

## Cavan County Council - Validation check list for Poultry Units

**In order for your planning application to be deemed as valid, Cavan County Council would require that the following information is submitted in support of any new or existing poultry unit, in order for us to sufficiently assess the planning application.**

Please complete the form below and sign at the bottom to confirm that all of the relevant information has been submitted as per Cavan County Council requirements, **without this information your planning application may be deemed as invalid.**

**Please note:** In accordance with the First Schedule of the EPA Act 1992 an IED licence is required for the intensive rearing of poultry, in an installation where the capacity exceeds 40,000 places.

Installations for intensive rearing of poultry, which would exceed 40,000 places, must also be accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report as per the EIA Directive (as amended) and Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulation 2001 (as amended).

1. Information in relation to the type(s) and numbers of current (if any) and proposed birds to be housed.
2. Detailed plans demonstrating that the poultry house and any associated infrastructure, such as storage tanks, will be sited and constructed in accordance with Department of Agriculture Specification - S150 (Minimum Specification for Laying Hen Houses) and/or Department of Agriculture Specifications - S152 (Minimum Specification for the Upgrading of Poultry Houses) and any other relevant best practice guidance.
3. A location a map detailing any water features, such as; rivers/streams/drains/lakes and potable water supplies within 100m and their distance from the development. (Please note that all developments should be sited in accordance with recommendations within Department of Agriculture Specification S150 and/or S152.)
4. A map detailing all poultry units within a 2 km radius of the proposed development site.
5. A map to a scale of 6 inches to 1 mile (or similar) indicating all habitable buildings within 400 metres of the proposed development.
6. An assessment of the potential noise and odour impacts that may result from the proposed development, during the construction and operation phases. Please also detail what measures are proposed to mitigate against these risks to ensure there is minimum disturbance to noise and odour sensitive locations.
7. Detailed proposals indicating how poultry litter arising from the development will be managed. (Please refer to point A & B below for details.)

**a) If it is proposed to export poultry litter, evidence must be submitted to demonstrate:**

- A legally binding contract between the poultry litter waste producer and the waste recycler.
- A legally binding contract between the poultry litter waste producer and waste transporter.

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**Note:** If the poultry litter/manure waste is not sent to a permitted/licenced facility then an independent environmental audit on the proposed outlet should be submitted. Part of this audit should include the issue of compliance with Environmental legislation.

**b)** If it is proposed to apply to lands the following should be submitted:

- Maps (1:2500 scale) showing the location of the said landspreading areas and all drains, streams, rivers, watercourses and other sources of water supply on the lands or in their vicinity.
- Calculation of the quantity of manure and the amount of nutrients available from manure including any manure or other wastes imported.
- The results of soil fertility tests on proposed spreadlands.
- An assessment of the relationships between manure application rates (including artificial fertiliser), cropping routine, crop nutrient requirements and existing soil nutrient status on all landspreading areas which should also take account of the hydraulic load.
- If it is being applied to rented lands proof of a legally binding agreement must be submitted.

**8.** Details of the approximate volume of soiled water produced, which should include workings of how this volume is derived and the estimated Nitrogen and Phosphorus concentration.

**9.** Proposals should include details on the collection, storage and disposal/recycling of any soiled/wash-waters produced as a result of the proposed development. Spreadland maps should also be submitted to demonstrate where it is proposed to spread wash-waters/soiled waters. (Note: If it is proposed to export the soiled/wash water, we will require the name of the landbank owner, volume of soiled/wash water to be accepted, evidence that the receiving farmer has the capacity and is willing to accept the soiled/wash waters. If it is proposed that the farmer will be landspreading soiled/wash water onto rented lands, please submitted proof of legally binding agreement between parties involved.)

**10.** Details in relation to the feed additives proposed in order to minimise poultry manure and reduce nutrient excretion.

**11.** Details indicating how it is proposed to manage infected carcasses and contaminated poultry litter in the event of disease outbreak at the unit. Please note, these proposals should be in accordance with Dept of Agriculture requirements.

**12.** A report from an independent veterinary surgeon addressing the issue of disease transmission having regard to poultry developments in the area.

**13.** Where there is an existing farm enterprise (such as, a bovine or other farming activity) Cavan County Council's Farm Development Application Form "*Planning Application Form for the construction of Farm Developments for Dairy Facilities, Silage Facilities and for the Housing of Animals*" must be fully completed. This should include details of the

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animal numbers, organic manure and soiled water storage facilities and information in relation to nutrient management.

(Please note, this information should include maps detailing proposed spreadlands for any organic manure/soiled water produced on the farm. In the event the proposed spreadlands are rented then proof of a legally binding contract must be submitted. In the event the organic manure/soiled water is exported then we will require the name of the landbank owner(s), volume of slurry to be accepted, evidence that the receiving farmer has the capacity to accept the slurry and confirmation that the receiving farmer has agreed to accept the slurry.)

Name in Print: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_