

SALSA

Safe and Local Supplier Approval



SALSA plus Beer with BFBI

BFBI has partnered with SALSA to create a dual audit that simplifies the process of gaining SALSA plus Beer Certification and Feed Assurance. Brewers, who are members of BFBI, can have one audit to covers both schemes. The audit, undertaken by a SALSA auditor who has been trained to audit the feed trail, will save both time and money whilst ensuring a robust audit of both beer and feed streams.

As well as the features of the SALSA plus Beer Standard this dual audit provides the brewer with validation of the identification and traceability of their feed materials for recall purposes and assurance within the supply chain.

Breweries in the UK are required to assure the safety of co-products (such as brewer's grains, trub, surplus yeast and surplus beer) that are fed to animals to be used in the human feed chain. They must comply with the requirements of feed legislation and demonstrate adequate controls throughout the supply chain from the selection of raw materials to the marketing of co-products as feed materials.

DEFRA has monitored the co-products market since the Foot and Mouth epidemic and the pig swill feeding ban. Both large and small breweries need to demonstrate their commitment in order to reassure UK Government, the EU Commission as well as the retailers, meat and milk processors, that co-products are an important and safe part of the farm feed regime.

In order to receive final certification as a supplier of animal feed you must complete an audit in order to gain your certificate of compliance. The majority of larger breweries have already subscribed to the Feed Materials Assurance Scheme (FEMAS) and have an annual audit of their coproduction and transport.

The BFBI Feed Assurance Scheme has been established and tailored to assist and support small and micro independent breweries and distillers. The scheme is designed to satisfy the requirement of farm assurance bodies with regards to the safety and quality of supplies of nutritious, wholesome and SAFE moist co-product feed to farms. This Scheme runs alongside the BFBI Code of Practice for moist co-product feeds and AIC FEMAS/UFAS certification. The aim is to protect both animal and human health.

David Clarke, AFS Chief Executive

"The traceability and safety of feed is a vital element of livestock assurance and this BFBI scheme helps us to ensure that this is delivered in cases where a farmer buys in brewers' grains."

Philippa Wiltshire, Strategy and Technical Manager, Assured Food Standards

"The Brewing, Food & Beverage Industry Suppliers Association (BFBI) Feed Assurance scheme offers assurance to maintain the traceability and safety of your animal feed and is supported by the AFS livestock schemes including ABM."