

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR ENHANCED BIOSECURITY



- Cleaning and disinfection is of the utmost importance in reducing the risk of introducing or spreading disease to your farm.
- Each time a vehicle arrives or returns after being off-farm, the proper practice is to clean & disinfect.
- Incorporating routine cleaning and disinfecting of equipment, machinery, storage facilities, and transportation vehicles can help reduce disease transmission.
- A seed cutter is a common source of contamination for many diseases (IE. Bacterial Ring Rot (BRR), Bacterial Soft Rot, Fusarium Dry Rot, Late Blight, and Blackleg. Regularly clean and disinfect!
- FACT: BRR can live on wood surfaces for up to 7 years and can live on hard surfaces for up to 3 years.
- When cleaning, ensure thorough removal of all soil and debris. Wash surfaces with hot water for maximum efficacy, followed by the application of a disinfectant. Allow the disinfectant to remain wet on the surface for 10 minutes to effectively destroy pathogens.

