

Significant Aspects of Animal Welfare

General Concerns:

Contact lists;

- Production
- Live haul
- Feed
- Scheduling

Minimal Disease Procedures;

- Shelter
 - Production Unit design
 - Farrow-wean
 - Farrow-feeder
 - Farrow-finish
 - Maintenance issues
 - Unit cleanliness/sanitation
 - Safety
- Food/water
 - Dietary Concerns
 - Feed milling and Manufacturing
 - Feed transportation
 - Feed system maintenance
 - Documentation of feed issues
 - Water quality and availability
- Humane treatment
 - Abuse/Neglect policy
 - Identification of health problems
 - Contacts for veterinary concerns
 - Rodent and pest control
 - Control of loose animals
- Health Needs
 - Veterinary services department
 - Drug use guidelines
 - Warehouse issues
 - Storage conditions
 - Availability
 - Timely use of products
- Euthanasia
 - Recognition of terminal condition
 - Procedures
 - Dead run procedures
 - Point of contact for concerns
 - Disease recognition training

Stage of Production:

Birth;

- Fetal Pig
- Shelter
 - Flow of farrowing
 - Farrowing Room or Area set-up
 - Cleanliness
 - Disinfection
 - Loading procedures
 - Security
 - Alarms
 - Temperature concerns
 - Traffic control
- Food/water
 - Milk from mother
 - Supplimental nutrients
 - Iron
 - Creep feed
 - Water availability
 - Nipple
 - Flow rate
- Humane treatment
 - Recognition of pig comfort
 - Savaging females
 - Sizing litters
 - Surgical procedures
 - Processing
 - Tails
 - Needle teath
 - Iron shots
 - Ear notches
 - Tattoos
 - Castration
 - Rupture repair
 - Handling policy
 - Sorting / culling
 - Care in movements
- Health Needs
 - Detection of health problems
 - Antibiotics
 - Vaccinations
 - Available products
- Euthanasia
 - Policy
 - Disposal of pigs and afterbirth

Sows at Farrowing

- Shelter
 - Size/space requirements
 - Minimum air requirements
- Food/water
 - Quantity
 - Availability
 - Documentation of intake
- Humane treatment
 - Care in movements
 - Recognition of parturition
 - Assisting farrowing
- Health Needs
 - Signs of poor health
 - Treatment protocols
- Euthanasia
 - No-value pig program
 - Policy by type/size
 - Removal/disposal guidelines

Growth and Development;

Weaned Pig

- Shelter
 - Flow of facility
 - Weaning procedure
 - Maintenance requirements
 - Preparation of nursery for occupancy
 - Tear-down and cleaning procedures
 - Wash and disinfect
 - Set-up requirements
 - Temperature/ Air requirements
 - Frequency of changes
 - Pen density
 - Placement plan
 - Observation procedures
 - Emergency check
 - Standard walk-through
 - Bedding down procedures
- Food/water
 - Feed bin management
 - Proper feed type
 - Feeder adjustment

- Water availability
 - Quality
 - Flow rate
 - Drinker availability
 - Number
 - Height
- Starting on feed
- Humane treatment
 - Observation schedule
 - Recognition of pig comfort
 - Surgical procedures
 - Castration
 - Rupture repair
 - Preparation for sales
 - Care in movements
- Health Needs
 - Vaccination protocol
 - Medication and vaccine storage/handling
 - Problem identification
 - Symptoms to treatment
- Euthanasia
 - Policy for this size pig
 - Culling process
 - Disposal of dead

Finishing Pig

- Shelter
 - Flow of facility
 - Placement procedure
 - Traffic pattern
 - No-values
 - Barrows vs gilts
 - Maintenance requirements
 - Preparation of Finisher for occupancy
 - Tear-down and cleaning procedures
 - Wash and disinfect
 - Set-up requirements
 - Temperature/ Air requirements
 - Frequency of changes
 - Accessory ventilation equipment
- Pen density
- Placement plan
- Observation procedures
 - Emergency check
 - Standard walk-through

Bedding down procedures

Food/water

- Feed bin management
- Proper feed type
- Feeder adjustment
- Water availability
 - Quality
 - Flow rate
- Drinker availability
 - Number
 - Height

Starting on feed

Humane treatment

- Observation schedule
- Recognition of pig comfort
- Surgical procedures
 - Castration
 - Rupture repair
- Preparation for sales
- Care in movements

Health Needs

- Recognition of pig health
- Diagnostic needs

Euthanasia

- Policy by age

Breeding Stock

Replacement Animals

Shelter

- Isolation/acclimatization
- Frequency of placements
- Flooring requirements

Food/water

Humane treatment

- Care in movements

Health Needs

- Diagnostic procedures for entry

Euthanasia

Breeding Females

Shelter

Food/water

Humane treatment

Health Needs

Euthanasia

Breeding Males
Shelter
Food/water
Humane treatment
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Euthanasia