# BIOSECURITY & COMPARTMENTS TALK FROM A FARMER'S POINT OF VIEW

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## Reasons for Biosecurity and the formation of a Compartment within our farms

- 1) Threat of FMD and what that means exactly
- 2) January Disease
- 3) The usual everyday diseases we deal with as a farmer
- 4) Financial Benefits
- 5) Security Benefits

#### Regulations set out by The Dept of Vet Services

1) Visit attached link for regulations:

https://www.woah.org/fileadmin/Home/eng/Health\_standards/tahc/2018/en\_chapitre\_application\_compartment.htm

2) Contact your local PVO and inform them of your intentions

#### Basic Requirements of a Compartment

- 1) Double Fencing
- 2) Vehicle Bath
- 3) Full control of people Movement
- 4) Strict Record keeping
- 5) Global gap standards

#### Basic Construction and Costings

- 1) Cost of the fencing
- 2) Fencing tips and hidden costs

#### Why go to all these lengths?

- 1) Form of Insurance to help protect the following
  - i. Introduction of New and expensive Genetics
  - ii. The ability to trade at any time, anywhere
  - iii. To ensure animals free from FMD, Infected with JD, CA etc.
- 2) Expand our markets across our borders
- 3) The ability to set up a Feed Test Station
- 4) Enhanced security of your property
- 5) Paddock system of grazing no herding!!

#### Socio-political side of things

- 1) How can your community benefit from you being there
- 2) Give and Take within the community
- 3) Support from your local police
- 4) Support from your local govt vet dept

### CONCLUSION

- 1) Farmers esp. Stud Breeders need to construct their own on-farm quarantine/compartment
- 2)Our new "Beef Producers Society" needs to be proactive in supporting farmers
- 3) Vet Dept need to become proactive in supporting farmers
- 4) Police need to be made aware of the efforts done by farmers and offer full support

## THANK YOU

Any Questions?