



THE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

NATIONAL AMERICAN FOULBROOD PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN

Policy Document

Policy Number: AFB/22/0/11 - 013

Policy Title: **Audit of an Individual Beekeeper Compliance**

Legislation/Scope: Biosecurity (National American Foulbrood Pest Management Plan 1998) as amended by Biosecurity Law Reform Act 2012 (2012 No 73)

Clause 40 Section 1 (a) parts (i and ii)

Policy Statement: The Management Agency requires that each Audit event will be carried out as a matter of urgency such that:

- The purpose of each event is to,
 - Determine disease status in a given individual beekeeper's apiaries.
 - Determine the compliance status of the beekeeper with respect to the PMP Order, for example.
 - 7 day reporting in writing.
 - Hive destruction within 7 days.
 - ADR compliance.
 - Apiary marking – beekeeper registration number.
- For each Audit, the decisions on site selection will be made through consultation between AsureQuality and the Manager AFB PMP.
- The event will be led, where possible by an Authorised Person (AP1) status.
- Before the Audit:
 - Where possible, the beekeeper will be offered the opportunity to meet with both the Manager AFB PMP and the AP1 coordinator to discuss the audit process and reasons for it.
 - The inspection teams will be chosen by the AP1. Where possible each team should be led by an AP2 dedicated AFB Inspector from outside the region of operation of the beekeeper to be audited.
 - The AP1 and the individual beekeeper will hold a teleconference call to organise the logistics of the audit.
 - The option of a restricted place notice will be given priority.
- During the event:
 - Where possible the inspectors will sign a landowner access document with the landowner as appropriate before entering the property where hives are located.



- Where appropriate the inspection teams may be accompanied by a representative of the beekeeper being audited.
- Inspectors will treat each site with care as per the published guidelines.
- Inspection sheets and other evidence including photographs will be completed in full providing relevant detail on the inspection sheet.
- After the event:
 - Inspection sheets and other evidential documentation as appropriate are returned to the Manager AFB PMP.

Note: As this is a compliance issue rather than a part of the normal random auditing process legal advice is required as the audit might prove expensive especially for a large commercial operation.

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