



# The National Dairy Council & Kerrygold Quality Milk Awards 2017

## On Farm Checklist

Name of entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_

On behalf of: \_\_\_\_\_

This checklist is to assist you to select your entry by assessment on the same basis as that which will be used by the judges. Please submit a completed checklist when making your entry. The final allocation of points will be decided by the selected judges.

Maximum score 120

| 1 DAIRY FACILITIES - GENERAL   |   |   | Total Value: 20 points      |
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| <b>1A. HYGIENE AND MAINTENANCE (10 POINTS)</b>   |   | <b>Please consider the following</b>  |                             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Access and turning, wide cow entrance</li> <li>-Consider overall cleanliness including               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>building - interior and exterior</li> <li>milk cooler - external</li> <li>bulk tank - external</li> <li>condensing unit</li> </ul> </li> <li>-Bulk milk standing area</li> <li>-Access road - cleanliness and surface, particularly first 100m distance from collecting yard/ parlour</li> </ul> |   |   | <b>1A. Allocated Scores</b> |
| <b>1B. STRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT (10 POINTS)</b>   |   | <b>Please consider the following</b>  |                             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Dairy size</li> <li>-H/C water</li> <li>-Drainage</li> <li>-Storage facilities</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Storage of chemicals</li> <li>-Doors to dairy and chemical store</li> <li>-Ventilation</li> <li>-Structural condition</li> <li>-Cooling facilities</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Quality of finishes floor/wall/ceiling</li> <li>-Wash-up facilities</li> <li>-Lighting</li> </ul> | <b>1B. Allocated Scores</b> |
| <b>1. Sub-total Score: A+B =</b>   |   |   |                             |
| 2 MILKING PARLOUR FACILITIES - GENERAL   |   |   | Total Value: 20 points      |
| <b>2A. HYGIENE AND MAINTENANCE (10 POINTS)</b>   |   | <b>Please consider the following</b>  |                             |
| <b>MACHINE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Internal and external hygiene</li> <li>-Conditions of pumps and motors</li> <li>-Conditions of rubberware</li> <li>-General tidiness of parlour</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Milk recording</li> <li>-Machine servicing records</li> <li>-Bulk tank temperature reading</li> </ul>   | Cleanliness of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Collecting yard and passageways</li> <li>-Floors/walls/ceiling</li> </ul>         | <b>2A. Allocated Scores</b> |
| <b>2B. STRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT (10 POINTS)</b>   |   | <b>Please consider the following</b>  |                             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Size and layout</li> <li>-Quality of finishes floors/walls/ceilings</li> <li>-Structural condition</li> <li>-General tidiness of parlour</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Udder washing/drying facilities</li> <li>-Teat dipping/spraying facilities</li> <li>-Paper towel dispensers in parlour</li> </ul>                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Drainage</li> <li>-Lighting</li> <li>-Ventilation</li> <li>-Hose washing facility</li> </ul>      | <b>2B. Allocated Scores</b> |
| <b>2. Sub-total Score: A+B =</b>   |   |   |                             |

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| <b>3 UDDER CLEANLINESS</b> | <b>Total Value: 20 points</b> |
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| <b>3A. UDDER HEALTH (10 POINTS)</b>   |  | <b>Please consider the following</b>   |  |                             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Udder confirmation</li> <li>-Condition of teats</li> <li>-Recording of cases/treatment</li> <li>-Treatment policy</li> <li>-Management of clinical mastitis cases and teat sores</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Identification of cows under treatment</li> <li>-Somatic cell count monitoring programme</li> <li>-Mastitis control/prevention</li> <li>-Policy at drying off</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Facilities in the parlour for recording udder diseases or treatment</li> </ul> |  | <b>3A. Allocated Scores</b> |
| <b>3B. UDDER HYGIENE (10 POINTS)</b>  |  | <b>Please consider the following</b>   |  |                             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Pre-milking udder/teat preparation</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Tails/udder clipped</li> </ul>   |  |  | <b>3B. Allocated Scores</b> |
| <b>3. Sub-total Score: A+B=</b>   |  |  |  |                             |

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| <b>4 DAIRY HERD HEALTH &amp; ANIMAL WELFARE</b> | <b>Total Value: 20 points</b> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Age profile of herd</li> <li>-Illness recording</li> <li>-Medication policy</li> <li>-Treatment recording</li> <li>-Type of dry cow therapy</li> <li>-Use and quantity of lactating mastitis tubes</li> <li>-Use of injectable antibiotics</li> <li>-Lab testing to id germs causing mastitis</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Lab testing to id most appropriate antibiotic</li> <li>-Body sores, feet</li> <li>-Herd stress/body condition score</li> <li>-Have tails been docked?*</li> <li>-Performance recording</li> <li>-Months on grass</li> </ul> <p style="font-size: small; margin-top: 10px;"><i>*Trimming tail hair is permitted, but tail docking is prohibited</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Housing</li> <li>-Breeding plan</li> <li>-Calving facilities</li> <li>-Calving routine</li> <li>-When calves on grass</li> <li>-Age calves dehorned</li> <li>-Buying-in policy</li> <li>-Culling policy</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Traceability</li> <li>-Separation of dairy from other activities on farm</li> <li>-General awareness of animal health &amp; welfare</li> </ul> | <b>4. Allocated Scores</b> |
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| <b>5 SUSTAINABILITY &amp; GENERAL EFFICIENCIES</b> | <b>Total Value: 20 points</b> |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Sustainable Dairy Assurance Scheme</li> <li>-Stocking rate</li> <li>-Months on grass</li> <li>-Concentrates</li> <li>-Grassland management</li> <li>-EBI supported breeding/Herd EBI</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Soil nutrient management</li> <li>-Fertilis er/ slurry</li> <li>-Reduce soil erosion/ field condition monitoring</li> <li>-Participation in Dairy Discussion Group</li> </ul> | Efficiency measures eg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-LED lighting</li> <li>-Water metering</li> <li>-Variable speed drives</li> <li>-Plate cooler</li> <li>-Wind turbines etc</li> <li>-Electrical night/day use</li> <li>-Insulated hot water pipes</li> </ul> | Steps taken to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Conserve use of water (eg meters, rainwater harvesting etc)</li> <li>-Reduce waste, emissions or carbon footprint</li> </ul> | <b>5. Allocated Scores</b> |
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| <b>5 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT</b> | <b>Total Value: 20 points</b> |
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| DAIRY/<br>PARLOUR:   | SILAGE:  | YARDS:  | HOUSING:   | ALSO:   | GENERAL:   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Wash water disposal</li> <li>-Vermin control</li> <li>-Odour control</li> <li>-Storage of drugs</li> <li>-Disposal of drugs</li> <li>-Lighting</li> <li>-Dust control</li> <li>-Meal feeding facilities</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Effluent control</li> <li>-Covering</li> <li>-NOTE: Use of dung to hold down covers is not acceptable</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Solid waste control</li> <li>-Run-off water control</li> <li>-Yard - adequate for size of herd</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Solid waste control</li> <li>-Liquid waste control</li> <li>-Slurry storage facilities</li> <li>-Lighting</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Slurry/solid waste disposal</li> <li>-Condition of clean waterways</li> <li>-Water analysis report</li> <li>-General protection of waterways</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Trees</li> <li>-Hedging planting</li> <li>-Preserve habitats and wildlife</li> <li>-Preserve old buildings</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Preserve marsh or conservation areas</li> <li>-Conservation plan</li> <li>-REPS/AEOS scheme</li> </ul> |
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