

Farm Data Standards

# Health and Safety

Data Dictionary Version 1.1



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# 1 Document Management

## 1.1 Referenced Documents

European Petroleum Survey Group ([EPSG](#)) parameter registry guide - <http://www.iogp.org/pubs/373-07-3.pdf>

D2.9.111.5 INSPIRE<sup>1</sup> - Data Specification on [Human Health and Safety – Technical Guidelines](#)

D2.8.III.9 INSPIRE - [Data Specification on Agricultural and Aquaculture Facilities – Technical Guidelines](#)

[Worksafe NZ - Safer Farms](#)

Safer Farms - [Accident, Incident, or Near Miss report template](#)

Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) – [HSNO<sup>2</sup> Classification Codes](#)

Wolfert, S and Allen, J. Farming for the future: Towards better information-based decision-making and communication. 2011. A Report for the Centre of Excellence in Farm Business Management pp 27.

## 1.2 Related Documents

Related standards documents on the [Farm Data Standards website](#) include:

- Farm Features and Attributes

## 1.3 Latest Revisions

The users of this standard should ensure that their copies of the above-mentioned documents are the latest revisions. The latest version of this Standard will always be published at [www.farmdatastandards.org.nz](http://www.farmdatastandards.org.nz).

## 1.4 Review of Standards

Suggestions for improvement of this document will be welcomed. Submit your comments using the feedback mechanisms at [www.farmdatastandards.org.nz](http://www.farmdatastandards.org.nz).

<sup>1</sup> Infrastructure for Spatial Information in Europe

<sup>2</sup> Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act



## 2 Introduction

### *2.1 Overview*

Pastoral farming is a data rich activity. Most biophysical processes from soil nutrient management to cow performance have both paper based and more organised data bases recording status, productivity and intentions. There are a significant number of tools covering livestock, nutrition and financial management<sup>1</sup>. Most of these require the user to re-enter data from other sources and they overlap in functionality. It is probable that if data had been more accessible their design would have better focussed on the service they undertook to provide. Farmers will benefit from a highly innovative technology sector that delivers applications that are simple to use and access, which source the information they need without impedance and deliver value.

This document is part of a work stream focusing on Data Standards for interchanging health and safety information. Development of this Data Standard began with a workshop of interested parties in February 2016, followed by consultation with a wider group.

### *2.2 Outcome Statement*

Broad adoption of a common vocabulary and data dictionary for exchange of farm information will result in farmers and other industry parties entering data only once and having that data readily accessible for populating multiple decision-making systems. As a result, industry and individual farm businesses will be better placed to undertake systems analysis to inform management practice. More accurate and structured interchange of farm data will also support industry performance objectives and other information system targets.

### *2.3 Scope and Application*

This standard relates to the management of Health and Safety on farm.

The standard addresses:

- Hazards and Risks
- People and Roles
- Events

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<sup>1</sup> Wolfert, S and Allen, J. Farming for the future: Towards better information-based decision-making and communication. 2011. A Report for the Centre of Excellence in Farm Business Management pp 27.



## 2.4 Interpretation

For the purposes of this standard, the word ‘SHALL’ refers to requirements that are essential for compliance with the standard, while the word ‘SHOULD’ refers to practices that are advised or recommended. The term MAY is used to distinguish a permissible or optional practice.

The terms ‘Normative’ and ‘Informative’ have been used in this standard to define the application of the Appendix to which they apply. A ‘Normative’ Appendix is an integral part of a standard while an ‘Informative’ Appendix is only for information and guidance.

## 2.5 Definitions and Abbreviations

For the purposes of this standard, the following definitions shall apply:

Term	Definition
ISO Date	ISO 8601 date format: YYYY-MM-DD
PCBU	Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking
PICA	Person in Charge of Animals
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
HSNO	Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act

## 2.6 Spatial Attributes

Location is a key piece of information for health and safety management. Location points and physical features (e.g. first aid points and fuel storage dumps) can be described by a set of geographic information. **When transferring data about physical features, geographic coordinates and geographic shape SHOULD be interchanged with that data.**

The Farm Features and Attributes Data Standard defines attributes for farm features which have a spatial representation. Some of the attributes described in that Data Standard may be useful in a Health and Safety management context, for example the recording of information about spatial features which may also present as a hazard risk.



Attributes or Fields	Data Types and Notes
Geographic Coordinates	Coordinates representing a location, using latitude and longitude, or a recognised coordinate system identified using the <a href="#">European Petroleum Survey Group (EPSG) parameter registry guide</a> .
Geographic Shape	OGC Web Feature Service URL or string of embedded feature, using a recognised coordinate system identified using the <a href="#">European Petroleum Survey Group (EPSG) parameter registry guide</a> .
Feature Identifier	String: Identifier used to identify the feature
Feature Name	String: Name used to identify the feature
validFrom	ISO Date : Date at which this spatial data object begins
validThrough	ISO Date: Date at which this spatial data object ends

## 2.7 Location Identification

Distinct identification of property locations will be useful in health and safety recording for general reference, and contexts such as the affected locations of a natural event. A number of identifiers are accepted for property identification in New Zealand:

- Ministry of Primary Industry FarmsOnLine identifier;
- NAIT Location identifier (one or more FarmsOnLine identifiers registered with NAIT)
- AgriBase farm\_id (based on a coordinate pair in lat/long, NZTM or NZMG coordinates)
- EPCglobal Serialised Global Location Numbers (as used by the NZ Business Number system); and
- Herd Testing Location identifier using the NZMS1 (1939 to 1975) map grid reference.

The identification of property locations is further defined in the Farm & Model Data Standards, and is therefore not included in the Health and Safety Standard. The Farm & Model Standard includes features, data types and definitions for location data, and so any location data must be shared according to that standard.

For historic reasons it will be necessary to support the interchange of data utilising all of these mechanisms. This standard therefore requires that location identifiers SHALL be prefixed with a URN namespace identifier.

**Acceptable URN namespaces for use in New Zealand location identifiers shall be:**

- **urn:epc:id:sgln** or
- **a nzl:pri: registered location namespace.**

**For specific interchanges agreed between parties, the parties may agree to exchange identifiers within a single namespace only, and dispense with the namespace prefix.**

## 3 Hazard Data Dictionary

### 3.1 Hazard Identification

A Hazard Name SHALL be recorded if the hazard is not already recorded as a Feature with spatial attributes as defined in [Section 2.6](#). If the Hazard already exists as a Feature, then Hazard Name MAY be ignored for that Feature.

Category	Attributes / Codes	Data Types and Notes
Hazard Identification	Feature Identifier	String: Identifier used to identify the feature
	Feature Name	String: Name used to identify the feature
	Hazard Name	String: Name or identifier of the hazard. (NOT required if Feature ID and/or Feature Name are used to identify the Hazard)
	Hazard Type	Enumeration: Activity, AgriBuilding/Installation, Biological, Climatic/Natural, Environmental, Equipment, Hazardous Substance, Vehicle
	Hazard Location	String: Description of location of the hazard (NOT required if geographic coordinates are used to identify the Hazard)
	Hazard Description	String: Describe the hazard
	Hazard From	ISO Date. All Hazards MUST have a Hazard From Date
	Hazard To	ISO Date. Temporal Hazards MAY have a Hazard To date which defines when the feature is no longer deemed to be hazardous.
	Hazardous Period	String: describes a temporal period in which this hazard exists: e.g. it may be seasonal, or exist only at certain times of the day
	Hazard Exposure Consequence	Describes the result of contact with or exposure to the hazard. Enumeration: Minimal, Low, Serious, Very Serious, Catastrophic
	Potential Harm	String: Description of the potential harm the hazard poses and what/whom it may affect, e.g. Burn risk.
Hazard Control	Hazard Management	Enumeration: Eliminate, Minimize
	Training Required	String: Description of the training required for staff / visitors to mitigate risk
	PPE Required	String: Description of the Personal Protection Equipment required to mitigate risk





	Process Control	String: Description of the process to be followed to mitigate risk
	Other Control	String: Description of the controls or actions in place to mitigate risk.

### 3.2 Hazard Types – Additional Attributes

Some hazard types typically have a range of additional attributes beyond those captured in the Hazard Identification (Section 3.1).

Hazard Type	Definition	Attributes / Codes	Data Types and Notes
Hazardous Substances Location	Any hazardous substances within the HSNO classification.	Storage Type	Enumeration: Shed, Tank, Drum, Container, Silo, Bin, Other
		Quantity	Float: Expressed in kg's.
		Class	Enumeration: Class code, e.g. 3.1A. (See <a href="#">EPA HSNO Hazardous Goods Classification codes</a> for complete list).
		Location Test Certificate	String
		Location Test Certificate Date	
		Stationary Container System Test Certificate	String
		Stationary Test Certificate Date	ISO Date
		Person in Charge	String: Person ID
		Approved Handler	String: Person ID
		Approved Handler Job Title	String:
		Approved Handler Contact Details	String:
		Other Environment Hazard	String: Description of other environmental hazard type.
AgriBuilding/Installation	Terms used to describe farm structures and activity facilities by INSPIRE and adopted by the Farm Features and Attributes Data Standard. <a href="#">D2.8.III.9 INSPIRE Data Specification on Agricultural and Aquaculture Facilities – Technical Guidelines</a>	AgriBuilding Type	Refer Appendix C.1 Farm Features and Attributes

## 4 People Data Dictionary

This section allows for people to be assigned specific roles in relation to health and safety, and for events to be linked to people. For example, a Contractor is a visitor to the farm and may also be a ‘person conducting a business or undertaking’ (PCBU) and each role carries a particular responsibility for health and safety on the farm. Those people may be associated with events, for example an induction briefing. **It is recommended that people SHOULD be recorded with a unique identifier to allow for the linking of other relevant data to those people.**

Many of the items in this table are based upon definitions at <http://schema.org>, which is an output of the W3C Semantic Web group, and is used by Google and Microsoft. Alternatives schemas can be found in the work of OASIS/UBL ([www.oasis-open.org](http://www.oasis-open.org) and <http://ubl.xml.org>) and UN/EDIFACT ([www.unece.org/cefact/edifact](http://www.unece.org/cefact/edifact)). INFORMATIVE examples of person attributes can also be found in Appendix A, referencing schema.org/Employee Role attributes.

### 4.1 Person Identification

Feature	Attributes or Fields	Data Types and Notes
Person Identification	Person ID	String: Unique identifier for person or group
	Person Type	Enumeration: Owner, Permanent Staff, Casual Staff, Contractor, Farm Visitor, Recreation Visitor
	Person Roles	Enumeration: First Aid, Safety Rep, Fire Warden, PICA, PCBU
	Honorific Prefix	Enumeration: Miss, Ms, Mr, Sir, Mrs, Dr, Lady, Lord
	Name	String: Full Name
	Given Names	String: Typically the first name(s) of a person
	Family Name	String: Typically the last name of a person
	Telephone	String: An international format or country-specific format telephone number
	Mobile Number	String: An international format or country-specific format mobile telephone number



Feature	Attributes or Fields	Data Types and Notes
	Postal Address	Postal Address specified using <a href="http://schema.org/postalAddress">http://schema.org/postalAddress</a> or as a formatted address string in the local format of the relevant country.
	Work Location	Physical Address specified using <a href="http://schema.org/postalAddress">http://schema.org/postalAddress</a> or as a formatted address string in the local format of the relevant country.

## 4.2 Person Attributes

Feature	Attributes or Fields	Data Types and Notes
Staff Attributes (for Owner, Permanent and Casual Staff)	Farm role	One or more of the roles in this enumeration: Property Owner, Lessee, Sharemilker, Farm Manager, Contract Milker, General Hand, Shepherd, Head Shepherd, Stock Manager, Herd Manager, Operations Manager, Tractor/Machinery Driver, Contact Person, Advisor, Partner, Accountant, First Aid, Safety Rep, Fire Warden, PICA, PCBU
	Staff From	ISO Date. All Staff MUST have a Staff From Date ISO8601 Date Time
	Staff Through	ISO Date. Staff MAY have a Staff Through date which defines the last date on which the person is deemed to be a staff member. ISO8601 Date Time
	Paid	Boolean: Used to distinguish employees from owner-operators/family
	Weeks worked in year	Integer: Used to distinguish seasonal workers
	WorkHours	Integer: Used to distinguish part-time workers
	Visit Reason	String: Description of farm visit reason.
Visitor and Contractor Attributes	Time of Arrival	ISO 8601 Date Time
	Time of Departure	ISO 8601 Date Time
	Number of Visitors	Integer: Used if two or more people visit for the same purpose at the same time
	Organisation Name	String: Organisation Name

## 5 Event Data Dictionary

An Event is used to describe a range of activities associated with the management of health and safety on farm. These events may be linked to people, locations, and features for which information is already recorded and is relevant to the event information. Note that the Notifiable event type is distinct from the Accident, Incident, or Near Miss Event in that the latter is for farm management purposes with no associated legal requirements or definitions. **It is recommended that events SHOULD be recorded with a unique identifier to allow for the linking of events with other relevant farm data.**

### 5.1 Event Identification

Category	Attributes	Data Type and Notes
Event identification	Event Id	String: Unique identifier for the event.
	Event Name	String: Name of the event.
	Event Type	Enumeration: Audit/Review, Environmental, Maintenance, Inspection, Notifiable Event, 'Accident, Incident or Near Miss, Training, Meeting, Report,
	Event Date Time	ISO 8601 Date Time
	Event Location	URN Location Identifier( <a href="#">Section 3.1 Animal Data Standard</a> )
	Event Description	String: Description of the event.

### 5.2 Event Attributes

Event Type	Attributes	Data Type and Notes
Maintenance Event	Feature ID	String: Identifier used to identify the feature. Refer Farm Features and Attributes Data Standard
	Feature Name	String: Name used to identify the feature. Refer Farm Features and Attributes Data Standard
	Asset Name	String: Name of the Asset (NOT required if Feature ID and/or Feature Name are used to identify the Asset)
	Maintenance Due	ISO Date – Maintenance Due Date
	Maintenance Organisation Name	String:



Inspection Event	Inspection Due	ISO Date – Maintenance Due Date
	Inspection Organisation Name	String:
Audit/Review	Review Organisation Name	String:
	Review Person	String: Person ID or Name
	Review Note	String:
Training	Trainee	String: Person ID or Name
	Training Provider	String: Person ID, Person Name or Organisation
	Competent	Boolean: Describes if person is deemed competent in relevant activity after training
	Qualification Awarded	String: Name of Qualification Awarded
Meeting	Attendees	String Person IDs or Names in attendance

### 5.3 Accident, Incident or Near Miss Event

These data fields relate to reports entered by a farmer as part of good health and safety management. They do not represent the information required of a legally Notifiable Event. See the SaferFarms [Accident, Incident, or Near Miss report template](#) for reference.

Feature	Attributes or Fields	Data Types and Notes
Event Details	Person ID	String:
	Person Name	String:
	Person Type	String:
	Time of Accident	ISO 8601 Date Time
	Date Reported	ISO 8601 Date
	Hours at Work	Integer: (Number of hours worked prior to accident / near miss).
	Accident Location	String:
	Accident Severity	Enumeration: Near Miss, No Treatment, First Aid, Medical Treatment, Notifiable Event



Feature	Attributes or Fields	Data Types and Notes
Accident Description	Injury Type	Enumeration: Strain/Sprain, Cut, Head Injury, Fracture/Break, Gradual Process, Bruising, Burns, Poison/Chemical, Multiple Injuries, No Injury
	Trained for Activity	Boolean: Is the person trained for task being performed.
	Vehicle Involved	Boolean
	Vehicle Type	String: Description of vehicle involved in accident.
	Hazard Present	Boolean
	Hazard Type	Enumeration: <a href="#">See Section 3.2</a>
	Medical Needs Assessment	String: Eg Able to continue full duties, Unable to work, Able to do light duties, Help available at home, Assistance required at home, Transport assistance needed.
Preventative Action	Action Required	String: Description of any preventative actions required

## 6 Appendix A – Additional Person Attributes

This is an INFORMATIVE list of person attributes that may be use as referenced from the [schema.org/EmployeeRole](http://schema.org/EmployeeRole) attributes.

Attribute	Data Type and Npotes
baseSalary	Float: The base salary of the job or of an employee in an EmployeeRole.
salaryCurrency	String: The currency (coded using ISO 4217 ) used for the main salary information in this job posting or for this employee.
numberedPosition	Integer: A number associated with a role in an organization.
startDate	ISO Date: The start date and time of the item (in ISO 8601 date format).
endDate	ISO Date: The end date and time of the item (in ISO 8601 date format).

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