

<p>7.6 <input type="checkbox"/> Tick</p>	<p>The use of human sewage sludge and waste abattoir material (with the exception of manure) is not permitted on grassland and forage crops.</p>	<p>This is a specific requirement of NIBL FQAS. Sewage sludge and waste abattoir material may be applied to cultivated land. In these cases the spreading of sewage and septic tank sludge on agricultural land is controlled by the Sludge (Use in Agriculture) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1990 and is enforced by NIEA. This legislation applies only to the application of sewage sludge and septic tank sludge to commercial food crops, including those for stock rearing purposes. Compliance with this legislation is a Cross-Compliance Statutory Management Requirement (SMR 4). More information on the Sludge (Use in Agriculture) Regulations can be obtained from the NIEA Water Management Unit. <i>The inspector will ask you to sign a declaration stating that you do not use these materials in the disallowed way.</i></p>
<p>7.7 Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Tick</p>	<p>Applications of pesticides or agro-chemicals to grazing or forage conservation land must be done in accordance with COGAP in order to prevent pollution and to protect and enhance wildlife habitats. Participants must avoid the over application of pesticides and agro-chemicals. Manufacturers instructions must be followed at all times. After using fertilizers and agro-chemicals any waste, including containers, must be disposed of safely at all times and in accordance with legislation.</p>	<p>It is recommended that all farms have and implement a written Farm Waste Management Plan for non-organic wastes. This should include details of the disposal of agro-chemical waste and empty containers, silage wrap and other plastics, tyres and rubber, and waste fuel oil, and details regarding the disposal of wastes that may be burned in order to show how the risk of atmospheric pollution is minimised. More information on permitted options for storing and disposing of agricultural waste can be found in Section 11 of COGAP. It is recommended that producers participate in agri-environment and habitat management schemes, contact details of which can be found in Appendix A.10. <i>The inspector will check that you have a copy of the COGAP for prevention of pollution of water, air and soil and that it has been signed and dated to indicate that it has been read and understood. The inspector will ask you about your procedures for application of pesticides and agro-chemicals to make sure they are in accordance with COGAP and manufacturers instructions, and about your procedures for disposal of agro-chemical waste and empty containers.</i></p>