



FEMAS Sector Note No. 17 – Non-UK and RoI Participants

These Sector Notes apply to Participants located outside of the United Kingdom **and Republic of Ireland (RoI)** that are producing, processing or **placing on the market** Feed Materials, Feed Additives or Feeds certified under the FEMAS Scheme.

These Notes are not exhaustive and are intended to assist in the application of the corresponding requirements of the FEMAS Standard. They are not to be considered in isolation.

Please note that additional FEMAS Sector Notes may also apply, depending on the Sector and activities of the Participant.

Section 1 of these Sector Notes includes definitions of specific relevance to this sector.

Section 2 of these Sector Notes includes additional sector-specific information to assist Participants in complying with **Requirements, Interpretation, Guidance and Further Information** of the FEMAS Scheme. The FEMAS Scheme Rules provide the following definitions:

Requirement – Sets mandatory standards with which Applicants and Participants must comply to achieve and maintain certification.

Interpretation – Provides specific means for Applicants and Participants to achieve the desired outcome of the preceding Requirement. Applicants and Participants are expected to consider Interpretation and apply as relevant to their business. Failure to follow interpretation, resulting in the desired outcome of the Requirement not being achieved will lead to a non-conformance being raised against the requirement.

Guidance – Non-mandatory suggestions of useful tools and techniques for achieving and maintaining compliance or continuous improvement.

Further information – External sources of useful information, typically including references/ web links to documents or other sources of information.

NOTE: Revisions introduced in this edition of the Sector Notes are highlighted in Blue.

1 Definitions

None	
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2 Non-UK/ RoI Specific Notes

Scheme and Legislative Requirements		
A 1.4.1	Interpretation	<i>Participants should comply with all National, State and local registration and approval requirements relating to business operations generally and feed safety specifically, in the country/ state from which feed products will be supplied.</i>

Communication with the Certification Body		
A 4.3	Interpretation	<i>Participants should promptly advise the Certification Body in the event of being subject to a formal feed or food safety investigation by National, State or local authorities, whenever this may involve or affect products certified under the FEMAS Scheme.</i>

Third Party Contracted Transport		
E 3.1	Requirement	<p>In countries outside of the UK and Republic of Ireland and where no bulk transport is certificated under an assurance scheme recognised by AIC, each haulage company, and the different types of transport they intend to use to carry bulk feed, must be risk assessed by the Participant prior to approval and any necessary controls implemented to ensure that feed safety is maintained.</p> <p>In countries within the EU, where only limited bulk transport is available that is certificated under an assurance scheme recognised by AIC, Participants must seek from the Certification Body a derogation against this requirement for the use of any non-certificated transport. Where a derogation is granted, each non-certificated haulage company, and the different types of transport they intend to use to carry bulk feed, must be risk assessed by the Participant prior to approval and any necessary controls implemented to ensure that feed safety is maintained.</p> <p>All drivers assigned to vehicles carrying bulk feed must be trained in feed safety.</p>

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		<p>All bulk haulage companies approved to carry bulk feed must be included on the approved suppliers list.</p> <p>All bulk haulage companies approved to carry feed must be reviewed at a frequency not exceeding 12 months and whenever a feed safety incident occurs that is related to transport of bulk feed.</p>
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Labelling and Identification		
F3.2	Requirement	Feed products produced from Genetically Modified crops must be labelled in accordance with any Regulatory requirements applicable in the countries where they are placed on the market by the Participant .
F 3.2	Requirement	Labels/ delivery documents must comply with any regulatory requirements of the country of origin and the country where the feed will be placed on the market by the Participant .
F 3.4	Requirement	<p>The FEMAS Standard text against this clause is replaced with the following:</p> <p>Participants must include their national, state or local approval reference (as appropriate) on delivery documents, where this is available and required/ permitted by regulation.</p>

Premises		
G 1.9	Requirement	<p>Washing and toilet facilities must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warm water • Soap suitable for skin contact • Toilet paper • An appropriate number of flushing toilets for the number of people using them • Where females are working, sanitary items and the means to dispose of them hygienically • An appropriate number of showers with hot and cold water, for the number of people using them • The means to dry after washing

Receipt of Bulk Raw Materials/ Feed		
H 2.4	Interpretation	<i>In countries where vehicle trailers are licensed individually, the license plate number may be adequate for identifying bulk trailer loads when trailers are not split into different compartments.</i>

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Despatch of Feed in Bulk Road Transport		
H 15.4	Requirement	The FEMAS Standard text against this clause is replaced with the following: Unless the Participant is located in a country where no assured transport is available or where a derogation has been given by the Certification Body, if the bulk vehicle collecting the feed is not clearly marked with the assurance scheme number, it must not be loaded unless confirmation is received in writing from the customer that it is acceptable to load the unmarked vehicle.

Salmonella Testing		
I 6.2	Interpretation	<i>The procedure should reference the relevant sections of the Defra Salmonella Code and any National, State or local regulations that may apply.</i>



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