

ON-SITE ASSISTANCE FARM VETERINARIAN







MAIN KEY POINTS

- Important for farmers to have a trusted veterinarian for advice them on biosecurity
- The veterinarian advises in case of Government audit, entry of pathogens and routine control.

It is important that all poultry farmers; broilers, turkeys, breeders, laying hens and ducks have a **trusted veterinarian**. In Spain, This professional, as well as advising on animal management, welfare, production rates, health programme (vaccinations, deworming and treatments), and carrying out sampling and preparation of documentation, also **advises on biosecurity**.

Advice from the farm veterinarian on the **correct implementation or use of biosecurity measures** is a good tool to help farmers in particular in the following cases:



Government audit





Entry of pathogens







Routine control



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After detection of non-conformities following a government biosecurity audit. The veterinarian advises on the best way to remedy the non-compliance and in case it is at documentary level, helps in the drafting of these documents. try to explain well to the farmer why the official veterinarian has written this non-compliance if they have not done so much. More than an imposition of the law, it should be an opportunity to prevent pathogenic micro-organisms from entering the farm!



After the entry into the farm of pathogenic micro-organisms of animal health (*Mycoplasma*) and public health (*Salmonella*) importance. The veterinarian studies the possible route of entry and advises the farmer on a series of corrective biosecurity measures to prevent it happening again or spreading to other poultry houses. Always try to explain to the farmer well the reason and justification for corrective actions taken!





During routine control visits to the farm. The veterinarian advises the farmer in case he detects any risk factor that can be mitigated with the implementation of any biosecurity measure. Even if you go to the farm a lot, always try to pay attention to the condition of biosecurity measures on the farm and if you detect any deficiencies, report them to the farmer!

THEORETICAL/PRACTICAL COURSES ON BIOSECURITY FOR FARMERS PODCAST LINK:

For more information:

- NETPOULSAFE project : https://www.netpoulsafe.eu



