



AMURI IRRIGATION CO

AIC Biosecurity Policy for AIC Staff and Contractors

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Four key principles:

1. **Check before Visit:** Make sure as far as possible that no farm is visited which is infected or under any form of restriction notice;
2. **Stay Clean when On Farm:** When visiting farms as far as possible ensure yourself, vehicle and equipment does not come into contact with any likely disease vector – animals, effluent, yard slurry, faeces or slobber;
3. **Be prepared for any contamination:** Clean off and disinfect if you do come into contact with likely disease vectors; and
4. **Record Visit and Actions:** Record any biosecurity actions taken and the date and times on farm.

Guidelines for Visiting a Farm:

- Require farmers to notify you and AIC of any biosecurity issues that may compromise the visit or any work to be done;
- The staff member / contractor to confirm at the time of the visit any biosecurity issues. Anything identified you are concerned about should be reported immediately to AIC;
- In general, do not enter a farm if it is an infected property or under Notice of Direction (NOD) or a Restricted Place Notice;
- Keep a log or record of farms visited and times and note any clean up or any other any biosecurity actions taken;
- Where possible, contractor vehicles to remain only on main farm tracks i.e. tanker tracks and roads / tracks to milking shed or residence;
- Farm visits should be conducted in farmer's vehicle only. If vehicles need to go 'on-farm' they should be cleaned of soil and any effluent or faeces before leaving the farm;
- No vehicles, staff or contractors should come into direct contact with any animals during the visit;
- Any vehicle that becomes contaminated with significant mud / faeces or animal slobber should be hosed down before leaving farm and wheels / contaminated areas sprayed with disinfectant;
- Staff and contractors to wear rubber boots for farm / shed visit and these to be cleaned and disinfected before leaving farm;
- Staff and contractors to keep in vehicle a tray/bucket, scrubbing brush and / or a small hand-held spray for disinfecting boots; and
- Any disinfectant to be approved for farm biosecurity purposes and made up, used and stored as per label instructions.