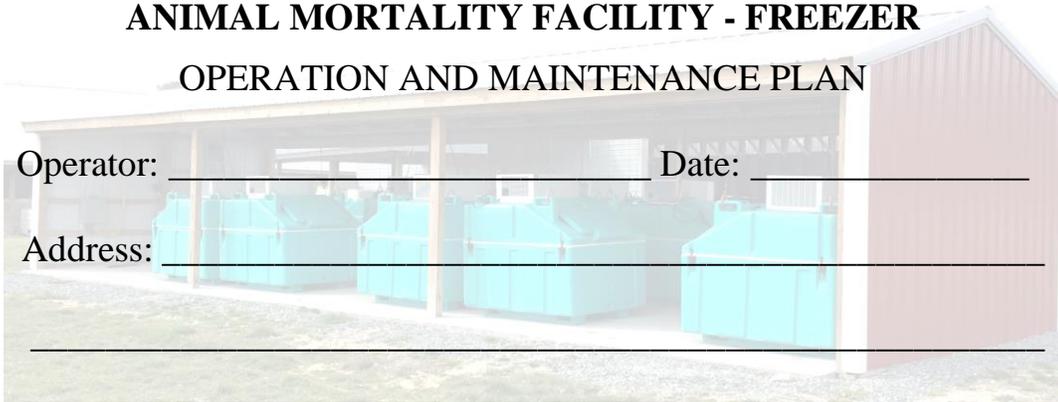


ANIMAL MORTALITY FACILITY - FREEZER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN



A properly operated and maintained animal mortality facility is an asset to your farm. This structure was designed and installed to handle the normal daily mortality from your operation. The practice must be maintained for the life span of the practice which is 15 years. The life of the structure can be assured and usually increased by developing and carrying out a good operation and maintenance program.

This structure will require you to perform periodic maintenance and may also require operational items to maintain satisfactory performance. The following actions shall be carried out to insure that the practice functions as intended throughout its life span.

1. Monitor freezer temperature and maintain within the range recommended by the manufacturer.
2. Inspect air filters at least monthly and replace as needed.
3. Clean fans, coils and other mechanical parts as needed to avoid dust build-up.
4. Inspect cable and winch system weekly to assure that it is functioning properly. Make needed repairs immediately.
5. Turn on additional units as needed during flock growth. As bird size increases, it may be necessary to alternate loading of multiple units so that birds freeze completely.
6. After freezers have been emptied, clean according to manufacturer's recommendations. Dispose of rinsate in a manner that does not create a direct discharge to any watercourse, such as collection or filtering through vegetation.
7. Immediately repair any vehicular or livestock damage to the freezer units or surrounding structure.
8. Repair damaged concrete surfaces.
9. Repair or replace rusted or damaged metal and paint.
10. Repair or replace rotted or damaged wood members on shed.

SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUR INSTALLATION

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE OFFICE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE YOU MIGHT NEED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR YOUR STRUCTURE.

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Landowner Signature: _____ Date: _____

Operator Signature: _____ Date: _____

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