

2.3.6. Storage Management

Standard

Is a documented first in first out stock rotation in practice?

FIFO = first in, first out. FEFO = first expired, first out.

Purpose

To ensure that a documented rotation of stocks and stored materials occurs on a first in, first out (FIFO) practice.

Reason

A FIFO stock rotation system, ensures stored raw material and finished product is handled in order of expiry date, manufacture date or arrival to Mill. With appropriate management of stock rotation there is a reduction in the risk of using expired raw material, resulting in poor quality finished product.

What is Acceptable?

A combination of practices will ensure the operator is meeting the requirement of this standard. Clear identification of storage areas (Fact Sheet 2.3.2 & 2.3.3), will ensure the operators are aware of the location of each material or finished product. The storage and labelling of feed additives and medications shall also be kept up to date (Fact Sheet 2.9.1) for appropriate inventory management.

By following a FIFO/FEFO system, the operator will reduce economical loss by reducing loss and maintain the quality of finished products. A documented FIFO system shall consider the following:

1. Reference to operators inventory control (Fact Sheet 6.2.1 & 6.2.2).
2. Weekly or fortnightly inspections to ensure the storage of raw material is appropriately maintained.
 - a. Have operators selected raw material according to expiry date, manufacture, or production date?
3. Where a computer system is used for inventory control, ensure stock control is accurate and reflects actual stock in storage.

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