

Biosecurity steps to prevent cross-contamination for sow packers and buying stations (in addition to market plant biosecurity):

1. *Use of dedicated clothing/footwear for packing and/or buying station personnel (hats/gloves and other equipment too)*
to limit the contamination and spread of diseases
 - a. Use of shower in/out when possible
 - b. Hand washing stations and/or hand sanitizer
2. *Limit drivers & passenger entrance to the plants*
 - a. Limit driver and/or passenger entrance to the plant/buying station, whenever possible
 - b. Utilize signage explaining current biosecurity and why now will have exclusion of drivers from key areas
 - c. Potential use an alternative method(s) for bill of lading and/or scale information
3. *Dedication of chutes for incoming and outgoing shipments of animal and different sized chutes (gooseneck vs. semi)*
 - a. Clearly mark chutes for purpose (color code?)
 - b. Use of clean trailers coming in:
 - i. Keep drivers in trailers only
 - ii. Use of totes/additional plastic boots to limit trailer contamination
 - iii. Use of backflow prevention gates to avoid animals going back on trailer esp. after hours
4. *Potential use of transfer stations to avoid direct contact with point of commingling (plant or buying station)*
5. *Development of a clean and dirty line, when possible*
 - a. Use of colored line?
 - b. Physical barrier
 - c. Development of chutes that have a worker-safe way to access trailer
 - d. Worker and driver education for plant-specific requirements
6. *Development of worker/driver education for biosecurity measures*
 - a. Signage for biosecurity and why (to be developed by the Working Group)
 - b. Development of 1-pager for PEDV in general
 - c. Outline of biosecurity measures and why they are in-place
 - d. Biosecurity incorporated into TQA that is consistent with current needs/messaging
 - e. Development of bi-lingual materials
7. *After-hours load-in – drivers have to completely unload and run animals to pens*
 - a. Focus on full decontamination wash of trailer, equipment, cab, box etc.
 - b. Separation of clean/dirty trailers/trucks/equipment etc. when performing decontamination – not just a flush-out wash