ignition sources?  Yes  No

If you have answered no to the above question, complete the section below:

What needs to be done?	Action by	Date due	Signed as completed
1. NO CONCERNS			
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1.2 Sources of Fuel				Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Are all bulk LPG tanks provided with adequate impact protection?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				BARRIERS POSTS INSTALLED AROUND LPG GAS TANKS
Are all bulk LPG tanks provided with adequate signage (e.g. LPG - No Smoking or Naked Flames)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				SIGNAGE ON VESSELS ENOUGH CONTACT NO'S
Is the underground pipework from the LPG tanks made from polyethylene and not metal?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				ALL LIG PIPERWORK IS POLYETHYLENE
Are all flammable substances (liquids or gases) stored safely?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				CHANGING STAGE ON SITE, SPILLTANKS IN PLACE.
Are all waste materials deposited in a suitable waste container (skip) that is positioned a safe distance from farm buildings?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				SKIPS r CONTAIN WASTE BINS ON SITE
Are the waste skip(s) emptied on a regular basis?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				REGULARLY EMPTIED ON THIS FARM.
Are all combustible materials (e.g. shavings) stored safely and kept away from ignition sources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				ALL COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS STORED SAFELY/ AWAY FROM IGNITION SOURCES
Is battery charging undertaken in a well-ventilated area away from ignition sources?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				WOOD CHIP FEL BURNS DETECTED SMART IN BATTERY NO BATTERY CHARGING ON SITE

Are the existing control measures adequate for fuel sources?

Yes  No

If you have answered no to the above question, complete the section below:

What needs to be done?	Action by	Date due	Signed as completed
1. No ISSUES.			
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## Section 2 – Identifying People at Risk

Who might be particularly at risk?	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
People working alone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO Lone working on FARM MINIMUM OF 2 PERSONS ON SITE.
People unfamiliar with the premises	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Contractors, VISITORS, DEWATER PERSONS VISITOR BOARDS & PLANT ON GUTTY. SIGN IN PROCESS
Contractors working on site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	PROCEDURES IN PLACE, SIGN IN BOOK INCIDENT RESPONSE & EMERGENCY CONTACT AIDS
People with poor English language skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO LANGUAGE SKILLS ON SITE.
People with disabilities (including impaired mobility, hearing or vision impairment, learning disabilities)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO DISABLED PERSONS ON SITE OR WITH DISABILITIES
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Are the existing control measures adequate for people at risk?  Yes  No

What needs to be done?

1.	NO ISSUES					
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Action by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date due: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed as completed: \_\_\_\_\_



## Section 3 – Evaluate Fire Safety Arrangements

3.1 Means of Escape	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is escape available in more than one direction from all parts of the building?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	END DOORS OF STAIRS, AND UNDER DOORS OFFICE AREA 1 DOOR
Are escape routes easily identifiable and free from obstruction?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO OBSTRUCTIONS
Are the travel distances within the houses suitable?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Suitable Distances for all ESCAPE DOORS.
Are doors on escape routes easily openable (in the direction of travel)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	All Doors open clockwise and FREE
3.2 Detection and Warning	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Has the detection system (e.g. fire / heat alarms) been serviced by a competent engineer within the last 12-months and a record kept?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	None on site
Is there a documented procedure for providing an audible or visual signal (e.g. verbal warning, bell, flashing lights, etc.)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Verbal warning from warden
3.3 Lighting	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is a stand-by generator (with an auto-start mechanism) available in the event of a power failure?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stand by generator on site tested & working in the house of a road failure
Where an emergency lighting system is installed, has it been tested and serviced by a competent engineer within the last 12-months and a record kept?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO EMERGENCY LIGHTS ON TRAIL
3.4 Signs and Notices	Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is there signage provided in locations where flammable/oxidising materials are stored?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disturbed on Door.
Are escape routes signed with 'running man' pictograms which can be easily seen?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO SIGNAGE AND FLAGS FOR ESCAPE ROUTES
Are fire action notices displayed either on staff notice boards and at front entrance or at every fire alarm call point?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Procedures Disturbed in Huset of Staff & Office Area.

3.5 Fire Fighting Equipment				Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Does the site have an adequate number of suitable fire extinguishers?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					FIRE EXTINGUISHERS NOT OF SPEC, ANSWER'S OFFICE AREA.
Are all fire extinguishers mounted on wall brackets (or in stands) with signage showing the type of extinguisher?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					NOT INSIDE SPEC'S BUT IN OFFICE AREAS
Are all extinguishers service annually and the outcome recorded?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					SIGNED ANNUALLY AND RECORDS FILED IN SITE OFFICE.
Have employees been trained in the use of the fire extinguishers that are provided?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					FIRE WORKERS ON SITE TRAINED FROM EXTINGUISHER COURSE RECORDS
Is the location of the nearest fire hydrant(s) known and detailed on the Farm's Emergency Plan?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					APPROXIMATE IN THE SITE INCIDENT REPORT
Is the location of open water sources (which can be used by the Fire and Rescue Service) detailed on the Farm's Emergency Plan?							
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					NO OPEN WATER SOURCES ON FARM

3.6 Information, Instruction and Training				Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is fire safety induction training provided to new staff and periodic refresher fire safety training provided?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					INDUCTION TRAINING, FIREWORKS COURSE AVAILABLE, EXTINGUISHER TRAINING
Do staff know how to select and use a fire extinguisher?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					TRAINED WORKERS.
Are fire drills carried out and a record kept?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					SYSTEM SIX MONTHS CARRIED OUT OFFICE AND NEWS STORE, RECORDS FILED IN HISTORICAL RECORDS
If the above training has been carried out, has it been recorded?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					RECORDS/CONTACTED IN ORDER AND AT CURRENT

3.7 Emergency Action				Yes	No	N/A	Comments
Is there a designated assembly point, which is suitably signed?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					AT SITE ENTRANCE
Is the assembly point away from the building and away from the entrance road and buildings?							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>					AWAY FROM BUILDINGS.

Are the existing control measures adequate for fire safety arrangements adequate?

Yes  No

If you have answered no to the above question, complete the section below:

What needs to be done?	Action by	Date due	Signed as completed
1. No Issues.			
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