**Safe & Well Guidance Notes**

**Principle Safety**
- Slurry Pit Fencing, Gates & Covers are LOCKED IN PLACE to prevent access.
- ENSURE vehicles cannot enter slurry storage areas at Scraping Points.

**People**
- ENSURE protective equipment is worn to prevent ingestion and contact with skin and eyes.
- ENSURE Breathing apparatus is worn to protect against inhaling fumes.
- In an emergency DO NOT enter to rescue someone unless it is safe - call 999.

**Gases**
- ENSURE areas are well ventilated during agitation.
- ENSURE Gas Warning signs are IN PLACE.
- HIGHLY FLAMMABLE - AVOID naked lights / flames.
- BEWARE of gases given off during brown water flushing.

**Fencing**
- Access Gates locked / secured with metal sheet / cladding to render them unclimbable.
- Prevent access - ENSURE child deterrent Fencing SURROUNDS Slurry Pits, Tanks and Lagoons.

**Fencing**
- Spaces for suction pipe SECURED.
- MINIMUM HEIGHT - 1.3 metres with barbed wire OR 2 metres without barbed wire.
- Authorised Access Only signs IN PLACE (child proof).

**Scraping Ramps**
- ENSURE a Fence or sheeted gate is across ramp.
- ENSURE that a secure and suitable Barrier to stop tractor passing over the end ramp is IN PLACE.

**Scraping Ramps**
- Barrier - vertical uprights 150mm x 75mm, horizontal barrier 1/3 height of rear tractor tyre.
- ENSURE Swinging flaps attached to tractor stop rail.

**Below Ground Stores**
- Strong Cover FITTED - able to take animals and vehicles weight.
- No Gaps >75mm between slats / mesh alongside pumps.
- Extraction pipes SECURED.

**Below Ground Stores**
- Authorised Access Only signs IN PLACE.
- Covers - removable sections allow for rescue purposes (600mm sq).
- Sections are heavy, hinged and SECURED.

**Maintenance**
- REGULARLY CHECK integrity of fencing and gates (including the tension).
- ENSURE that there are no gaps allowing child access.

**Maintenance**
- Keep gates LOCKED when NOT IN USE.
- DO NOT stack materials against fence.
- REMOVE access ladders from tanks when NOT IN USE.

**General**
- Take ALL animals outside before mixing slurry.
- Use outside mixing points first.
- ENSURE an adult is outside when you enter building to get help if required.
- If you have to re-enter leave as soon as possible. DO NOT go back in for at least 30 mins.
- Do not stand close to exhaust when tanker is being filled.

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Sources of Information
http://www.hse.gov.uk/agriculture/index.htm
http://www.nfuonline.com/home (for health & safety support select Risk Management Services)
http://dcfarmconnect.co.uk
DCD website: www.dairycrestdirect.co.uk

Key Contacts

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General Questions
1. Have you assessed the risks on your farm?  
2. Have you acted upon the results of your assessment?  
3. Have you briefed your family, workers (including temporary or relief staff) and any contractors?  
4. Have you displayed the Guidance Notes?  
5. All involved in working on this farm, need to sign and date this form to confirm that they have read and understood the GUIDANCE NOTES, as all are responsible for a safe and working environment - as we all depend on each other!

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