

FarmCheck[®] Animal Well-Being Program at a Glance



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We're committed to the proper treatment of farm animals raised for food. The Tyson *FarmCheck*[®] animal well-being program, launched in October 2012, includes on-site audits of the livestock and poultry farms that supply us, an animal well-being advisory panel, an ongoing research program, and the involvement of an internal management team.

FarmCheck[®] Program Audits

Independent, third-party auditors visit livestock and poultry farms that supply Tyson Foods to check on such things as animal access to food and water, proper human-animal interaction, and worker training. Development of the audits involved experienced veterinarians and animal welfare experts and included measures that built upon current voluntary farm industry programs. The *FarmCheck*[®] Program started conducting audits of independent hog farms that supply the company in 2012. The program expanded to include chicken and cattle farms in 2014. More than 11,000 independent livestock and poultry farmers currently supply Tyson Foods.

Animal Well-Being Advisory Panel

We've established an independent, external panel of experts in animal behavior, health, production, and ethics to advise our company and provide counsel on animal welfare, including research, emerging issues, and best practices.

Animal Well-Being Research Program

The *FarmCheck*[®] Program Advisory Panel evaluates potential animal well-being research programs to find better ways to care for animals raised for food through scientific study. This includes funding research through universities or company-initiated research programs.

Internal Management Structure

Tyson Foods selected a special team of leaders from key areas of the company to oversee the on-farm audit program, our research efforts, and the company's interaction with the external advisory panel.

Our Four Guiding Principles

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Our Program

Care enough to check on the farm, in-person.

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Our Advisory Panel

Be humble enough to seek expert advice.

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Our Research Program

Be curious enough to find better ways.

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Our Internal

Management Teams

Be committed enough to give it our full attention.

