Swine Farm Waste Management Odor Control Checklist

Source	Cause	BMPs to Minimize Odor	Site Specific Practices
Farmstead	 Swine production 	☐ Vegetative or wooded buffers	
		☐ Recommended best management practices	
		☐ Good judgment and common sense	
Animal body surfaces	Dirty manure-covered animals	☐ Dry floors	
Floor surfaces	Wet manure-covered floors	☐ Slotted floors	
		☐ Waterers located over slotted floors	
		☐ Feeders at high end of solid floors	
		☐ Scrape manure buildup from floors	
		☐ Underfloor ventilation for drying	
Manure collection	• Urine	☐ Frequent manure removal by flush, pit recharge,	
pits	Partial microbial	or scrape	
	decomposition	☐ Underfloor ventilation	
Ventilation exhaust	Volatile gases	☐ Fan maintenance	
fans	• Dust	☐ Efficient air movement	
Indoor surfaces	• Dust	☐ Washdown between groups of animals	
		☐ Feed additives	
		☐ Feeder covers	
		☐ Feed delivery downspout extenders to feeder	
		covers	
Flush tanks	 Agitation of recycled lagoon 	☐ Flush tank covers	
	liquid while tanks are filling	☐ Extend fill lines to near bottom of tanks with	
		anti-siphon vents	
Flush alleys	 Agitation during wastewater 	☐ Underfloor flush with underfloor ventilation	
	conveyance		

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Pit recharge points	• Agitation of recycled lagoon liquid while pits are filling	☐ Extend recharge lines to near bottom of pits with anti-siphon vents	
Lift stations	Agitation during sump tank filling and drawdown	☐ Sump tank covers	
Outside drain collection or junction boxes	Agitation during wastewater conveyance	☐ Box covers	
End of drainpipes at lagoon	Agitation during wastewater conveyance	☐ Extend discharge point of pipes underneath lagoon liquid level	
Lagoon surfaces	Volatile gas emissions	☐ Proper lagoon liquid capacity	
	Biological mixing	☐ Correct lagoon startup procedures	
	 Agitation 	☐ Minimum surface area-to-volume ratio	
		☐ Minimum agitation when pumping	
		☐ Mechanical aeration	
		☐ Proven biological additives	
Irrigation sprinkler	High pressure agitation	☐ Irrigate on dry days with little or no wind	
nozzles	Wind drift	☐ Minimum recommended operating pressure	
		☐ Pump intake near lagoon liquid surface	
		☐ Pump from second-stage lagoon	
Storage tank or	Partial microbial	☐ Bottom or midlevel loading	
basin surface	decomposition	☐ Tank covers	
	 Mixing while filling 	☐ Basin surface mats of solids	
	• Agitation when emptying	☐ Proven biological additives or oxidants	

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Settling basin surface	Partial microbial	☐ Extend drainpipe outlets underneath liquid level	
	decomposition	☐ Remove settled solids regularly	
	 Mixing while filling 		
	• Agitation when emptying		
Manure, slurry, or	Agitation when spreading	☐ Soil injection of slurry/sludges	
sludge spreader	 Volatile gas emissions 	☐ Wash residual manure from spreader after use	
outlets		☐ Proven biological additives or oxidants	
Uncovered manure,	Volatile gas emissions while	☐ Soil injection of slurry/sludges	
slurry, or sludge on	drying	☐ Soil incorporation within 48 hours	
field surfaces		☐ Spread in thin uniform layers for rapid drying	
		☐ Proven biological additives or oxidants	
Dead animals	Carcass decomposition	☐ Proper disposition of carcasses	
Dead animal disposal pits	Carcass decomposition	☐ Complete covering of carcasses in burial pits	
		☐ Proper location/construction of disposal pits	
Incinerators	Incomplete combustion	☐ Secondary stack burners	
Standing water around facilities	Improper drainage	☐ Grade and landscape such that water drains away	
	• Microbial decomposition of organic matter	from facilities	
Manure tracked onto public roads from farm access	Poorly maintained access roads	☐ Farm access road maintenance	

Additional Information:	Available From:
Swine Manure Management; .0200 Rule/BMP Packet	NCSU, County Extension Center
Swine Production Farm Potential Odor Sources and Remedies; EBAE Fact Sheet	NCSU—BAE
Swine Production Facility Manure Management: Pit Recharge—Lagoon Treatment; EBAE 128-88	NCSU—BAE
Swine Production Facility Manure Management: Underfloor Flush—Lagoon Treatment; EBAE 129-88	NCSU—BAE
Lagoon Design and Management for Livestock Manure Treatment and Storage; EBAE 103-83	NCSU—BAE
Calibration of Manure and Wastewater Application Equipment; EBAE Fact Sheet	NCSU—BAE
Controlling Odors from Swine Buildings; PIH-33	NCSU—Swine Extension
Environmental Assurance Program; NPPC Manual	N.C. Pork Producers Assoc.
Options for Managing Odor; a report from the Swine Odor Task Force	NCSU Agricultural Communications
Nuisance Concerns in Animal Manure Management: Odors and Flies; PRO107, 1995 Conference Proceedings	Florida Cooperative Extension