

Training Course	Stockman Development Scheme
Session Title	Weaner management
Session Aim	To increase the participants knowledge around establishing the weaner pig.
Duration	4 hours
Learning objectives	<p>To be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify 3 piglet requirements at weaning 2. Describe process for preparing weaner accommodation 3. Explain the importance of getting weaned piglets eating 4. Explain how stress at weaning can be reduced 5. Identify 3 factors affecting weaned pig growth
Resources and equipment	Flip chart, flip chart pens, projector, laptop, projector screen, quiz, practical pig app, bio risk app.

Time	Content	Delivery Method/Resources	LO
1.10	<p>Introduction and welcome</p> <p>Health and Safety notices</p> <p>Timings and breaks</p> <p>Aims of the session</p> <p><i>Learning outcomes</i></p> <p>Introductions - Who are you and where do you work?</p> <p><i>Names on name card</i></p>	<p>Course slide deck</p> <p>Round the table</p>	
1.30	<p>What challenges does the piglet have to overcome?</p> <p>What happens to the piglet at weaning? <i>Cover challenges at weaning with pigs from multiple sources.</i></p> <p>What does the weaned pig require at weaning?</p> <p>How will stress at weaning impact on the weaner?</p> <p>Types of weaner accommodation. What do you use?</p> <p>How do we prepare accommodation correctly for weaners on both indoor and outdoor systems? What is required?</p> <p>Cleaning and disinfecting – The process</p> <p>Grouping weaned pigs, how do we do this and what are the advantages and disadvantages?</p> <p>Feeding the weaned pig – pre and post-weaning</p>	<p>Flip chart and pens</p> <p>Slide deck</p> <p>Round the table and discussio</p> <p>Slide deck</p> <p>Practical pig app video</p> <p>Hum group</p> <p>Slide deck</p>	<p>1</p> <p>2</p>
2.30	<p>What can be done to get piglets eating after weaning?</p> <p>What happens to the gut of the weaned pig during this process?</p> <p>How do we keep piglets healthy post-weaning?</p> <p><i>Split group into 3-4 sub groups</i></p>	<p>Breakout groups</p> <p>Slide deck</p> <p>Group discussions</p>	3
3.15	Break (15 mins)		
3.30	<p>What treatments do piglets get at weaning?</p> <p>What do you do on your farm?</p>	<p>Discussion</p> <p>Round the table</p>	

	<p>What signs of ill health could we see at weaning?</p> <p>How can we minimise stress at weaning?</p> <p>Criteria for moving and handling pigs</p>	<p>Slide deck</p> <p>Hum group</p> <p>Practical pig app video/bio risk app</p>	<p>4</p>
4.00	<p>What should be recorded in the weaner house?</p> <p>What can we monitor in indoor and outdoor systems?</p> <p>What is FCR & ADG?</p> <p>What objectives should we be setting for this stage of production? What's your performance like?</p> <p>How can the following factors affect growth performance at the weaner stage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feeding space • Incorrect diet • Draughts • Temperature/season • Overstocking/understocking • Aggression/mixing • Disease challenge <p><i>20 minutes – 15 to complete and 5 to review as a group</i></p> <p>To summarise – Establishing the weaned pig – Critical points</p>	<p>Slide deck</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Idea generation</p> <p>Practical pig app video</p>	<p>5</p> <p>1,2,3,4,5</p>
4.55	<p>Feedback forms</p> <p>Next session reminder</p>	<p>Feedback forms</p> <p>Slide deck</p>	