



U.S. Mink Farm Audit Procedure

	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Producer Consent for Audit application is received along with the farm Site Plan and Pen Declaration Form			
Scheduling of the audit and notification to producer			
Assessor contacts the producer on the day of the Audit and gains instructions for access onto the farm			
Introductions at farm, farm representative established and review of Audit Procedure			
Producer provide a list of current employees and their job descriptions.			
Assessor reviews mandated Site Plan and Pen Declaration Form along with written protocols and records.			
Cage sampling inspection plan is determined using site plan and cage declaration form. 120 occupied pens, 10 groups of 12 consecutive pens, are randomly selected from a representation of different occupied shed designs on the farm. No distinction needs to be made between sex, age and color types as they are all evaluated the same. The hospital area, if present, is not to be included in the 120 pens selected.			
All pen groups are marked and shed requirements are evaluated and scored.			
Feed prep areas, feed storage areas, back-up water system and euthanasia chamber(s) are evaluated and scored.			
Pens in each group are evaluated and scored.			
Mink in each pen group are evaluated and scored.			
Count mink displaying BCS1, Injury level 2 or 3, Fur Chewing level 2 or 3, calculate percentage.			
Exit interview with producer; including audit score for Critical and Recommended criteria. Identification of any criteria scoring that may need to be forwarded to the technical review committee.			