

### Organic Farm Storage:-

With many more farms converting to Organic status I thought it might be useful to review the options available for successful Grain and Feed storage.

#### Stage 1: Cleaning

As with conventional farms the basis of all good storage is by means of a thorough cleaning and hygiene controls in and around the stores, but with even greater emphasis for the Organic farms as later control options are limited. The Organic Standards highlight the need for the frequent and regular cleaning of inaccessible areas.

#### Stage 2: Control

Pest control measures must be established and maintained to ensure that premises are effectively protected against entry by Wild Birds and infestation by Rodents and Insects.

**What is permitted?** CO2 fumigation; Cooling; Mechanical, Sound or Light barriers; Electric

Flying insect control units; Tamper Resistant bait stations; Pheromone traps; Desiccant dusts such as Silico-Sec.

In addition in cases of high risk of infestation to organic materials the following are allowed for restricted use.

Pyrethrum (natural Pyrethrins) giving good contact control; Synthetic Pyrethroids only for the treatment of sealed units such as electric motor housings, electric panel cupboards etc, where more a more persistent control is required to prevent infestation build up.

**Prohibited!** Organo-phosphorous pesticides, even for application to non-organic products on the same site. Vaporising Fly repellents. Any other chemical pest control substances not approved by the Standards Authority.

#### Stage 3:- Monitoring

As with conventional stores, pre-storage monitoring of stores with pheromone traps, sticky boards etc, which must be regularly checked. When stores are filled the use of Pit-fall traps is essential to monitor the raw materials and spot early signs of infestations building up. Along with regular Temperature monitoring.



B & W Grainstore Services can help you meet all of these requirements from Cleaning through to fumigation and supply of Monitoring equipment and Control Products.



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Bait Bags  
Temperature probes  
Moisture meters



### Sampling equipment

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RH sensors



### Storage aids

Hot spot fans  
Pedestal fans



### Weather Stations

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Cross-Compliance requirement to show records for weather conditions at time of application of sprays, fertiliser and FYM.



### Rodent control ACCS suspension\*

*\* Any signs of rodent droppings result in grain rejection and*



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