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## Section 8.1

# Barn Access Zones and Signage

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### REFERENCED IN THIS SECTION:

| Number/<br>Identifier   | Name   | Importance            |
|---|--|-----------------------|
|  <b>STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE</b> |  |                       |
| 8.1   | Restricted Access Zone<br><i>(to be developed by producer)</i> | Highly<br>recommended |

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## SECTION 8.1

# BARN ACCESS ZONES AND SIGNAGE

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Each controlled access zone (CAZ) and restricted access zone (RAZ) should be clearly defined and identified (e.g., with gates, posters or signs).
2. A standard operating procedure (SOP) for access to the restricted access zone should be developed.
3. Roads should be properly maintained and drained.
4. Signage identifying the controlled access zone and restricted access zone should be adequately positioned to guide and control movements.
5. A gate preventing unauthorized access and identifying the entrance for delivery of material and pigs should be placed at the entry to the controlled access zone.
6. Barn doors should be locked at all times.

### RATIONALE

The following good production practices prevent the contamination and propagation of pathogens by people (including family members, farm personnel, essential service providers and domestic and international visitors) and by vehicles, equipment and animals moving onto or within the farm's controlled access zone and restricted access zone:

- a. Have an SOP in place for accessing a restricted access zone.
- b. Maintain access roads for movement around the barn.
- c. Restrict, control and clearly identify access zones.

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### GUIDANCE

It is recommended that the preventive measures below be followed.

#### 1. For Barn Access Zones

- a. Establish a controlled access zone (CAZ) around your building by installing visual indicators at the access points of the recognized zones.
- b. Properly define and identify the CAZ access routes and boundaries (gates, posters, signs, etc.).
- c. Clearly mark restricted access zone (RAZ) and restrict access to it with at least a Danish entry.
- d. Place visitor parking outside the CAZ and place personnel parking in an area that will reduce contamination within buildings.
- e. Have measures in place that include stricter biosecurity precautions and rules in the RAZ than in the CAZ.
- f. Dedicate separate clothing and footwear for use in the RAZ.
- g. Maintain log books for personnel and visitors that include the date and place of the person's last contact with pigs and other animals.
- h. Lock building entrances at all times.
- i. Regularly maintain and drain the roads that access the site.

## 2. Signage

- Provide signage enabling visitors to see where they can park and include a phone number to obtain permission for entry.
- Use signage to indicate the building entrance and to provide instructions on how to enter.
- Identify areas where pigs and materials are to be delivered, as well as areas for documents such as (e.g., a mailbox). Signage should also identify the location of the barn's restricted access.
- Signage should guide visitors or transporters within the zones (e.g., indicating the location of the barn and the delivery entrance). The access road to the farm and barn should be well maintained and drained to prevent water from pooling.

## BIOSECURITY QUESTIONS

| Q#     | Importance         | Biosecurity Questions   | Yes                      | No                       | N/A                      | Comments |
|--------|--------------------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| Q8.1.1 | Highly recommended | Are the access zones and boundaries to the controlled access zone and restricted access zone properly defined and identified (gates, posters, signs, etc.)?                           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Q8.1.2 |                    | Has an SOP been developed for access to the restricted access zone?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Q8.1.3 |                    | Are the roads properly maintained and drained?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Q8.1.4 |                    | Is signage identifying the controlled access zone and restricted access zone adequately positioned to guide and control movements on the farm site?                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Q8.1.5 |                    | Are the presence of a gate and signage at the entry to the controlled access zone preventing unauthorized access and identifying the entrance for the delivery of materials and pigs? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |
| Q8.1.6 |                    | Are barn doors locked at all time?  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |          |

N/A = not applicable; SOP = standard operating procedure

