



Disease prevention in pig farms

INSTRUCTIONS TO FOREIGN EMPLOYEES
WORKING ON FINNISH PIG FARMS

**Animal keepers play a crucial role in disease prevention.
Acquaint yourself with the disease prevention instructions applicable
on the farm and follow the farmspecific disease prevention instructions.**

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Feeding food waste to production animals is forbidden in Finland

- You must not therefore bring your own food onto production animal premises.

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Import of animal- based products (meat, eggs, dairy products, hunting quarry, etc.) from outside the EU is forbidden, even for own use

- Exceptions to the rule can be found on the Evira website www.evira.fi.

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Notify your employer and a veterinarian immediately if you detect pigs showing any signs of disease

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Use disease barriers at all times, and in every situation

- When entering production animal premises always wear protective clothing and footwear provided by the employer, and change these at the border between the 'clean' and the 'dirty' area.
- A separate set of clothing and footwear must be worn outdoors and when on a break.

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Observe good hygiene practices when working

- Wash and disinfect your hands and footwear whenever necessary and ensure clean handling of feed and feeding systems in accordance with the instructions provided by the employer and the Association for Animal Disease Prevention ETT.

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When travelling, remember the following rules:

- Observe the waiting period you have agreed upon with your employer.
- **Follow the 48-hour rule:** if you have had contact with production or hobby animals when travelling abroad, the waiting period before returning to work is 48 h from the last contact with animals.
- Take a sauna after returning from a trip.
- Wash all clothes, and clean and disinfect any footwear worn during the trip.

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