

OSHAB Transport Biosecurity - Load and Unload Protocol

Rationale: The requirement when entering a clean trailer is to prevent contamination of the trailer or the pigs being loaded with any germs that could be on the driver's boots, clothing or hands.

Goal: All equipment used to load/unload pigs must be cleaned, disinfected and dried and the driver will use the protocol outlined below to reduce the risk of disease transmission.

TOOLS: CLEAN/DISINFECTED/DRIED

- Loading boards
- Rattles, slappers, prods

TOTE : CLEAN/DISINFECTED/DRIED

- Boots
- Coveralls
- Gloves
- Hat
- Floor mat

OPTIONS:

1. Use a tote with the required mat, clothing and footwear.
2. Enter into the truck through a Danish Entry using farm specific clothing and footwear.
3. Clean clothing and pullover boots that are put on as you enter the truck (ensuring that you do not step into the truck without the pullover boots).

A review of each farms transport risks is strongly recommended because protocols will vary depending on the specific needs of each farm.



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Loading and Unloading Using a Tote

1. Open a clean tote and remove the floor mat. Place the floor mat on the ground to act as a clean area, close enough to the truck to allow easy entry.



2. Remove boots from clean tote, place upright on floor mat.



3. Put on clean coveralls, do not allow coveralls to touch the ground, step into clean boots on the mat. Do not touch clean area without rubber boots and do not allow clean rubber boots to touch the ground.



4. Put on clean gloves and hat from the clean tote.



5. Use the rim or ladder to step up into the trailer. Do not touch the ground or tire.



6. After loading pigs, do step #3 in reverse, without touching the ground. Place the mat and used clothing in the used tote and store to the side or under the bunk so that it is not reused. Clean tote and materials are required at the next barn.

Note: Used gloves and gloves ARE NOT to be worn in the cab of the truck.



- Farm personnel must bring the pigs to the door of the truck and the driver handles them from there.
- Farm personnel must never enter the truck and the driver must never enter the chute or the barn.
- One-way flow of pigs must be ensured.