

Organic Farmers & Growers

Record Sheet 31 – Husbandry Procedure Approval Application Form

Notes.

Approval must be obtained for certain livestock practices. It has been agreed that the following routine tasks can be approved by OF&G, provided the reason for the practice falls within the specific criteria without any further reference to Defra.

1. Disbudding of calves/goats;
 - a. Non-polled breeds for agronomic and commercial reasons - to avoid injury from the horn itself when mature and injury to other stock during social group challenges;
 - b. Safety for handling - to reduce risk of injury to those working with the animals;
 - c. Safety for general public - when there is public access to areas of the farm where there are livestock;
 - d. Bull calves to be kept for breeding - to avoid injuring to stock when mating;
2. Dehorning of cattle/goats;
 - a. Horn is growing in a circular manner potentially re-penetrating the skull or causing other self-injury;
 - b. Removal of damaged horn which could cause infection or discomfort;
 - c. Introduction of horned animals into new social groups which could lead to injury;
3. Tail docking of lambs;
 - a. Known history of flystrike in the area;
 - b. Prevalence of flystrike in the area (e.g. 7 years out of 10);
 - c. Flystrike has been seen this year;
4. Removing the antlers of deer.

Producer:	Registration Number:
Address:	

Please complete the following:

Relevant enterprise(s):	
Type of procedure(s) for which approval is sought:	
Method(s) used:	
Age of animal(s):	
Type of anaesthetic and/or analgesic used (please state the product name):	
Who undertakes the procedure and what training have they been given:	

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Are these details in your current Animal Health Plan? (please amend your AHP and submit a copy):			
Statement by Producer: I confirm that the above information is correct.	Name:	Date:	

Office Use:

Date Application Received:	
Date Approved by CB:	
Reasons/Conditions for Approval:	
CB Declaration:	<p><i>In our role as this operator's Control Body, we have reviewed this application and agree that the operator has provided sufficient evidence and justification for undertaking the practices set out in this application</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A copy of the Animal Health Plan including the need to use undertake the procedures outlined has been received;</i>

Approved By:		Position:	
Signature:		Date:	