

BIOSECURITY GUIDELINES FOR TRADERS

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Biosecurity measures for animal yards and vehicles



1. Clean – Scrape, scrub off, and sweep all surfaces to remove all organic waste regularly. Always wear proper protective gear and discard all waste immediately.



2. Wash – Soak all surfaces with water and detergent; then wash them by spraying, wiping, or scrubbing. Steam and high-pressure washers are good alternatives too.

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3. Disinfect – Ensure disinfectants are applied thoroughly as per their recommended concentration levels and contact time. Use a disinfectant recommended by a veterinarian.



4. Track – Keep an up-to-date record of equipment, vehicle, and holding yard cleaning, and follow it diligently.