



FarmCheck® Animal Welfare Program

We're committed to the proper treatment of farm animals raised for food. The Tyson *FarmCheck*® animal welfare program, launched in October 2012, includes on-site audits of the livestock and poultry farms that supply us, an animal welfare 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. Relying upon science-based best practices and animal welfare outcomes appropriate for each species, on-farm audit standards are based upon recognized industry programs, including:

- National Cattlemen's Beef Association's *Beef Quality Assurance program*
- National Chicken Council's *Broiler & Breeder Welfare Guidelines*
- National Turkey Federation's *Standards of Conduct and Animal Care Guidelines*
- National Pork Board's *Pork Quality Assurance Plus program*

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.

Animal Welfare 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 Welfare Research Program

The *FarmCheck* Program Advisory Panel evaluates potential animal welfare 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.



FarmCheck®

Our Four Guiding Principles

1

Our Program

*Care enough to check on
the farm, in person*

2

Our Advisory Panel

*Humble enough to seek
expert advice*

3

Our Research Program

*Be curious enough to
find better ways.*

4

Our Internal Management Teams

*Be committed enough to
give it our full attention*