

This preparation checklist is provided to help you prepare for the Bord Bia farm inspection and to reduce time required on the day. This is not a complete list of all requirements of the Scheme but only a collection of some of the common areas that require attention. Please read the Producer Standard to become familiar with all the requirements.

Please have the following information available for your inspection (if applicable). These areas will be examined to determine compliance with the Scheme requirements.	Relevant Section of Standard		Tick if ready ✓
	SBLAS <sup>1</sup>	SDAS <sup>1</sup>	
1. Animal remedy <b>prescriptions</b>	3.1.a	3.1.b	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Valid <b>Herd register / Flock Register</b> - (paper / computer or DAFM / agfood.ie)	3.3.a	3.3.b	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Animal <b>movement records</b> - (mart / farm-to-farm / on-line)	3.3.c	3.3.c	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. <b>Passports / Blue cards</b>	3.3.e	3.3.g	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Knackery / dead animal <b>receipts</b>	3.3.b	3.3.h	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Animal remedy <b>purchase records</b> - (Template in Bord Bia Farm Book or equivalent)	3.4.c	3.4.b	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Animal remedy <b>usage records</b> - (Template in Bord Bia Farm Book or equivalent)	3.4.d to 3.4.f	3.4.c to 3.4.f	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Recent feed <b>delivery dockets</b> – (or purchase record in Bord Bia Farm Book)	3.5.f	3.5.f	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. If feeds (hay, straw, silage, forage, cereals, etc.) are purchased & no docket is available, enter the feeds purchased in the <b>Feed purchases record</b> in the Bord Bia Farm Book - (or equivalent)	3.5.g	3.5.g	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Up to date <b>own farm feeds</b> record - (Template in Bord Bia Farm Book or equivalent)	3.5.h	3.5.h	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Up to date <b>animal health plan</b> - (Template in Bord Bia Farm Book or equivalent)	3.9.h	3.8.h	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. <b>Animal mortality &amp; significant health issues record</b> - (Bord Bia Farm Book or equivalent)	3.9.m	3.8.n	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. <b>Sign</b> at entry to farmyard restricting unauthorised personnel and alerting visitors to (1) observe biosecurity measures and (2) the availability of the safety statement (if not immediately available)	3.10.a	3.9.a	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. <b>Footwear</b> disinfectant facilities	3.10.b	3.9.b	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. <b>Farm Safety Risk Assessment</b> or Farm Safety Statement document - (On paper or online)	3.14.a	3.13.a	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. <b>First aid kit</b> readily available	3.14.e	3.13.d	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. <b>Farmyard sketch</b> of bait points - (If bait points used)	3.10.f	3.9.d	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Waste plastic <b>collection receipts</b> from approved collectors - (If required)	3.13.e	3.12.f	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Name of veterinary <b>services providers</b> , veterinary <b>product suppliers</b> , <b>hauliers</b> and any <b>persons applying pesticides</b> - (where applicable)	3.4.b, 3.12.b, 3.15.e	3.8.f, 3.11.b	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. <b>Pesticide usage records</b> - (if any Pesticides used on the farm)	3.15.g	-	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. <b>Dairy Scheme ONLY</b> - Reports from the <b>milk purchaser</b> on milk quality - (recent text messages or statements)	-	3.14.i + 3.14.j	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. <b>Dairy Scheme ONLY</b> - If using private well for water for milking machine washing, the most recent <b>water test results</b> for microbiological levels	-	3.14.f	<input type="checkbox"/>
23. <b>Dairy Scheme ONLY</b> - <b>Milk collection dockets</b> .	-	3.17.e	<input type="checkbox"/>
24. <b>Dairy Scheme ONLY</b> - A signed copy of the <b>dairy health certificate</b> - (unless made available to Bord Bia in advance by your milk purchaser)	-	3.14.a	<input type="checkbox"/>
25. Your <b>email address</b> (where available) & the <b>mobile/email</b> of any <b>nominee</b> that you may wish to help with Bord Bia related activities / communications.			<input type="checkbox"/>

<sup>1</sup> **SBLAS** – Sustainable Beef & Lamb Assurance Scheme. **SDAS** – Sustainable Dairy Assurance Scheme

# Summary of new Sustainable Beef & Lamb Assurance Scheme requirements (SBLAS)

This document outlines **key differences** in the SBLAS standard, when compared to the old Beef and Lamb Quality Assurance Scheme. This is a **guide only** and the SBLAS Producer Standard should be referred for each requirement.

## 3.1 Records

- Provide sustainability survey information

## 3.2 Stockmanship, Capability & Competence

- Familiar with zoonoses
- Cloned animals not permitted

## 3.3 Identification & Traceability

- Separate sheep dispatch dockets for QA & non-QA sheep

## 3.4 Animal Remedies & Related Equipment

- Veterinary service providers & product suppliers identified
- Veterinary instructions adhered to
- Notices issued by the abattoir/DAFM retained
- Inform Bord Bia in event of a positive test result for animal medicine residue

## 3.5 Animal Feed & Water

- Storage tanks for animal drinking water covered

## 3.6 Land Management

- Cattle can only access watercourses at controlled points
- Farm roadways managed to minimise damage to land & pollution
- Fertiliser stored to prevent damage & pollution

## 3.7 Specific Management Tasks: Bovines

- Routine dehorning/tethering/induction/tail docking prohibited
- Disbudding done before 2 weeks or if between 2-4 weeks done under local anaesthetic
- Sire selection policy in place to improve the economic performance
- Where castration is carried out it should be considered if it is suitable based on market requirements & done before the animal is 6 months old

## 3.8 Specific Management Tasks: Ovines

- Where castration is carried out it should be considered if it is suitable based on market requirements & done before the animal is 3 months old when using a burdizzo
- Tail docking carried out in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of life

## 3.9 Animal Health & Welfare

- Comply with BVD regulations
- Where a BVD PI animal is identified, animal is removed from the herd within 5 weeks of test
- Suspected/confirmed PI animals isolated from other animals

- Access to a functional sheep handling facility
- Purchased stock monitored for signs of disease 1 month
- Animal mortality & significant animal health events recorded.

## 3.10 Biosecurity & Pest Control

- Only officially approved pest control products used
- Product labels/data sheets available for each rodenticide
- Measures in place to minimise insect infestation in feed storage & handling facilities.

## 3.11 Housing

- Mechanical, electrical & automated equipment maintained to ensure effective operation

## 3.13 Environment

- Slurry/manure imports recorded
- Burning of plastics prohibited
- Tree felling licences obtained where required

## 3.14 Farm Personnel: Health, Safety & Social Sustainability

- Appropriate PPE for handling hazardous materials.
- Aware when a farm accident must be reported to the HSA
- Plan in place for dealing with emergencies
- Means of fire control

## 3.15 Pesticides (Plant Protection Products and Biocides)

**Note:** This is a new section introduced to reflect the introduction of the Sustainable Use Directive

- Only pesticides registered with DAFM & bearing a current PCS No. or IE-BPA No. used
- Pesticides only used for the purpose for which they have been authorised
- Pesticides handled in accordance with Appendix 15
- Pesticides stored securely in original packaging
- Person(s) applying professional use pesticides registered with DAFM
- Sprayers with a boom width of >3m (& older than 5 years) inspected & certified
- For each pesticide used, a record maintained
- Empty chemical containers triple rinsed, punctured & stored safely pending disposal
- Safe disposal method for rinsate
- Products that have been withdrawn from the market used up within the allowed time period